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**2023 COUNCIL MEMBERS**  
**Committee Assignments**

Kathy Fair ..... President, Mutual Ministry, Long Range Planning  
Michael Wagner ..... Vice President; Stewardship  
Carol Hansen .....Recording Secretary, Christian Education  
Wendy Blomberg..... Evangelism  
Sheryl Boos ..... Social Ministry  
Bob Karls..... Property  
Jim Mellody ..... Social Ministry  
Katherine Lacroix ..... Long Range Planning/Scholarship  
Al Mohling..... Finance  
Mike Ward ..... Mutual Ministry  
Bill Work ..... Property, Long Range Planning  
Barb Yount ..... Worship & Music

**Council Appointed Positions**

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

# **NOVEMBER SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

## **November 5 ~ All Saints**

First Reading..... Revelation 7:9-17  
Psalm ..... Psalm 34:1-10, 22  
Second Reading ..... 1 John 3:1-3  
Gospel Reading ..... Matthew 5:1-12

## **November 12 ~ 24th Sunday after Pentecost**

First Reading..... Amos 5:18-24  
Psalm ..... Psalm 70  
Second Reading ..... 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
Gospel Reading ..... Matthew 25:1-13

## **November 19 ~ 25th Sunday after Pentecost**

First Reading..... Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18  
Psalm ..... Psalm 90:1-12  
Second Reading ..... 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11  
Gospel Reading ..... Matthew 25:14-30

## **November 28 ~ Christ the King Sunday**

First Reading..... Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24  
Psalm ..... Psalm 95:1-7a  
Second Reading ..... Ephesians 1:15-23  
Gospel Reading ..... Matthew 25:31-46

### **GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR NOVEMBER**

11/05 Bill Work, Bob Karls  
11/12 Wendy Blomberg, Joyce Wanamaker  
11/19 Kathy Fair, Carol Hansen  
11/26 Bill Heaford, Joan Wilken

### ***DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE***

***MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023***

*Email your news Office@KentMemorial.com.*

## Children of God

People were bringing little children to Jesus in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them. —Mark 10:13-16

Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so...

What a joy it is to have children in our worship and in our church life. Children bring an excitement, an honesty, and an innocence that really can't be replaced with anything else. As they hear the Gospel for the first time they invite us to hear it again as if it were the first time for us as well. They express their faith with enthusiasm and joy. They indeed teach us how to be Children of God.

I am always delighted when we sing "Jesus Loves Me" in worship. It is as if for a moment all of us adults are transported back to the time when we first sang those words. Yes it is a children's song, but it is also a powerful expression of faith at it's most basic. Jesus loves me! Little ones to him belong! Even though we and they might be weak, Jesus is strong. And in those words fit for the mouth of a child, we might rediscover that childlike faith within ourselves. We might indeed learn anew, that we truly are children of God.

God bless you all, children of God. May you be blessed with a childlike faith. A faith filled with joy and wonder, with enthusiasm and excitement.

Shalom,  
Pastor Ed

**IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR...**



**Remember to set you clocks back one hour Saturday night.**

# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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## 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 Bungler  
11/14 Dylan LaRock  
11/16 Carol Wait  
11/18 Floralie Harris  
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 | 67 years |
| 11/18/2000 | Larry & Kathy Fair        | 23 years |
| 11/19/1950 | Dick & Darlene Barker     | 73 years |
| 11/30/1963 | Gerry & Linda Williams    | 60 years |

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

# IN NEED OF GDD'S HEALING TOUCH

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Gary Andeline  
Cheryl Anderson  
Dana Anderson  
Pam Babcock  
Michelle Becker  
Jessica Birdsong  
Cody Blasberg  
Marcille Bohling  
Cindy Campbell  
Matthew Clark  
Shirley Clark  
Evelyn Clements  
Duane & Grace Cridland  
Mary Beth Fair  
Ron Ferguson  
Stacey Flect  
Dave Fosler  
Shane Foster  
Ginger Frazier  
Ken Gerardy  
Carla Glusing  
Ruth Goddard & Family  
Lyn Golvig

