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2024 COUNCIL MEMBERS				
Committee Assignments				
Jim Mellody	President,Social Ministry			
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Carol Hansen	Recording Secretary, Christian Education			
	Evangelism			
Sheryl Boos	Social Ministry			
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## Ruth Osterbur......Worship & Music Council Appointed Positions

Gail Kruse	Treasurer
Jane MaherFinancial	Secretary

#### **SEPTEMBER SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

September 1 ~ 15th Sunday after Pentecost	
First Reading	Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9
Psalm	Psalm 15
Second Reading	
Gospel Reading	Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
September 8 ~ 16th Sunday after Pentecost	
First Reading	Isaiah 35:4-7a
Psalm	
Second Reading	
Gospel Reading	
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September 15 ~ 17th Sunday after Pentecost	
First Reading	
Psalm	
Second Reading	
Gospel Reading	Wark 8:27-38
September 22 ~ 18th Sunday after Pentecost	
First Reading	
Psalm	Psalm 54
Second Reading	
Gospel Reading	Mark 9:30-37
September 29 ~ 19th Sunday after Pentecost	
First ReadingNu	imbers 11:4-6, 10-116, 24-29
Psalm	
Second Reading	James 5:13-20
Gospel Reading	Mark 9:38-50

#### **GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR SEPTEMBER**

09/01	Marsha Gust, Vanessa Hebrank
09/08	Bill Work, Bob Karls
09/15	Wendy Blomberg, Joyce Wanamaker
09/22	Mary Evans, Karen Stanze
09/29	Kathy Fair, Carol Hansen

#### Like the first day of school...

September used to be the most exciting month for me. While the calendar says that January first is the beginning of a new year, for me Labor Day has always felt like the real beginning of a new year. It is, of course, the beginning of a new school year, and the beginning of a new football season. It even used to be when the new TV season would start.

The excitement of new classes and new teachers, new friends and new challenges always made September rather special. Like the brand new notebooks I took to school, a new year seemed to be filled with possibility and hope.

Having a child in school, and a spouse who teaches, September is still a month of change for me, but I must admit the hopeful luster has worn a bit thin over the years. Yes, the summer is over and the "normal" schedule returns, but in most ways September isn't much different from July and August.

Yet, in truth, each day is a new beginning. Each morning we face a world with new opportunities with new challenges and each new day can be a day of hope. Our Lord is still with us. Our God is still at work bringing life and love to the world. We are promised that what is yet to come for us, is better than we can possibly imagine.

Reading the news or looking at social media it might be hard to see God's work in the world. So much of the information available for our consumption seems to paint a cynical, even hopeless picture of the world.

But each day we arise to a world blessed by God's grace and love. The world is full of problems and remains far from the world God intends for it to be. But God is still at work saving this world that God loves so much. Indeed, we awake each morning invited to be a part of what God is doing. The possibilities are endless. The challenges are great. There will be new friends to be made alone the way, new lessons to be learned. We don't know what the future will bring, but we know for sure that God will be there and it will be great.

May your Septembers be filled with the hope of new beginnings and promise of God's eternal love.

God bless you all, Pastor Ed

# Vinny's Golftoberfest

## **Buddy Pack Fundraiser Golf Tournament**

For the Buddy Pack Program at Hurricane Deck Elementary School

Sunday Oct. 6 Noon

Indian Rock Golf Course - Laurie, MO



\$300 team of 4
Dinner at Vinny's following

More information at Vinny's

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

09/02	Kirsten Blaney
09/04	Vince Yount
09/07	Maxine Williams
09/09	Cindy Mohling
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	51 years
09/09/1961	Phil & Melba Bangert	63 years
09/12/1953	Claude & Janet Page	71 years
09/17/1994	Bill & Vanessa Hebrank	30 years
09/17/2005	Andrew & Janay Renken	19 years
09/21/1996	Don & Teri Stout	28 years
09/26/1992	Linda & Allen Kimberling	32 years

#### IN NEED DF GDD'S HEALING TDUCH

Julie Anderson Evan Beaupre Michelle Becker Jessica Birdsong Marcille Bohling Donald Brumm Ken Buckingham Cindy Campbell & famiv Stacy Carey Shirley Clark **Evelyn Clements** Chuck Cuthbertson Ryan Dilhman Pat Embich Ron Ferguson Stan Field Stacey Fleck Al Gann Ken Gerardy Jim Gilbert Carla Glusing Ruth Goddard & family Marsha Gust Trudy Hamilton Gary Hansen Bryan Hastings

Kevin Hayes Joel Hellman Jeanne Hines Cindy Holm Mike Holmes CF Huff Steve Hughes Wayne Jackson Teresa Joslin Linda Kimberling Kirk Ed Krueger Blanche Lacroix Tamara McClain Linda Moore Kenny Mullins Gene Page Mike Page Jennifer Pederson Jodi Redmond Geri Riley Ron Roberts Marcia Robbins

