

# KENT HAPPENINGS

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*Overlooking the Lake of the Ozarks*

## Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive  
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~ 1951—2017 ~

### EACH SUNDAY\*

8:00 AM      Worship Service (Outside \*)  
10:00 AM      Worship Service

~ David R. Beese, Pastor ~

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## HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

I always remember the vegetable garden my dad planted on the farm every year. Every year it seems, my dad had the garden planted before anyone else. In May the garden was growing vigorously, in nice neat rows, and freshly weeded. Everything looked great. We were eating lettuce and radishes from the garden. Naturally, my dad's garden drew many compliments from neighbors and friends and relatives.

Late in June, there were still rows of plants. But the rows were a bit overgrown, weeds were readily noticeable, and even though the garden had been very productive, it just didn't look quite as pretty.

Then my dad would weed it, till it and replanted empty spaces and thinned out some thick spots. Then it would look pretty good again!

So often, too often, our spiritual life can be like that garden. We go to Sunday School and church and maybe even to Parochial school. We attend confirmation and maybe even study hard to learn our memory verses and Small Catechism. Some of us even continue with high school or adult Bible classes.

But bit by bit we start slipping. We get confirmed, we get a driver's license, a boyfriend or girlfriend. We work hard to make a good life – but forget about “weeding,” “cultivating,” and “replanting” spiritually. Our Bible reading habits have fallen to the wayside. We may indeed be living the good life – but at what cost to our souls? We may have all sorts of degrees of education and accomplishments but still be limping along with a grade school or 8<sup>th</sup> grade spiritual education.

Just as a garden must be given constant regular attention to be attractive and productive throughout the seasons, so must we give our souls constant regular attention through Bible study, prayer, and obedience to God's Word to remain spiritually attractive, productive – even growing.

Some Scriptures to ponder: Matthew 6:33, 2 Peter 3:18, 2 Timothy 2:15, John 14:5. Look these Bible verses up and be ready for a pop-up quiz soon!!!! September and the beginning of our educational year is just around the corner!?!?!?

*Pastor Dave*

**We are a people  
Changed by Love, Sent in Love,  
to Serve!!**

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**AUGUST SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

**August 6, 9th Sunday after Pentecost**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading..... Isaiah 55:1-5  
 Psalm..... Psalm 145: 8-9, 14-21  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading..... Romans 9:1-5  
 Gospel ..... Matthew 14:13-21

**August 13, 10th Sunday after Pentecost**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading..... 1 Kings 19:9-18  
 Psalm..... Psalm 85:8-13  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading..... Romans 10:5-15  
 Gospel ..... Matthew 14:22-33

**August 20, 11th Sunday after Pentecost**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading..... Isaiah 56:1, 6-8  
 Psalm..... Psalm 67  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading..... Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32  
 Gospel ..... Matthew 15:10-28

**August 27, 12th Sunday after Pentecost**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading..... Isaiah 51:1-6  
 Psalm..... Psalm 138  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading..... Romans 12:1-8  
 Gospel ..... Matthew 16:13-20

**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, Larry Fair, Dan Garrett, Ken Gerardy,  
 Allen Kimberling & 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  
 Wendy Blomberg..... Evangelism  
 Lynn Burke..... Property  
 Eldeen Hanke..... Evangelism  
 Carol Hansen..... Christian Education  
 Allen Kimberling..... Mutual Ministry  
 ..... 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 AUGUST**

08/06 Linda Kimberling, Ken Gerardy  
 08/13 Rosie Keeney, Gerry Williams  
 08/20 Don Peterson, Gloria Peterson  
 08/27 Curt Reams, Diane Reams

# STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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## INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

