

KENT HAPPENINGS

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Overlooking the Lake of the Ozarks

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
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Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

~ 1951—2017 ~

EACH SUNDAY

8:30 AM Bible Study & Sunday School
9:30 AM Worship Service

~ David R. Beese, Pastor ~

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PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

There are basically two kinds of people in the world: those who build walls and those who build bridges. The great American Poet, Robert Frost, wrote,

"Before you build walls, make sure you know what you are walling out and what you are walling in."

Unfortunately, most of us have built some walls during our lifetimes, perhaps even a few more than bridges.

God suggests we rent a crane, one with a big steel ball at the end, and start knocking them down. With the walls crushed we can then build a bridge between us and other people.

Bridge-building becomes possible for the believer through the cross of Jesus Christ. His cross bridged the chasm of sin, alienation, and death that separated God from us. Faith in Christ makes it possible for us to span the gulf that isolates us from our family and neighbors.

The story is told of a girl who was told that if she stayed out too late, beyond a certain time, she would have to eat bread and water at supper. You guessed it, she stayed out too late. At supper time she was given bread and water. But as the family started to eat, the father reached over and took the bread and water and gave his daughter his own meal. They ate in silence for a while, and then the girl, with tears in her eyes, came over and pout her arms around her father's neck and said, "Daddy, I'll never disobey you again." Something had happened to her on the inside. No threat of punishment, no fear of consequences, could work a miracle like that. Only LOVE, a bridge building love could do it.

When Christ came he kissed a weary world. We have the kiss of forgiveness and acceptance through his death and resurrection. It is not ours alone but it is ours to give. Give it today - especially to someone who might least expect it. Then stand back and watch out for the crumbling walls.

On another note, Bishop Gustafson and the Synod Staff are visiting Areas 8 & 9 on Sunday, February 26th. (They have been doing this across our vast synod from Goodland KS to St Louis, MO) We, as congregations, will meet at St. Paul's in Cole Camp from 3 to 6 pm. This includes a meal. Please accept this invitation and join me for this special time with the Synod Staff. I will place a sign-up sheet on the table in the Gathering Place. (Take advantage of this invitation!!! Last year we travelled to Springfield for this meeting.) The following day the pastor's will meet with the Bishop and his staff at Christ/Trinity Lutheran in Sedalia.

We are well into this season of Epiphany. The light continues to shine brighter each Sunday on this baby that was born in Bethlehem, astounded the scholars in the temple in Jerusalem at age 12, was baptized in the Jordan River by John when he was 30 years old, and called fishermen to be his disciples. In the coming weeks we will hear what the Kingdom of God is like as we listen to Jesus' Sermon on the Mount.

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ARISE, SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME!

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FEBRUARY SCRIPTURE LESSONS

February 5, 5th Sunday after Epiphany

1st Reading..... Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]
 Psalm..... Psalm 112:1-9 [10]
 2nd Reading..... 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]
 GospelMatthew 5:13-20

February 12, 6th Sunday after Epiphany

1st Reading.....Deuteronomy 30:15-20
 Psalm..... Psalm 119:1-8
 2nd Reading..... 1 Corinthians 3:1-9
 GospelMatthew 5:21-37

February 19, 7th Sunday after Epiphany

1st Reading..... Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18
 Psalm..... Psalm 119:33-40
 2nd Reading..... 1 Corinthians 3:10-12, 16-23
 GospelMatthew 5:38-48

February 26, Transfiguration Sunday

1st Reading..... Exodus 24:12-18
 Psalm..... Psalm 2
 2nd Reading..... 2 Peter 1:16-21
 GospelMatthew 17:1-9

STAFF

Rev. David R. Beese..... Pastor
 Tracy Garrett.....Office Secretary & Newsletter Editor
 Joyce Wanamaker..... Organist
 Margo Strothmann..... Organist
 Tracy Garrett..... Vocal Choir Director,
Coordinator of Worship & Artistic Ministry
 Linda Williams..... Prayer Chain Chairperson
 Lester Clark, Dan Garrett,
 Ken Gerardy & Michael Wagner..... Sound Technicians
 Don Brohm..... Webmaster
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2017 COUNCIL MEMBERS

Committee Assignments

Gerry Williams.....President
 Don Peterson..... Vice President; Long Range Planning
 Lynn Burke..... Property
 Eldeen Hanke..... Evangelism
 Carol Hansen..... Christian Education
 Allen Kimberling..... Mutual Ministry
 Charles Niemann..... Christian Education
 Curtis Reams..... Property
 Andrew Renken..... Finance & Stewardship
 Joyce Wanamaker..... Worship & Music
 Donna Young..... Social Ministry

