

KENT HAPPENINGS

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Overlooking the Lake of the Ozarks

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
P. O. Box 155
Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

~ 1951—2019 ~

EACH SUNDAY

8:15 AM Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
9:30 AM Worship Service
10:30 AM Fellowship Time

~ The Rev. Carl R. Gauck, Transitional Pastor ~

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Pastor's Thoughts October 2019

Its October so my thoughts automatically turn to thinking about giving thanks and budgets. And I am most thankful and blessed to be serving here as your pastor. And as to budgets, that brings thoughts of money and our stewardship with God's gifts.

I don't know if you recall the news article some months ago of the young man who was from a wealthy family in Connecticut. He had received every advantage and every material possession one could imagine, from the silver spoon he was born with to the silver tray he was served on, to the silver sports coupe he left in the parking lot at Central Park. What the rich young man never had, evidently, was the joy and meaning in life for which he yearned. One of the investigators concluded that the young man's suicide was the result of a very modern disease of the soul, something he called "affluenza." And do you remember the story of an "elderly couple dies of malnutrition. Authorities investigating the deaths discover \$40,000 in cash tucked away in a closet. Somehow their sense of values had gotten turned on its head.

Last Sunday's Gospel text of the dishonest steward I tried to say why Jesus wanted the disciples to learn from his parable. It was important for them to learn that even dishonest money could be used by his disciples for the good of others but only if one truly understood that all that comes from this tainted world is dishonest. To learn that even dishonest money could be used by his disciples for the good of others but only if one truly understood that all that comes from this tainted world is dishonest, except the gift of God's grace which we cannot earn but is freely given by God, can open us up to using dishonest wealth. At least the dishonest manager understood that money is a means, not an end. He didn't take his boss' money for himself. He didn't hoard it up. He used it to buy favor with his friends. He didn't want to be all alone and unemployed in that harsh world when people were fortunate if they could eke out even a subsistence living. The really big question that our text for the day raises is, do you own your money, or does it own you?

Of course there is nothing new about this struggle of money's proper place and understanding. Consider eighteenth century evangelist John Wesley understood the spiritual struggle many people have with the place of money in their lives. Here was the irony of his ministry. The Wesleyan revivals were turning people, many of whom had serious drinking problems, into sober-minded, hard-working, responsible individuals. In fact, some of Wesley's converts became so successful that they began letting their commitment to Christ slide. They had allowed their success, their affluence, to become their god, and in reality, they were as lost as they were when Christ first touched their lives. Wesley's solution: "He saw only one: That they should EARN all they could, SAVE all they could and then GIVE all they could." It is understanding the proper place of money in our world. It is the challenge from Jesus' closing in the Gospel (LK 16:13b) "You cannot serve God and wealth."

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 & Michael WagnerSound Technicians
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**2019 COUNCIL MEMBERS****Committee Assignments**

Melba Bangert.....President  
 Bill Work.....Vice President; Property  
 Carol Hansen .....Recording Secretary, Christian Education  
 Wendy Blomberg.....Evangelism  
 Mary Evans .....Social Ministry  
 Bob Karls.....Finance  
 Ron Kornfeind .....Stewardship  
 Katherine Lacroix .....Long Range Planning  
 Al Mohling .....Worship & Music  
 Curt Reams .....Property  
 Gerry Williams .....Mutual Ministry  
 Bill Work.....Property  
 Donna Young .....Social Ministry

**Council Appointed Positions**

Gail Kruse .....Treasurer  
 Jane Maher .....Financial Secretary

**GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR OCTOBER**

10/06 Don Peterson, Gloria Peterson  
 10/13 Curt Reams, Diane Reams  
 10/20 Chuck Wanamaker, Joyce Wanamaker  
 10/27 Michael Wagner, Toni Wagner

**OCTOBER SCRIPTURE LESSONS****October 6 - 17th Sunday after Pentecost**

First Reading .....Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4  
 Psalm .....Psalm 37:1-9  
 Second Reading .....2 Timothy 1:1-14  
 Gospel Reading .....Luke 17:5-10

**October 13 - 18th Sunday after Pentecost**

First Reading .....2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c  
 Psalm .....Psalm 111  
 Second Reading .....2 Timothy 2:8-15  
 Gospel Reading .....Luke 17:11-19

