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2023 COUNCIL MEMBERS
Committee Assignments

Kathy Fair..... President, Mutual Ministry, Long Range Planning
Michael WagnerVice President; Stewardship
Carol HansenRecording Secretary, Christian Education
Wendy Blomberg..... Evangelism
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Al Mohling..... Finance
Mike WardMutual Ministry
Bill Work Property, Long Range Planning
Barb Yount Worship & Music

Council Appointed Positions

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

JULY SCRIPTURE LESSONS

July 2 ~ 5th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading..... Jeremiah 28:5-9
Psalm Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Second Reading Romans 6:12-23
Gospel Reading Matthew 10:40-42

July 9 ~ 6th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading..... Zechariah 9:9-12
Psalm Psalm 145:8-14
Second Reading Romans 7:15-24a
Gospel Reading Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16 ~ 7th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading..... Isaiah 55:10-13
Psalm Psalm 65:1-8
Second Reading Romans 8:1-11
Gospel Reading Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23 ~ 8th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading..... Isaiah 44:6-8
Psalm Psalm 86:11-17
Second Reading Romans 8:12-25
Gospel Reading Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30 ~ 9th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading..... 1 Kings 3:5-12
Psalm Psalm 119:129-136
Second Reading Romans 8:26-39
Gospel Reading Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR JULY

07/02 Kathy Fair, Carol Hansen
07/09 Bill Heaford, Joan Wilken
07/16 Marsha Gust, Eldeen Hanke
07/23 Bill Work, Bob Karls
07/30 Wendy Blomberg, Joyce Wanamaker

JULY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE **MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023**

Email your news Office@KentMemorial.com.

Parables

Jesus told the crowds all these things in parables; without a parable he told them nothing. Matthew 13:34

On a warm and sticky West Virginia summer evening my dad and my Uncle Burton and I were sitting out on the back porch of his home, watching the fireflies dancing over the sweet corn in his garden. The air was thick, and the iced tea was sweet. As the sun began to set, Uncle Burton began to tell us about his military service during WW2. He hit Omaha Beach on the 2nd day after D-Day and served throughout the entire war. Burton told funny stories. He told sad stories. He told us stories of his friends that he lost and the things he was called on to do that had left scars on his soul that hurt him even to that day. My Uncle shared something precious with my dad and I that day. He shared himself. He shared his truth. He told us parables.

We have long known the power of stories. From our oldest ancestors, stories were how we passed on the knowledge of one generation down to the next. More powerful and more memorable than just plain facts or doctrines, stories connect with us and they stay with us.

Jesus, of course, knew this too. He knew the power of stories to capture the imaginations and the hearts of those who listened to him, and so he taught his disciples in parables, parables that we still hold dear today.

I think it's important that we all tell our stories. That we tell them to our friends. That we tell them to our family: children and grandchildren, even nieces and nephews. That we tell them to one another over coffee and donuts at church, and that we share them with our pastor. Telling our stories, funny ones, bittersweet ones, meaningful and silly ones, shares both our wisdom and our perspective. It provides the basis for common ground and the opportunity for connections and understanding that would be nearly impossible to achieve any other way. Our stories give meaning not only to our own lives, but to the lives of the people to whom we are connected. Stories are powerful. Stories are important.

Tell your parables! Share them over breakfast at the café and beverages at the golf course. Share your stories, and invite those in your life to share their stories with you. Especially share your stories of how you have seen God at work in your life and in the world around you. Share your experiences of faith and of doubt, of wonder and despair. Tell your parables and we will all be richer for it.

God bless you all, and all of your parables.
Pastor Ed

Endowment Fund Exploratory Committee

The Council and Finance Committee are considering establishing an endowment fund here at Kent Memorial. An endowment fund is a particularly effective way for people to support the ministries that they care about during and beyond their lifetimes, and provides many estate planning and tax benefits to those who participate.

We are forming a committee to continue the exploration of establishing an endowment fund and to prepare the governing documents for it. Would you be interested in being a part of this project? If so, please let Pastor Ed, Michael Wagner or Al Mohling know.

K *July 12-14* **Vacation Bible School!** **E** **July 12-14, 2023**



N
T *VBS*
2023

We are planning to have VBS again this summer! If you have a child, grandchild neighbor or friend who would like to attend, or if you would like to help, please let Pastor know.

