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Council Appointed Positions

Gail Kruse......Treasurer

SEPTEMBER SCRIPTURE LESSONS

September 3 ~ 14th Sunday after Pentecost	
First Reading	Jeremiah 15:15-21
Psalm	Psalm 26:1-8
Second Reading	Romans 12:9-21
Gospel Reading	
September 10 ~ 15th Sunday after Pentecost	
First Reading	Ezekiel 33:7-11
Psalm	Psalm 119:33-40
Second Reading	Romans 13:8-14
Gospel Reading	
September 17 ~ 16th Sunday after Pentecost	
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First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel Reading September 18 ~ 17th Sunday after Pentecost First Reading Psalm	
First Reading	

GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR SEPTEMBER

09-03 Wendy Blomberg, Joyce Wanamaker

Kathy Fair, Carol Hansen 09-10

Bill Heaford, Joan Wilken 09-17

09-24 Marsha Gust, tbd

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 Email your news Office@KentMemorial.com.

Sabbath Rest

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. Genesis 2:1-3

"So God blessed the seventh day". To my mind this remains one of God's greatest gifts to us, a day of rest, a day for worship, a day to reconnect with our creator, with ourselves and with our families and friends. The Sabbath day is a gift to us, one that is holy and precious and oh so needed. Especially today in our world of never-ending work, mounting stress and growing isolation, God has given us a day devoted to our spiritual lives.

In my nearly 60 years, I have seen a great change in the Sabbath day. When I was young, most businesses were closed on Sunday, there were no youth sports, and while I have no idea how many people actually attended worship, the day itself seemed different, special and holy. It doesn't seem quite so different or so special or even so holy today.

Yet the need for a Sabbath day is no less today than it was back then, it probably is even greater now. People's spiritual and mental health are suffering from the lack of all that a Sabbath day offers. We need to rest from our labors. We need to spend time in worship, and in prayer, and in meditation. We need to honor our God, and we need to care for ourselves.

It is of course a commandment, honor the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. God famously commands us to do those things that will bring health and wholeness to our lives. Our God is indeed determined to give us the abundant life that God has created for us, and a day of rest, a day of worship, a day of connection with our loving creator is surely a part of that.

Make your Sunday, or your Saturday, or whatever day you can, a Sabbath day. Take time for worship and prayer, devote yourself to acts of kindness and love that will surely go beyond that one day, but will enhance and hallow every day. Take and enjoy this wonderful gift that God has given you. Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy.

God bless you all!

In Christ, 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.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

09/02	Kirsten Blaney
09/04	Vince Yount
09/07	Maxine Williams
09/09	Cindy Mohling
09/12	Lorraine Boyd
09/13	Jane Kornfeind
09/14	Bill Hebrank
09/18	Joe Poretta
09/19	Tracy Garrett
09/21	Tiana Enriquez
09/29	Warren Neighbour
09/30	Kandy Husbands



ANNIVERSARIES

09/01/1973	Lynn & Joyce Burke	50 years
09/09/1961	Phil & Melba Bangert	62 years
09/12/1953	Claude & Janet Page	70 years
09/15/2008	Don Tyler & Dorothy Englestad	15 years
09/17/1994	Bill & Vanessa Hebrank	29 years
09/17/2005	Andrew & Janay Renken	18 years
09/21/1996	Don & Teri Stout	27 years
09/26/1992	Linda & Allen Kimberling	31 years

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

IN NEED DF GDD'S HEALING TDUCH

Cheryl Anderson Dana Anderson Pam Babcock Cody Blasberg Marcille Bohling Cindy Campbell Matthew Clark Shirley Clark **Evelyn Clements** Duane Cridland Grace Cridland Pat Embich Mary Beth Fair Ron Ferguson Stacey Flect Dave Fosler Shane Foster Ken Gerardy Carla Glusing Sandy Gilbert Debbie Hanshaw Gary Hansen Linda Harris Bryan Hastings Rod Hayes Mike Holmes CF Huff Teresa Joslin Linda Kimberling Blanche Lacroix Barry Mabe Larry Mausbach Dave & Sara Newton Steve O'Connor Mike Page Jennifer Pederson Rev. Bill Peterson Gloria Peterson

Ron Roberts
Marcia Robbins
Dan Rogers
Karen Tischnor
Bernie Wiegel
Jerry Williams
Larry Wilson



Christian condolences and hope are extended to Bob and their families on the death of Barb (Gryte) Gislason last week.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Kathy Pipes

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



A dedicated day of service in our community

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

following worship

Choose from:

- Kent Memorial—quilting, sort & count labels, box up cookies for firefighters, police, sheriff, ambulance drivers, first responders, and Lake Regional Hospital, early & late shifts
- Community for Christ—building & foundation work
- City of Laurie—yard work
- ♦ Hurricane Deck School—put together leader packets
- ◆ Bake cookies for 9-11 give-away (75 dozen needed)

Please sign up at church so we have an idea how many to expect at each location.

