



KIMBALL COMMUNICATOR

Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church

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From the Pastor...

SUCCESSFUL FAILURES

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory, Towering O’er the Wrecks of Time...”



With school starting up in earnest this month, I found myself thinking about my own school days back in Rockingham, and how important it was to make the grade. While never wanting to discount the value of being on the ‘Honor Roll’, isn’t it interesting how many successful people begin as failures:

- Ignace Paderewski, the great Polish pianist, was once told by his music teacher that his hands were much too small to master the keyboard.
- The great Italian tenor, Enrico Caruso, was told by his teacher that his voice sounded like “the wind whistling through the window.”
- When the incomparable British statesman, Benjamin Disraeli, attempted to speak in Parliament for the first time, members hissed him into silence and laughed when he said, “Though I sit down now, the time will come when you will hear me.”
- Henry Ford forgot to put a reverse gear in his first car.
- In 1902, the poetry editor of *The Atlantic Monthly* sent a sheaf of poems back to a 28-year old poet with this curt note: “Our magazine has no room for your vigorous verse.” The poet was Robert Frost.
- In 1905, the University of Bern turned down a Ph.D. dissertation as being “irrelevant and fanciful”. The student was Albert Einstein.
- The rhetoric teacher at the Harrow School in England wrote this on sixteen-year-old Winston Churchill’s end of year report: “A conspicuous lack of success would seem to be your destiny in life.”
- Thomas Edison once spent \$2,000,000 on an invention that proved to be a flop.

In Jesus’ day, many could have looked on his ministry as a failure: It was only three years in length; of his closest followers – one betrayed him, one denied him and they all ran away; part of its culmination was the brutality of a cross – a humiliating, demeaning death inflicted on criminals and enemies of the empire.

And yet, over time we have seen that it was out of His weakness that Jesus ministered to the world. And it is from the Cross that Our Lord Jesus reigns! What looked like failure to the world became Christ’s Glory.

Whether you’re going back to school this fall...or just reminiscing about those days from the past, please remember that failure is never fatal – it is the courage to continue that counts! As that great theologian Vince Lombardi once said, “Success is not in never falling. Success is found in getting up every time we fall!”

Blessings to you in your journey with Christ this autumn...and in all the seasons of your life.

Peace and love, **Pastor John**



8:30 am
Contemporary

11:00 am
Traditional

Online On YouTube
[@kimballethurch6062](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkimballethurch6062)

STAFF

Reverend John Futterer,
Senior Pastor
Liz Fisher, *Deacon*
Keith Sutton,
Parish Administrator
Brian Sevison,
Music Director

Rev. Dr. David R. Keck,
Pastor Emeritus

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

It's with great joy that we've received the following new members recently into the fellowship of our church:

HARRY AND JOAN CROOTE joined us by transfer, sponsored by Rich and Rose Hartman. The Crootes are both native upstate New Yorkers – Harry worked as a mechanic for UPS until his retirement, while Joan was a secretary until she retired. They moved south in 2007. They have 1 child, 3 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Both Harry and Joan have gotten very involved in our Wednesday Morning Bible Study.

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Phone: Harry-704-960-2435, Joan-704-960-2435

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THE MILLER FAMILY joined us by transfer, sponsored by the Wiethorn family. Wayne is a native of Salisbury and a graduate of Wake Forest University, where he received both his undergraduate and Master's Degree. He is a 7th and 8th grade teacher at Pine Lake Preparatory School in Mooresville. He enjoys being outside and wood working as a hobby. Andrea is a native of Florida, also a Wake Forest graduate, and did her Master's Work at UNCG. She is a Child and Family Therapist at Mindful Beginnings of Lake Norman, and enjoys nature and animals. Colby and Gus are twins – both attended Campfirmation with Kimball this past Summer, and both are 8th graders and Pine Lake Prep. Colby enjoys cars, building things, and baseball, while Gus likes to read, play video games and is involved in youth/community theatre. The family has been involved in Sunday School, Worship, and Youth Group.

