



KIMBALL COMMUNICATOR

Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church

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From the Pastor

TWO (OFTEN) OVERLOOKED SPRING FESTIVALS

The month of May is always a busy one for families, schools, and churches. There are "end of the year" school activities - from graduations to class parties to finishing up sporting and arts events; there are celebrations of Mother's Day and Memorial Day; We have Synod Gatherings and the end of Confirmation Class for another school year.



And yet there are two Church Holidays that are so often overlooked. This year on May 19th, we celebrate the Day of Pentecost - 50 days after Easter, as we remember the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles of Jesus while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks (Acts 2:1-31) It is an official "Festival Day" in the Lutheran Church. It is one of the two Sundays of the Church Year when Red is the liturgical color in our churches (the other is Reformation Day in October). Red symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit and the Joy of this special day. Since the date of Pentecost depends on the date of Easter, Pentecost is a "moveable feast"...this year coming early because Easter Day was so early in the calendar. Marking the festival's importance as the fulfilment of Christ's purpose in coming into the world, most of the following 33 Sundays are designated as "Sundays after Pentecost". Green is the liturgical color for most of these Sundays, as green symbolizes the growth of the Christian Church as we are guided by the Holy Spirit. The Day of Pentecost is an opportunity for Christians to honor the role of the Holy Spirit in their lives, and to celebrate the birth of the Christian Church.

The other celebration that is often "lost in the shuffle" of the coming of Summer, is **The Holy Trinity** - always celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost - this year on May 26th. This Sunday is marked by White paraments indicating a day of celebration - the last Sunday that White will be used until All Saints Sunday, in November. This day celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Holy Trinity - the persons of God: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Trinity is also a "moveable feast", coming after Pentecost Sunday. The earliest possible date for this celebration is May 17th - it will come on that date in 2285 - mark your calendars! The latest possible date is June 20th - it will be celebrated on that date in 2038. (There is absolutely no charge for this historical information included in this month's Pastor's Column!)

And so in this busy month of completions...and of looking forward to the beginning of the Summer - don't forget these two important church celebrations. God gives us the Holy Spirit at Baptism, and renews this gift in us each and every day. And in a day and age where we want to have all knowledge and all information, the mystery of the Holy Trinity reminds us that there is yet much about God's Glory and Goodness that we do not and cannot understand. Blessings and Peace to each of you in this month of May. See you in Church!

Peace, Power, and Love,
Pastor John

SERVICE TIMES

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

8:30 am
Contemporary

11:00 am
Traditional

Online On YouTube
[@kimbballutheranchurch6062](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkimbballutheranchurch6062)

STAFF

Reverend John Futterer,
Senior Pastor

Liz Fisher, *Deacon*

Keith Sutton,
Parish Administrator

Brian Sevison,
Music Director

Rev. Dr. David R. Keck,
Pastor Emeritus



Congratulations to the following young members of our congregation for these recent honors and recognitions:

- **Abby Carpenter**, who received her bronze medallion as a part of the Spartan Leadership Challenge at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.. Abby is studying at UNCG as a Guarantee Scholar, and has also been selected as a mentor for the incoming class of Scholars in the University Program.
- **Grace Robinson**, who is currently in Seminary preparing for the Ministry of Word and Service in our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, has been named the Administrative Assistant for the Network of ELCA Colleges and Universities (NECU). Grace is a graduate of an ELCA institution – Roanoke College, our Lutheran College in Virginia – and is completing her second year at Wartburg Theological Seminary. Grace lives in Philadelphia.
- **Blake Robinson** received the Outstanding Computer Science Graduate Award from the Webb School of Engineering at High Point University. Blake will be graduating from High Point University this Spring.

If there are honors/awards/recognitions among our members at Kimball Memorial, please get these notices to the Church Office. Thank you!

LASTING LEGACY ENDOWMENT

Thank you is insufficient to express our gratitude for the success of the fundraiser for the Lasting Legacy Endowment Fund! Our expectations were surpassed by your generosity in raising **\$30,088** at the event and afterwards and it was a wonderful evening of fun and fellowship.