More details will be coming soon, but right now we are planning for mornings July 12-14.

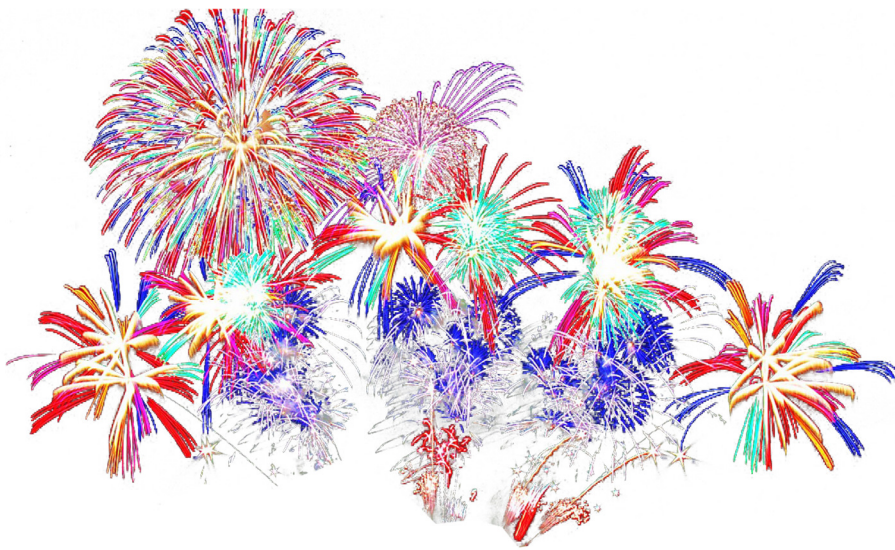
ICE CREAM / DESSERT SOCIAL & FIREWORKS

Join us Fourth of July evening for fun and fellowship around the campfire, plus delicious sweet treats



We will gather at 8:45 p.m. for dessert; the fireworks begin at 9:45 p.m. Worship & Music will provide the ice cream and toppings—you are invited to bring a dessert to share.

Your families and neighbors are welcome, too. Please sign up on the bulletin board — we don't want to run out of ice cream!!



SUMMER CRUISE WORSHIP

July 19, August 16 & September 20

Join us on the water for our Summer Cruise Worship. We will gather each month at 4:00 p.m. at a specified location to get on the boats, raft up and worship together. Then we will venture to a restaurant for dinner.

The sign-up sheet will be in the fellowship hall the week before each Cruise Worship. If you have a boat, let us know if you're able to take on a few passengers. If you don't have a boat, we'll match you up with someone who has extra seats.

Watch the bulletin for more information.

For questions, see Barb Yount.



“QUEEN ESTHER” AT SIGHT & SOUND

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:30 A.M.

On Wednesday, October 11, Kent will be taking a trip to Branson to see *Queen Esther* at the Sight and Sound Theater. We will leave the church at 8:30 a.m. on a chartered bus, eat lunch at the Branson Golden Corral, attend the 3:30 p.m. show, and then travel home after the show (with a quick stop at Braum's in the Springfield area). The price will be \$105 per person which includes the show ticket, the bus ride, and the Golden Corral Lunch.

Sign up today.

The sign-up sheet is posted. We hope you will join us for a wonderful day! If you have any questions, contact Cindy Mohling (319-269-9853).



**AUGUST 4 & 5,
2023**

Rest up my friends, the Kent Rummage Sale is just around the corner.

There are always plenty of jobs that need to be done starting on Sunday, July 30 and continuing through the end of the sale on Saturday. The sale is Friday, August 4 from 8-3 and Saturday from 8-12. Here are some of the things that need to happen that week:

Sunday: Take chairs down from the Fellowship Hall and put away

Monday: Set up tables in the Fellowship Hall-Pick up tables from Hurricane Deck

Tuesday: Bring things up from the basement. Clean out some of the rooms.

Wednesday: Clean out rest of rooms and start getting things set up

Thursday: Finish setting up and price (Sandwiches will be provided, please bring something to go with them)

Friday: Sale 8-3

Saturday: Sale 8-12 Take down, box up and put away. Make the building church ready. American Legion for refreshments.

Thank you for any help you can give. It takes a village! Kent does amazing things with the money we raise.