**October 20 - 19th Sunday after Pentecost**

First Reading .....Genesis 32:22-31  
 Psalm .....Psalm 121  
 Second Reading .....2 Timothy 3:14—4:5  
 Gospel Reading .....Luke 18:1-8

**October 27 - REFORMATION**

First Reading .....Jeremiah 31:31-34  
 Psalm .....Psalm 46  
 Second Reading .....Romans 3:19-28  
 Gospel Reading .....John 8:31-36

**NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019**

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

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

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Avery  
Butch Bayer  
Delaney Brumm  
J.C. Buck  
Betty Buss  
Kelly Covey  
Duane Cridland  
Barb Daniels  
Nick David

Jenna Gonzalez  
Will Hedgepeth  
Linda Hicks  
Kay Hunt  
DeLynn Hurley  
Bob Karls  
Linda Kimberling  
Sharon Lutjen

Rhonda McClure  
Karen Pragman  
Ava Plasmeir  
Diane Reams  
Pastor Rick  
Pat Shank  
Marilyn Sherfield

Dean Thonesen  
Jack Wagner  
Linda Wagner  
Floyd Wait  
Clarion Winzenburg

*Daily pray for the Call Committee & the congregation as we seek to learn God's purpose for Kent Memorial.*

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

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



Nathan Karls  
Adam Kralina  
Justin Lawler  
Jordan Lindeman  
Glenn Maddock  
Joe Marco  
Tristan Morgan  
Adam Peterson

## OUR FRIENDS IN CARE FACILITIES

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**Laurie Care Center**  
610 Highway O / P.O. Box 1068  
Laurie, MO 65038

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

Stanley Field  
Mildred Hemme

Marcia Heald  
Helen Pragman

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

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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10/01 Micah Reth  
10/02 Georgi Carolus  
10/04 Phil Keeney  
10/05 Chuck Wanamaker  
10/08 Nancy Williams  
10/10 Beth Waite  
    Kaiden Enriquez  
10/12 Andrew Renken  
10/16 Jim Hennick  
10/17 Darrell Garrett  
    Vivian Brandmeyer  
10/18 Bea Pray  
10/22 Carolyn Wiles  
10/26 Joe Garrett  
    Wes Ballard  
10/29 Jim Clements



### ANNIVERSARIES

|            |                       |          |
|------------|-----------------------|----------|
| 10/02/1993 | Paul & Denise Irwin   | 26 years |
| 10/03/1980 | Steve & Linda Latham  | 39 years |
| 10/04/1975 | Dave & Cindy Curchy   | 44 years |
| 10/11/1997 | Dale & Eldeen Hanke   | 22 years |
| 10/11/2008 | David & Christy Jones | 11 years |
| 10/23/1962 | Gary & Carolyn Wiles  | 57 years |
| 10/31/1982 | Sandy & Jim Gilbert   | 37 years |

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

# STEWARDSHIP/GIVING REPORT

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## INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

|                                                | AUGUST            | JULY             | JUNE             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Offerings and Income for August, 2019          | \$10,699          | \$15,852         | \$12,293         |
| Pass-Through Income for August, 2019           | \$60              | \$277            | \$200            |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME - JANUARY-AUGUST, 2019</b>     | <b>\$10,759</b>   | <b>\$16,129</b>  | <b>\$12,493</b>  |
| Actual Expenses for August, 2019               | \$12,848          | \$15,070         | \$13,603         |
| Pass-Through Expenses for August, 2019         | \$60              | \$277            | \$200            |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES - AUGUST, 2019</b>           | <b>\$12,908</b>   | <b>\$15,347</b>  | <b>\$13,803</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL OVERALL—AUGUST</b>                    | <b>\$-2,148</b>   | <b>\$782</b>     | <b>\$-1,310</b>  |
| <b>Monthly Budget-Expenses</b>                 | <b>\$16,221</b>   |                  |                  |
| Offerings and Income for January-August, 2019  | \$90,364          | \$79,629         | \$63,777         |
| Pass-Through Income for January-August, 2019   | \$4,541           | \$4,481          | \$4,204          |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME JANUARY-AUGUST, 2019</b>       | <b>\$94,905</b>   | <b>\$84,110</b>  | <b>\$67,981</b>  |
| Actual Expenses for January-August, 2019       | \$119,216         | \$106,368        | \$91,409         |
| Pass-Through Expenses for January-August, 2019 | \$4,541           | \$4,481          | \$4,204          |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES JANUARY-AUGUST, 2019</b>     | <b>\$123,757</b>  | <b>\$110,849</b> | <b>\$95,613</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL OVERALL JANUARY-AUGUST</b>            | <b>\$-28,852*</b> | <b>\$-26,739</b> | <b>\$-27,632</b> |

\* Note -We do not have an actual shortage for general fund donations in 2019. Donations of more than \$36,000 intended for calendar year 2019 were logged during calendar year 2018 and do not show in 2019 income. This is why the above report shows Outflows greater than Inflows of \$28,852.