Council Appointed Positions

Carol Hanson..... Recording Secretary
 Gail Kruse..... Treasurer
 Gail Kruse..... Financial Secretary
 Ken Gerardy..... Building Fund Treasurer
 Linda Kimberling..... Building Fund Financial Secretary

GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR FEBRUARY

02/05 Chuck Wanamaker, Joyce Wanamaker
 02/12 Michael Wagner, Toni Wagner
 02/19 Linda Kimberling, Ken Gerardy
 02/26 Rosie Keeney, Gerry Williams

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2016

Leave your articles in the church office, or e-mail your news to Tracy at Office@KentMemorial.com.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

Offerings and Income for December 2016.....	\$10,343
Pass-Through Income for December 2016.....	\$3,131
TOTAL INCOME-DECEMBER 2016	\$13,474
Actual Expenses for December 2016	\$17,089
Pass-Through Expenses for December 2016.....	\$3,131
TOTAL EXPENSES-DECEMBER 2016	\$20,220
Monthly Budget Needs-Income	\$16,691
Monthly Budget Needs-Expenses	\$22,952
Offerings and Income for January-December 2016	\$187,987
Pass-Through Income for January-December 2016	\$20,096
TOTAL INCOME	\$208,083
Actual Expenses for January-December 2016	\$187,913
Pass-Through Expenses for January-December 2016	\$20,096
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$208,009

DECEMBER 2016 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bank Balance 12-1-16	\$2,529.42
Deposits, Interest and Adjustments.....	3,310.40
Payment to Mission Investment Fund	3,500.00
Bank Balance 12-31-16	\$2,339.82
Mortgage Payment to Mission Investment Fund ...	\$3,500.00
Interest Paid	197.99
Principal Paid in December.....	\$3,302.01
Mortgage Balance 12-1-16.....	\$56,512.46
Principal Paid.....	3,302.01
Mortgage Balance 12-31-16.....	\$53,210.45

2016 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bank Balance 1-1-16	\$3,322.28
Deposits, Interest and Adjustments	49,717.54
Payment to Mission Investment Fund.....	50,700.00
Bank Balance 12-31-16	\$2,339.82
Mortgage Payment to Mission Investment Fund...	\$50,700.00
Interest Paid in 2016	3,182.31
Principal Paid in 2016.....	\$45,517.69
Mortgage Balance 1-1-16	\$100,728.14
Principal Paid in 2016.....	47,517.69
Mortgage Balance 12-31-16	\$53,210.45

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

John Behnen
 Sue Breyer
 Delaney Brumm
 Mike Cash
 Chessie
 Estella Cronk
 Jason Cundiff
 Allen Dale
 Shirley Funk
 Carolyn Gentry
 Charles Gerardy
 Paislee Gonzalez
 Sue Gould
 Bob Hebrank
 Jack Hollingsworth

Bob Hoofnagle
 Jack King
 Bob Kuecker
 William LaCroix
 Kieran LaRock
 Larry Lynch
 Mike & Kimberly
 Jane Needles
 Pat Oppy
 Julie Patterson
 Paul
 Ashley Pierson
 Cyndi Rush

Anne Claire Schuler
 Carla Sims
 Diane Waggoner
 Floyd Wait
 Gerry Williams
 Pam Wills



Christian condolences and hope are extended to Pat & Joe Poretta, Wendy Blomberg & their families on the death of their sister, Joan Anderson. Also to Nancy & Pastor Dave & family on the death of Nancy's uncle, Rudi Schaefer.

REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN PRAYER

Christopher Babcock
 Eric Blomberg
 Ben Brammeier
 Travis Crites
 Aaron Davis
 Tanner Glodt



Kristine Hubbard
 Jason Ites
 Adam Kralina
 Glenn Maddock
 Joe Marco
 Adam Peterson

OUR FRIENDS IN CARE FACILITIES



Laurie Knolls Assisted Living
 610 Highway O / P.O. Box 1068
 Laurie, MO 65038

Stanley Field Bernice Lansing
 Bill & Ada Terry

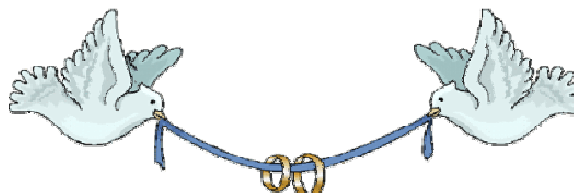
Pleasant Hill Health & Rehabilitation Center
 1300 Broadway
 Pleasant Hill, MO 64080