Wendy Blomberg & Eldeen Hanke

BRING THOSE DONATIONS!

We are ready for you to bring your good, clean usable treasures for us to sell at the Rummage Sale. Please make sure if you bring appliances that they work. And AGAIN we are asking for NO computers or TV's. Also no mattresses or big exercise equipment. Please have all your donations to the church by noon WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2. Thank you!

HURRICANE DECK HEALTH FAIR AUGUST 10

Hurricane Deck Elementary will again be having a Health Fair on Thursday, August 10. I applied for and received a Thrivent Action Team for school supplies so that all children will have a good start to the school year.

If you would like to donate any supplies, they would be greatly appreciated. Some of the more costly items on their lists are:

- ◆ white 1.5" notebooks with a vinyl slip cover on the front
- ◆ black dry erase markers
- ◆ glue sticks
- ◆ pointed scissors
- ◆ anti-bacterial wipes

Please put any items in the Buddy Pack room. Thank you for your continued support of Hurricane Deck.



VINNY IS TURNING 50

Vaclav Stepanik, or Vinny as most know him, is turning 50 this month—

July 25

He has done so much for our Buddy Pack program, from sponsoring the golf tournament to collecting donations, that I thought it would be fun to collect something for him.

He is always so generous at Christmas for the Hurricane Deck Christmas store that I would like to collect 50 toys, games and puzzles now that I know he will donate to the Christmas Store in December. He will be surprised and also thrilled that the Christmas Store at Hurricane Deck will have a good start for Christmas, especially since he can't take collections at his restaurant right now.

Any donations are appreciated and can be put in the Buddy Pack room.

Thank you, Wendy Blomberg

FINANCE CORNER

INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT	MAY	APRIL	MARCH
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>
Offerings and Income-Month	\$ 13,763	\$15,433	\$ 16,416
Pass-Through Income-Month	\$ 225	\$ 870	\$ 2,335
TOTAL INCOME-MONTH	\$ 13,988	\$16,303	\$ 18,751
Actual Expenses-Month	\$ 15,604	\$17,806	\$ 24,008
Pass-Through Expenses-Month	\$ 225	\$ 3,234	\$ 480
TOTAL EXPENSES-MONTH	\$ 15,829	\$21,039	\$ 24,488
TOTAL OVERALL-MONTH	\$ (1,841)	\$ (4,737)	\$ (5,736)
Monthly Budget-Expenses	\$ 19,295	\$19,295	\$ 19,295
Offerings and Income-Y-T-D	\$ 87,984	\$74,221	\$ 58,788
Pass-Through Income-Y-T-D	\$ 4,184	\$ 3,959	\$ 3,089
TOTAL INCOME-Y-T-D	\$ 92,168	\$78,179	\$ 61,877
Actual Expenses-Y-T-D	\$ 94,708	\$79,104	\$ 61,298
Pass-Through Expenses-Y-T-D	\$ 4,184	\$ 3,959	\$ 725
TOTAL EXPENSES-Y-T-D	\$ 98,892	\$83,063	\$ 62,023
TOTAL OVERALL-Y-T-D	\$ (6,724)	\$ (4,883)	\$ (146)

FINANCIAL NOTES:

- A. Current Financial Situation** – Kent’s giving has slightly deteriorated during the month of May. Our May expenses stabilized and, for the first 5 months, averaged close to the budget. Thank you to all 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:

Hurricane Deck School Supplies	June 2023
Water/Gatorade for SBFPD	June 2023
New Handbell Music & Folders	April 2023
Ladies Spring Luncheon Supplies	March 2023
WELCA Spring Cluster Supplies	March 2023
Seder Meal Supplies	March 2023
Soup on Sunday	November 2022
Social Ministry Bingo Supplies	September 2022
School Supplies	August 2022
Quilting Supplies for LWR Quilts	July 2022
Community VBS Golf Tournament	June 2022
Independence Day Cookout and Service	June 2022
Ladies Community Spring Luncheon	May 2022
Water/Gatorade for SBFPD	May 2022
Bell choir gloves and stoles	April 2022
New Purple Choir Stoles	April 2022

- C. TD Ameritrade Account** - As you make distributions from your retirement 401Ks, 403Bs, IRAs or investments, please visit with your financial planner/accountant about the possibility of transferring some of those funds to the Kent TD Ameritrade account or Kent checking 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.