# CHURCH COUNCIL

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## Unapproved Church Council Minutes, September 17, 2019

**In Attendance-** Melba Bangert, Al Mohling, Carol Hansen, Bill Work, Wendy Blomberg, Katherine Lacroix, Pastor Gauck, Mary Evans, Gail Kruse, Curtis Reams and Gerry Williams

**Absent-** Bob Karls, Donna Young and Ron Kornfeind

Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m. by President Melba Bangert.

**Dwelling in the Word:** Katherine Lacroix opened with devotion.

**Minutes-** Motion to approve the Special Council Meeting on September 5, 2019 was made by Gerry Williams, seconded by Al Mohling. All approved. A motion to approve the August Council minutes was made by Mary Evans, seconded by Wendy Blomberg, all approved.

**Treasures Report-** Gail Kruse presented.

**Pastor's Report-** Pastor Gauck reported he made five hospital calls, had eleven drop in's, conferences and visits, attended twelve committee meetings, nine community meetings and has had five worship services. Services are planned out through New Year and thought for Lent shared. Pastor will attend the Bishops Convocation on October 15-17<sup>th</sup>. The Transitional Pastors retreat has been canceled due to lack of funds. Upcoming vacation is planned for September 24-27<sup>th</sup>, and the evening of November 18-24<sup>th</sup>. Coverage will be Kim Zeller on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee Reports-** Evangelism reported they had 56 people and approximately 126 man hours for GWOH. An article will be submitted to the paper. Thank you for all your hard work putting this together. Property thanks everyone for all their hard work keeping the property looking good. Gerry met with the Fire Department. They will be installing two carbon monoxide detectors and will do annual smoke alarm tests. Social Ministry reported a successful Bingo night. Worship & Music reported they will do a Seder meal for Holy week. Gail Kruse reported all changes have been made to the MSP. It was approved and should be posted.

**Old Business-** WELCA gifted the proceeds from the rummage sale in the amount of \$3,166.95 for the new Pastor for expense in moving. The Council thanks WELCA for this gift. Al Mohling reported the sign blueprints are about complete. Church Wide Assembly statements were reviewed. Gerry Williams made a motion to accept the letter regarding information about the Sanctuary Denomination that was agreed upon by Council. Letter will be sent to the congregation via e-mail blast, newsletter and a bulletin insert. Motion was seconded by Bill Work and all approved.

**New Business-** Mutual Ministry reported they had conducted the employee interviews. Organist has requested funds for music. Tracy has requested looking into getting a Historian. Katie Heaford will continue [with handbells] with no compensation. Gail Kruse will continue to clean. Pastor was also interviewed. Al Mohling presented the 2020 Committee Budget requests for review. Annual Meeting is scheduled for November 10<sup>th</sup>. Pot luck will be served.

**Correspondence-** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Wendy Blomberg, seconded by Al Mohling, all approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: October 15, 2019

Devotion- Wendy Blomberg

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Hansen, Recording Secretary

**TO THE KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CONGREGATION:**

As you may be aware, the members of the ELCA Churchwide Assembly (August 5-10, 2019) in Milwaukee approved a memorial on Sanctuary with an amendment to add verbiage “The ELCA declares itself a sanctuary church body”.

The word “sanctuary” has many meanings and its use has confused many members of this congregation. The ELCA has stated that it:

- Does not advise or condone breaking the law.
- Is not ordering its congregations to take a particular action.
- Is renewing its commitment to advocate for reform of our nation’s immigration system and for the humane treatment of immigrants and refugees.
- Is renewing its commitment to action to fulfill Scripture’s call to welcome the stranger.
- Is renewing its commitment to the AMMPARO (Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation, and Opportunities) program.