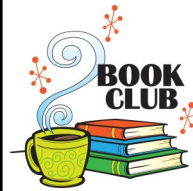
Special thanks to Rick Teumer and the Hot Mess Kitchen Crew for a wonderful meal, the youth for the excellent job they did in serving, Pat Tallent for her donation of a Thrivent grant; Heidi Lee for providing graphics for the raffle, Brian Sevison for the background music he provided, Keith Sutton for his assistance in multiple ways, and to our awesome auctioneer for keeping the evening on track. We couldn't have been successful without all of you.

On behalf of the Endowment Fund Committee, many thanks for supporting Kimball's future and giving gifts to change lives.

Sincerely,

Huyla Jackson

We are asking that additional gifts to the Endowment be given by May 31.



KIMBALL BOOK CLUBS

FRIDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB

Date: May 17, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Hosts: Mike and Laura Abernathy

Book: *Horse* by: Geraldine Brooks

Food: Abernathy's / Tallent's

Everyone is welcome



PRESCHOOL GRADUATION

Preschool Graduation is
May 19th at 4:00 pm.



Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation, will go through May 19th at 10:00 am on Sunday Mornings.

KINGDOM KIDS

The Kingdom Kids event for May will be on May 12 during Faith Formation and we will make Mother's Day gifts.



CONFIRMATION

Middle School Confirmation is on May 5th at Kimball from 2:30-4:00 pm.



HIGH SCHOOL / MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

- **May 5th** at Los Arcos we will do Lunch from 12:30-2:00 pm. It's Cinco De Mayo but they always get us in and out quickly and its close enough to the church to get back here by 2:15 pm.
- **May 11th** Kannapolis Cannonballers Game at 7:00 pm we will meet at the church at 6:30 pm and walk to the stadium.



PRAYER REQUESTS

MILITARY

Christopher Bame (California), Rajeem Baptist (Washington), Robert Busted, Jr. (Virginia), Ben Kirchner (Georgia), Chris Kirchner (Utah), Preston Mays (Maryland), Chris Overcash (NC), Andrew Smith (Arizona)

KIMBALL MEMBERS

Sylvia Anderson, Jerry and Pat Beam, Diana Bentley, Becky Brantley, Brad Brothers, Sharon and Doug Brothers, Brenda Brown, Buttner Family, Florence Calandra, Jean Davis, Mary Dorton, Lisa and Eddie Dunlow, Jessica Dunlow, Betsy Ellington-Boynton, Teresa Erwin, Ava Farris, Shelly Farris, Liz Fisher, Pastor John and Anne Futterer, Fran and Keith Garver, Leigh and John Glass, Todd Haley, Scott and Sarah Harmon, Jim Harris, Prebble Henrickson, Bob Hill, Kathy Hunter, Eric and Jenny Jones, Steve and Peggy Lynch, Ed MacTaggart, Dianne Marlin, Margaret McCombs, Nathan and Kathryn Murph, Taylor and Kaylee Murph, Marty and Perriann Payne, Jim Peeler, John Pendleton, Louise Propst, Blake Robinson, Lisa Robinson, Kip Russell, Juanene Savage, Kathy and Cliff Scott, Betty Shaver, Roger Sizemore, Conrad Sloop, Earlene Snipes, Mary Jo Snipes, Darla Steinert, Gaye St. John, David & Donna Taylor, Sarah Teumer, Randy Triage, Debbie Troutman, Justin Troutman