JULY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p>2</p> <p>8am Worship Outside 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10am Worship Inside with Holy Communion (livestreaming)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>WESTSIDE SENIOR CENTER</p>	<p>4TH OF JULY 4</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED 8:45pm Ice Cream & Dessert Social & fireworks</p>	<p>9am Wc</p> <p>6pm Evening</p>
<p>9</p> <p>8am Worship Outside 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10am Worship Inside with Holy Communion (livestreaming)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8:30am Evangelism 9:30am Social Ministry</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30am Altar Guild 10am WELCA-Crafts 11am WELCA Meeting</p>	<p>9am Wc</p> <p>10am Wors 6pm Evening</p>
<p>16</p> <p>8am Worship Outside with Holy Communion 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10am Worship Inside with Holy Communion (livestreaming)</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6pm Church Council</p>	<p>9am Wc</p> <p>3pm "L Grief Su 6pm Crt</p>
<p>23</p> <p>8am Worship Outside 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10am Worship Inside with Holy Communion (livestreaming)</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Community for Christ</p>	<p>9am Wc</p> <p>6pm Evening</p>
<p>30</p> <p>8am Worship Outside with Holy Communion 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10am Worship Inside with Holy Communion (livestreaming)</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>9am Women's 6pm Evening</p>

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 Women's Bible Study Ang Bible Study	6 10am Men's Bible Study 6pm Lake Jazz Band	7 Buddy Pack Pick-Up	1 8 11:30am Lorraine Boyd Memorial Service & Potluck Luncheon
WESTSIDE SENIOR CENTER			
12 Women's Bible Study Worship & Music Ang Bible Study	13 10am Men's Bible Study	14	15
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL			
19 Women's Bible Study "Love Abides" Support Group Cruise Worship	20 10am Men's Bible Study 6pm Lake Jazz Band	21	22
26 Women's Bible Study Ang Bible Study	27 10am Men's Bible Study Community for Christ	28 Buddy Pack Pick-Up	29 Community for Christ
2 n's Bible Study ing Bible Study	3 10am Men's Bible Study	4	5
		RUMMAGE SALE	

CHURCH CDUNCIL

Unapproved Minutes for June 20, 2023

In Attendance- Pastor Ed, Carol Hansen, Michael Wagner, Jim Mellody, Mike Ward, Wendy Blomberg, Al Mohling, Sheryl Boos, Barb Yount, Bob Karls, Kathy Fair and Kathrine Lacroix

Absent- Bill Work and Gail Kruse

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by President Kathy Fair

Dwelling in the Word: Barb Yount opened with devotion.

Minutes- A motion to approve the May Council meeting minutes was made by Al Mohling, seconded by Wendy Blomberg, all approved.

Treasurer's Report- Al Mohling reported

Pastor's Report- Pastor Ed reported he has conducted five worship services. He has had two home visits, one shut-in visit and four hospital visits. He attended the meetings of Altar Guild, Evangelism, Finance, Long Range Planning, Scholarship, Social Ministry, Worship & Music and Congregational Council. He has attended the Men's Bible Study the Women's Bible study and Wednesday Evening Bible Study. He participated in the Greif Support Group and Buddy Packs. Pastor reported it's been nice to be outside and a blessing to have such a wonderful space to gather and worship God. It is one of the things that make Kent a special place for us and the community. Pastor suggested we think about a Council retreat while everyone is still here, maybe September. Pastor reported he is feeling much better after some unexpected medical issues.

Committee Reports- Christian Education reported they will have Kent Vacation Bible School July 12th, 13th, and 14th for all those out of diapers to sixth grade. All older children will be helpers. -Evangelism reported they will be purchasing the donuts from Sunrise Donuts. Pastor and Mary's 25th Wedding Anniversary will be celebrated on June 25th. Church flyers have been passed around to local resorts, motels, and campgrounds. There is still time to sign up to see "Queen Esther" Wednesday, October 11th. -Scholarship Committee reported kids have been sending in their schedules. -Long Range Planning may help guide members through the endowment process. -Stewardship reported they will focus on "Hospitality", being hospitable to strangers. We are encouraged to read the May/June Living Lutheran article, "The Search for a Church," about how to welcome guests to church. -Property reported they have been mowing, killing weeds, cut down a dead tree, flower bed weeding, and replacing bench boards. Hopefully concrete ramp will be in soon. Thank you all for volunteering! -Social Ministry reported they have