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  
Kathy Pipes  
Zach Rezac

Rick Ries  
Pat & Shirley Roberts  
Ron Roberts  
Marcia Robbins  
Dan Rogers  
Karen Tischnor  
Toni Wagner  
Bernie Wiegel  
Jerry Williams  
Larry Wilson



# SERVING IN THE MILITARY

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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

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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## Christian Education Minutes September 27, 2023

Attendance- Carol Hansen, Pastor Ed, Gail Kruse, Kathy Fair  
Pastor lead with prayer.

Sunday School- Sunday School will begin October 1<sup>st</sup> from 9-8:45. Diane Ziehl has agreed to lead the class and is ready to go. She will have four children. Adult Sunday school will begin October 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:30. There were 11 surveys returned.

Adult Sunday School- Adult Sunday school will begin October 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:30. There were 11 surveys returned.

Wednesday evening Bible study- Wednesday evening Bible study is scheduled to begin on October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Pastor will discuss the Gospel of Luke then move on to Acts.

Adult Morning Bible study- The Women's Bible study is held every Wednesday morning at 9am. The Men's Devotions and Bible study is every Thursday morning at 10 am.

Vacation Bible School- We will have VBS, keep it in thought.

New Business- Discussion on budget for children's Sunday school. After discussion Gail Kruse made the recommendation to make the budget amount \$300.00. Kathy Fair seconded the motion and all approved. Gail will take to finance.

Next Meeting- Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 3 pm.  
Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Hansen





## **SEASON 3 OF “SOUP ON SUNDAY” KICKS OFF NOVEMBER 5**

What is “Soup on Sunday” you ask? Each weekend throughout the fall and winter, Kathy Fair puts together a pot of soup, portions it out & makes it available for you to take home after church on Sunday. (Hence the catchy “Soup on Sunday” title...) A Thrivent Action Team will buy a lot of groceries & Kathy is committed to make that \$250 stretch as far as she can. The first two years, she made 12 servings of soup each week. We are delighted to have some new folks joining our church family so Kathy will get a bigger soup pot & start making 16 servings each week and see how it goes from there.

Kathy is taking soup suggestions. What sounds good to you? Please grab a pencil and jot down kind of soup you’d like to have. You may give it to Kathy or drop it off in the office. Then Kathy will collect them and get ready to make some soup!

# FINANCE CORNER

| <u>INCOME &amp; EXPENSE REPORT</u> | <u>SEPTEMBER</u><br><u>2023</u> | <u>AUGUST</u><br><u>2023</u> | <u>JULY</u><br><u>2023</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Offerings and Income-Month         | \$ 14,264                       | \$ 15,848                    | \$ 30,359                  |
| Pass-Through Income-Month          | \$ 408                          | \$ 30                        | \$ 265                     |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME-MONTH</b>          | <b>\$ 14,672</b>                | <b>\$ 15,878</b>             | <b>\$ 30,624</b>           |
| Actual Expenses-Month              | \$ 17,079                       | \$ 14,984                    | \$ 24,549                  |
| Pass-Through Expenses-Month        | \$ 408                          | \$ 30                        | \$ 265                     |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES-MONTH</b>        | <b>\$ 17,487</b>                | <b>\$ 15,014</b>             | <b>\$ 24,814</b>           |
| <b>TOTAL OVERALL-MONTH</b>         | <b>\$ (2,815)</b>               | <b>\$ 864</b>                | <b>\$ 5,810</b>            |
| Monthly Budget-Expenses            | \$ 19,295                       | \$ 19,295                    | \$ 19,295                  |
| Offerings and Income-Y-T-D         | \$ 162,312                      | \$ 148,048                   | \$ 132,199                 |
| Pass-Through Income-Y-T-D          | \$ 5,104                        | \$ 4,696                     | \$ 4,666                   |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME-Y-T-D</b>          | <b>\$ 167,416</b>               | <b>\$ 152,744</b>            | <b>\$ 136,865</b>          |
| Actual Expenses-Y-T-D              | \$ 166,461                      | \$ 149,382                   | \$ 134,398                 |
| Pass-Through Expenses-Y-T-D        | \$ 5,104                        | \$ 4,696                     | \$ 4,666                   |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES-Y-T-D</b>        | <b>\$ 171,565</b>               | <b>\$ 154,078</b>            | <b>\$ 139,064</b>          |
| <b>TOTAL OVERALL-Y-T-D</b>         | <b>\$ (4,149)</b>               | <b>\$ (1,334)</b>            | <b>\$ (2,198)</b>          |