	JUNE	MAY	APRIL
Offerings and Income for June 2017 .....	\$12,113	\$8,817	\$16,400
Pass-Through Income for June 2017 .....	\$1,171	\$832	\$1,571
<b>TOTAL INCOME - JUNE 2017 .....</b>	<b>\$13,284</b>	<b>\$9,649</b>	<b>\$17,971</b>
Actual Expenses for June 2017 .....	\$19,612	\$12,601	\$15,757
Pass-Through Expenses for June 2017 .....	\$1,171	\$832	\$2,695
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES - JUNE 2017 .....</b>	<b>\$20,783</b>	<b>\$13,433</b>	<b>\$18,452</b>
<b>Monthly Budget-Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$16,504</b>		
Offerings and Income for January-June, 2017 .....	\$70,470	\$58,357	\$49,540
Pass-Through Income for January-June, 2017 .....	\$7,145	\$5,974	\$5,142
<b>TOTAL INCOME .....</b>	<b>\$77,615</b>	<b>\$64,331</b>	<b>\$54,682</b>
Actual Expenses for January-June, 2017 .....	\$95,216	\$75,604	\$63,003
Pass-Through Expenses for January-June, 2017 .....	\$7,145	\$5,974	\$5,142
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES .....</b>	<b>\$102,361</b>	<b>\$81,578</b>	<b>\$68,145</b>
<b>TOTAL OVERALL — JAN-MAY (INCOME-EXPENSES) .....</b>	<b>-\$24,746</b>	<b>-\$17,247</b>	<b>-\$13,463.71</b>

## JUNE 2017 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bank Balance 6-1-17 .....	\$3,467.44
Deposits, Interest and Adjustments .....	5,447.08
Payment to Mission Investment Fund .....	6,000.00
Bank Balance 7-1-17 .....	\$2,914.52
Mortgage Payment to Mission Investment Fund .....	\$6,000.00
Interest Paid .....	88.03
Principal Paid in June .....	\$5,911.97
Mortgage Balance 6-1-17 .....	\$25,635.40
Principal Paid .....	5,911.97
<b>Mortgage Balance 7-1-17 .....</b>	<b>\$19,723.43</b>

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### **NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE** **MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017**

*Leave your articles in the church office, or e-mail your news to Tracy at [Office@KentMemorial.com](mailto:Office@KentMemorial.com).*

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## MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

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Bill Borgelt  
Fred Brunner  
Terry Buchholtz  
Myra Fuehring  
Shirley Funk  
Carolyn Gentry  
Charles Gerardy  
Barb Gidley  
Sue Gould  
Shirley Hamm  
Mildred Hemme  
Jack Hollingsworth

Steve Mellody  
Jane Needles  
Michael Page  
James "Bo" Phillips  
Denise & Ron Roberts  
Joan Schuitema  
Sharla  
Marshall Sherlock  
James Simpson  
Carla Sims  
James Sparks

Bill Terry  
Wes Toomay  
Ben VanDyke  
Susan Voges  
Ron & Linda Wagner  
Toni Wagner  
Floyd Wait



*Christian condolences and hope are extended to Bill & Vanessa Hebrank & their family on the death of his father, Bob Hebrank, on July 1; to Florence Bachman & her family on the death of Gary on Saturday, July 15; and to Vivian Brandmeyer & her family on the death of Stan on Sunday, July 16.*

## REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN PRAYER

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Christopher Babcock  
Eric Blomberg  
Ben Brammeier  
Aaron Davis  
Tanner Glodt  
Kristine Hubbard



Jason Ites  
Adam Kralina  
Glenn Maddock  
Joe Marco  
Adam Peterson

## OUR FRIENDS IN CARE FACILITIES

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**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

Marilyn Raus

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

# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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- 08/01 Dave Cauton
- 08/05 Barry Olson  
Sharon Ballard
- 08/06 Gail Kruse
- 08/07 Kathy Fair
- 08/08 Helen Oldham  
Don Hays  
Larry Lutjen  
Carol Gill
- 08/09 Jenn Kruse
- 08/16 Pat Garrett  
John Ballard
- 08/17 Bob Ballard
- 08/19 Mike Reth
- 08/20 Jennifer Bolton
- 08/23 Ken Gerardy
- 08/24 Tucker Renken
- 08/27 Stanley Field  
LeeAnne Brumm
- 08/31 Beth Moorefield