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SUSAN SLOOP joined us by transfer, sponsored by her family here at church (Hinsons/Nichols/Sloops.) She was born in Georgia, but spent her formative years in and around Anderson, SC. She is a graduate of Winthrop University and taught Home Economics for 37 years in both North and South Carolina. Susan enjoys reading, sewing, walking and loves to be with her large and loving family. She has been very active in our 8:30 worship service. Her husband is Danny.

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ETHAN AND ZOYA POLZIN joined us recently by transfer, sponsored by Deacon Liz who presided at their wedding in Gold Hill on July 27th of this year. Ethan is a native of Michigan and was raised in the Roman Catholic Tradition. He is employed by Gordon Foods and enjoys cooking out and music. Zoya is originally from Guyana, baptized at Transfiguration Lutheran Church there. She is employed by General Motors as a Quality Analyst. She loves gardening and cooking.

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Phone: Ethan—704-935-6518 Zoya--810-247-8239

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THE ROLAND FAMILY – Scott, Chrstina and Matthew (T.R.) joined us by transfer, sponsored by Rich and Rose Hartman. Scott has roots in Texas – he was baptized there – but also spent a good bit of time in Louisiana. Scott works for Clean Harbors in Charlotte where he is a project manager – the company does work for Novant Health in the area. He enjoys woodworking and spending time with his family. Christina was baptized in Minnesota but spent most of her growing up years in Louisiana. She enjoys baking and reading, and is employed by the Department of Human Resources in Rowan County. Robert Ray (who goes by TR) is an 8th grader and enjoys biking and swimming. He's also been very involved in our Youth Group since coming to Kimball Memorial, and attended Campfirmation this Summer. He'll be confirmed in 2025.

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LORI MALLERNEE WOODLE joined us by restoration of membership, sponsored by her mother, Joyce Mallernee. Lori spent a lot of her time in Middle School and High School as a member here. She is married to Matthew and they have three children (Allie, Emma, and Harrison) She is an Onboarding Analyst at Novant Health. Lori enjoys reading, camping, and travel.

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HARRISON WOODLE son of Lori and Matthew, joined the church via Holy Baptism, sponsored by his family. Harrison is a 9th grader at Concord High School, attended Campfirmation this past Summer at Lutheridge and will be confirmed later in September. He enjoys singing – where he has joined our 11:00 chancel choir. He has been very involved in our Youth Group and in the Civil Air Patrol.



Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation will NOT meet Sunday September 1st & 8th. We will have a Kick-Off Sunday on September 15th.

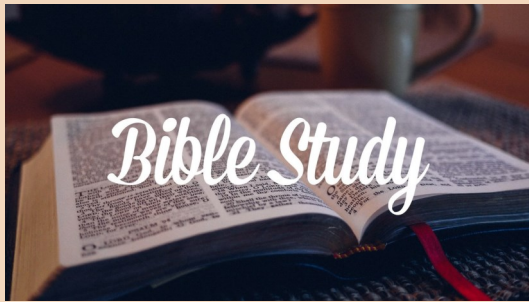
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE TABLE CLASS



You're invited to join The Table Sunday school class at 10:00 am on Sundays in August and September as we complete a Bible study of Isaiah. We meet in

the far left corner room upstairs in the education wing. We'll explore this beloved scripture through historical, literary, Jewish, and Christian understandings. Reach out to Jerrod Smith for more information. wjerrodsmith@gmail.com



WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Church Parlor for our weekly Bible Study. All are welcome for this informal time of study and discussion - each Wednesday at 10:00 am. For more information please call the Church Office.

September Facilitators:

- 09/04 Pastor John
- 09/11 Deacon Liz
- 09/18 Class Led
- 09/25 Pastor Joe



HS/MS Youth Lunch

Sunday, September 15th at 12:15 - 2:15 pm
We will gather for lunch on Sunday, September 15th from 12:15—2:15 pm. We will have lunch and a church service project.

MS Confirmation Kick Off

Sunday, September 15th from 2:30 - 4:00 pm
We will meet here at Kimball from 2:30-4:00pm. We are excited for this new year of confirmation with 15 Confirmation students for our four church cluster. We will share those dates with you at our September 8th meeting.