## FINANCIAL NOTES:

- A. Current Financial Situation** – Kent’s giving position for September and the year is consistent with prior years, only behind expenses by \$4,150 for the first 9 months of 2023. Our expenses for the first 9 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. Schwab (previously TD Ameritrade) Account** - As you make distributions from your retirement 401Ks, 403Bs, IRAs or other investments, please visit with your financial planner/accountant about the possibility of transferring some of those funds to the Kent Schwab 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.

# NOVEMBER 2023

| SUNDAY                                                                                                                                                    | MONDAY                                                                                                            | TUESDAY                                                            | WEDNESDAY                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                   |                                                                    | 9am V<br>6pm Eveni                 |
| 5<br>8:30am Choir Rehearsal<br>9am Sunday School<br>10am Worship with Holy Communion<br>11am Fellowship Time<br>11am Handbells Rehearsal                  | 6<br>9:30am Evangelism                                                                                            | 7<br>9:30am Altar Guild<br>10am WELCA Crafts<br>11am WELCA Meeting | 9am V<br>10am W<br>6pm Eveni       |
| 12<br>8:30am Choir Rehearsal<br>9am Sunday School<br>10am Worship with Holy Communion<br>11am Annual Meeting & Potluck                                    | 13<br>9:30am Social Ministry<br>6pm Chorale Rehearsal                                                             | 14                                                                 | 9am V<br>3pm<br>Grief<br>6pm Eveni |
| MUSIC SUNDAY 19<br>8:30am Choir Rehearsal<br>9am Sunday School<br>10am Worship with Holy Communion<br>11am Fellowship Time<br>11am Handbells Rehearsal    | 20<br><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"><b>WESTSIDE SENIOR CENTER</b></div> | 21<br>6pm Church Council                                           | 9am V<br>6pm Eveni                 |
| CHRIST THE KING 26<br>8:30am Choir Rehearsal<br>9am Sunday School<br>10am Worship with Holy Communion<br>11am Fellowship Time<br>11am Handbells Rehearsal | 27                                                                                                                | 28                                                                 | 9am V<br>6pm Eveni                 |

| WEDNESDAY                                                                          | THURSDAY                                                                                             | FRIDAY              | SATURDAY                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1<br>Women's Bible Study<br>Evening Bible Study                                    | 2<br>10am Men's Bible Study<br><br><b>Community for Christ</b>                                       | 3                   | 4<br><br><b>Community for Christ</b>          |
| 8<br>Women's Bible Study<br>Worship & Music<br>Evening Bible Study                 | 9<br>10am Men's Bible Study<br>4pm Finance Comm.<br>5:30pm Endowment Committee<br>6pm Lake Jazz Band | 10                  | 11                                            |
| 15<br>Women's Bible Study<br>"Love Abides"<br>Support Group<br>Evening Bible Study | 16<br>10am Men's Bible Study<br>6pm Lake Jazz Band                                                   | 17                  | 18                                            |
| 22<br>Women's Bible Study<br>Evening Bible Study                                   | 23<br>THANKGIVING DAY<br>Office Closed                                                               | 24<br>Office Closed | 25                                            |
| <b>WESTSIDE SENIOR CENTER</b>                                                      |                                                                                                      |                     |                                               |
| 29<br>Women's Bible Study<br>Evening Bible Study                                   | 30<br>10am Men's Bible Study                                                                         | 1                   | 2<br><i>9am Decorate Church for Christmas</i> |