## ANNIVERSARIES

08/06/1988	Marty & Carol Hansen	29 years
08/07/1965	Barry & Susan Olson	52 years
08/08/1964	Jim & Maxine Williams	53 years
08/09/1980	Rick & Beth Waite	37 years
08/11/1973	Bill & Wendy Blomberg	44 years
08/13/1983	Matt & Leanne Bunger	34 years
08/18/1979	John & Jennifer Bolton	38 years
08/21/1965	Bill & Karen Pragman	52 years
08/21/1971	Tom & Karen Ringsdorf	46 years
08/23/1964	Mike & Judy Ward	53 years
08/27/1957	Jerry & Dee Hamman	60 years
08/27/1988	Jim & Gail Kruse	29 years
08/31/1992	Mike & Maria Reth	25 years
08/31/1996	Travis & Shannon Bullock	21 years

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

# CHURCH COUNCIL

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## **Unapproved Council Minutes - July 18, 2017**

**In Attendance-** Gerry Williams, Joyce Wanamaker, Carol Hansen, Lynn Burke, Gail Kruse, Andrew Renken, Pastor Dave, Curtis Reams, Wendy Blomberg, Eldeen Hanke and Allen Kimberling

**Absent-** Charles Niemann, Donna Young and Don Peterson

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

**Dwelling in the Word:** Joyce Wanamaker led the devotion.

**Minutes-** A motion was made to approve June minutes by Eldeen Hanke, seconded by Curtis Reams. All approved.

**Treasurer's Report-** Gail Kruse presented. A motion to approve the June treasurer's report was made by Joyce Wanamaker, seconded by Eldeen Hanke. All Approved

**Pastor's Report-** Pastor Dave reported two members passed away this week. One person has responded to the ad for organist/choir director. VBS is going very well at St. Pats. Pastor Dave answered some questions about what happens in a congregation when a pastor retires.

**Building Fund Report** – Pastor Dave presented. New balance - \$19,723.43.

**Committee Reports-** Property- Lynn Burke reported the pine and oak trees have been trimmed. A new map for members to pin their home location has been placed in the fellowship hall. New exhaust fan has been installed in the basement. Social Ministry reported they are working on the Bingo fundraiser in September,

**Old Business-** Member visit sign-up sheet is again available. Please feel free to sign up for a visit with Pastor. Due to General Funds being very low, Gerry Williams will give a Temple Talk about the financial standing of Kent Memorial to the congregation.

**New Business-** Charles Niemann is requesting to be dismissed from council due to medical reasons. Gerry Williams will seek out a new council candidate. We discussed hiring a person for extra duties. No decisions made at this time.

**Correspondence-** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Allen Kimberling, seconded by Eldeen Hanke. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: August 15, 2017

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Hansen, Recording Secretary

## Kent is in Dire Need of your Support

It is my unfortunate duty as church council president to make you aware of our current church finances. When it comes to charitable giving we are a very generous church. WELCA donated over \$12,000 and our church over \$27,800 to charities and mission work last year. Now we are overdue to extend our generosity to the operation of our own church, Kent Memorial.

The cold, hard fact is in the first six months of 2017 our giving has been \$25,000 short of our expenses. This is in spite of the fact that the cost to keep our doors open is running about the same as last year. I recently found out that in 2016 we met our expenses because of a \$13,000 gift from Bill and Jeri Hunter's estate. This followed a \$25,000 gift from their estate in 2015 that allowed us to balance that year. Their estate money is gone. To pay our bills this year the \$25,000 has been borrowed from basically our savings account and only \$24,000 remains in this account.

Unlike the previous churches Linda and I attended, in the 30 years we have been members of Kent the church has proudly never needed a home visitation stewardship drive. I don't think any of us want to go through that if possible but we're going to have to increase our giving and possibly come up with projects or anything creative to raise our income substantially. When we call a new pastor they will look at our finances and if we can't demonstrate our ability to meet expenses it is unlikely that person will make the decision to come here.

Part of this financial discussion has to include the continued upkeep of our church. Much of our maintenance, repair and other church needs are presently done by members who have been good enough to volunteer. Unfortunately, as our congregation has aged, many of us have entered the category of either being medically asked not to do the work we have done in the past for our own welfare or find ourselves physically unable to do the tasks around here we have done for years. Several members have suggested we've reached the point where a part-time paid maintenance person is needed. It has also been suggested that when our building fund is paid off, early 2018 at the latest, that if we continue contributing the same amount to an account for a maintenance person, that person might be a possibility.