had eight needs this month. The Blue Box is doing well. Festival of Sharing will begin August 1st. Bingo Fundraiser will be September 8th. -Worship & Music reported they will host a 4th of July Ice Cream & Desert Social serving ice cream and toppings. Guests would be encouraged to bring a dessert to share. Sam Foster seems to be enjoying the sound position. Next Cruise Worship will be held (weather permitting) July 19th, August 16th, and September 20th. -WELCA reported six ladies stuffed 21 critters, Linda Williams made 30 sets of hats and booties and Kathy is starting to make doll clothes for Hurricane Deck Christmas Store. She is in need of a few 18 inch dolls. They have 5 finished mission quilts. There are 13 families receiving Buddy packs: 11 have picked up their food. The Spring Luncheon brought in \$890.00 with all proceeds going to Nursing Scholarships. WELCA Newcomers Luncheon brought in \$908.00. Please see Committee reports for full details.

Old Business- Photo Directory will be going to print. Concrete ramp has not heard of a start date yet.

New Business- Pastor discussed and explained an Operational Ethics Policy and provided information to be reviewed. Discussion was held on the Mission Endowment Fund. Next steps would be to form a committee to prepare the foundation. Church Members will be asked if interested in being on the committee. Al Mohling made a motion to explore the forming of a Mission Endowment Fund. Seconded by Wendy Blomberg and all approved.

Correspondence- Thank you note from The Greater Lake Area Chorale for our warm welcome and hospitality. Thank you note from Community for Christ for our donation of \$500.00.

Being no other business meeting adjourned at 7:08

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: July 18, 2023

Devotion- Wendy Blomberg

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Hansen, Recording Secretary

**Faith, Hope and Love Abide,
And the greatest of these is Love!**

Love Abides...
Grief Support Group

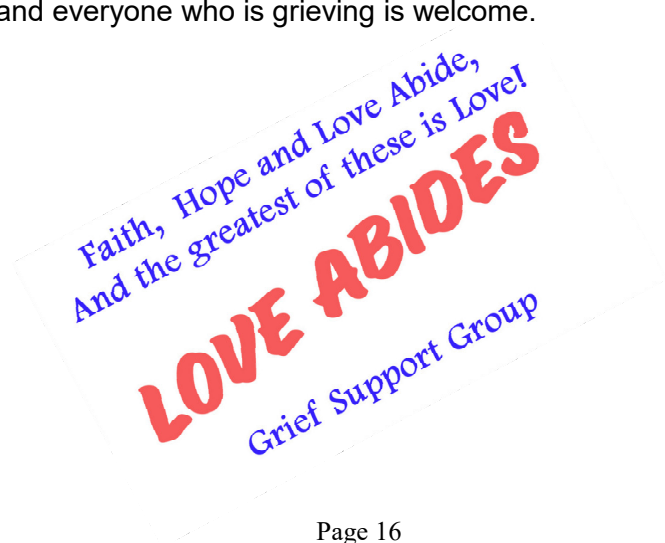
Love is the most precious of God's gifts. Through God's gift of love, God blesses us in every way imaginable. Love brings life. It brings joy. Love gives us support when we are weak, and it gives us courage when we are fearful. Love fills our lives and our hearts with the beloved. But when we lose someone we love, the hole in our lives is also love-shaped.

Learning to live with our grief is something most of us will have to do in our lives to one degree or another and it isn't something most of us have much experience with. To help all of us on our journeys through grief we are going to start a grief support group here at Kent.

Our next gathering will be Wednesday, July 19th at 3:00 pm.

It is a laid back and comfortable time to honor those we are grieving, share ways we can cope with our feelings and the challenges our losses have brought us, and examine what resources our faith and our church family can bring to our experience of loss.

This is a work in progress. Times and locations, even our format are subject to change as we figure out what works best for us, but we have to start somewhere, so we will start on a Thursday afternoon in March. Anyone and everyone who is grieving is welcome.



Did You Know...

In addition to the bread, cross (made by Gerry W.), and church literature given to first time visitors, the Evangelism Committee members also try to send a follow-up card to our first time visitors.