# CHURCH CDUNCIL

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## **Unapproved Minutes for October 17, 2023**

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

### **Absent-**

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

**Dwelling in the Word:** Bob Karls opened with devotion

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

**Treasures Report-** Gail Kruse presented

**Pastor's Report-** Pastor Ed reported he has conducted five worship services. He has had three home visits, one shut-in visit and three counseling visits. He attended the meetings of Altar Guild, Christian Education, Evangelism, Worship & Music, Mutual Ministry, Social Ministry and Congregational Council. He has attended the Men's Bible Study, the Women's Bible study, and Wednesday Evening Bible Study. He has participated in Buddy Packs, Grief Support Group, Zero the Hero, Council Retreat, Newcomers and WELCA. Pastor stated "We have had children's Sunday School!" Pastor reported we will be welcoming five new members and possibly seven. He is aiming for November 5<sup>th</sup>. The trip to Branson was wonderful. Thank you Cindy Mohling and the Evangelism Committee! We had an energizing Council retreat.

**Committee Reports-** Christian Education reported Sunday school class for the children started October 1<sup>st</sup> and all seems to be going well. Wednesday evening Bible Study resumes October 25<sup>th</sup>. -Evangelism reported The Branson trip to Queen Esther went well. Truck or Treat will be held October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-7pm. -Budget & Finance- Al Mohling stated that Jane Maher had reported that the request for additional counters was successful. -Scholarship- All checks have been issued to those qualifying. -Stewardship reported they will focus on "Giving Thanks". It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... -Property reported they have painted benches, repaired a kitchen faucet. Pastor replaced a board on the parsonage deck. They will need to replace a dehumidifier for the fellowship hall. The damage from the truck skidding down into the pageant area has been fixed. They are still waiting for Mainstreet Asphalt to restripe and mark the handicap emblem across the front with no parking lines in front of the ramp. -Social Ministry reported they have had big months with lots of needs. They anticipate that it will not get any better and will have lots of needs in the coming months. Christmas Loving Tree will be

up November 7<sup>th</sup>. Gifts will need to be turned in by December 11<sup>th</sup>.  
-Worship & Music reported the hymn of the month will be "Jesus Still Lead On". Music Sunday is tentatively scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup>. Usher will split up, one being Greeter and the other would hand out bulletins. -WELCA reported seven ladies attended the Fall Cluster Meeting. Five ladies stuffed 12 critters. CFC change-over is complete. Four birthday cards were sent for residents at the Laurie Care Center. Blessing of the Quilts went well. Six Blessed quilts will be sent to Lutheran World Relief. Remember to save your Best Choice labels. -Endowment Fund Committee- Group is still working and has a tentative plan. Please see Committee reports for full details. Thank you ALL who share your time and talents!

**Old Business-** Resume the search for a new AV tech. Information was left at Camdenton School.

**New Business-** Annual Meeting will be November 12<sup>th</sup> in the sanctuary immediately after worship. Meeting will be on ZOOM. Potluck to follow hosted by Council Committee. Al Mohling went over line items of the 2024 proposed budget. Al Mohling made a motion to accept the Finance Committees proposed budget. Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved. Bill Work is still looking for a candidate for his seat on Council. Kathy Fair discussed Council Christmas Party. She will check with the Laurie Board of Realtor's as a possible venue. We will plan for December 15<sup>th</sup>. Al Mohling shared that the driver for our Branson trip was actually the owner of USA Tours. After visiting he approached Al about possibly using the fellowship hall for a meeting on January 30<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 2pm. Michael Wagner made a motion to allow the group to use the area waiving the use fee of \$200.00 and only charging the custodial fee of \$100.00. Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion, after discussion Michael withdrew his motion. Al Mohling will get more information and we will revisit the request at the November Council meeting.

