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ASLAN AND GEN Z

Following World War II, especially in Europe and Britain, a lot of people struggled with faith. How could the kind and loving God who they had heard about as children, or for that matter the harsh angry judge who insisted upon righteousness and justice than many of them had been taught, how could God allow the horrors and the terror they had seen?

It was a real struggle. Many people lost their faith and never found it again, and many, I would dare say, most people from that generation struggled with those questions for the rest of their life. Christianity in Europe has never been the same since that horrible war, again including Great Britain.

C.S. Lewis was a writer and a theologian in those difficult years who endeavored to help people with their struggle for faith. He wrote a number of theology books defending the faith, attempting to explain just how it is that a loving or a just God could be believed in in their time. His “apologetic” writings have been some of the best loved books in Christian literature. But only a few remember those works today. C.S. Lewis is most famous for his Narnia books, the most famous of which is “The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe.” I would guess that many of you have read it or seen the movies made of it. If not, I HIGHLY recommend them. These seem like normal fairly tale fantasy type novels. They have children and talking animals and a great battle between the forces of good and evil. But in truth these stories were written as a not so veiled attempt to put faith in God in their day in context. What does a Jesus who died a long time ago have to do with me after I have been bombed, sent to war, or had my child killed in a far off land fighting a horrible evil?

The fact that The Narnia Chronicles are still best sellers and that they and their movie adaptations are loved by Christians and non-Christians alike is a testimony to Lewis’s great talent and great wisdom. He showed the value of faith, the power of the Gospel in a way that was neither pushy nor preachy, but was heartfelt and genuine.

Most every person I know in the Church is pondering how we share the Goodnews of Jesus in 2022. How do we tell this wonderful news of Jesus and of God’s love in a way that people today can understand and appreciate. How can we share our faith to this generation?

Whether we are concerned about the future of the church as an institution and a place where God’s word is preached and God’s work is done, or whether we are worrying about our friends and family, children and grandchildren, I think almost all of us are trying to figure out in this YouTube, TikTok world, how can we be heard?

The big lesson I take from C.S. Lewis isn’t so much about the form of his work, but the sincerity of his work. He took people seriously, their questions and concerns, their worries, their fears and their experiences. He neither apologized for God (apologetics is a terrible name for the kind of

theology he did), nor did he shy away from the hard questions, but rather in deep love he provided a vision of what the Gospel meant to him. It was a vision that touched the hearts of many and made faith a possibility for them.

There was in C.S. Lewis' writing an honesty and a vulnerability that one can feel. Can we be so honest and vulnerable in facing the questions of this generation? Can we take their criticisms seriously? Can we provide a vision of a world where faith not only makes sense, but provides the meaning and purpose of the love and grace that it promises?

C.S. Lewis' best tool for that was his books, (his friend Tolkien did the same those he wasn't nearly so obvious in his Christian apologetics). But I am convinced that in our media-flooded world that neither books, nor movies, not even TikToks or YouTube videos will be the things that make the most difference. It will be the words spoken by loved ones and friends. The lives they lead, the way they treat people, the good they do that will proclaim the Gospel most effectively. It will require gentleness and patience, humility and a willingness to struggle with hard and difficult questions. It will require a kind of love that is deep and brave.

Aslan the Lion (God), is not safe, but he is good. He is the King of this generation too, with all their questions, worries and dreams.

The "festive" season fast approaching, may indeed be a good time for us to be pondering these things, as Thanksgiving and Christmas bring us together with both friends and family who are wondering if the reason for the season has passed us by.

May God bless us all with a faith that is deep and brave and filled with much love and hope.

God bless you all!
Pastor Ed

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, November 13

Immediately following worship

Printed copies of the budget & agenda are available in the fellowship hall & Gathering Place two weeks prior to the meeting.