Pat & Shirley Rogers
Vicki Sawyer
Michelle Schafer
Dave Shaver
Tom Simmons
Diane Steingrubey
Karen Thompson
Karen Tischnor
Theresa White
Bernie Wiegel
Gil Wilde
Jerry Williams
Larry Wilson



#### 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

### FINANCE CORNER

INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT	JULY	JUNE	MAY
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2024</u>
Offerings and Income-Month	\$ 33,673	\$ 15,299	\$ 14,971
Pass-Through Income-Month	245	255	190
TOTAL INCOME-MONTH	\$ 33,918	\$ 15,554	\$ 15,161
Actual Expenses-Month	18,461	17,520	16,026
Pass-Through Expenses-Month	210	255	190
TOTAL EXPENSES-MONTH	18,671	17,775	16,216
TOTAL OVERALL-MONTH	\$ 15,247	\$ (2,222)	\$ (1,055)
Monthly Budget-Expenses	\$ 19,990	\$ 19,990	\$ 19,990
Offerings and Income-Y-T-D	\$138,916	\$105,242	\$ 89,944
Pass-Through Income-Y-T-D	\$ 5,161	\$ 4,916	\$ 4,661
TOTAL INCOME-Y-T-D	\$144,077	\$110,159	\$ 94,605
Actual Expenses-Y-T-D	\$138,452	\$119,991	\$102,470
Pass-Through Expenses-Y-T-D	\$ 5,126	\$ 4,916	\$ 4,661
TOTAL EXPENSES-Y-T-D	\$143,578	\$124,907	\$107,132
TOTAL OVERALL-Y-T-D	\$ 499	\$(14,748)	\$(12,527)

#### FINANCIAL NOTES:

- **A.** Current Financial Situation Kent's giving position in July 2024 has healed nicely with some generous giving, putting Kent back into positive cash flow for 2024. Kent's actual expenses for the year through July are slightly below budget. As a reminder, insurance premiums of \$12,000 were paid in full in January. Thank you to all those who prayerfully give offerings to support Kent's mission.
- **B** Thrivent Designation –Through Thrivent Choice[®], Thrivent members can contribute to organizations and causes they care about—and influence how Thrivent distributes some of its charitable grant funding through Choice Dollars[®]. Please consider going into your Thrivent account online and designating Kent as that organization.
- C. 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 or Kathy Fair. Recent Action Team Projects:

#### **Recent Action Team Projects:**

Hurricane Deck School Supplies	June 2024
CFC President Retirement Celebration	February 2024
Board Games for Hurricane Deck Xmas Store	November 2023
Soup on Sunday	November 2023
Social Ministry Bingo Supplies	September 2023
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

- D. 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.
- E. Gas Tax Rebate The State of Missouri is giving back \$.075 back to Missouri residents for every gallon purchased in Missouri for the July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 timeframe. Form 4923-H is to be filled out to document every purchase made by vehicle VIN. Every purchase line item must show the purchase date, seller name, seller address, and exact gallons purchased (to 3 decimal places). The forms must be completed and submitted by September 30, 2024. Please contact Al Mohling at 319-493-8796 with questions.

### SEPTEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDI
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8:00am Outdoor Worship 9:00am Fellowship 10am Worship with Communion	LABOR DAY 2 Office Closed	9:30am Altar Guild 10am WELCA-Crafts 11am WELCA Meeting	9am V 10a
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	Community for Christ		Community for Christ
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#### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

## Saturday, October 5 5pm Ireland Chapel

Bring your dogs, cats, birds, lizards...

We will have a brief time of worship, then you'll be invited to bring your pet forward for a blessing.

If being around other animals would be too stressful for your pet (or you), you are invited to bring a picture of your pet for Pastor Ed to bless.

#### SUMMER CRUISE WORSHIP

#### September 11

Join us on the water for our final Summer Cruise Worship. We will gather on the second Wednesday of 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.

#### September 11 Location TBD

The sign-up sheet will be in the fellowship hall the Sundays 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 Al Mohling.



#### STEWARDSHIP CDRNER

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

In Galatians 6:2 Paul encourages us to "Bear one another's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ." You, the Kent Memorial family, do this exceptionally well! One person's burden could be financial, another's hunger, another might be shelter, yet another might be addiction.

How do we bear these burdens for others? The list is long! We just finished the annual Rummage sale, September has us serving through God's Work our Hands. We support Community for Christ, the Westside Senior Center and Hurricane Deck school. We provide nursing scholarships, buddy packs, Christmas gifts through the Angel Tree. I could go on and on. And, this doesn't count the smiles, thanks and encouragement that we give to others that may seem small and unnoticed. But to those carrying a burden, it might be just the lift they need!