The Evangelism Committee reaches out to the community by distributing flyers promoting Kent to resorts, motels, RV parks, and the Chamber. We sponsor community events such as God's Work Our Hands, September 11th cookies, and Trunk or Treat.

We enjoy planning and sponsoring a couple of Kent events for our members each year, also.

Is there something about the life of Kent that you'd like to know? Ask Kathy Fair then keep an eye out for the answer in an upcoming "Did You Know..."

Women of the ELCA

WELCA Minutes June 6, 2023

The June meeting was called to order by President Karen Ringsdorf, there were 24 members present. Ruth Osterbur gave the devotion on "Daily Bread".

May minutes were read, motion to approve made by Linda Williams seconded by Pat Poretta, motion carried. Correspondence was read and will be posted on the bulletin board. Karen Stanze, treasurer, reported treasury balance as of May 31, 2023 was \$7,166.77.

Pastor Ed let us know that Lorraine Boyd passed Monday night. Tracy Garrett gave us the good news that the Greater Lake Area Chorale has been invited to perform in New York City at the Lincoln Center May of 2024.

The Greater Church:

Christian Action: Kathy Fair reported 6 ladies stuffed 21 critters. Linda Williams made 30 sets of hats and booties. Kathy has started making doll clothes for Hurricane Deck Christmas Store. She needs a few 18" dolls.

Sally Burke reported there are 5 finished mission quilts, hope to have 7 by October.

Community for Christ:

Senior Center:

Sunshine Lady: Sheryl Boos reported that Ingrid Niemann sent out 6 cards for month of May.

Laurie Care Center:

Birthday: Birthday wishes were sung to Melba Bangert.

School Liaison: Wendy Blomberg announced there are 13 buddy pack families this summer, 11 have picked up their food. There are cards on the table from the children at Hurricane Deck and Little Tigers thanking us.

Publicity: Karen Stanze has new pictures on the bulletin board and has also been promoting the blood drive.

Care Core: Linda Williams has copies of the new prayer chain and pages for the Care Core Book. Barb Yount has Care Core for June.

Special Events: Wendy Blomberg passed out suggestion for distribution of rummage sale monies: 1/3 Kent General Fund, 1/3 Greater Church and 1/3 Community. Motion made by Barb Yount to accept, 2nd Eldeen Hanke, motion carried.

Cindy Mohling gave information on Kent's trip to Branson for Sight and Sound Theatre October 11.

We will be celebrating Pastor Ed and Mary's 25th wedding anniversary June 25th between services.

Old Business: The income from our Spring luncheon was \$890, thank you to co-chairs Eldeen Hanke and Joan Wilken. The Newcomers Luncheon income was \$908, thank you co-chairs Sally and Joyce Burke.

New Business: Karen Ringsdorf let us know we need to replace two of our coffee makers, Tracy Garrett will be donating one. The price for the other one should be around \$70. Eldeen Hanke made a motion to purchase it, Wendy Blomberg 2nd motion carried.

Mary Foster will be doing a book review for us, more details to come later. Our summer outing will be to Cole Camp for lunch and shopping in July.

Diane Ziehl will be putting together gift bags for workers at the Laurie Care Center, Eldeen Hanke made a motion we spend up to \$100 for this project, Wendy Blomberg 2nd motion carried.

July meeting will be the 11th

Devotion for July is Karen Thompson.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Evans



STEWARDSHIP CDRNER

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

We're in the midst of summer and that means many of us are in the midst of entertaining many guests, family & friends here at the Lake. So, what does this have to do with stewardship you say? Well, when we take care of our guests we display hospitality. And being hospitable is a stewardship calling for us.

Hebrews 13:2 puts it this way, "Do not neglect hospitality, because through it some have entertained angels without knowing it."

Romans 12:13 says, "Contribute to the needs of the saints, pursue hospitality."

1 Peter 4:9 continues, "Show hospitality to one another without complaining."

Not only are we called on to show hospitality to our family & friends, we are called to show hospitality to strangers. We here at Kent are great at doing this, not only during the summer, but year-round, by helping our community and neighbors in so many ways.

