



KIMBALL COMMUNICATOR

Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church

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FROM THE PASTOR.....

This year I'm Thankful for:

- A wonderful Beach Retreat with our High School Youth - Isle of Palms, Mission Work completed, everyone got along - what could be better than that?
- An upcoming service on All Saints' Sunday - when we remember those who have departed this life during the past year...I'll also be thinking about and remembering my big brother, Bill.
- Continued healing from a torn quad - it's coming up on two years now and my recovery is doing very well.
- My family - Anne, Anne Carlon, Mary - my sister, and a cat and a grandcat...along with Aunts, Cousins, and many, many Friends and Church Friends - I have a Blessed Life.
- An exciting World Series and a great Super Bowl - Dodgers/Blue Jays is one for the Ages...and how about those EAGLES back in February!
- Our Church Staff - Liz, Keith, Brian, Sherri...and all our volunteers. They make my work life wonderful...and my life easier!
- Wonderful hymns on special days/seasons: *Earth and All Stars* in the Fall; *Come, You Thankful People*, *Come* on the Sunday before Thanksgiving; *Silent Night* on Christmas Eve; *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* on Easter; *Go My Children with My Blessing* on Graduation Sunday; *Beautiful Savior* - ANY Sunday!
- Thanksgiving - different now with so many folks we've loved at that Great Banquet in Heaven - but there's always family, always good food, always football - and always plenty of reasons to give Thanks.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving Season...and may we all remember to be grateful for God's Goodness and Love!

Peace and Love,

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8:30 am
Contemporary

11:00 am
Traditional

Online On YouTube

STAFF

Reverend John Futterer,
Senior Pastor

Liz Fisher, *Deacon*

Keith Sutton,
Parish Administrator

Brian Sevison,
Music Director

Howard Bentley,
Treasurer

Rev. Dr. David R. Keck,
Pastor Emeritus



Faith Formation

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE TABLE CLASS

You are invited to the Table Sunday School class as we explore our faith in a relaxed atmosphere. We meet in the far left corner upstairs in the education wing at 10:00 am.

THE JOE GRIBBLE CLASS

The Joe Gribble Sunday School class meets every Sunday in the Joe Gribble Classroom in the educational wing at 10:00 am.



It's with great joy that we welcomed **Jessica Shafer** into membership by Transfer during the month of October. Jessica grew up in Michigan (she is a life-long Lutheran), and is now living here in Kannapolis where she is a Case Manager for individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, through Alliance Health - which does such good work in North Carolina. Jessica loves to read, enjoys her family and friends, and eating out whenever she can.

She was sponsored in membership by the Kempf family (Melissa, Sarah, and Skylar.) We rejoice to receive her into membership, and will receive other new members in the month of November.

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☛ Nov. 9 – MS Lunch & Confirmation

1:00 PM | St. Martin Lutheran, Concord

Our middle school youth will gather at St. Martin for lunch and confirmation class! Bring your appetite and your questions — this will be a great time of fellowship, learning, and laughter with our confirmation friends. Cost is \$10.00

☞ Nov. 9 – HS & MS Dinner & Devotions

4:30–6:30 PM | Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church

After a busy weekend, come back for a cozy evening of food, faith, and fun! We'll share dinner, devotional time, and plenty of laughs. Bring a friend — the more, the merrier!

Thanks and Thanksgiving Lunch

Families Volunteering ALL YOUTH GROUP AGES

ARE INVITED TO HELP Sunday, November 23

Mark your calendars and loosen your belts — our annual “Thanks and Thanksgiving” Lunch is coming up on Sunday, November 23. Plan to serve from 9:00 am–1:00 pm at Kimball!

This special tradition is one of our youth's *favorite* events of the year — and it's easy to see why! Every age group comes together to prepare, serve, and share a meal with our church family. It's a time to pause, laugh, and give thanks for the many blessings God has poured out on our community.

To make it all happen, we'll need your help with **side dishes and desserts**. A **SignUpGenius** link will be sent out soon to all Youth and Family parents. Whether your specialty is mac and cheese, green beans, sweet potato casserole, or a famous family pie — we'd love for you to bring it!

This is a great way for our kids to *give thanks* in action — by serving our congregation and sharing the joy of the season. Thank you in advance for helping make this day full of gratitude, good food, and even better fellowship!



STEWARDSHIP SERVICE WITH PASTOR TIM CANNIFF-KUHN

Sunday, November 23rd
10:00 am

WE'RE SO PLEASED to have Pastor Tim Canniff-Kuhn with us for this year's Stewardship Worship Service - ONE Service on Sunday, November at 10:00 am.