The Kent Memorial Church Council has deliberated in prayer surrounding the actions of the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly and use of the word “sanctuary” with the following reflections:

- Kent leadership does not condone the breaking of any federal, state, or local laws.
- Kent leadership will not advocate calling itself a sanctuary congregation.
- Kent leadership will encourage any known person that has broken any laws to seek representation and work within the legal system for the best solution.
- Kent leadership encourages congregation members to contact ELCA staff and state/federal representatives with opinions on how to reform our nation’s immigration system and express that it should be done as soon as possible.
- Kent leadership encourages open and civil dialog between members, family, friends, neighbors, acquaintances, and synod staff.

**In the meantime, the people of Kent will continue to live out its mission statement – “Hearing God’s Call and responding in love . . . We share Jesus with all”.**

Together In Christ,  
Kent Memorial Lutheran Church Council

**Kent Memorial Lutheran Church**  
**Unapproved Minutes**  
**Annual Congregational Meeting**  
**November 11, 2018**

Meeting called to order at 11:10 by Church Council President Melba Bangert

Pastor Howard Ellis offered an opening prayer. The group took time to remember all veterans and those currently serving in the military.

48 Voting Members

Confirmation of Quorum- Gail Kruse and Carol Hansen.

Pastor's report read by Carol Hansen- See attached

A motion to approve Congregational Meeting minutes of November 12, 2017 was made by Linda Kimberling. Bill Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved. Motion to approve Special Congregational meeting August 19, 2018 was made by Michael Wagner, seconded by Gail Kruse and all approved.

Melba Bangert introduced the Ballot nominees, Kathy Fair, Bob Karls, Ron Kornfeind, Katherine Lacroix and Al Mohling. A motion to confirm the ballot was made by Charles Niemann. Linda Kimberling seconded the motion and all approved. Ballots were counted by Don Peterson, Larry Fair and Gail Kruse. 2019 Council members are Bob Karls, Ron Kornfeind, Katherine Lacroix and Al Mohling.

Outgoing Council members Larry Fair, Don Peterson, and Andrew Renken were thanked for their service.

Council President Melba Bangert discussed the needs of Committees and the local volunteer opportunities that Kent Memorial Members provide. Melba thanked all that have served on committees, Pastor Gauck, the Kent Staff, Music department, Katie Heaford, the Transition Team, Call Committee and all those who volunteer their time and efforts in any way. We have replaced a furnace, roof and the columbarium wall.

Al Mohling presented the 2019 Budget. Al Mohling made a motion to accept the budget as presented. Bill Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved.

**Resolution One:**

We of the Kent Memorial Lutheran Church Task Force, with Church Council approval, propose change of the Constitutional sections C13.03 and C13.07. The suggested change to C13.03 will read: The Audit Committee shall consist of at least three voting members. Audit Committee members shall not be members of the Congregation Council or members of the Budget & Finance Committee. The suggested change to C13.07 will read: Duties of congregation committees shall be specified in the continuing resolutions. Bill Work moves to accept the adoption of Resolution 1, as previously approved by simple majority at the August 19, 2018 special congregational meeting. Tracy Garrett seconded and all approved.

**Resolution Two:**

We of the Kent Memorial Lutheran Church Task Force, with Church Council approval, propose change of the section C13.07.01 of the current Kent Memorial Church Bylaws. Bill Work moves that C13.07.01 be amended to read: To better fulfill the congregations' responsibilities as outlined in this constitution (C12.04) the following standing committees shall be organized by and be responsible to the Congregational Council: a-Audit Committee, b- Budget & Finance Committee, c- Christian Education Committee, d- Church Property Committee, e- Evangelism Committee, f- Long Range Planning, g- Mutual Ministry, h- Social Ministry, i- Stewardship Committee, j- Worship & Music Committee. The responsibilities of these committees shall be described in the Continuing Resolutions (\*C4.04and C13.07). Wendy Blomberg seconded and all approved.

**Resolution Three:**

We of the Kent Memorial Lutheran Church Task Force, with Church Council approval, propose deletion of existing C13.07.C01 describing standing committee structure and function. Bill Work moves that section C13.07.C01 be amended as within proposed sections C12.01.A18 and C13.07.A18. C12.01.A18 indicates the congregational council membership shall be limited to only one member of an immediate family at the

same time and section C13.07.A18 places in the continuing resolutions the description of all standing committees. Seconded by Tracy Garrett and all approved.

Constitution has been revised. Thank you to the Task force for all your time and to Dan Garrett for all your help with the wording for the constitution changes.