**Correspondence-** Thank you note from CADV for our donation of \$375.00. Thank you note from the Pregnancy Help Center for our donation of \$677.59 from the Annual Baby Bottle Campaign.

Being no other business meeting adjourned at 7:30

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: November 21, 2023

Devotion- Michael Wagner

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 have started a grief support group here at Kent.

**Our next gathering will be Wednesday, November 15 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.

Join us anytime.

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

**LOVE ABIDES**

Grief Support Group



## ***Did You Know...***

WELCA sponsors a jigsaw puzzle library here at Kent? The Puzzle Library is located in the "Joy" room at the rear of Fellowship Hall. There are puzzles for everyone which range from 50 pieces to 3000. These puzzles are both challenging and beautiful to work on. Please feel free to take advantage of the Puzzle Library whenever you would like as it is there for your enjoyment. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Maher at 812-306-5462.

*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

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## WELCA MINUTES October 3, 2023

The October 2023 meeting was called to order by President Karen Ringsdorf, there were 20 members present. Sheryl Boos gave the devotion on “Rebake”.

September minutes were read, motion to approve made by Kathy Fair, seconded by Wendy Blomberg, motion carried. Correspondence was read and will be posted on the bulletin board. Karen Stanze treasurer, reported treasury balance as of September 30, 2023 was \$8,456.21.

**The Church at Large:** We had 7 women attend the Fall Cluster Meeting. Our Cluster group will be changing name to “The Gathering” due to changes in the Osage Conference. The Next meeting will be in Jefferson City in the Spring.

Melba passed out envelopes for our Thankoffering; the proceeds from this offering go to ELCA worldwide. Envelopes will be collected at the November meeting.

**Christian Action:** Kathy Fair reported 5 ladies stuffed 12 critters. Sally reported Mission Quilts will be delivered to Jefferson City.

**Kent Klowns:** Kathy let us know the Kent Klowns will be at the Kids Fest at Lake Regional October 21.

**Community for Christ:** Joyce Wanamaker said Change-over is complete at CFC. She wanted to let us know that your purchase on the day you work is ½ price. There were 128 people needing help at CFC in September. Thank You to all for the food donations, there is a great need.

**Sunshine Lady:** Ingrid Niemann sent out 2 cards in September.

**Laurie Care Center:** Wendy Blomberg took 4 birthday cards to Laurie Care Center.

**Birthday:**

**School Liaison:** Wendy Blomberg let us know Monster Mash will be at Hurricane Deck School October 21<sup>st</sup> and also the Laurie Care Center is doing Trick or Treat again this year on the 28<sup>th</sup>, both events are in need of candy. Joan Wilken made a motion we purchase 3 Large bags of candy for the two events, Wendy Blomberg 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

**Treats for schools September:** Hurricane Deck: Sheryl Boos

**Pastor Ed:** Pastor talked about the Blessing of the Quilts, he appreciated the stories that went with each quilt which make them more than a blanket. He also said how much the 6 quilts being sent to Lutheran World Relief will mean to the recipients.

**Publicity:** Information for the blood drive is being posted.

**Care Core:** Karen Stanze made several calls for September, there were no needs. Melba Bangert has Care Core for October.

**Special Events:** There is a signup sheet for the cookout at the parsonage October 4<sup>th</sup> going around. The Blood Drive is coming up October 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business:** Thank you to everyone for baking cookies for Gods Work Our Hands and bringing salads for Newcomers. Newcomers wanted to know if we still wanted to do luncheon for next year, a show of hands was taken and we will do it again next year.

Pat Poretta asked if we have any Best Choice labels to please turn them in before Thanksgiving, she is short 600 labels to get about \$30 more.

**New Business:** Karen Ringsdorf said we will be doing a "Do Day" again this year in November, decorate for Christmas, and doing some cleaning. If anyone has a Christmas tree they would like to donate to the church, please let Karen Ringsdorf know.