NOVEMBER SCRIPTURE LESSONS

November 6 ~ All Saints Sunday

First Reading..... Job 19:23-27a
Psalm Psalm 17:1-9
Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
Gospel Reading Luke 20:27-38

November 13 ~ 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading..... Malachi 4:1-2a
Psalm Psalm 98
Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Gospel Reading Luke 21:5-19

November 20 ~ Christ the King Sunday

First Reading..... Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalm Psalm 46
Second Reading Colossians 1:11-20
Gospel Reading Luke 23:33-43

November 27 ~ 1st Sunday in Advent

First Reading..... Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm Psalm 122
Second Reading Romans 13:11-14
Gospel Reading Matthew 24:36-44

GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR NOVEMBER

11/06 Wendy Blomberg, Joyce Wanamaker
11/13 Michael Wagner, Toni Wagner, Kat Lacroix
11/20 Kathy Fair, Carol Hansen
11/27 Bill Heaford, Joan Wilken

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2022

Email your news Office@KentMemorial.com.

HURRICANE DECK CHRISTMAS STORE!

DECEMBER 15, 2022

I know, hard to believe, but the Christmas Store at Hurricane Deck School is coming right up on December 15. The Christmas Store allows children to shop for gifts for their siblings and parents to shop for the kids.

I have a Thrivent Action Team for board games, and would love to have any contributions of more board games, plus anything else you would like to donate. Ideas include toys cars and trucks, sports equipment, dolls.

PLUS, this year we have an opportunity to purchase books at the school Book Fair (see page 8 & 9) and donate them to the Christmas Store.

—Wendy Blomberg



LOVING GIFTS TREE

It may seem a bit early to be thinking of Christmas, but it's just about here. And that means it's time for the Loving Gifts Tree!

We will be sponsoring children and moms from CADV (Citizens Against Domestic Violence). Their needs are great and grow with each year. These families often escape their homes at a moment's notice, leaving nearly everything behind. They are then transported to a safe house to start their lives again without abuse. We are asking you to open your hearts to CADV families. *(The tags on the tree do not have pictures and the names are fictitious to protect the mothers and children from their abusers.)*

The families are asked to include a large variety of wishes and suggestions so that we have options of what to give. No family expects to receive all the gifts on their list.

When picking a tag or tags from the Tree, please sign your Name & Phone number on the List on table next to the Child or Mom's name of the Tag you chose. Presents for each child should be bagged together, but not wrapped. If you could include Christmas wrapping paper and tape, that would be wonderful.



So watch for the tree decorated with tags. When you are putting your packages together or anytime this Christmas Season, prayers for their future life are also a wonderful gift.

If you don't have the time to shop this year, you may put money in an envelope with a tag labeled Loving Gifts Tree, and the committee will do the shopping for you.

Thank you Kent Memorial for being such a giving congregation and passing God's blessings on to others!

Your Social Ministry Committee

HURRICANE DECK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ~ OUR PARTNER FOR THE CHILDREN



VOLUNTEER FORM *Keep as a reminder.*

I would like to serve as a book fair volunteer on:

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11/14, 2:30 - 3:30 pm. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 8-9 am. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 5:45 - 6:30 pm. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11/15, 1:45 - 2:45 pm. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 9-10 am. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/18, 11 am - noon. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11/15, 2:45 - 3:30 pm. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 10-11 am. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11/16, 8 - 9 am. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 12:30 - 1:45 pm. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11/16, 9-10 am. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 2:45 - 3:45 pm. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11/16, 10-11 am. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 3:45 - 4:45 pm. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11/16, 11 am - noon. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11/17, 4:45 - 5:45 pm. | |

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Days/Times available: _____

Return to Mrs. A. Tvnes, librarian atvnes@camdentonschools.org.

NOV. 17 is Grand Friendship Day, the L.I.M. Rally, and our evening book fair!

Literati
**PASSPORT
TO
ADVENTURE**
BOOK FAIR



DATE: 11/14 - 11/18 → (with teachers)
11/17 → TIME: 1:00 - 6:30 pm

OUR LITERATI BOOK FAIR IS COMING SOON to Hurricane Deck Elementary!