Call Committee Chairperson Gail Kruse updated the congregation on the Calling of a New Pastor. The paper-work is almost complete and they will be able to start the Call.

A motion to adjourn was made by Karen Pragman, seconded by Linda Kimberling and all approved.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol Hansen  
Recording Secretary

## **NOTICE**

### **KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

### **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION**

**(and potluck lunch/brunch)**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018**

**In the fellowship hall immediately following worship**

We will elect four new Church Council members and approve our 2019 budget at this meeting.

All documents will be available on the Kent website, [www.KentMemorial.com](http://www.KentMemorial.com) and in the Gathering Place and fellowship hall at church by October 27.

## Sunday Adult Bible Study ~

# *A Crown of Glory*

## **A Bible Study for Older Adults**

**Start: October 06, 2019**

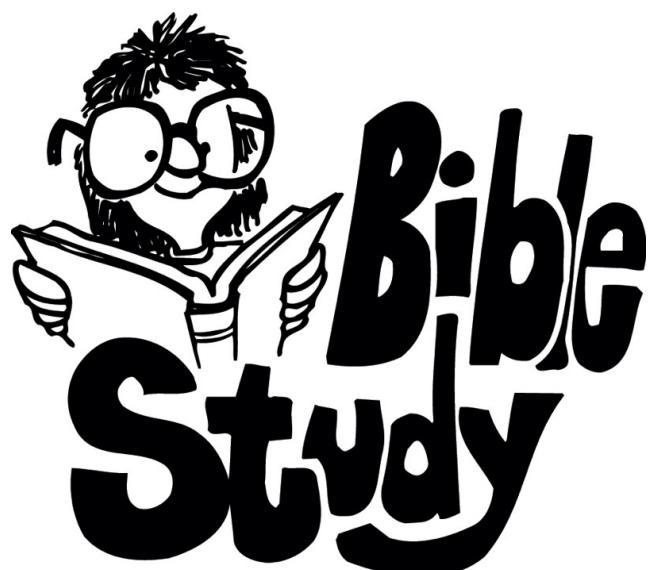
**Time: 8:15-9:15 a.m.**

**Location: The church library**

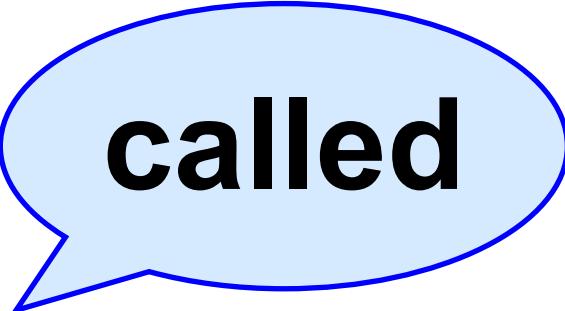
This six-week Bible study for older adults reminds us that according to God's Word, gray hair is a crown of glory; it is gained in a righteous life. This study will examine ways in which God works through the life of his aging saints as they respond to his grace, love and service.

All sessions include Scripture reading, questions, prayers and suggested activities for service. Bring your own Bible and join in for a greater understanding for what God has planned for you, in this phase of your Christian life.

See Bob Harger for more information.



# THE GATHERING



called

**Saturday, November 2, 2018**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

205 W. Jefferson St.

Cole Camp, MO

Sponsored by the Lutheran Churches of Area 9

This is our 5th annual "Gathering" for faith formation, inspiration, and sharing and our special guests Robert & Sammy Mikulski.

By age three, Sammy could be heard singing on Northwest Indiana radio station WJOB. Since then her career has expanded to include over 50 productions, playing such roles as the narrator in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Rhetta in Pump Boys and Dinettes, Oolie/Donna in City of Angels (Best actress Award – Excellence in Theater Foundation), Florence in Chess, Paula in The Goodbye Girl, Broadway on Broadway and New York's City Center. In addition to releasing two solo CDs, shortly after 9/11, Sammy co-wrote and coproduced a fund-raising CD entitled "We Are One" utilizing over 400 school-aged children. Sammy has taught musical theater in public schools, performing arts centers, and at Indiana State University. While living on the East Coast of the United States, Sammy and her husband co-founded a performing arts school which is still going strong today.