Next meeting will be November 7<sup>th</sup>.

Devotion for November will be Barb Yount.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Evans



# STEWARDSHIP CDRNER

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

A Thankful Steward. We celebrate Thanksgiving later this month. Obviously, this is not the only time we should be grateful for our blessings and gifts. We should give thanks throughout the year. It is what we are called to do, what we are inspired to do.

As our motto above states, Everything is a gift from God, and Stewardship is our response to these gifts! Stewardship calls on us to give thanks always, through what we do and say. We hear this mandate every Sunday before celebrating communion. Every week Pastor reads these words, "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ...."

Psalms is filled with numerous examples of thanksgiving. Check out these verses: Psalms 18:49, Psalms 30, Psalms 35:18, Psalms 54:6, Psalms 86:12, Psalms 105:1

Giving thanks and serving, providing for the needs of others. In these ways we can be inspired to be good Stewards of the blessings God has graced us with. What better way to Share Jesus with All!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Michael Wagner

# BIBLE STUDY

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## Wednesday Evening Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

Led by Pastor Ed

We will resume **October 18**. In the fellowship hall or online (the link will be in the weekly blast).

## Women's Bible Study

Meets on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Library.  
Led by Linda Williams.

## Men's Bible Study

Meets on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Library.  
Led by Bill Work.



# Community For Christ

*People Helping People in Need*

## Outreach Center & Thrift Store

### ~ COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST PANTRY NEEDS ~

*“You give them something to eat.”*

CFC has been really, really busy!! Thank you for all of the support we receive in the way of items needed for the food pantry. Just a reminder, our pantry stocks non-food items as well. These items our clients cannot purchase with food stamps, and that is why I am listing those.

- \* Shampoo - for men and women.
- \* Body wash - for men and women.
- \* Deodorant - for men and women.
- \* Beans of any kind
- \* Rice (flavored mixes)
- \* Baking items
- \* Condiments - Catsup, Mustard, Salad dressing, coffee
- \* Taco & Chili Seasonings
- \* Canned Meat of any kind
- \* Cereal
- \* Cleaning supplies
- \* Paper Towels
- \* Tissues

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.*

**September, 2023** (number of needs calls):

Rent - 2

Electric - 5

Propane - 1

Gasoline - 2

Community for Christ 3rd Quarter

**Total Assistance to our Community this month: \$1,290.08**

*We Share Jesus with All!*

# MUSIC IN OUR COMMUNITY

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## **GREATER LAKE AREA CHORALE CHRISTMAS SEASON**

|                      |                                               |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Sunday, November 26  | West Lake Christian Church, Laurie            |
| Saturday, December 2 | Our Lady of the Lake Catholic, Lake Ozark     |
| Sunday, December 3   | Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Camdenton       |
| Saturday, December 9 | Versailles High School Performing Arts Center |
| Sunday, December 10  | Christ the King Lutheran Church, Lake Ozark   |
| Sunday, December 17  | First Baptist Church, Eldon                   |

**ALL CONCERTS BEGIN AT 2PM**

## **SYMPHONY OF THE MAGIC DRAGON "CHICAGO ~ THE MUSICAL**

|                           |                                             |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Thursday, November 2, 7pm | Camdenton Middle School Little Theatre      |
| Sunday, November 5, 2pm   | Christ the King Lutheran Church, Lake Ozark |

## **2023 LAKE AREA COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA WINTER SEASON**

|                      |                                                          |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday, November 26  | - Community Christian Church, Camdenton                  |
| Tuesday, November 28 | - First Baptist Church, Eldon                            |
| Sunday, December 3   | - Versailles High School Performing Arts Ctr.            |
| Tuesday, December 5  | - Lake Ozark Christian Church                            |
| Sunday, December 10  | - Hope Lutheran Chapel, Osage Beach<br>(Sokoll Building) |
| Tuesday, December 12 | - West Lake Christian Church, Laurie                     |

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