Literati Book Fairs are designed to get kids excited about reading. From a fantastic selection of expert-curated books to beautiful, artistic displays, this fair will inspire all of our students to become lifelong readers.

HOW TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Whether you buy one book or bring home a whole stack, **all book fair purchases benefit our school.** And Literati Book Fairs make it easier than ever to show your support!

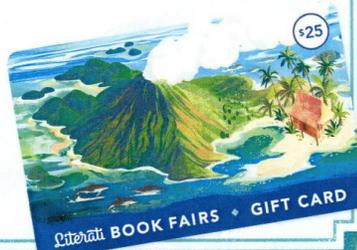
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Women of the ELCA

WELCA Minutes

October 4, 2022

The October meeting was called to order by President Karen Ringsdorf, there were 23 members present. Eldeen Hanke gave the devotion about a student in a theology class.

Jim Mellody was a guest speaker, he reported on Community For Christ. He gave the figures on how much they have given out to date for this year and the increase in people seeking help. He also emphasized the need for help selling and sorting donations.

September minutes were read, motion to approve made by Jane Maher, 2nd by Wendy Blomberg, motion passed. Jane Maher reported the treasury had \$8,884.74 as of September 22, 2022. Amount will be updated for September at November's meeting.

The Church at large: Melba Bangert reported on the ThankOffering that we will be collecting at November's meeting. Melba gave the history of the ThankOffering, which started in the 1800's. You are now also able to give online if needed.

Community for Christ: Signup sheet is posted.

Senior Center: Jane Maher reported our next week will be October 24th and the last one for 2022 December 5th.

Laurie Care Center: Eldeen Hanke checking to see if they will be selling nuts this year.

School Liaison: Wendy Blomberg said there were 28 Buddy Pack children this time. The Halloween Monster Bash at Hurricane Deck School will be October 15th, they are in need of candy to pass out. Barb Yount made a motion we give Wendy up to \$75 to buy candy, Sharon Ballard 2nd, motion passed.

Wendy reported that Vinny's golf tournament for Buddy Packs brought in more than \$6,000.

Treats for Schools: October
Hurricane Deck, Mary Evans & Karen Stanze
Little Tigers, Mary Evans & Karen Stanze

Pastor Ed: Happy October will not be so busy.

Care Core: Melba Bangert has care core for October. Karen Stanze said she took food to Marsha Gust, Marsha called later to tell Karen she

didn't need anything else for the time being, family coming in to help. She also talked with Allan Kimberling several times and he said he and Linda were doing fine.

Special Events: We will be doing a bake sale for the election November 8th. St Paul's Lutheran Church will be having "The Gathering" October 15th starting at 9:30 a.m.; information posted at church and on Kent's Facebook page.

WELCA Wednesday will be October 26th, we will be going to Handel House in Cole Camp for lunch, we will meet at the restaurant at 11am.

Old Business: Cindy Mohling had two quilts to show at meeting, one is completely finished, one ready to be bound and one ready to be tied. Lutheran World Relief quilts will be going to shelters for Ukraine refugees and to 3rd world countries.

Karen Ringsdorf said we are still planning a "DO DAY" at the church, will discuss more at November meeting.

New Business:

Announcements: Thank You for all the cookies, salads and desserts for the Newcomers Luncheon.

Devotions: November devotion is Wendy Blomberg.

No further business, meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Evans, Secretary



NOVEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNE
		1 9:30am Altar Guild 11am WELCA Meeting	9am Wc 6pm Evening
ALL SAINTS 6 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship (livestream) - Communion 11am Fellowship Handbells Rehearsal	7 9:30am Social Ministry	ELECTION DAY 8 WELCA Bake Sale 9am Mutual Ministry	9am Wc 10am Wors 6pm Evening
13 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship (livestream) - Communion 11am Fellowship Handbells Rehearsal	14 9:30am Evangelism 6pm Chorale Rehearsal	15 6pm Church Council Community for Christ	9am Wc 6pm Evening
CHRIST THE KING 20 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship (livestream) - Communion 11am Fellowship Handbells Rehearsal	21	22	
ADVENT 1 27 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship (livestream) - Communion 11am Fellowship	28 6pm Chorale Rehearsal	29	9am Wc 6pm Adven