Rob began playing the piano at age 7 and started working in music ministry at age 16. He did his undergraduate work at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago, Illinois with an emphasis in organ and education. His graduate and postgraduate work was done at the University of Illinois in Urbana with an emphasis in conducting. Rob's teachers include: G. Nicholas Bullat, Thomas Wisniewski, Ian Hopson, Leonard Bernstein, and Leonard Slatkin. In addition to working in the church, Rob spent eleven years conducting on Broadway in New York City.

## **Come and Experience**

|            |                                            |
|------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m.  | Registration & Snacks                      |
| 9:30 a.m.  | Music & Devotions                          |
| 10:00 a.m. | Keynote Presentation: Sammy & Rob Mikulski |
| 12:00 noon | Lunch & Interactive Stations               |
| 1:00 p.m.  | Conversations with Rob & Sammy             |
| 2:00 p.m.  | Closing Worship with fellowship to follow  |

Come and go as you please; stay for awhile or stay all day!

We are called. Come and experience how God is calling you.

For questions or more information, and to sign up to attend, contact the church office.

## SOCIAL MINISTRY CORNER

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

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

**August, 2019** (number of needs calls):

Electric - 4

Car Repair - 1

Gasoline - 4

**Total Assistance from Kent to our Community this month: \$620**

**2019 Assistance to the Community to date: \$5,418.04**

*We Share Jesus with All!*

'ALL ABOARD, ALL ABOARD'  
FOR THE 2019 KENT MEMORIAL BRANSON TRIP TO SEE  
**Miracle of Christmas**  
**November 8th**

Please be at Kent by 8:15 sharp for departure no later than 8:45 a.m.

The cost of the bus trip, lunch (including tip) and the show is all included in the cost of the outing. (\$98 per person) Please bring additional cash along for any other expenses such as shopping before the matinee at 3:00 and a stop at Braums on our return trip back to the church. You are welcome to bring a small cooler with water or your favorite beverage on the bus. We will also have some water available. Bathroom is included on the bus. I know some of you have friends, that are not members of Kent, coming along. Please make sure they are notified of the time to be at Kent as the bus will depart at 8:45 a.m. **Join us for a super fun Day!**

The Evangelism Committee is so excited that all of you have made plans to join us and it is always a great day of fellowship and fun. Questions? Call Carolyn Wiles, 913-488-8072.



## **VOLUNTEER TO HELP OUT AT LUNCH AT THE WESTSIDE SENIOR CENTER**

September 28, October 1, 2019

11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

The Westside Senior Center is located on O Road in Laurie, near the Indian Rock Golf Course.

## **BLUE BOX UPDATE**

for Community for Christ Food Pantry  
Thank you for your continued support!

Kent Memorial's next opportunity to volunteer is October 8, 10 & 12

### **MOST NEEDED FOR OCTOBER ~**

**Cereal-hot and cold, spaghetti sauce, shampoo,  
facial tissues & soups**

**Our goal is 200 items each month.**

Place items in the Blue Box in the church narthex or the east entry.

**Thanks to all for helping!!!**

## Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELCA)

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### WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH September 3, 2019

WELCA President Eldeen Hanke called our September 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting to order and opened with prayer. There were 22 ladies present, including guest Connie Hanke. Eldeen thanked Sharon Ballard and Maxine Williams for being September hostesses. Katherine Lacroix gave the devotion 'Jesus Calling' based on Psalm 46.

Secretary Karen Ringsdorf read August's minutes. Diane Ziehl made the motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Sharon Ballard.

Joyce Wanamaker gave the treasurer's report. We have an August balance of \$6,278.86. Joyce also mentioned our 3 summer bake sales were successful with earnings of \$483.

**Christian Action:** Kathy Fair reported 9 ladies stuffed 61 critters for children in Lake Regional Hospital. We will be working on the stuffed animals during 'God's Work Our Hands' Sunday. 26 sets of crocheted baby hats and booties are ready to be delivered to Lake Regional.

**Community for Christ:** Eldeen Hanke asked for help on Sept. 7 to remove the old clothing and on Sept. 9 to bring up and hang the new fall clothing. CFC needs powdered milk, diapers, soups, & cereal.

**Laurie Care Center:** Katherine Lacroix reported the Hero's Appreciation and Summer Fun events were a success. Bingo is September 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Senior Center:** Jane Maher thanked everyone for helping and to please sign up for future dates. A volunteer dinner will be held September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Kent Klowns:** Kathy Fair reported they were trying to find a date in November for the Klowns service. The Kids Fest at Lake Regional is coming up and they hope to participate.