And remember to WEAR YOUR T-SHIRT!

We have a couple of t-shirts available—ask Tracy in the office.

QUILTERS AND QUILT OWNERS!

On Sunday, October 1, we will bless our MISSION QUILTS. We invite our Kent family to participate in the Sunday event by bringing in <u>your</u> favorite quilt(s) to be viewed and blessed. These can be quilts a family member has made or something that you personally have pieced together. All quilts will be hung over the church pews to be displayed on October 1 for all to view and enjoy.

Please bring your quilts to church on Saturday, September 30 from 9-12. On your quilt(s) please attach a note describing the quilt and any story associated with it, i.e. quilt pattern name, pieced by Sally Burke; or quilt pattern unknown, hand-pieced by my grandmother; etc. These stories will be in the bulletin so all can enjoy them.

Process:

Your Quilt(s) will be given a number and will be associated with an index card that will have your name and phone number to ensure your Quilt(s) are returned safe.

The stories from your quilt(s) will be gathered together and published in the bulletin.

You may take your quilt home after worship on October 1.

If September 30 does not work for you, please make other arrangements with Sally Burke to bring in your quilt(s), 573-372-6556 or 573-480-7815.

"QUEEN ESTHER" AT SIGHT & SOUND WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 8:30 A.M.

Sight and Sound Update - We will travel to Branson to see the show Queen Esther on Wednesday, October 11th. The cost for the day is \$105 which includes the bus ride, lunch at Golden Corral, and a ticket for the show.

We have opened the trip to members of other churches, so invite your friends and neighbors to join us.

If you've already signed up, it's time to write your check. Please make it out to Kent Memorial Lutheran Church, put "Bus Trip" in the memo line, and have it to Cindy by August 31.

If you have any questions, contact Cindy Mohling (319-269-9853).

FINANCE CORNER

INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT	JULY	JUNE	MAY
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>
Offerings and Income-Month	\$ 30,359	\$ 13,856	\$ 13,763
Pass-Through Income-Month	\$ 265	\$ 218	\$ 225
TOTAL INCOME-MONTH	\$ 30,624	\$ 14,073	\$ 13,988
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Actual Expenses-Month	\$ 24,549	\$ 15,140	\$ 15,604
Pass-Through Expenses-Month	\$ 265	\$ 218	\$ 225
TOTAL EXPENSES-MONTH	\$ 24,814	\$ 15,358	\$ 15,829
TOTAL OVERALL-MONTH	\$ 5,810	\$ (1,284)	\$ (1,841)
TOTAL OVERALL-IVIONTH	\$ 3,610	\$ (1,204)	\$ (1,041)
Monthly Budget-Expenses	\$ 19,295	\$ 19,295	\$ 19,295
Offerings and Income-Y-T-D	\$132,199	\$101,840	\$ 87,984
Pass-Through Income-Y-T-D	\$ 4,666	\$ 4,401	\$ 4,184
TOTAL INCOME-Y-T-D	\$136,865	\$106,241	\$ 92,168
Actual Expenses-Y-T-D	\$134,398	\$109,849	\$ 94,708
Pass-Through Expenses-Y-T-D	\$ 4,666	\$ 4,401	\$ 4,184
TOTAL EXPENSES-Y-T-D	\$139,064	\$114,250	\$ 98,892
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TOTAL OVERALL-Y-T-D	\$ (2,198)	\$ (8,008)	\$ (6,724)

FINANCIAL NOTES:

- A. Current Financial Situation Kent's giving for July and the year has rebounded positively, only behind expenses by \$2000 for the first 7 months of 2023. Our expenses for the first 7 months in total, continue to be under 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:

July 4 Ice Cream Social & Fireworks July 2023 Water/Gatorade for SBFPD June 2023 **Hurricane Deck School Supplies** 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

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.

SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNI 5 8am Worship Outside 9:30am Evangelism 9:30am Altar Guild 9am Wo 10am WELCA-Crafts 9am Burke 50th 11am WELCA Meeting 10am Wors **Anniversary Celebration** 10am Worship Inside with Holy Communion (livestreaming) GOD'S WORK. 11 12 OUR HANDS. 9:30am Social Ministry 9am Wo 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 9am Fellowship/Coffee 3pm "I 10am Worship w/ comm. Grief Sı WESTSIDE (livestreaming) SENIOR CENTER 11am Handbells Rehearsal 18 19 17 8:30am Choir Rehearsal Chorale Rehearsal 6pm Church Council 9am Wo 9am Fellowship/Coffee 10am Worship w/ comm. 4pm Cr (livestreaming) 11am Handbells Rehearsal 25 24 26 9am Wo 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 9am Fellowship/Coffee 6pm Evening 10am Worship w/ comm. (livestreaming) 11am Handbells Rehearsal **Community for Christ**

NESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2
6 Women's Bible Study orship & Music	7 10am Men's Bible Study 6pm Lake Jazz Band	8 "BINGO" - Social Ministry Fundraiser	9
Women's Bible Study "Love Abides" Support Group	14 10am Men's Bible Study	15	16
WESTS	IDE SENIOR CENTER		
20 Women's Bible Study Cruise Worship	21 10am Men's Bible Study 6pm Lake Jazz Band	22	23
27 Women's Bible Study ing Bible Study	28 10am Men's Bible Study	29	30
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CHURCH CDUNCIL

Unapproved Minutes for August 15, 2023

In Attendance- Pastor Ed, Carol Hansen, Michael Wagner, Jim Mellody, Mike Ward, Wendy Blomberg, Sheryl Boos, Barb Yount, Bob Karls, Kathy Fair, Bill Work and Gail Kruse

Absent- Al Mohling and Katherine Lacroix

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

Dwelling in the Word: Mike Ward opened with devotion.

Minutes- A motion to approve the July Council meeting minutes was made by Bill Work, seconded by Wendy Blomberg, all approved.

Treasures Report- Gail Kruse presented

Pastor's Report- Pastor Ed reported he has conducted eight worship services and one funeral. He has had one home visit, two shut-in visits and two counseling visits. He attended the meetings of Altar Guild, Evangelism and Congregational Council. He has attended the Men's Bible Study, the Women's Bible study and Wednesday Bible Study. He has participated in Buddy Packs, Cruise-less Cruise Worship, Grief Support Group and Vacation Bible School. Pastor shared some words of encouragement. Pastor reported on an article he read referencing the decline in attendance to church and how people find it hard to be a part of the community. Since COVID, some find it hard to get out at all. We need to remember, love and care for one another and the community. Church needs to be both spiritual and community. We offer a family of believers and look at one another with love and care. The World needs us! Pastor thanks everyone for all the work and effort put into all the things we do for one another, our community and the Kingdom here at Kent. You make such a difference!

Committee Reports- Christian Education reported Wednesday evening Bible study will resume September 27th. Adult Sunday Bible study date is yet to be determined. Pastor will be planning to have Sunday school for the young ones. Evangelism reported God's Work Our Hands will be September 10th. Cookies will be delivered to Ambulance, Fire and Police departments, the hospital and Resource Officers. Work planned for Hurricane Deck, Church quilting, CFC building and foundation work and the City of Laurie. Scholarship- One student left to contact. Stewardship reported they will refer to the saying "Good Church" "It Calls us to Joyful obedience". Property reported they have been mowing times three! The ramp is finished with all time and materials donated. Mainstreet Asphalt will be restriping and marking handicap emblem across the front with no parking lines in front of the ramp. Oasis tree service removed a large limb hanging over the south end of the sanctuary. A bid was obtained

from Brenton with 24 Hour Heating & Cooling Services to replace the number 9 furnace for the sanctuary. Michael Wagner made a motion to accept the properties recommendation for the replacement of unit 9 furnace. Seconded by Wendy Blomberg and all approved. A thank you note was shared from Karen Stanze for the ramp. Many other tasks have been completed see property report for details. Thank you ALL who share your time and talents! Social Ministry reported they have helped four families with various needs and stories to the sum of \$900.00 Bingo fundraiser will be September 8th. Worship & Music reported Sam has enjoyed doing sound this summer. Tracy is going to start choir rehearsals on September 10th. They will begin doing Hymn of the Month to introduce new or unfamiliar hymns. Next Cruise Worship will be held (weather permitting) September 20th. WELCA reported the Rummage sale brought in \$7,500.00. The Boutigue portion was \$1,303.00. Funds will be divided 1/3 to the Greater Church, 1/3 to general fund and 1/3 to the community (Bethany Collage, Camp Tomah Shinga, Community gift cards for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please see Committee reports for full details.