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Women's Bible Study Long Bible Study	3 10am Men's Bible Study 6pm Jazz Band Reh.	4	5
12 Women's Bible Study Worship & Music Long Bible Study	13 10am Men's Bible Study	14	15
16 Women's Bible Study Long Bible Study	17 10am Men's Bible Study 10:30am Long Range Planning 6pm Jazz Band Reh. Community for Christ	18	19 Community for Christ
23	THANKSGIVING 24 OFFICE CLOSED	25 OFFICE CLOSED	26
30 Women's Bible Study Worship & Potluck	1 <i>10am Men's Bible Study</i>	2	3

FINANCE CORNER

<u>INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>JULY</u>
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>
Offerings and Income-Month	\$ 16,317	\$ 15,020	\$ 29,969
Pass-Through Income-Month	\$ 443	\$ 333	\$ 462
TOTAL INCOME-MONTH	\$ 16,760	\$ 15,353	\$ 30,431
Actual Expenses-Month	\$ 19,598	\$ 14,926	\$ 16,107
Pass-Through Expenses-Month	\$ 443	\$ 333	\$ 462
TOTAL EXPENSES-MONTH	\$ 20,041	\$ 15,259	\$ 16,569
TOTAL OVERALL-MONTH	\$ (3,281)	\$ 94	\$ 13,863
Monthly Budget-Expenses	\$ 18,127	\$ 18,127	\$ 18,127
Offerings and Income-Y-T-D	\$ 151,653	\$ 135,336	\$ 120,315
Pass-Through Income-Y-T-D	\$ 6,191	\$ 5,748	\$ 5,415
TOTAL INCOME-Y-T-D	\$ 157,844	\$ 141,084	\$ 125,730
Actual Expenses-Y-T-D	\$ 155,748	\$ 136,150	\$ 121,224
Pass-Through Expenses-Y-T-D	\$ 6,191	\$ 5,748	\$ 5,415
TOTAL EXPENSES-Y-T-D	\$ 161,939	\$ 141,898	\$ 126,639
TOTAL OVERALL-Y-T-D	\$ (4,095)	\$ (814)	\$ (909)

FINANCIAL NOTES:

- A. Current Financial Situation** – Kent’s giving is close to actual expenses at the end of September, but ground has been lost compared to previous months. Our year to date 2022 expenses continue to be slightly under budget. Thank you to those who prayerfully gave offerings to support Kent’s mission.
- B. Thrivent Action Teams** – Thrivent provides \$250 per project to kick-start a fundraiser, educational event, or service project for Kent or the community. Each qualifying Thrivent member can submit two projects per year for approval by Thrivent. This is an excellent way to provide funds to do projects and not have to use Kent budgeted monies. If you have questions about this, please contact Joyce Wanamaker, Kathy Fair, or Al Mohling.

Recent Action Team Projects:

School Supplies	August 2022
Quilting Supplies for LWR Quilts	July 2022
Independence Day Cookout and Service	June 2022
Water/Gatorade for SBFPD	May 2022
New Purple & Green Choir Stoles	April 2022
Christmas Store Board Games	December 2021
Counters Offering Process/Materials Upgrade	December 2021
Soup on Sunday	December 2021
Helping Children Have a Meaningful Christmas	November 2021
LRW School Supply Kits	August 2021
Back to School Supplies	August 2021
Independence Day Cookout and Service	June 2021
Seder Service Supplies	March 2021
Computer Monitor for Editing/Posting Online Services	March 2021

- C. TD Ameritrade Account** - As you make distributions from your retirement IRA’s or investments, please visit with your financial planner/accountant about the possibility of transferring some of those funds to the Kent TD Ameritrade account. The transfer might be able to be made with no capital gains tax consequence to you. If you have questions about this, please contact Gail Kruse or Al Mohling.