**Sunshine Lady:** Lorraine Boyd said she sent 6 get well cards in August.

**Publicity:** Karen Stanze shared pictures from our outing to Shady Gables Tea Room. They are posted on WELCA bulletin board.

**Care Core:** August coordinator Cheryl Boos mentioned that Shirley Clark's brother would like us to visit her on days the nurses were not going to be there. Carolyn Wiles has Care Core in September.

**Labels & Box Tops:** Wendy Blomberg said 80 Box Tops were collected in August.

**Treats for Schools:** Melba Bangert and Kandy Husbands will take treats for staff in September.

**Buddy Backpack:** The summer program is over reported Wendy Blomberg. Kent Memorial packed foods for Labor Day weekend as the regular school year Buddy Backpack had not yet started. Treats were given to the bus drivers at Hurricane Deck School for Bus Driver Appreciation Day.

**Special Events:**

Peace Lutheran luncheon & style show was attended by 8 Kent ladies. They said the salads and program were great.

Newcomer's luncheon will be held at Kent Memorial on September 18<sup>th</sup>. President Eldeen said they expect 70 ladies so we need approximately 32 salads and 10 desserts.

The Legion Auxiliary style show and luncheon will be September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Katherine Lacroix has tickets.

Happy Birthday was sung to Cindy Mohling, Lorraine Boyd and Karen Stanze.

**Old Business:**

God's Work Our Hands Sunday is September 7<sup>th</sup>. Wendy has sheets to sign up to work at various locations. Health kits & school bookbags for Lutheran World Relief will be filled by those working at our church. Mary Evans made the motion to send a \$50 check for shipping costs with the kits, seconded by Sharon Ballard. Motion carried.

Jane Maher said the puzzles will be stored in the book room. She is working on inventorying the puzzles and

creating a check out/in system. These will be available for all Kent members.

**New Business:**

Sharon Ballard volunteered to do Box Tops and Best Choice labels. We receive \$30 for 1000 Best Choice labels.

We discussed having a bake sale during the November election. More to follow.

Mid Missouri Fall Cluster meeting will be held at St. Paul's in Lohman on September 28<sup>th</sup>. Jan Gauck will try to attend. Kent Memorial has the closing prayer.

**Announcements:**

Katherine Lacroix said WELCA has the birthday presents for the Care Center in November. She will have the number of gifts needed at October meeting.

Melba Bangert encouraged everyone to attend the Social Ministries event on September 6th. Card bingo will be played and everyone brings an appetizer to share.

Diane Ziehl requested we sign up to be an usher, greeter, donut getter, or coffee hour hostess.

Hostesses for October are Carolyn Wiles and Barb Yount. Devotions for October is Barb Yount.

We all joined our circle of friendship and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Ringsdorf, Secretary



## BRING IN THOSE BOX TOPS, UPC CODES & LABELS



**Don't care what brand you buy? Then look for the "Box Tops" symbol!**

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.

This month you donated 56 box tops and 2 soup labels!

WELCA also collects Best Choice UPC codes & pop top rings. The labels must show the bar code. For every 1000 labels, WELCA gets \$30 for community projects!

And keep bringing in those pop top rings! As of August, 2019, the American Legion Zack Wheat Post has collected 724 pounds of pop tops to support Ronald McDonald House. That's a LOT of pop top rings!

**REMEMBER TO CLIP THOSE LABELS  
& SAVE THOSE POP TOP RINGS!**



# TRUNK OR TREAT

**Thursday, October 31**

**5pm-7pm**



Join the fun of our annual Trunk or Treat. On Wednesday, October 31, you are all invited to gather in the church parking lot—with trunks and truck beds decorated for Halloween—for our Annual Trunk or Treat. From 5:00-7:00 p.m., we will hand out candy and enjoy all the kiddos and costumes. Plan on candy for at least 250 kids.

You can dress up if you'd like, but you don't have to. Just don't miss all the joy in the children's smiles—and the laughs the adults share with each other.

Let's line the entire parking lot with trunks decorated for Halloween and full of treats for the area children. [If the weather turns bad, we'll set up in the Fellowship Hall.]

After the kids have all been treated, we'll head inside for some hot soup and warm fellowship.

Everyone is encouraged to invite your neighbors to join us to hand out candy and stay around to have a bowl of soup with us.

If you can't join us, we welcome donated bags of candy for the others to hand out.

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