It will precede our Youth and their annual Thanks and Thanksgiving Luncheon. Pastor Tim grew up in Wisconsin, graduated from the University of Wisconsin (Go Badgers!) with a degree in Social Work. He met his wife Mary (who was our Stewardship Speaker three years ago) at a church camp in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, after which they attended our Southern Seminary together, both receiving Master of Divinity degrees and being ordained. They served a congregation together in Florida, and then were called as Program Directors of Lutheridge, where they served for 25 years. Many of our young people remember Pastor Tim and Pastor Mary, as they lived out their passion for Outdoor Ministry, seeing God in both Creation and Community.

Since retirement, Pastor Tim has served several interim appointments in the North Carolina Synod. Pastors Tim and Mary have three sons and seven grandchildren, including twins, born this past month. Tim and Mary are currently living in Asheville. Tim's interests include camping, music, and all things Wisconsin Sports. We are so pleased to welcome him as our guest!



**"Every Kind of Grace"
Stewardship Theme for 2026
Commitment Sunday is
November 23rd**

Intent cards and letters will be mailed to all members/friends of the congregation in the coming weeks as our Stewardship Campaign for 2026 begins. The theme for this new year focuses on the many blessings that we have in this congregation, how we have used those blessings in the past and how we might look to the future for new ideas of service to our community and our world.

We're reminded of this in St. Paul's second letter to the Church at Corinth, when he reminds his readers in chapter 9, verse 8: "And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

We've completed so many of our goals in these past years (purchasing the remainder of our block, paving our parking lot, installing new equipment on our playground, beginning an endowment to continue our service to young people and to those in need here in our community, our work with Carver Elementary School, participation in our Southern Seminary Appeal, as well as being leaders in the Lutheran Services Carolinas and Lutheridge fundraising. And - we must never forget - how we overcame our debt and have moved forward from those days to continue to help this community and our Synod and our State in so many ways. We truly are Blessed...and have been a wonderful Blessing to others.

This coming year, we are hoping to do meaningful work in upfitting our kitchen, adding fundraisers for the Church so that we might continue our ministries to Carver Elementary and to Lutheridge, and to continue our ministries which have defined this congregation for so many years.

We're asking members to bring their commitment cards to worship on Sunday, November 23rd (ONE service at 10:00 am) as well as welcome Pastor Tim Canniff-Kuhn, who so many of us remember from Lutheridge and who will bring an inspiring message of Hope and Promise. Following worship, we'll be treated to a delicious Thanks and Thanksgiving luncheon, provided by the youth families of our congregation, and served to us by our children and youth. We'll have the opportunity to bring these commitment cards forward on that Sunday morning as we make financial promises and commitments to our church for the coming year. Remember - we have experienced every kind of Grace in the life of this congregation...may we share that Grace abundantly with others!

Please let us know if you haven't received a letter and intent card by November 16th, and we will make certain you get one ASAP. We do hope you'll plan to join us for this time of celebration and commitment as we look forward to a year of reflection on how Gracious our God is...yesterday, today, and tomorrow!

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

DATE	COUPLE	YRS.
3-Nov	Spencer and Sydney FALLS	7
5-Nov	Darin and Craig PEAY	11
14-Nov	Ryan and Natalie KEITH	10
21-Nov	Andrew and Helenita BELL	35

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

CAREMOOR Aileen Tiece

MORNINGSIDE Betty Shaver

AVANTE OF CONCORD Dianne Marlin

COMPASS HEALTHCARE OF SPENCER Gaye St. John

PRAYER REQUESTS

MILITARY

- Rajeem Baptist (Washington)
- Robert Busteed, Jr. (Virginia)
- Christopher Bame (Georgia)
- Sinatra Dreisbach (Nevada)
- Mason Hott (Georgia)
- Ben Kirchner (Georgia)
- Chris Kirchner (Missouri)
- Preston Mays (Maryland)
- Chris Overcash (North Carolina)
- Andrew Smith (Arizona)