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Date	Couple	Yrs.
05/05	Mickey & Paula BRANDLE	51
05/07	Geri & Gary SWANSON	41
05/12	Barry & Briton CHRISTENSON	17
05/12	Randy & Amy PRICE	40
05/14	John & Anne FUTTERER	41
05/14	Phil & Lynda WISE	52
05/18	Marty & Perriann PAYNE	22
05/18	Rick & Doris TEUMER	39
05/20	Jerry & Pat BEAM	62
05/21	Steven & Ali POOLE	25
05/21	Bo Phongsa & Tiffany WINN	6
05/23	Jim & Jennifer PERKINS	15
05/25	Steve & Peggy LYNCH	44
05/25	Sally & Mark PETERSON	39
05/25	Tyler & Jennifer RAMSEY	22
05/26	Howard & Diana BENTLEY	40
05/26	Eric & Jenny JONES	22
05/27	Ryan & Sarah HARTSELL	8
05/27	Brian & Kim VOELKER	29
05/28	Eric & Kaylee HELFRICH	8
05/29	Joe & Beth GRIBBLE	42
05/31	Ron & Michele NICHOLS	21

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Caremoor

- Aileen Triage, Bettie Overcash,

Spring Arbor of Albemarle

- Mary Dorton

Avante of Concord

- Dianne Marlin

At their home

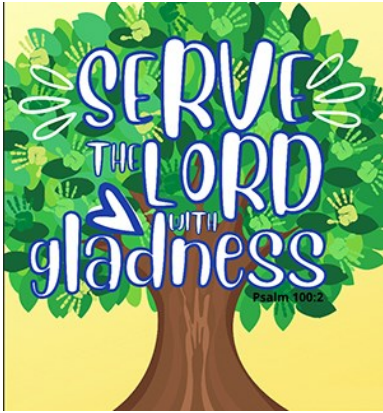
- Earline Snipes
- Jean Davis
- Louise Propst

MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/02	Eric HELFRICH
05/03	Maryn MYRICK
05/05	Laura PENNELL
05/07	Cathy ALTMANN Karen MCCALL
05/08	Pat BEAM Lois O'MILLIAN Asa RUSSELL Eric STOREY
05/09	Alexis FISHER Ed MACTAGGART
05/10	Jessica DUNLOW Alexander ROBINSON
05/11	Leigh GLASS Palmer RUSSELL
05/12	Tony LIPPARD Roger SIZEMORE
05/13	Connor KEITH
05/16	Joe GRIBBLE Sarah HARMON Joshua LAMBERTH Jennifer PERKINS
05/17	Delaney LITTLE Milton MATHENY Owen WHITCOMB
05/20	Darla STEINERT Alex STOREY
05/21	Ellie GRIFFIN Margaret MCCOMBS
05/22	Ryan HARTSELL Jennifer RIDGELL Betsy SMITH
05/25	Sharon BROTHERS Bretta DODSON
05/28	R.J. BAPTIST JR. John CAUTHEN Jane FALLS Paige GUY
05/29	Monroe RITCHIE JR
05/30	Shana BLACK Kemrie CAUTHEN Kendra NICHOLS Travis PRICE
05/31	Caleb FALLS Tyler NICHOLS Zoey NICHOLS



APRIL WORSHIP ASSISTANTS



LECTORS

8:30 am

5 Sharon Brothers
12 Lauren Nichols
19 Tyler Wiethorn
26 Scott Harmon

11:00 am

5 Darla Steinert
12 Heidi Lee
19 Betsy Ellington-Boynton
26 Anne Futterer

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

8:30 am

5 Jodie Hott
12 Sarah Harmon
19 Tim Patterson
26 Liz Fisher

11:00 am

5 Sally Peterson
12 Huyla Jackson
19 Bob Boynton
26 Anne Futterer

SAMARITAN'S TABLE

02 Sally Peterson
09 Pastor John Futterer
16 Bob Boynton
23 Pat Tallent
30 Pastor John

ACOLYTES

8:30 am

5 Leam Neeley
12 Ellis Brooks
19 Palmer/Asa Russell
26 Riley Dodson

11:00 am

5 Hunter Murph
12 Aubrey Whitcomb
19 Kemrie Cauthen
26 Luna Hardister

HEALING PRAYER MINISTERS

8:30 am Debbie Troutman

11:00 am Joyce Mallernee

GREETERS

8:30 am

Jim and Ann Fisher

11:00 am

Ben and Whitney Hesley

MONDAY TELLERS

9:00 am each Monday

Shirley Miller / Kathy Hunter

COMMUNION PREPARERS

8:30 am

Doris & Rick Teumer

11:00 am

Ryan & Kara Hardister

SLIDE DEVELOPER

Kim Kane

PROJECTION (VIDEO)