Presently we are tasked with making our income balance our expenses and paying off our \$25,000 deficit before it only gets worse. Pastor Beese described it as "What is the Lord worth to you?" If we really count ourselves as Christians the Bible asks us to pay for the Lord's work first before making any other payments. All of us are continuously blessed by God and that includes a good lifestyle without worrying about such things as food. For our own sake, each of us needs to give, as an expression of love and gratitude.

I have already increased my giving with a big boost and I pray that I can count on you to do the same where possible. To simplify giving now or when you are traveling there are forms in the office to make regular direct deposits from your account to the churches. Your bank can also help you with this.

Together, with sacrifice, we can keep Kent's mission alive and well for the glory of God, the welfare of our neighbors and community and the enrichment of our own lives. Please pray about this and be a part of the solution to our dilemma.

Gerry Williams

A pastor once explained money and giving to his congregation this way-

"What you are about to give is tax deductible, won't be going with you when you die and the Bible cautions is the root of all evil."



## Women of the Evangelical Lutheran church (WELCA)

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### Unapproved Meeting Minutes - July 11, 2017

Eldeen Hanke called the meeting to order with the WELCA prayer. Twenty-four women were present. Eldeen thanked Linda Kimberling and Barb Yount for serving as hostesses for July. Barb Yount read a devotional poem entitled God's Grocery Store.

Eldeen introduced guest speakers Denny and Danna Hiner, retirees from the Camdenton School District and founders of the Lake of the Ozarks Idiots Club. The Idiots Club is a 501(c)3 charity formed in 2014 to help the youth in need in the Lake area. This charity is all volunteer with no paid personnel. More than 65% of the children in the Lake area live at or below the federal poverty level. Assistance is given to children who qualify for the free and reduced lunch program. Working through school counselors who identify needs, the club provides a wide variety of items including clothing, shoes, athletic fees and equipment, band instruments, dental care and much more. Danna is the contact person and as she receives requests she passes them along to volunteers who shop for items and deliver them to the school counselors for distribution. The club works with local retailers to purchase items and often receives special discounts and donations. In 2017 the club assisted 3,455 youth and spent \$28,251.24. (Actual retail value of these items was \$49,281.37.) The club serves four school districts: Camdenton, Climax Springs, Macks Creek and School of the Osage. Funding for the club comes from individuals and organizations and through various fund raisers. Members of the club pay a \$5.00 annual fee to belong. The slogan for the club is "Jesters of goodwill dedicated to helping youth in need in the Lake area." Denny and Danna thanked the Kent women for donating a portion of the proceeds from the 2016 rummage sale to the club. Eldeen thanked them for sharing their story.

Minutes for the June meeting were approved as printed. Correspondence was read and will be posted on the WELCA bulletin board. Joyce Wanamaker gave the treasurer's report. The balance as of 6/30/17 was \$5,551.10.

### Reports:

**Christian Action:** Kathy Fair reported that 6 women stuffed 29 critters and that 50 are ready to be delivered to Lake Regional Hospital along with 14 sets of hats and booties.

**Community for Christ:** Karen Mellody reported that the pantry is in need of pasta, syrup, pancake mix, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, skillet dinners and paper products.

**Kent Klowns:** Kathy Fair reported that the Klowns will be scheduling a rehearsal to practice using their new bells.

**Laurie Care Center:** Karen reported that the recent BBQ fund raiser met its \$5,000.00 goal. Volunteers are needed to serve as hosts and hostesses for the Thursday night wine and cheese parties. Work on the new day care center is progressing and the new therapy gym is now completed and is available to non-residents. The next volunteer orientation is July 20th. Inactive volunteers are encouraged to start helping once again. Kent will be helping with Bingo on July 11 and September 12.

**Senior Center:** Kent's week to volunteer is July 24-28.

**Sunshine Lady** Lorraine Boyd sent 4 get well cards. If anyone has extra get well cards, she needs them.

**Care Core:** Gladys Bohling reported that there were no requests in June. The July coordinator is Eldeen Hanke.

**Labels & Box Tops:** Wendy reported that 190 box tops and 24 labels were collected.

### Special Events/Old Business:

**Rummage Sale:** Wendy Blomberg reported that sign-up sheets are posted and that flyers are available for distribution in the community.