KIMBALL MEMBERS

Sylvia Anderson, Robin Ballard, Rev. Susan Bame, Jerry and Pat Beam, Sherri Bennett, Howard and Diana Bentley, Silvia Binnon, Mickey and Paula Brandle, Allen Brantley, Brad Brothers, Sharon and Doug Brothers, Florence Calandra, Lisa and Eddie Dunlow, Betsy Ellington-Boynton, Teresa Erwin, Shelly and Ava Farris, Liz Fisher, Sudie Foil, Pastor John and Anne Futterer, Fran and Keith Garver, John Glass, Todd Haley, Sarah Harmon, Susan and Jim Harris, Prebble Henrickson, Kathy and Mike Hunter, Tim and Huyla Jackson, Sherry Johnson, Eric and Jenny Jones, Tony and Paula Lippard, Steve and Peggy Lynch, Ed MacTaggart, Grace Marcus, Dianne Marlin, Sherri Matheny, Margaret McCombs, Miller Family, Pat Moser, Betty Ritchie, Blake Robinson, Lisa Robinson, Kip Russell, Juanene Savage, Kathy Scott, Betty Shaver, Roger Sizemore, David Sloan and Family, Mary Jo Snipes and Family, Bob and Jean Tatarka, David and Donna Taylor, Sarah Teumer, Debbie Troutman

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



DATE	NAME
1-Nov	Barry CHRISTENSON
	Shannon RIGSBY
2-Nov	Sabrina BRONSON
	R. E. CAUTHEN
	Anna RICH
3-Nov	Stafford HAMILTON
5-Nov	Sharon MEENDERING
	Debbie TROUTMAN
9-Nov	Alexandra ROBBINS
10-Nov	Bob BOYNTON
	Rosalie HARTMAN
	Huyla JACKSON
15-Nov	Amelia BARTON
	Doris TEUMER
16-Nov	Fran GARVER
	Nathan MURPH
17-Nov	Donna LAMBERT
	Joseph TALLENT
18-Nov	Alice LLOYD
20-Nov	Kathy SCOTT
	Timothy WHEATLEY
22-Nov	Nevina CHRISTY
	Kathy HUNTER
23-Nov	TJ BLACK
24-Nov	Dana HINSON
25-Nov	Suzanne REID
27-Nov	Emily BUTTNER
	Joe SAULLO
	Tanner TRIECE
28-Nov	Jeffrey KISER
29-Nov	Betty SHAVER

NOVEMBER SUNDAY MINISTERS

8:30	LECTOR	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	Communion Helper	SOUND	PROJECTION
2-Nov	Emily Clamser	Jack Smith	Delaney Little	Skylar Kempf	Patrick Little	Nathan Carpenter
9-Nov	Todd Haley	Mary Lee Blackwelder	Skylar Kempf	TBD	Liz Fisher	Nathan Carpenter
16-Nov	Rob Roginski	Sarah Harmon	TJ Black	TBD	Jack Smith	Nathan Carpenter

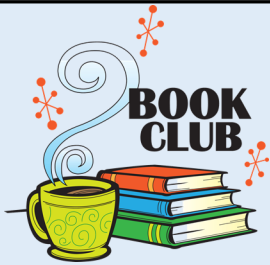
11:00	LECTOR	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	Communion Helper	SOUND	PROJECTION
2-Nov	Joyce Mallernee	Sally Peterson	Maydin Kolhmeir	Austin Joyce	Gracie Matheny	Gavin Joyce
9-Nov	Bob Boynton	Tony Lippard	Amara Siesay	TBD	Hank Schmitt	Abby Schmitt
16-Nov	Hannah Wiethorn	Anne Futterer	Harmony Gregory	Aubrey Gregory	Gavin Carpenter	Von Blocker

10:00	LECTOR	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	Communion Helper	SOUND	PROJECTION
23-Nov	Laura Pennell	Jodie Hott	Alyssa Nichols	Tyler Nichols	Rick Teumer	Nathan Carpenter
30-Nov	Bob Hill	Scott Harmon	Levi McDonald (Bryana Help)	TBD	Andy Robinson	Nathan Carpenter

	5-Nov	12-Nov	19-Nov	26-Nov
Wednesday Bible Study	Pastor John	No Class	Pastor Joe	Deacon Liz

FLOWER CALENDAR	
2-Nov	Troutman
9-Nov	Bryana McDonald
16-Nov	Troutman
23-Nov	Hunter
30-Nov	Church

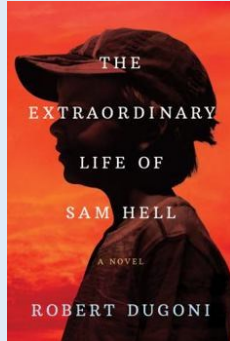
	8:30	11:00
Greeters	Jenny Jones / Todd Haley	Ben & Whitney Hesley
Council Assistants	Scott Harmon Melissa Little	Sally Peterson Hannah Wiethorn
Healing Prayer	Peggy Lynch	Lindsay Daugherty
Communion Prep	Susan & Jim Harris	Kara & Ryan Hardister
Tellers	Bob Boynton & Betsy Ellington-Boynton	
Slide Prep	Kim Kane	