8:30 am

5 Sarah Harmon
12 Debbie Troutman
19 Andy Robinson
26 Randy Price

11:00 am

5 Alexis Nichols
12 Tony Lippard
19 Gavin Carpenter
26 Tiffany Winn

SOUND (AUDIO)

8:30 am

5 Hope Russell
12 Patrick Little
19 Howard Bentley
26 Tim Patterson

11:00 am

5 Terry Steinert
12 Hunter Murph
19 Nathan Carpenter
26 Bo Phongsas

COUNCIL ASSISTANTS

8:30 am Todd Haley
Melissa Little

11:00 am Heidi Lee
Kim Kane

ALTAR FLOWERS

5 Hesley
12 Ryan Keith
19 Rick & Doris Teumer
26 Ron & Michelle Nichols

PIEDMONT CHORAL SOCIETY

To Music

*Celebrating
the powerful gift of music*

FRIDAY, May 3rd 7pm

SUNDAY, May 5th 3pm

Calvary Lutheran Church 950 Bradley Street – Concord
(off Branchview Dr. NE)

Free Concerts - No Ticket Required

Don't miss our All Patriotic Music Concerts, June 27th, 28th, and 30th.
Community singers are welcome to join PCS for these special events.

Contact: Kay Yates | 704.699.6053 | pcsconcordnc@gmail.com

www.piedmontchoralsociety.org | Find us on Facebook



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GREETINGS FROM YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL!

- The three Holy week services were well attended and included powerful messages and beautiful music. Thanks to all who participated in this most holy of weeks.
- Much work has been done by many during the Lenten/Easter Seasons. Mickey Brandle and Keith Sutton have worked hard on financial matters (and Keith kept all our bulletin/newsletter/parish reminders up to date!) Brian Sevison, Deacon Liz, and Pastor John (and so many members of our choirs) helped worship services go smoothly and well. Behind the scenes, Debbie Troutman changed paraments and banners weekly - sometimes daily...and ushers, communion preparers, and worship assistants ensured that meaningful worship experiences were enjoyed by members and friends during these seasons. THANK YOU to all who work so hard to make Kimball Memorial a special place to work and worship.
- The new directories have been published and are now available. If you have not picked yours up, please pick one up today on your way out of church. The directory also includes the entire year's worship volunteer's schedule. Be sure and check it out.
- If you are a Thrivent member, did you know that you can apply for a \$250 grant for any church related project two times per year? If you're a member, please talk with a council member for possible project ideas.
- If you have not noticed, a new doorbell camera has been installed at the front doors for better security. This was paid for through a grant.

Dates to mark on your calendar include:

- June 16 – 22 Lutheridge Camp with Deacon Liz and Pastor attending.
- July 15 – 22 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans with Deacon Liz attending with a large portion of our youth.
- July 29 – August 2 Day Camp here at Kimball.
- Deacon Liz will be taking a vacation during the week of May 19th.



THE SYNOD GATHERING

The Synod Gathering is for everyone!

Make plans now to come to Lenoir-Rhyne University in Hickory for the 2024 Synod Gathering—

Thursday, May 30, Friday, May 31, and Saturday, June 1

Gather with Lutherans from all across North Carolina. *We are more when you are here.*

1. **Lots of people can come from your congregation!** There is no limit to the number of folks able to attend from each congregation. Unlike Synod Assembly—the synod's business gathering which limits the number of voting members per congregation—this event is for everyone. Bring your friends.
2. **Choose the day that fits you best.** Each day offers opportunities for worship, learning, and fellowship. What if you can only spare the time for one or two days away? Each day is uniquely planned with distinctive workshops, keynotes, and worship services.
3. **Inspire, Equip, and Deepen Relationships** The goal of the Gathering is to inspire, equip, and deepen relationships. You will have the opportunity to be in worship, to be in workshops, to linger at lunch, and to grow more deeply in your faith.