**Distribution of Proceeds:** As in past years the proceeds will be distributed with one third for use in the congregation, one third for the community and one third for the broader church. After hearing several proposals, the following actions were taken:

It was moved by Wendy Blomberg and seconded by Linda Kimberling that one third of the proceeds be given to Kent's general fund. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Barb Yount and seconded by Carolyn Wiles that the one third of the proceeds designated for the community be divided in the following way - that \$200.00 be sent to the Morgan County Back to School Fair, that \$25.00 gift cards be purchased for teachers at the Hurricane Deck School and the South School and that the remainder be donated to the Idiots Club. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Karen Melody and seconded by Melba Bangert that one third of the proceeds designated for the broader church be divided, with one half going to Bethany College and one half to the Ann Say Refugee Project. **Motion carried.**

**Aprons:** Kathy Fair is working on having the work aprons available for the rummage sale.

**Newcomers Luncheon:** Evelyn Clements reported that Kent will be hosting the Newcomers luncheon on August 16<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets for salads, desserts and kitchen help are posted on the bulletin board.

**Table Cloths:** As directed at the June meeting, Eldeen brought another sample table cloth for the long serving tables. It was agreed that this cloth was the preferred one of the three that had been presented.

It was moved by Evelyn Clements and seconded by Sheryl Boos that we purchase seven table cloths at #35.00 each. **Motion carried.**

### New Business:

There was no New Business

### Announcements:

VBS will be held July 17-21 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Pre-registration will be Sunday, July 16, with an ice cream social for those attending.

Pat Poretta announced that there is a sign-up sheet for cakes and kitchen help for the August 13th Evening With The Classics.

Eldeen announced that information about the WELCA convention will be posted on the bulletin board. Hostesses for August: Glenice Gibson and Kathy Fair — Devotions: Janet Harger.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Melba Bangert, Secretary





## WELCA'S ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE IS ALMOST HERE!

**August 4 & 5**

WELCA's annual Rummage Sale is Friday, August 4 & Saturday, August 5. We need your help! We'll need strong arms and backs on Wednesday, August 2nd, to set up tables and empty the room. On Thursday, August 3rd, we will sort and price, and, of course, we need workers for Friday and Saturday. Don't forget we also have to take everything down at 12:01pm on Saturday and box it up for Quality Industries.

As you can see, there's plenty to do. Please consider helping out! There are signup sheets on the bulletin board as you enter the fellowship hall from the sanctuary. We need everyone to help to make this a success.

Thank you!

Questions? See Wendy Blomberg or Eldeen Hanke.

## EVANGELISM

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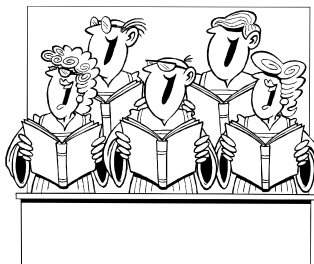
### **GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 26**

**5:30 P.M.**

Evangelism is preparing for our "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" for ALL Singles and Couples on Saturday, August 26, 5:30 p.m. — we are having it on a Saturday night in hopes that we could encourage some of our regular weekend Kent visitors to join us as well. This is a great way to get to know each other in a small, fun setting. The host will plan the meal and the host will know who is coming. The host will prepare the main course and beverages; the host will contact the others coming to their location and ask them to bring a dish to be shared. Come join us for a fun evening! Sign up sheet (green) is on our Kent Happenings Bulletin Board. If questions, call Jan Gauck 714-334-0603 or Carolyn Wiles 913-488-8072.

# Music



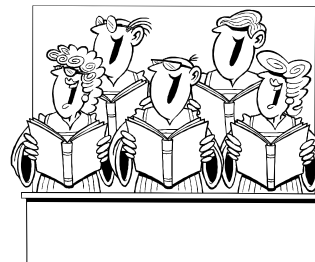
## Kent Choir

September—May

Rehearsals on Sundays at 8:00 A.M.