I encourage you to read the accompanying passages to the verses above; Hebrews 13:1-7, Romans 12: 9-21 and 1 Peter 4: 8-11. I think you will feel inspired to continue showing hospitality to others and in so doing, we can Share Jesus with All!

Michael Wagner

IN NEED OF GDD'S HEALING TOUCH

Cheryl Anderson
Dana Anderson
Pam Babcock
Cody Blasberg
Marcille Bohling
LeeAnne Brumm
Allan Burke
Cindy Campbell
Shirley Clark
Adam Craig
Evelyn Clements
Pat Embich
Mary Beth Fair
Ron Ferguson
Stacey Flect
Leslie Foster & Owen
Shane Foster
Ken Gerardy
Barbara & Bob Gislason
Carla Glusing
Sandy Gilbert

Debbie Hanshaw
Linda Harris
Bryan Hastings
Marilyn Hayes
Mike Holmes
Marianne Howley
CF Huff
Teresa Joslin
Marsha Kidwell
Linda Kimberling
Blanche Lacroix
Ray Lacroix
Barry Mabe
Larry Mausbach
Christy Moulder
Dave & Sara Newton
Steve O'Connor
Mike Page

Jennifer Pederson
Rev. Bill Peterson
Ron Roberts
Marcia Robbins
Dan Rogers
Karen Tischnor
Bernie Wiegel
Larry Wilson



Christian condolences and hope are extended to Pat Garrett and her family on the death of Joe on May 28.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock
Eric Blomberg
Ben Brammeier
Shade Bullock
Dylan Craig
Salathiel (Sal) Caudill
Aaron Davis
Tanner Glodt
Kristine Hubbard



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

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

07/02 Denise Kralina
07/06 Cindy Curchy
07/11 Joyce Burke
07/15 Mike Ward
07/17 Linda Latham
07/18 Donna Young
07/20 David Jones
07/21 Michael Wagner
07/22 Ruth Osterbur
07/27 Wayne Langton
Mary Lou Hellman
Bill Whitlow



ANNIVERSARIES

07/02/1977	Randy & Ruth Osterbur	46 years
07/02/2011	Robert & Barb Gislason	12 years
04/14/1982	Herb & Peggy Worker	41 years
07/18/1981	Dan & Tracy Garrett	42 years

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

SOCIAL MINISTRY CORNER

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

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

May, 2023 (number of needs calls):

Rent - 3

Electric - 2

Gasoline - 1

Water - 1

Bug Treatment - 1

Total Assistance to our Community this month: \$862.56

We Share Jesus with All!

SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE REPORT

Social Ministry has been busy helping those in need and planning for the next few months. During the month of May eight (8) families were helped with rent, electric, gasoline, water and fumigation. A total of \$862.56 was distributed. The report for June assistance will be presented at the July 10th meeting.

Beginning Sunday July 2nd envelopes will be available for your donation for Festival of Sharing in Missouri (see back page). Over 150 agencies in Missouri are approved to receive goods and services through the Festival of Sharing. Agencies have gone through an application process identifying their clientele, services provided, criteria for assistance and more. Once approved by the Coordinating Committee, an agency is welcome to receive goods and services for as long as need. Locally Community for Christ and Share the Harvest receive aid. Final Sunday to turn in your donation is July 23rd. Thanks for your generosity in the past years.

The card bingo fundraiser will be held Friday September 8th. Tickets will be available beginning Sunday August 13th at \$10.00 each. As always, a fun time will be had by all. Flyers will soon appear with additional details. Make plans to attend.

One last item, please remember Blue Box food donations to Community for Christ. Items needed are listed in the Sunday bulletin.

Any questions regarding any activities can be dissected to any member of Social Ministries. May GOD bless you and your family. —Jim Mellody, Chair



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The Festival of Sharing is a cooperative response to world hunger, poverty, and injustice. These concerns motivate our actions to raise awareness of the causes and generate solutions. Our goal is to promote and support projects and programs by providing funding and resource goods. When people of faith come together and share, we can make a positive and powerful difference in the lives of people in need.

Again this year we are accepting donations that will go toward this worthy cause. Any amount is appreciated. Envelopes will be available on the entry table, in the Gathering Place, and in the fellowship hall beginning July 9.

Donations will be accepted through July 30

Checks should be made out to "Kent Social Ministry".

Questions? Contact Sharon Ballard, 374-8974