I am so blessed and fortunate to be a part of the Kent family and be associated with, and inspired by so many exemplary Stewards of God's Love and resources.

Proverbs 11:25 reassures us that, "Those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed."

So, let us keep sharing God's Love as we bear other's burdens, and in so doing we will be refreshed and able to live out our motto to "Share Jesus with All."

God's Peace, Michael Wagner

#### CHURCH COUNCIL

**Unapproved Minutes for August 20, 2024** 

In Attendance- Pastor Ed, Carol Hansen, Kathy Fair, Al Mohling, Mike Ward, Gail Kruse, Wendy Blomberg, Bob Karls, Sheryl Boos, Katherine Lacroix, Ruth Osterbur and Steve Atzeni

Absent- Jim Mellody and Michael Wagner

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Pastor Ed

Dwelling in the Word: Bob Karls opened with devotion

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

Treasures Report- Al Mohling presented

Pastor's Report- Pastor Ed reported he has conducted six worship services and one Cruise worship service. He has had two shut-in visits and three counseling visits. He attended the meetings of Altar Guild, Christian Education (VBS), Evangelism, Social Ministry, Worship & Music and Congregation 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 and WELCA. Pastor shared he had a wonderful short vacation and thanks the congregation for being so nice to Pastor Kim. She enjoys leading worship here. Pastor shared that the rummage sale was a huge success. It is beneficial in so many ways. We may have set a new record for our total receipts. The Rummage sale is a lot of work and is exhausting. He worries that some may burn themselves out. He wants to remind us to be good to yourself and to one another. The next few weeks will continue to be filled with opportunities to serve one another and our community. Let's make sure no one over does it. He shared the wedding of Kerstin and Patrick was beautiful. Reconnecting with their faith was a big part of their decision to be married, and the opportunity to worship in a place that was so special, especially to Kerstin who worshiped here as a child.

Committee Reports- Christian Ed reported VBS went well with 14 children, 5 big kid helpers and 8 adults. Adult and children's Sunday school will begin September 22nd. Bob Harger will lead the adult class. Wednesday Evening Bible study will resume September 18th or the 25th.

-Evangelism reported they will celebrate Mike & Judy Ward's 60th Anniversary on August 25th. "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday, September 8th. Work will be done for the City of Laurie, Hurricane Deck School, CFC, and possibly the nursing home. Cookies will be needed for 9/11, 75 dozen. -Budget & Finance- Al Mohling shared the budgeting process. Committees are to review them in September meetings and forward to the Finance committee. They continue to go through procedures. -Long

Range Planning- will be purging old records that are not required by ELCA rules to be kept. They will be creating a committee to oversee plans for the 75th Anniversary of Kent. Old Kent wedding pictures would be a great addition to the celebration. -Council retreat will be held at Carmelita's, September 14th at 8:30. -Scholarship has paid out five of seven students. -Stewardship encourages us to "Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ". - Property- Bob Karls presented the bids from Roofmaster and Above & Beyond. There was no return call from Midwest Roofing. Roofmasters total bid came in at \$129,000.00 and Above & Beyond came in at \$104,000.00. Ruth Osterbur made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Property Committee to use Above & Beyond for the repair. Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved. Bob Karls made a motion for Brenton with 24 hour Heating and Cooling service to replace the furnace and outside AC unit for the main office. Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved. -Social Ministry reported Bingo will be September 6th and tickets are available. Needs have been mostly electric. -Worship & Music reported Thanks to all of those that provided special music this summer. Sam enjoyed doing sound. They will return to having communion by intinction starting after Labor Day. Saturday October 5th will be Blessing of the Animals in the outdoor worship area at 5:00p.m. October 9th there will be a Potluck Cookout at the Parsonage. October 13th will be Bethany College Sunday, November 4th the Symphony of the Magic Dragon will perform at 7pm in the sanctuary. November 9th the Jazz band will perform. A refresher course for sound technician will be scheduled. -WELCA reported they have three quilts ready. Ten Ladies stuffed 53 critters. Newcomer's luncheon will be in September. God's work our Hands September 8th, signup sheets are available. There is an Amy Grant concert in Springfield September 28th, Kathy Fair will be going if anyone is interested. -Endowment Committee continues going through the gift policy, version 6. Dan Garrett is working on the continuing resolutions and bylaws.

#### Old Business-

#### **New Business-**

**Correspondence-** A thank you note from Westside Senior Center for our continued support. (\$100.00) Thank you note from the kids and Becky Hayden for supporting Mid Mo Bible Camp. Thank you from CADV for our donation of \$375.00.