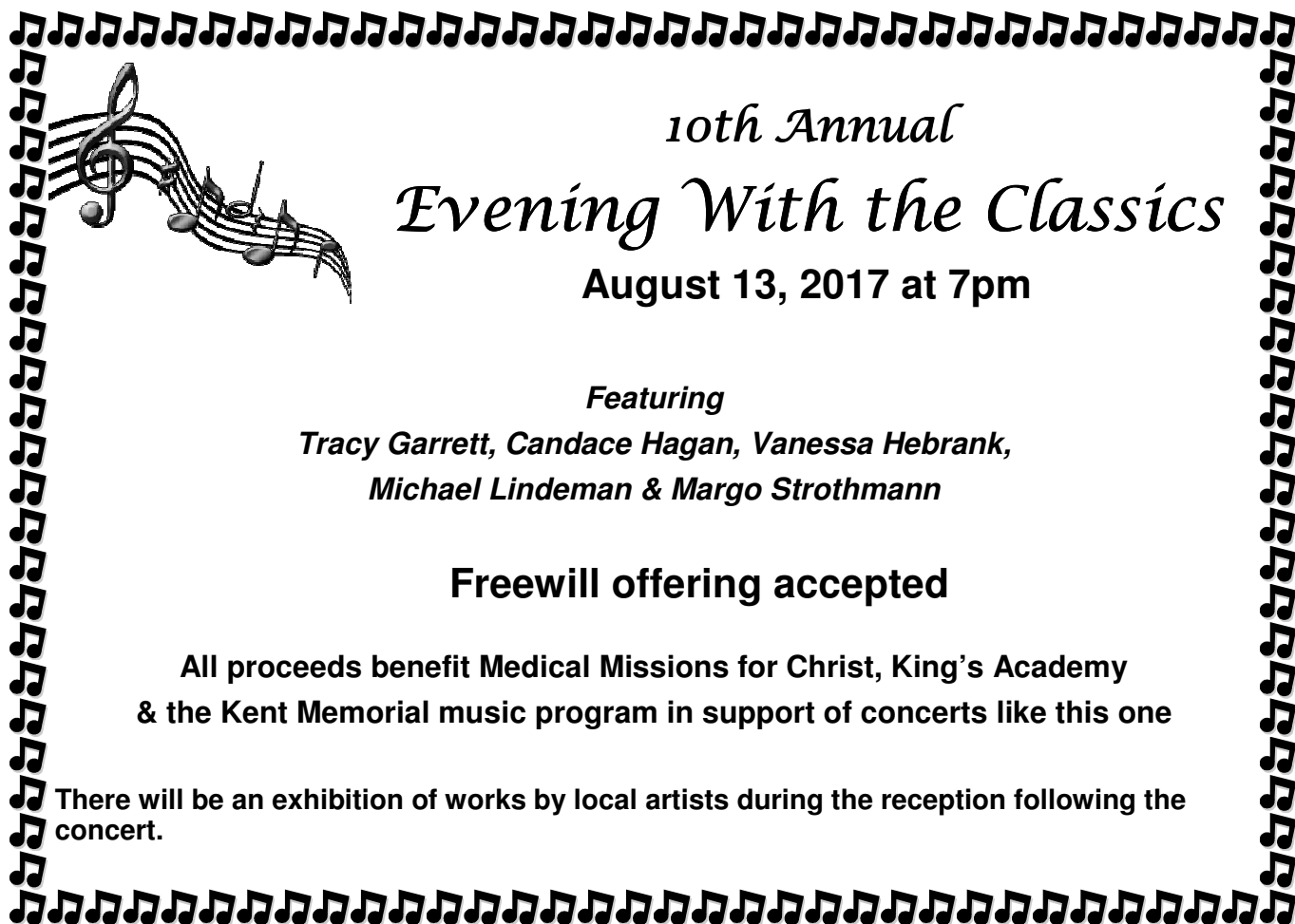
June—August

Rehearsals one Wednesday evening per month



Director: Tracy Garrett

Accompanist: Margo Strothmann



*10th Annual*  
**Evening With the Classics**  
 August 13, 2017 at 7pm

*Featuring*  
**Tracy Garrett, Candace Hagan, Vanessa Hebrank,  
 Michael Lindeman & Margo Strothmann**

**Freewill offering accepted**

All proceeds benefit Medical Missions for Christ, King's Academy  
 & the Kent Memorial music program in support of concerts like this one

There will be an exhibition of works by local artists during the reception following the concert.