HS/MS Youth Parent Meeting

Sunday, September 8th at 10:00 am
We are asking all parents of MS/HS Youth to join us on Sunday September 8th at 10:00 am in the Commons. We will have our Fall Youth Calendar out and we will also give you key dates for 2025. If you are unable to attend please let Deacon Liz know and she will get the information out to you.

HS/MS Youth Mini Golf and Snow Cones

Sunday, September 29th from 2:00—4:00 pm.
We will meet at Jackos and the cost is \$10 for Mini Golf, Arcade and a Snow Cone. Please sign up via google docs which you can find on our website or Facebook page. The sign up deadline is Sunday September 22nd.



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

DATE	COUPLE	YEARS
06-Sep	David & Sheila GOODNIGHT	39
09-Sep	Caleb & Brynn FALLS	7
14-Sep	Anna & Jonathan RICH	1
20-Sep	Nathan & Kathryn MURPH	16
22-Sep	Dolph & Taren MYRICK	45
24-Sep	Greg & Lori WHITCOMB	19
29-Sep	Joshua & Anna LAMBERTH	5

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, Sylvia Binion, Bob Boynton, Becky Brantley, Brad Brothers, Sharon and Doug Brothers, Brenda Brown, Buttner Family, Florence Calandra, Emily Clamser, Jean Davis, Mary Dorton, Lisa and Eddie Dunlow, Teresa Erwin, Shelly and Ava Farris, Liz Fisher, Pastor John and Anne Futterer, Fran and Keith Garver, Leigh and John Glass, Todd Haley, Scott and Sarah Harmon, Prebble Henrickson, Bob Hill, Kathy and Mike Hunter, Eric and Jenny Jones, Pr. David and Diana Keck, Wilma Keller, Steve and Peggy Lynch, Ed MacTaggart, Dianne Marlin, Margaret McCombs, Nathan and Kathryn Murph, Taylor and Kaylee Murph, John Pendleton, Peggy Pergola, Louise Propst, Blake Robinson, Lisa Robinson, Kip Russell, Juanene Savage, Kathy and Cliff Scott, Betty Shaver, Roger Sizemore, Conrad Sloop, Chloe Small, Mary Jo Snipes and Family, Gaye St. John, David and Donna Taylor, Sarah Teumer, Debbie Troutman

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

01-Sep	Jacob HARDY
	Randy PRICE
02-Sep	Eric JONES
03-Sep	Ame GUY
	Alexis NICHOLS
04-Sep	Bryana MCDONALD
	Paulette PEELER
05-Sep	Grace ROBINSON
06-Sep	Allen BRANTLEY
	Gary YOUNT
07-Sep	Mickey BRANDLE
	David GOODNIGHT III
	Lori WOODLE
08-Sep	Doug BROTHERS
	Taylor MURPH
	Hunter PATTERSON
	Tom RAMSEUR
09-Sep	Jennifer BUTTNER
13-Sep	Keith LEE
14-Sep	Lucy MILLER
	Alyssa NICHOLS
	Paul SMITH
15-Sep	Ashlyn CHRISTY
19-Sep	Ben HESLEY
20-Sep	Riley DODSON
	Mary Jo SNIPES
22-Sep	Liam HESLEY
	Cathy YOUNG
23-Sep	Brad BROTHERS
24-Sep	Travis BLACK
26-Sep	Charlotte FISHER
	Gavin JOYCE
28-Sep	Sylvia ANDERSON
29-Sep	Jon Todd HOTT
	Andy ROBINSON JR.
30-Sep	Liz FISHER
	Peggy LYNCH
	Hope RUSSELL



SEPTEMBER SUNDAY MINISTERS

8:30	LECTOR	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	SOUND	PROJECTION
1-Sep	Liz Fisher	David Sloan	Leam Neeley	Patrick Little	Andy Robinson
8-Sep	Tyler Wiethorn	Darian Miller	Ellis Brooks	Howard Bentley	Debbie Troutman
15-Sep	Shane Little	Donna Taylor	Asa Russell	Hope Russell	Scott Harmon
22-Sep	Lauren Nichols	Sara Harmon	Delaney Little	Keith Garver	Nathan Carpenter