Old Business- Photo Directory is finished and available for pick up. -Concrete ramp- finished. -Recommendations to the Operational Ethics Policy were discussed. Changes were recommended as followed: foot note #1 gifts less than \$75.00 to \$150.00. Paragraph #1 take out Each person who is a director(Congregation Council member), officer, committee member, or employee (all referred to below) to begin with Each Congregation representative of the... Paragraph #7 Take out on an annual basis with when revisions are made, take out director, officer, committee member and employee of the Congregation and replace with Congregational Representative. A motion to accept the recommendations as discussed was made by Bill Work, seconded by Wendy Blomberg and all approved. -Council retreat will be held September 23rd.

New Business- Kathy Fair spoke of the wildfires in Maui. There is one ELCA Congregation there. Please pray for Kihei Lutheran Church. "God's Work. Our Hands." September 10th. Those that have terms ending are Bill Work, Wendy Blomberg, Sheryl Boos and Barb Yount. Wendy and Sheryl would like to return for another term.

Correspondence- Thank you note from Ivy Bend Food Pantry, Mid Mo Bible Camp (Becky Hayden) CADV for our donation of \$375.00 and \$75.00.

Being no other business meeting adjourned at 7:10

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: September 19, 2023

Devotion- Jim Mellody

Respectfully submitted, Carol Hansen Recording Secretary

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

Love Abides... **Grief Support Group**

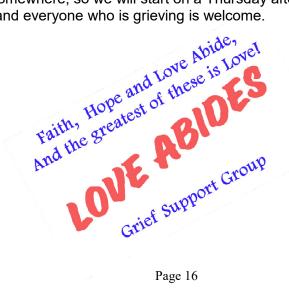
Love is the most precious of God's gifts. Through God's gift of love, God blesses us in every way imaginable. Love brings life. It brings joy. Love gives us support when we are week, and it gives us courage when we are fearful. Love fills our lives and our hearts with the beloved. But when we lose someone 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, September 13 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...

that men can be members of Altar Guild?

We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am. Our purpose is to prepare our place of worship, especially the sanctuary, for public worship. Right now we are 10 women strong but are always open to new members. So if you would like to serve on this committee, we would welcome you, women and men!

Please consider joining our committee. Contact Ruth Osterbur for more information.

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..."

WELCA Minutes August 8, 2023

The July meeting was called to order by Vice-President Jane Maher, there were 22 members present. Jane Maher gave the devotion on "Nurturing Flowers and Plants".

July minutes were read, motion to approve made by Ingrid Niemann, seconded by Ruth Osterbur, motion carried. Correspondence was read and will be posted on the bulletin board. Karen Stanze, treasurer, reported treasury balance as of June 30, 2023 was \$6,065.16.

The Greater Church: Melba reported the Fall Cluster Meeting will be September 16 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Camdenton.

Christian Action: Kathy Fair reported 4 ladies stuffed 21 critters and Lake Regional Hospital will resume "Kids Fest" in October, she will check to see if they would like the Kent Clowns to help. Kathy also said she has enough dolls for the Hurricane Deck Christmas Shop.

Community for Christ: Joyce Wanamaker reported Kent's days at Community for Christ are August 22, 24, and 26.

Senior Center: Jane Maher said Kent's next week at the Senior Center is week of September 11th.

Sunshine Lady: Ingrid Niemann sent out 4 cards in July.

Laurie Care Center: We need someone to fill the position at the Laurie Care Center, if interested please let Karen Ringsdorf know.

Birthday: Birthday wishes were sung to Karen Stanze, Sharon Ballard, Kathy Fair and Mary Foster.

School Liaison: Wendy Blomberg announced there are 11 buddy pack families this summer. The regular Buddy Pack program will begin again Labor Day weekend with extra food for the long weekend.

Publicity: Karen Stanze will have rummage sale pictures up soon.