Registration for Synod Gathering will be open through **Wednesday, May 15.**

Grab a group of friends and come!

REGISTER NOW!



BLESSING BOX NEEDS

Please place your items in the old Joe Gribble Sunday School Classroom on the first floor of the educational building.

BIGGEST NEEDS

- *** Bottled Water ***
- Canned fruit or vegetables
- Individual Mac n Cheese cups
- Cereal
- Capri Sun
- Bottle water

OTHER NEEDS

- Canned chicken
- Canned tuna
- Soups
- Ramen noodle cups
- Pasta noodles
- Canned soup
- Canned beans
- Single-serve Peanut Butter
- Travel tissue
- Soap



J.O.Y. GROUP MAY

Barn Dinner Theatre of Greensboro

May 14th @ 1:00 pm show

Steel Magnolias



Sometimes laughter is the best medicine. Grab a glass of sweet tea, the table wine of the south, and gather with the ladies at Truvy's beauty shop to ponder life and death, husbands and children, and hair and nails - all of the most important topics that unite and celebrate women!

DONATE BLOOD

Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church
Wednesday, May 15
2:30 PM - 6:30 PM

All donors will receive*:
 - **\$20 eGift Card**
 - **OneBlood T-shirt**
 - **Wellness Checkup** including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

Fact: Every two seconds of every day, someone needs blood.

Appointments are encouraged, please visit oneblood.org/donate-now and use **sponsor code 42421**

ID REQUIRED
 *One offer per donor, per donation. No cash value. Not-transferable. Gifts may vary. For more information please visit oneblood.org/details.

oneblood Share your power.

Please consider donating a life-saving pint of blood. The pain is temporary, but the gift can last a lifetime... contact Doris Teumer at 704-305-0761 or at dmteumer@yahoo.com You can also sign up at oneblood.org

KIMBALL LUTHERAN CHURCH COLUMBARIUM



Phase II is now complete. Reserve your space now in this beautiful addition to our church.

How Are Columbarium Niches Reserved?

Columbarium Reservation and Purchase Forms are available in the church office, or from the chair of the Columbarium Committee. A Columbarium Contract is issued when completed forms and appropriate fees are returned to the church office.

MAY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble Reh. 7:00p Chancel Choir	2 10:30a Preschool Chapel 5:00p Samaritan's Table 7:00p Property	3	4 11:30a – 3:00p VDC Ultra
Easter 6 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:45a Joe Gribble SS 10:00a Faith Formation 11:00a Traditional Worship 12:30p HS/MS Lunch at Los Arcos 2:30p Confirmation at Kimball	6	7	8 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble Reh. 7:00p Chancel Choir	9 10:30a Preschool Chapel 5:00p Samaritan's Table	10 10:30a Preschool Mother's Day Program	11 6:30p HS/MS Youth - Cannonballer's Game
Easter 7 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:45a Joe Gribble SS 10:00a Faith Formation 11:00a Traditional Worship	13	14 J.O.Y. Group-Barn Dinner Theatre	15 3:00p Blood Drive 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble Reh. 7:00p Chancel Choir	16 10:30a Preschool Chapel 5:00p Samaritan's Table 7:00p Church Council	17 6:30p Friday Night Book Club	18
Pentecost 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:45a Joe Gribble SS 10:00a Faith Formation 11:00a Traditional Worship 4:00p Preschool Graduation	20 6:30p Preschool Brd. Meeting	21 10:00a Coltrane Life Center Bingo	22 3:00p Carolina Value Pet (Cats) 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble Reh. 7:00p Chancel Choir	23 5:00p Samaritan's Table	24 12:00p – 5:00p Carolina Value Pet	25 10:00p – 2:00p Carolina Value Pet
Holy Trinity 8:30a Contemporary Worship 9:45a Joe Gribble SS 11:00a Traditional Worship	27 Memorial Day <i>Church Office Closed</i>	28	29 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble Reh. 7:00p Chancel Choir	30 5:00p Samaritan's Table	31	



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