AND THE HEAVENS WERE SHAKEN!

The birth of Jesus was Good News for the world and indeed the birth of God's only Son affected not only the world, but the whole universe as a new star, a new sun came into being to announce his birth. The birth of this Christ child was good news for the Jews who had awaited his coming for generations, but it was also, we would find out, good news for everyone who believes.

The Bible points out how far the influence of this baby king would go. Caesar Augustus, the emperor of much of the world, was challenged by the birth of this child in a manger. Herod the Great was so frightened by the child that he massacred children to keep him from power. Astronomers, wisemen from a faraway land, were drawn to leave their homes in search of the newborn king. And of course, common everyday folk, shepherds and inn keepers and widows living in the temple would all find in this child the hopes and dreams that they had clung to all of their lives.

How does the baby Jesus shake the universe today? What does the birth of the Christ Child mean 2000 years later in a land far, far away?

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

Beginning Wednesday, November 30 at 6:00 p.m., followed by a potluck meal and time for fellowship.

ADVENT POTLUCKS—Set Up & Clean Up Committees

November 30 – Christian Ed and Mutual Ministry

December 7 – Evangelism and Property

December 14 – Budget & Finance and Social Ministry

December 21 – Long Range Planning and Worship & Music

Lake Area Community Orchestra 2022 Winter Concert Schedule

Sunday, November 27 - Community Christian Church, Camdenton

Tuesday, November 29* - First Baptist Church, Eldon

Sunday, December 4 - Versailles Royal Theatre

Tuesday, December 6 - Hope Lutheran Chapel, Osage Beach
(Sokoll Bldg)

Sunday, December 11 - West Lake Christian Church, Laurie

Tuesday, December 13* - Lake Ozark Christian Church

All concerts begin at 7:00 pm. Concerts are free to the public. Free Will donations are welcome.

Included in the program are a variety of Christmas and other selections, including *Carol of the Bells*, *Greensleeves*, and *Adventum*.

* For two of our concerts, in Eldon & Lake Ozark, the Greater Lake Area Chorale & the Symphony of the Magic Dragon will perform with us. Plans are to close with the *Hallelujah Chorus* from Handel's Messiah.

GREATER LAKE AREA CHORALE 2022 CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Tues. Nov. 29* – First Baptist Church, Eldon

Sat. Dec. 3 – New Life Church of the Nazarene, Camdenton

Sun. Dec. 4 - West Lake Christian Church, Laurie

Sun. Dec. 10 – Morgan County Performing Arts Center, Versailles

Tues. Dec. 13* – Lake Ozark Christian Church, Lake Ozark

Sun. Dec. 18 – Christ the King Lutheran Church, Lake Ozark

* *Joint concert with the Lake Area Community Orchestra & the Symphony of the Magic Dragon*

Saturday & Sunday concerts begin at 2pm;

Tuesday concerts begin at 7pm.

All concerts are free to the public. A freewill donation will be accepted in support of the performing ensembles.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Unapproved Minutes for October 18, 2022

In Attendance- Pastor Ed, Kathy Fair, Carol Hansen, Bill Work, Bob Harger, Wendy Blomberg, Karen Stanze, Gail Kruse, Barb Yount, Sheryl Boos, Michael Wagner, Kathrine Lacroix and Al Mohling

Absent- Bob Karls

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm by President Kathy Fair.

Dwelling in the Word: Barb Yount opened with devotion.

Minutes- A motion to approve the September Council meeting minutes was made by Al Mohling, seconded by Kathrine Lacroix, all approved.