MONTHLY DUTIES	8:30	11:00
Greeters	Jenny Jones / Todd Haley	Tom Ramseur / Pat Moser
Council Assitants	Paula Brandle / Donna Taylor	Bob Boynton / Terry Steinert
Healing Prayer Ministers	Debbie Troutman	Joyce Mallernee
Communion Preparers	Susan & Jim Harris	Ryan & Kara Hardister
Tellers	Bob & Betsy Ellington-Boynton	

11:00	LECTOR	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	SOUND	PROJECTION
1-Sep	Liz Fisher	Anne Futterer	Luna Hardister	Ryan Hardister	Gracie Matheny
8-Sep	Ben Hesley	Liz Wise	Kemrie Cauthen	Hunter Murph	Luna Hardister
15-Sep	Heidi Lee	Jerrold Smith	Harrison Woodle	Ben Hesley	Terry Steinert
22-Sep	Peggy Pergola	Bob Boynton	Gavin Joyce	Gavin Carpenter	Taylor Murph

FLOWER CALENDAR	
1-Sep	Hesley
8-Sep	Jim Harris
15-Sep	Troutman
22-Sep	Hesley
29-Sep	Church

10:00	LECTOR	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	SOUND	PROJECTION
29-Sep	Anne Futterer	Liz Fisher	Anniston Wheatley	Tim Patterson	Tony Lippard



FROM YOUR ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

WHAT IS A GIFT OF MARKETABLE SECURITIES?

Gifts of marketable securities, such as appreciated stocks and/or mutual funds held more than a year can support the Lasting Legacy Endowment and the long-term ministries we care so much about. Gifting an appreciated security can help you avoid capital gains, which can be as high as 20% and earn a tax deduction based on the value of your gift.

For you to enjoy the tax advantages of this type of gift, the securities must be transferred directly to the Lasting Legacy Endowment prior to being sold. If you have an interest in making a gift of this type, simply ask a member of the Endowment committee. We can put you or your financial advisor in direct contact with broker/dealer to initiate the transfer.

Additionally, if you would like to retain ownership of your securities during your lifetime but transfer all or a portion of them after your death, this can be accomplished easily. Simply contact your financial advisor and add the Kimball Lutheran Church Endowment (must use our official name) as a TOD (transfer on death). This means upon your death the assets will be transferred directly to the Endowment without going through your estate.

As always, you should ask your tax advisor if you have tax related questions. And know that the endowment committee is available to help in any way.

KIMBALL BOOK CLUBS

Friday Night

When: Friday, September 6th - 6:30 pm

Hosts: Howard and Diana Bentley

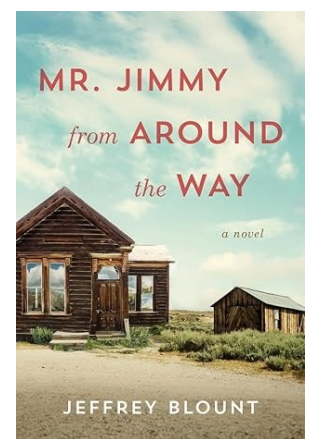
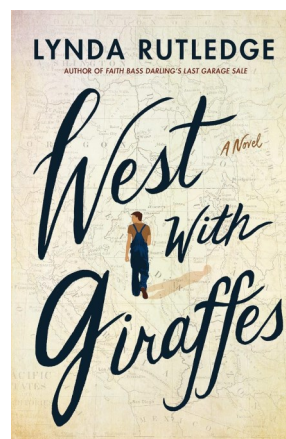
Book: *West with Giraffes* by Linda Rutledge

Tuesday Morning

When: Tuesday, September 10th - 10:00 am

Location: Church Parlor

Book: *Mr. Jimmy From Around the Way* by Jeffrey Blount





BLESSING BOX NEEDS

Please place your items in the back Youth Room at the end of the hall near the back door.

- Bottled Water
- Canned chicken
- Shelf stable milk
- All canned goods
- Cereal
- Spaghetti noodles and sauce
- Tuna
- Rice crispy treats
- Soap
- Diapers
- Deodorant

Please do not place opened or perishable items in the Blessing Box. This creates a problem with spoilage and attracts ants.