KIMBALL BOOK CLUBS

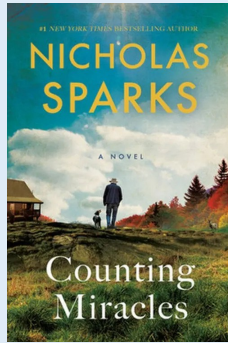
TUESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB

Date: November 7—6:30 pm
Host: Howard and Diana Bentley
Book: *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell*
by Robert Dugoni



TUESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB

Date: November 11 at
10:00 am
Location: Church Parlor
Book: *Counting Miracles*
by Nicholas Sparks



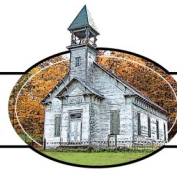
JOY Group

November 12–14 – JOY Group Beach Retreat

Our Joy Group is off to the coast for a few days of fun, fellowship, and fresh ocean air! Pack your sunscreen and laughter — there's nothing like beachside Bible stories and seafood. We will be leaving the church at 9:00 am



CHURCH COUNCIL



Greetings from your Church Council who met this past Thursday.

Thank you to the Wiethorn family for hosting and the Teumer and Little families for cooking the barbeque for the Fall Fellowship cookout. The rain held off and everyone had a great time.

There will be two combined services in the month of November. November 23rd is Stewardship Sunday. The Youth will be catering a Thanksgiving lunch for everyone. Since November has five Sundays we will have a combined service on November 30th. We will open the service with a Congregational Meeting to present the 2026 proposed budget and accept any Council nominations from the floor.

There will also be a Congregational Meeting, December 14th at 10:00 am, between the early and late services to vote on the 2026 proposed budget and new Council members. Please plan on attending this important meeting as we need a quorum to vote on these items.

The Council has been reviewing and updating all of the church policies. Most recently we reviewed and updated the Building Use policy. As a reminder, the "Request for Use of the Church Property" form needs to be completed and turned into the office a minimum of 30 days prior to the date of the event for review and approval.

The monthly budget update: General Fund tithes for the month of September totaled \$33,509 against a budget of \$42,916. This created an income deficit, for the month of September of \$9,407.

Thank you for your continued support of Kimball and our ministries.



November Schedule

- **November 20** 3:00-6:00 pm (Cats Only)
- **November 21** 12:00 pm—5:00 pm
- **November 22** 10:00 am—2:00 pm

NOVEMBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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All Saints Sunday 7:15a Men's Breakfast 8:30a Contemporary Worship 10:00a Adult/ HS/MS Sun School 11:00a Traditional Worship 12:15p Handbells 12:15p Fall Festival	3	4	5 10:00a Bible Study 2:30p Blood Drive 6:30p Contemporary 7:30p Chancel Choir	6 5:00p Samaritan's Table	7 6:30p Friday Night Book Club	8
Pentecost 22 8:30a Contemporary Worship 10:00a Faith Formation 10:00a Adult/ HS/MS Sun School 11:00a Traditional Worship 12:15p Handbells 2:30p MS Confirmation 4:30p Youth Dinner & Devotions	10	11 10:00a Tuesday Morning Book Club	12 10:00a Bible Study 6:30p Contemporary 7:30p Chancel Choir	13 5:00p Samaritan's Table	14	15
Pentecost 23 8:30a Contemporary Worship 10:00a Faith Formation 10:00a Adult/ HS/MS Sun School 11:00a Traditional Worship 12:15p Handbells	17	18 10:00a Bingo-Coltrane Life Center	19 10:00a Bible Study 6:30p Contemporary 7:30p Chancel Choir	JOY Beach Trip		22 10:00a – 2:00p Vet Clinic
Christ the King 9:00a Youth Arrive to Help 10:00a Combined Worship 11:15a Thanks & Thanksgiving Lunch	24 10:30-11:30a Senior Food Program Distribution	25	26 10:00a Bible Study 6:30p Contemporary 7:30p Chancel Choir	27  Thanksgiving	28 2:00-3:00p Senior Food Program Distribution	29
Advent 1 10:00a Combined Worship 10:00a Congregational Meeting 11:15p Handbells	30					



All Saints Sunday,
November 2nd



Christ the King
Sunday,
November 23rd

FALL FESTIVAL

Postponed until
Sunday, Nov 2
12:15 - 2:30 pm

FOR EVERYONE:
KINGDOM KIDS
3RD-5TH GRADERS
KIMBALL PRESCHOOLERS
FRIENDS FROM THE COMMUNITY



- GAMES
- CRAFTS
- LOTS OF CANDY
- HOTDOGS