Treasures Report- Gail Kruse reported

Pastor's Report- Pastor Ed reported he has conducted four worship services. He has had two home visits, three shut-in visits, four hospital visits and three counseling visits. He attended the meetings of Evangelism, Finance, Long Range Planning, Social Ministry, Worship and Music and Congregational Council. He has attended the men and women's Bible study and the Wednesday evening Bible study. He participated in Bingo, God's Work Our Hands, 9/11 cookies, Buddy Packs and Zero the Hero. Pastor stated there are many things in the works for coming weeks and months. He has been busy preparing the Advent service and trunk or treat where he will be handing out trigger locks for the adults to secure their guns. He also attended the Bishops Theological Conference. Reformation Sunday, All Saints Sunday are fast approaching with Thanksgiving and Advent not far behind. Pastor reminds us to take time to enjoy all of God's blessings that come to us this time of year and God bless you all for all you do! Pastor has contacted Jim Neilson regarding the handicap access. Jim has looked at it but has not gotten back with details. Post Office would like the new mailbox installed next to the parsonage mailbox. Due to weather the Campfire behind the parsonage has been postponed to October 26th.

Committee Reports- Evangelism reported Wendy Blomberg attended the Monster Bash at Hurricane Deck. They will be putting together treat bags for the students at Hurricane Deck and the Little Tigers Learning Center.

-Budget & Finance reported they discussed and reviewed the process of giving. Jane Maher will supervise the counters. She has arranged for a meeting with the counters to review the counting process, timelines and expectations. Al Mohling presented council with the recommended Kent Memorial Church Annual Budget for 2023. After reviewing and discussion, Bill Work made a motion to accept the proposed budget as presented by the Budget and Finance committee. Motion was seconded by Karen Stanze and all approved. -Long Range Planning reported they are actively looking for additional members. They ask that committees share with them any future ideas or needs they may have. Discussion was held on the future of

insurance for Kent Memorial Church. It has been said some insurers are no longer insuring roofs. Church Mutual Insurance will not be renewing our policy which will expire February 1st, 2023. -Stewardship reported the focus will be "Being a Thankful Steward". -Mutual Ministries reported they have completed staff interviews. -Property reported lots of work has been done in front with bushes, dead tree limb removal, patching the trail and many other tasks. CoMo also trimmed and cut down trees in the back. Please see property report for a complete list. Thank you all for your time and talents!
-Social Ministry reported they plan to have the CADV Loving Tree up and ready for the Annual Meeting. -Worship & Music reported Reformation service plans are underway, Advent begins November 27th and Christmas day is on a Sunday. It was agreed to do a hymn sing for the 10 am service.
-WELCA reported they have 28 children receiving Buddy Packs. The Golf Tournament brought in more than \$6000.00. WELCA will have a bake sale on election day, Tuesday, November 8th.

Old Business-The Audio and Visual committee reported the job description has been distributed to the Camdenton High School and there have been no inquiries. Last picture to be taken soon and will then be sent to the printing company. Those who have terms ending are Kathy Fair, Karen Stanze, Bob Harger and Michael Wagner. Kathy Fair and Michael Wagner have agreed to stay for another term. Jim Mellody and Mike Ward have been asked to run.

New Business- Kathy Fair received a request from Brent Simpson (lakeexpo.com) for a local business owners group to use the fellowship hall for a weekly meeting on Wednesday's from 8-10 am. They are willing to pay \$300.00 per quarter. After discussion it was decided we could offer the room in the basement that is not in use for the group to use. Kathy could show Brent the area to see if that would be acceptable. Michael Wagner made a motion to allow the group to use the area for a fee of \$300.00 per quarter, if they find it acceptable. Motion was seconded by Bob Harger and all approved. The Annual meeting will be Sunday, November 13th with potluck to follow. Meeting will be held in the sanctuary immediately following service. Advent mid-week services followed by potluck- Committees assigned to set up and clean up, November 30th - Christian Ed and Mutual Ministry, December 7th – Evangelism and Property, December 14th – Budget & Finance and Social Ministry, December 21st – Long Range Planning and Worship & Music.

Correspondence- Thank you from the Westside Senior Center for continued support. Thank you from CADV for our donation of \$375.00.

Motion to adjourn was made by Bill Work, seconded by Wendy Blomberg and all approved.

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer at 7:20.