KINGDOM KIDS/ 3-5TH GRADES Faith Formation Kick Off Sunday September 15th at 10:00 am

We will have relay games, snacks and “campfire” devotions. We hope you can join us for this fun filled time!

KINGDOM KIDS



3-5TH GRADES



JOY GROUP LUNCH September 18

Join the JOY (Just Older Youth) Group on Wednesday, September 18th for a fun trip to Lexington BBQ for lunch. Meet at the church at 10:30 am to prepare to leave. It will be a time for great fun, food, and fellowship!

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

CAREMOOR Aileen Tiece / Bettie Overcash
MORNINGSIDE OF CONCORD Gaye St. John
SPRING ARBOR OF ALBEMARLE Mary Dorton
AVANTE OF CONCORD Dianne Marlin
AT HOME Jean Davis / Louise Propst





WORLD FOOD DAY
 Celebrating 50 Years of ELCA World Hunger

When: Tuesday, Oct. 15, 7 p.m. Central time
Where: Zoom webinar

[**REGISTER HERE**](#)

“Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” —1 John 3:18

Join ELCA World Hunger for a celebration of World Food Day and the 50th anniversary of ELCA World Hunger!

This special online event will be hosted by the Rev. Amy Current, bishop of the Southeastern Iowa Synod, and Imran Siddiqui, vice president of the ELCA.

Tune in on Oct. 15 to hear firsthand stories from partners at ELCA World Hunger projects — including Educación Popular en Salud (EPES), a community health organization in Chile that was founded over 40 years ago, and more recent starts such as Tapestry Farms, a Midwestern urban-farm system in the “Quad Cities” of Iowa and Illinois. You’ll see the impact of 50 years of ELCA World Hunger work and get excited and equipped to be part of the next 50 years!

KIMBALL MEMORIAL FINANCIAL REPORT

	Month of July	Year to Date
General Fund Income	\$35,498.76	\$303,099.12
General Fund Expenses	\$42,850.55	\$307,593.04

KIMBALL ENEWS

Did you know that Kimball publishes a weekly eNews letter every Friday? The eNews contains calendars, events, the lessons for Sunday, birthdays and much much more information. If you aren’t already receiving the Kimball eNews, contact the church office to have your email address added.

SEPTEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Pentecost 15 8:30a Contemporary Worship 10:00a Adult Sunday School 11:00a Traditional Worship 12:15p Handbell Rehearsal	2 Labor Day Church Office Closed	3 Preschool Students Return	4 10:00a Bible Study 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble 7:30p Chancel Choir	5 5:00p Samaritan's Table	6 6:30p Friday Night Book Club-Bentley	7
Pentecost 16 8:30a Contemporary Worship 10:00a Adult Sunday School 10:00a Youth Parent Meeting 11:00a Traditional Worship	9	10 10:00a Tuesday Morning Book Club-Parlor	11 10:00a Bible Study 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble 7:30p Chancel Choir	12 5:00p Samaritan's Table 7:00p Property Comm.	13	14
Pentecost 17 8:30a Contemporary Worship 10:00a Adult Sunday School 10:00a Faith Formation Kick-Off 11:00a Traditional Worship 12:15p Handbell Rehearsal 12:15p Youth Lunch/Service Project 2:30p Confirmation @ Kimball	16	17 10:00a Bingo-Coltrane Life Center	18 10:00a Bible Study 10:30a JOY Group trip to Lexington BBQ 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble 7:30p Chancel Choir	19 5:00p Samaritan's Table 7:00p Church Council	20	21
Pentecost 18 8:30a Contemporary Worship 10:00a Adult Sunday School 10:00a Faith Formation 11:00a Traditional Worship 12:15p Handbell Rehearsal	23	24	25 10:00a Bible Study 3:00p Carolina Value Pet (Cats) 6:30p Contemporary Ensemble 7:30p Chancel Choir	26 5:00p Samaritan's Table	27 12:00p – 5:00p Carolina Value Pet	28 10:00p – 2:00p Carolina Value Pet
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