Being no other business meeting adjourned at 7:15, closing with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: September 17, 2024 at 6 pm. Devotion- Jim Mellody

Respectfully submitted, Carol Hansen, Recording Secretary

#### 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, 2024 (number of needs calls):

Rent - 2

Electric - 3

Lodging - 1

Total Assistance to our Community this month: \$822.00

We Share Jesus with All!

#### 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 a grief support group here at Kent.

#### Our next gathering will be Wednesday, September 18 at 3:00 pm.

This 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.

Anyone and everyone who is grieving is welcome to join in at any time.

#### **BIBLE STUDY & SUNDAY SCHOOL**

#### Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays at 9:00 am.

Lead by Linda Williams. Resumes September 4.

#### Wednesday Evening Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

Led by Pastor Ed

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

#### Men's Bible Study

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

Lead by Bill Work.

#### **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study**

9:00 a.m.

Begins September 22.

"You Are Never Alone" by Max Lucado

Lead by Bob Harger. Meets in the fellowship hall.

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Resumes September 22 9:15 a.m.

#### WELCA MINUTES August 6, 2024

The August meeting was called to order by President Karen Ringsdorf, there were 17 members and one guest present. Karen Thompson gave the devotion.

July minutes were emailed and on tables for review, motion to accept by Ingrid Niemann, 2nd by Pat Poretta motion passed. Karen Stanze reported the July 31th treasury balance was \$3,173.64.

**Quilts and Kits**: Cindy Mohling and Sally Burke reported they have 3 quilts completely finished and hope to have 6 ready by delivery date.

**Christian Action:** Kathy Fair reported 10 ladies stuffed 53 critters. Kathy will have a project at God's Work Our Hands to get more critters made.

Community for Christ: No report, see church bulletin for items needed.

**Senior Center**: Jane Maher reported our week to help was the same as our rummage sale so we were not able to work; we will be filling in this month as needed.

**School Liaison:** Buddy Packs were packed a week ahead of usual due to rummage sale. We still have 4 packs waiting pickup.

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

Care Core: Linda Williams had no report for July, Sheryl Boos has Care Core for August.

**Church at Large**: Melba Bangert reported there will be a gathering for our area the last Saturday in September. More information to come.

Pastor Ed: Pastor Ed said we are placing an order for "God's Work. Our Hands" shirts. Please let Tracy know if you want one and let her know what size you will need. Pastor Kim Knowle- Zeller wanted to thank everyone for being so nice to her and how much she enjoys coming to Kent. Pastor Ed said what a huge undertaking the rummage sale is, but what a wonderful thing for the community to get clothing, etc., at a great price. Pastor Ed performed a wedding ceremony Saturday evening after rummage sale. The bride had come to our church with her grandparents when she was young and decided she wanted to be married at the outside worship area when she was 12 years old.

Birthdays wishes: Birthday wishes were sung to Kathy Fair, Karen

Stanze and Sharon Ballard.

**Special Events:** Newcomers Luncheon is coming up in Sept, more information to come, also Social Ministry Bingo will be September 6th.

**Old Business:** Thank you Mary Foster for leading the book review. Income from Rummage sale was a record \$8,086.45.

**Announcements**: Next WELCA meeting will be September 3rd. Cindy Mohling reported Evangelism needs help with coffee hour, ushers for second service, please signup if you can help. There will be an Amy Grant concert in Springfield Sept 28. "God's Work. Our Hands Sept." 8th, signup sheets will be going up soon.

**Devotions**: Sally Burke will have devotion for Sept. meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted, Mary Evans, Secretary



#### Social Ministry's Famous

#### **BINGO!**

#### September 6

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

Get your tickets today! Also can be bought at the door. Ticket price is \$10 each <u>plus</u> an appetizer to share.

Baskets and other donations for the Silent Auction may be put on the long tables in the fellowship hall.

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.



## SOCIAL MINISTRY AUGUST 2024 MONTHLY NEWS LETTER

Social Ministries assistance and fund balance July 2024. Beginning balance \$2,177.10, deposits \$2380.34, assistance \$822.00, ending balance (7/31) \$3,755.44. Assistance in July: 3 electric, 2 rent, 1 lodging. Blue box goal is 200 items, July total 65, short 135. Look around for extra items in pantry or shelve, bring to Kent as donations. Any non-perishable items are great.

Annual Card Bingo fundraiser will be held Friday September 6th. Tickets on sale now in gathering area between services. Admission is \$10 plus an appetizer to share. There will be a silent auction of donated gift baskets, baked goods, dinners. Raffle for \$50 gas cards and a 50/50 raffle. Come for a good evening of fun, leave with an auction item!

All funds will be used to support people in need in the community.