Don Hays

Eldon Nursing & Rehabilitation
 1001 E North St, Eldon, MO 65026
 Eldon, MO

If you are aware of anyone being admitted to or discharged from the hospitals or nursing homes, please notify the church office.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- 02/01 Wendy Blomberg
Teri Stout
- 02/06 Diane Reams
- 02/09 Don Peterson
- 02/10 Gary Cover
- 02/11 Brenna Enriquez
- 02/12 Travis Bullock
- 02/13 Linda Kimberling
Glenice Gibson
- 02/14 Randy Osterbur
- 02/15 Rick Waite
Jan Gauck
Al Diemer
- 02/16 Floyd Wait
- 02/17 Jan Lacas
- 02/18 Dee Hamman
Karen Ringsdorf
- 02/19 Sharon Lutjen
- 02/20 Pat Larson
- 02/21 Rhonda Neighbour
- 02/23 Alysia LaRock Bianco
- 02/24 Marilyn Peterson
Joan Zemke
Margo Strothmann
- 02/25 Jim Kruse
- 02/26 Allen Kimberling
Nancy Beese
- 02/27 Linda Williams
- 02/28 Matt Bunger
Shade Bullock

ANNIVERSARIES

02/08/1964	Brian & Judy Kuckler	53 years
02/12/1994	Brad & LeeAnne Brumm	23 years
02/14/2014	Leo & Katherine Lindeman	3 years
02/19/1988	Bill & Ada Terry	29 years

If your birthday or anniversary isn't listed, please contact the church office so we may include you in our congratulations!

CHURCH COUNCIL

Unapproved Council Minutes - January 17, 2016

In Attendance- Pastor Dave, Gerry Williams, Joyce Wanamaker, Carol Hansen, Eldeen Hanke, Don Peterson, Andrew Renken, Donna Young, Kurt Reams, Allen Kimberling, Lynn Burke, Chuck Wanamaker, and Gail Kruse.

Absent- Charles Niemann and Mark Kelly

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Gerry Williams.

Dwelling in the Word: Gerry Williams lead devotion from the books of Ephesians and Matthew. He spoke about being members of council and thanked everyone for their service.

Minutes- A motion was made to approve December minutes by Joyce Wanamaker, seconded by Allen Kimberling. All approved.

Treasurer's Report- Gail Kruse presented. A motion to approve the November treasurer's report was made by Andrew Renken, seconded by Don Peterson. All Approved

Pastor's Report- The calling tree worked well this past weekend as we cancelled worship. Our top priority is to keep members safe in bad weather. Pastor Dave would like each committee to go over their yearly agenda and ask themselves — is what we do helping in some way to proclaim the Gospel? Also, take a look again at the By-Laws explanation of all standing Committees. The Synod Staff will be meeting with Area 8 and 9 congregation son Sunday, February 26 at St. Paul's in Cole Camp from 3-6 p.m., evening meal included. This invitation is for all members of the congregation Pastor Dave reviewed the church roster and has identified some inactive families we need to reconnect with.

Building Fund Report – Pastor Dave presented. New balance \$53,210.45.

Committee Reports- Parsonage Committee reported the painting is finished. Committee met with Woody of Carpet Direct at the Lake about flooring. They will use vinyl in the dining, kitchen and bathroom and carpet in the living room and bedrooms. The total cost of flooring, labor and removal is \$4200.00. Master bath will be updated to be better accessible. The duct work will need to be cleaned.

Old Business- End-of-year committee reports are past due! January 10 was the deadline. The job description for the Organist/Accompanist was reviewed. Building Use Application was shared.

New Business- Mark Kelly's council position needs to be filled. We will revisit that next month. Toni Wagner has resigned as Hand Bell Director. Position will not be filled at this time. Meeting date and time will stay the same. A couple more new member photos need to be taken for the Church Directory before going to print. Pastor Dave would like the chance to make more home visits this year. From time to time there will be a sign up sheet in the Gathering Place with 45 minutes time slots. It is always beneficial to Pastor Dave to meet with families one on one on their home turf. However, if families would like to set up a visit at the church that would be fine. Gerry Williams suggested a possible Council retreat. Council members email your thoughts or ideas.