Next meeting: November 15, 2022 Devotion- Karen Stanze

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Hansen,
Recording Secretary

STEWARDSHIP FOCUS - NOVEMBER 2022

Everything we have is a gift from God,
and stewardship is our response to these gifts!

The month of November is the month that we celebrate Thanksgiving, so that is what we are going to focus on, giving thanks. The bible gives us many examples of giving thanks. 1 Chronicles 16:8 "Give thanks to the LORD! Call on his name! Make known his accomplishments among the nations!"

Psalms is filled with examples of thanksgiving.

Psalms 18:49 : "So I will give you thanks before the nations, O LORD! I will sing praises to you!"

Psalms 30:4 "Sing to the LORD, you faithful followers of his; give thanks to his holy name."

Psalms 35:18 "Give thanks to the LORD with the harp! Sing to him to the accompaniment of a ten-stringed instrument!"

Psalms 54:6 "With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you! I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good."

Psalms 86:12 "O LORD my God, I will give you thanks with my whole heart! I will honor your name continually!"

Psalms 105:1 "Give thanks to the LORD! Call on his name! Make known his accomplishments among the nations!"

Jesus gives us several examples himself. One of the best and most well-known is from Mark 6:41, the feeding of the 5,000 "He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he gave Thanks and broke the loaves. He gave them to the disciples to Serve the people, and he divided the two fish among them all."

Giving thanks and serving, providing for the needs of others. What better way to be good stewards and Share Jesus with All!

Happy Thanksgiving!
Michael Wagner

SOCIAL MINISTRY CORNER

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

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

September, 2022 (number of needs calls):

Rent - 2

Electric - 4

Total Assistance to our Community this month: \$748.95

We Share Jesus with All!

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST

PANTRY CRITICAL NEEDS --

- Cereal - both hot and cold
- Chef Boyardee type canned meals
- Condiments like catsup, mustard & salad dressings
- Chili & taco seasonings
- Cakes & frosting (for kid's birthdays)
- Cleaning supplies of any kind

Thank you for your support and for all the wonderful volunteers who give their time to help our little store and outreach to run smoothly!!

Karen Mellody, Thrift Store & Outreach Director

IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

Pam Babcock
Shirley Clark
Evelyn Clements
Emma
Mary Beth Fair
Stacey Flect
Ken Gerardy
Barbara & Bob Gislason
Carla Glusing
Marsha Gust
Jerry Hansen
Debbie Hanshaw
Linda Harris
Bryan Hastings
Mike Holmes
Marianne Howley
CF Huff

Teresa Joslin
Linda Kimberling
Evelyn Jane Lee
Barry Mabe
Terry Miller
Larry Mausbach
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Larry Wilson
Jody Ziehl



Christian condolences & hope are extended to Joan & Don Wilken's son, Doug & his wife Michelle on the death of her mother October 12; and to the family & friends of Kent choir member Jerry Hawk who died this week.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

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



Adam Kralina
Matt Lee
Jordan Lindeman
Glenn Maddock
Tristan Morgan
Adam Peterson
Trent Simmons

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

11/02 Sandra Gilbert
11/03 Denise Cover
11/05 Marcia Heald
Paul Tauscher
11/07 Ron Bradley
11/08 Carolyn Cauton
Judy Kuckler
Dave Curchy
11/11 Steve Clark
11/13 Leanne Bunger
11/14 Dylan LaRock
11/16 Carol Wait
11/18 Floralie Harris
Glenda Jones
11/21 Steve Latham
Brian Kuckler
Marsha Gust
11/23 Jim Mellody
11/25 Dale Hanke
11/26 Rosie Keeney
11/28 Bill Heaford
11/29 Kahlan Enriquez



ANNIVERSARIES

11/04/1956	Darrell & Carolyn Garrett	66 years
11/18/2000	Larry & Kathy Fair	22 years
11/19/1950	Dick & Darlene Barker	72 years
11/30/1963	Gerry & Linda Williams	59 years

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