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

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# SOCIAL MINISTRY'S ANNUAL “FOR THE COMMUNITY” FUNDRAISER FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>

6:00 p.m.

**\$10 per person**

We are asking Kent people to:

- ◆ **Buy a ticket for \$10 - Bring an hors d'oeuvre to share –**
  - ◆ **Sign up to donate a new or “like new” item –**  
*a bakery item—perform a service for someone – host a dinner*
- ◆ **Have a fun time with your church partners while helping others**

To Provide Items for the Silent Auction: Add your name and item on our sign- up sheet. Take a bid form from the basket and complete it, listing your item and, if you want, a suggested starting price. Take your items to the Faith Room between now and September 8. Donating baked goods? Just complete a bid sheet for your bakery items and leave it in the Faith Room. We will put the bid sheet with your goodies the night of the event. Our goal is to have the donations for the Auction to be available for bidding after the service on September 10.

Tickets will be available each Sunday. You can sign up as a table of eight or individually. The plan is to mingle, eat, play bingo and bid on Auction Items. Our main goal, of course, is to raise money to help the people in the community throughout the year.

Questions? See Evelyn Clements.

## BLUE BOX UPDATE

We've started keeping a running total of your generosity—  
along with a list of what's currently most needed at Community for Christ.

See the Blue Box in the church narthex/entry.

**THANK YOU KENT MEMORIAL!!!**

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

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

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

**June, 2017** (number of needs calls):

Natural Gas - 1

Electric - 2

Rent - 4

Gasoline - 1

**Total Assistance to our Community for the month: \$835.00**

*We Share Jesus with All!*

### **86 CHILDREN & 26 ADULT HELPERS ENJOYED VBS 2017 "MAKER FUN FACTORY"**



Bible stories, videos, imagination station, songs, games and snacks were the highlights of the week.

Thanks to everyone from Kent who helped as a crew leader, station helper or in the snack kitchen. Kent members also completed jobs for VBS behind the scenes. Donations to defray the cost of VBS are greatly appreciated and are still being accepted. It was a fantastic week for children and adults.

#### **THANK YOU!**

An extra thank you to Lester and Shirley Clark for providing ice cream treats for about 110 VBS participants. Lester and Shirley have generously given these treats for over thirty years and they are appreciated and loved.

Thanks,  
VBS Committee



October 21, 2017

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Missouri State Fairgrounds

The Festival of Sharing is an interfaith celebration and in-gathering of mission resources, a cooperative response to world hunger, poverty, and injustice, and seeks to address and to raise awareness of its root causes and solutions.

Every year on the third Saturday of October, people of faith, from many different denominations all over the state gather at the Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia. The groups and families bring dental kits that have been assembled and money that has been raised during the year. They help sack rice, beans and potatoes for distribution to Missouri agencies, and load the kits to be sent around the world where they're needed most.

The Festival of Sharing generates approximately \$1 million annually. This interfaith event is an expression of mission support and involvement that has helped improve the lives of countless individuals in Missouri and around the world.

For the October 15 Festival of Sharing, Kent will again provide Dental Kits, but we're doing things a little differently. This year, we are asking for

## **\$ DONATIONS \$**

Social Ministry will do the shopping—we just need your help to purchase the items.

### **Each kit costs \$12-\$15 dollars**

For 75 kits, we need to raise nearly \$1200. Can you help? Please make checks payable to Kent Memorial with "Dental Kit" on the memo line.

Drop your donation in the basket by the donuts & coffee any Sunday until September 24.

**THEN**—make plans to attend the Festival of Sharing & help deliver the kits. If you have never attended this statewide event, consider coming to see what an effort everyone makes to fill needs for all the food pantries across Missouri.

If you have questions, or want to go to Sedalia and join in the activities of the Festival of Sharing, please contact Sharon Ballard, or another member of the Social Ministry Committee.