Care Core: Susan Clark made several calls for July, no services needed. Sheryl Boos will have Care Core for August.

Special Events: Sally Burke reported ladies will be starting their 6th quilt and the Blessing of the quilts will be October 1.

Kent's trip to Branson for Sight and Sound Theatre is October 11, there is a signup sheet if you would like to go.

Mary Foster reported the summer book club will be reading "The Alchemist", we will meet August 19th at 10am

Joyce Burke reported Newcomer's luncheon will be September 20 there will be a signup sheet going up.

Our summer outing will be August 18th to Cole Camp for lunch and shopping, there is a signup sheet up so we know how many will be going and also for carpooling. Lunch will be at 11am.

Old Business: Wendy Blomberg reported the rummage sale total income was \$7,506.20. She thanked everyone for their help making it a success. The "Rummage Sale Queen" this year is Melba Bangert, good job Melba.

New Business: Cindy Mohling reminded us that "God's Work. Our Hands" will be September 10th, signup sheets will be up soon.

Next meeting will be September 5th.

Devotion for September will be Barb Yount.

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

Respectfully submitted, Mary Evans



WELCA CLUSTER MEETING September 16 Our Savior's Lutheran, Camdenton

All women of Kent are invited to attend the Women of the ELCA Mid-Missouri Cluster meeting on Saturday, September 16, 2023. The meeting will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Camdenton, beginning at 9:00 a.m. with registration and refreshments. The regular meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. Registration fee is \$5.00. Lunch will be provided.

The theme for the day is Live Justice. Ms. Julie Bird, Director of Student Services, Camdenton R-III School District will speak on a program for homeless children. In-kind gifts will be given to Child Development for the Lighthouse Daycare at Our Savior's. A list of requested items is posted at the WELCA bulletin board along with a sign-up sheet for those planning to attend.

For questions or comments contact Melba Bangert 573-836-5030. (phone/text).

STEWARDSHIP CDRNER

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

I recently heard a message from Pastor Robert Johnson from Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas where he talked about "good church" and what that really means.

I'm sure that you have left church on Sunday morning and said that was really good! Good church can mean different things to each of us, maybe it's a meaningful sermon, or beautiful music or good liturgy or a friendly atmosphere.

But just because we experience these "good church" moments doesn't mean we just walk out the door and wait to come back next Sunday. It's just like we stress above, we show our stewardship by our response. Pastor Johnson explained how "good church" compels us to "joyful obedience." "It's what we do the other 167 hours each week." We are to be obedient through our words and actions. This is how we show our thanks for the blessings that God has granted us.

Thank you for your joyful obedience in Sharing Jesus with All, so that others can experience Good Church!

Michael Wagner



FINAL SUMMER CRUISE WORSHIP

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.

Our next gathering will be:

September 20, 4pm, at XXXXX

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.

Community For Christ

People Helping People in Need

Outreach Center & Thrift Store

~ COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST PANTRY NEEDS ~

"You give them something to eat."

Hello to All!

I want to thank everyone for all of the food brought to us so far this summer!!

We do need a few items to round out our food pantry while the kids are still on vacation. Here is a list:

- Canned veggies
- Canned fruit, or fruit cups
- Pudding cups or mixes
- Cookies and chips
- Cereal (cold)
- Cakes and frostings
- Baking items: flour, sugar, baking powder, etc..
- Brownie mixes
- Salad dressings (they love ranch)
- Cleaning supplies of any kind
- ◆ Toilet paper & paper towels
- Diapers Size 4 and 5

Again, we thank you for any kind of donations!!!

God Bless You!! Karen Mellody, Thrift Store & Outreach Director

SOCIAL MINISTRY CORNER

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

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

July, 2023 (number of needs calls):

Electric - 2

Gasoline - 2

Quarterly gift to Community for Christ for food vouchers

Total Assistance to our Community this month: \$464.17

We Share Jesus with All!

Social Ministry's Famous

BINGO! September 8

Doors open at 5:30pm Appetizer buffet at 6pm Bingo! at 7pm

Tickets go on sale Sundays, August 20, 27 and September 3, between services. Ticket price is \$10 each <u>plus</u> an appetizer to share.

Donations for the Silent Auction may be put in the Faith Room beginning today.

Donation Forms will be in the room. Fill out a donation form, including a minimum bid. If you are donating a food item, fill out the form and bring the item the night of the event.