Correspondence- Thank you card from Margo Strothmann and a Thank you card from Share the Harvest.

Motion to adjourn was made by Andrew Renken, seconded by Allen Kimberling. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: February 21, 2017

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Hansen, Recording Secretary

BLOOD DRIVE
February 10
1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
at
Kent Memorial Lutheran Church
(no appointment necessary)



**COMMUNITY
BLOOD
CENTER**
OF THE OZARKS
not-for-profit organization

For more information, contact Joyce McHenry, 573-372-2141, or visit The Community Blood Bank of the Ozarks, www.CBCO.org.

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church
2016 Annual Report
will be available on Sunday, February 12, 2017.

Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELCA)

Unapproved Meeting Minutes - January 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Eldeen Hanke, with 17 members present. Eldeen then offered an opening devotion and prayer. She announced that the hostesses for January are Nancy Beese and Gladys Bohling.

The minutes from the November meeting were read and approved. Correspondence was read and posted on the bulletin board.

Linda Kimberling reported a balance of \$6,744.29 in the treasury.

Balance December 1, 2016	\$7,514.98
Income	\$2,084.86
Expenses	<u>-\$2,854.95</u>
Balance December 31, 2016	\$6,744.29

It was reported that the Christmas Sock offering totaled \$246.00, which was given to the ELCA Good Gifts program. This money purchased an Energy-saving Cook Stove, Family sized Mosquito Net, Farming Tools, Water Purification Tablets, a Fruit Tree Seedling, a Piglet, a Goat, ten Chicks, a Rooster and Vaccinations for a child.

Kathy Fair reported for the Christian Action committee that five women stuffed 49 animals and that a total of eighteen sets of hats and booties were completed in November and December.

Community for Christ work days will be 1/10, 1/12 and 1/14. A sign-up sheet is available.

Kent Klowns had no report.

Karen Mellody reported that there are still nuts available for sale from the Laurie Care fund raiser. The General Store at the Care Center is in need of volunteers. The next volunteer orientation will be January 19th. Eldeen Hanke reported that proceeds from the Nut Sale fund raiser were used to buy two book shelves for the center.

Karen Mellody reported a balance of \$991.92 in the Scrip bank account and \$100.00 worth of cards currently available for sale. There was a discussion about whether or not to continue the program, due to the fact that sales seemed to be declining. It was agreed that the program was a worthwhile effort that had, perhaps, run its course. It was moved by Diane Reams and seconded by Sharon Ballard that the Script Program be brought to an end and that \$1,091.92 be donated to the Parsonage Fund. Motion carried. A word of thank you to those who worked to make this program successful, especially Karen Mellody, Sheryl Boos and Kathy Fair.

Joyce Wanamaker reported that Kent worked at the Senior Center the week between Christmas and New Years. A new sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board.

Sunshine Lady, Lorraine Boyd reported that in November and December she sent one sympathy card and four get well cards.

Care Core Chair, Gladys Bohling reported that there were no requests for help in November and December. Diane Reams will be the Care Core Coordinator for January.

Labels and Box Tops - 59 Box Tops and 13 Campbell Soup Labels.

Karen Mellody and Barb Gidley were recognized for December birthdays.



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WELCA Minutes, continued

Old Business:

It was reported that a gift of \$1,932.00 was given to the Lake Regional Nursing Scholarship. This included \$1,388.00 from the Cookie and Candy Sale and \$544.00 in designated funds. It was noted that to date Kent WELCA has donated \$28,325.00 to the scholarship fund.

New Business:

The Mid Missouri Spring Cluster meeting will be held at Kent on April 22, 2017. A planning meeting for this event will be held on February 11th. Officers will serve on the planning committee. Anyone else interested in helping is welcome to attend.

The Mid Missouri Cluster Board is in need of a secretary. Anyone interested in serving in this capacity is to contact Eldeen.

Dates for the 2017 Calendar were set:

Salad luncheon: open to the community	May 5
New Comers Luncheon	May 17
Rummage Sale	August 4-5
Christmas luncheon – Members & Guests	December 5
Cookie/Candy Sale	December 9

Elementary School Volunteers: Hurricane Deck, Linda Williams – South School, Diane Reams.

Hostesses for February: Karen Pragman and Diane Reams

Devotions for February: Nancy Beese

There being no further business the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melba Bangert, Secretary

SCRIP CARDS UPDATE

As of the first of 2017, WELCA has decided to end our Scrip Card program. We wish to thank everyone for your participation using and ordering the Scrip Cards which allowed WELCA to help with community projects. We were able to donate \$200.00 to the Laurie Care Center, as well \$300.00 to Hurricane School to purchase computer hardware. With the remaining money WELCA will donate \$1091.92 to be used for further repairs in the parsonage. Again, thank you to all for your support!!

Karen Mellody, Sheryl Boos and Kathy Fair

Thank You

The Social Ministry Committee would like to give a big Thank You to Sandy Gilbert and Donna Young for their dedicated work and time in leading Kent's bell ringing efforts this year!! Anyone who has led this in the past knows that it takes a lot of coordinating and these girls did a great job!! They put their hearts and talent to work. Also Thank You to all that did the ringing this year!!! You did good, we surpassed last year's total!



**The 2016
CHRISTMAS COOKIE & CANDY SALE
donated \$1,932.00
to the Lake Regional Hospital
Nursing Scholarship Fund**

**Did you know?
Since Kent's WELCA began donating to the fund,
they've given
\$28,325.00
to help young women and men
pursue their dream to become nurses.**

WELL DONE, LADIES!



MERRY
Christmas!

Dear Salvation Army Volunteers,

We, here at Save-k-Lot, would like to thank you for all that you have done this holiday season! You have been very helpful with customers, carts, bags, and making time move a little quicker! Each and everyone of you have gone out of your way for the cashiers up front. The smiles you have brought to children & the Christmas spirit you each have brought to this store has been delightful.

Thank you again so much for everything you have done for the store, the customers, & those that are in need. You are wonderful!

Thank-You From
Save-k-Lot! ↓

P.S. Merry Christmas! ↓



KEEP BRINGING IN THOSE BOX TOPS, UPC CODES & LABELS

Save the label before you throw that bottle, box, or can into the recycle bin.

By redeeming the Box Tops & Soup Labels for Education, we help our partner schools, Hurricane Deck Elementary & South Elementary, to purchase things like library books and playground/sports equipment.

December brought in 59 more Boxtops & 13 Soup labels. Thanks to you, we ended 2016 with

907 Campbell Soup Labels & 1425 Boxtops for Education!

In January you saved 24 Boxtops and 3 Soup labels, a good start to the new year!

Let's keep those box tops and labels coming!



WELCA also collects Best Choice UPC codes & pop top rings. For every 3000 WELCA gets \$30 for community projects!

Thanks for your help!



SOCIAL MINISTRY

BLUE BOX UPDATE

Our February goal is 200 items

Please add a couple of Blue Box items to your basket when you shop this month.

If you prefer, a cash donation will always be gratefully accepted.

Please bring in cold weather foods, like pork & beans, canned soups, chili beans, and casserole-making items.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Hearing God's Call and Responding in Love...

Here's how your contributions met some of the need in our community.

DECEMBER, 2016 (number of needs calls):

Electric - 15

Rent - 1

Lodging - 1

Gasoline - 4

Total Assistance to our Community for the month: \$1,756.40

We Share Jesus with All!

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN THE HOUSE DUTIES OF KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Worship Services:

September to May – 9:30 a.m.

June to August – 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Events:

Advent/Lenten Services & Suppers

Annual Meeting – November

Blood Drives

Community Thanksgiving Service

Cruise Worship (summer)

Easter Pageant

Easter Breakfast (Men)

Entertainment—

Bus trips to Branson for shows

Main Street Music Hall Christmas Show

“Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner” meal

Rummage Sale

Social Ministry Fundraiser

Trunk or Treat

Join a Committee:

Altar Guild

Christian Education

Evangelism

Finance & Stewardship

Long Range Planning

Property

Social Ministry

Youth

Worship & Music

Small Groups:

Men’s Bible Study – Thursdays at 8:00 a.m.

Women’s Bible Study – Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.

Kent Klowns

Sunday School / Bible Study (all ages) – September to May at 8:30 a.m.

Youth – Kent Kids

Women of the ELCA (WELCA) – 1st Tuesday of each month

Volunteer to serve:

Bread Maker

Coffee Fellowship Host

Donut Pickup

Greeter or Usher

Lector

Music—

Vocal Choir, Bell Choir

Special Music

Sound Technicians

Property Maintenance

Sunday School Teacher

WELCA Activities (Luncheons, Crafts, Cookie/Candy Sale...)