



KIMBALL'S TAKE-HOME NEWS

December 1, 2024



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Advent is about the “coming days.” God’s people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four

weeks. The ancients anticipated a “righteous Branch to spring up for David.” The Thessalonians awaited “the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints.” Jesus’ contemporaries hoped for the time “to stand before the Son of Man.” With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper.

FLOWERS

The flowers at the altar today are given by Jodie and Jon Todd Hott to the Glory of God and in honor of Bryanna and Garrett McDonald’s 3rd wedding anniversary and in memory of John John Pendleton.

WELCOME TO KIMBALL

Welcome to Kimball Memorial on the first Sunday of the Advent Season! Blue is the color for Advent - it's the color of Hope and the color often associated with Mary, the Mother of Our Lord. The hymns for this season reflect the coming of Christ as we count down the Sundays before Christmas with our Advent Wreath. We are glad that you're here!

THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

Sunday 12/1

8:30a Contemporary Worship
10:00a Adult Sunday School
10:00a Christmas Play Practice
10:00a HS/MS Sunday School
11:00a Traditional Worship
12:15p Handbell Rehearsal

Wednesday 12/4

10:00 am Bible Study
6:30 pm Contemporary Ensemble
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday 12/5

5:00 pm Samaritan’s Table

Sunday 12/8

7:15a Men’s Breakfast
8:30a Contemporary Worship
Breakfast Available before Meeting
10:00a Congregational Meeting
10:00a Christmas Play Practice
11:00a Traditional Worship
12:15p Handbell Rehearsal

LUTHERAN MEN

Our Lutheran Men will meet NEXT Sunday morning, December 8th, at 7:15. Please note this month's move to the second Sunday in December.

CARVER ANGEL TREE



We are excited to let you know that our Angel Tree is ready!



Sign up by scanning the QR code.

Piedmont Choral Society

Christmas Concerts

*Beautiful Choral and Orchestral Arrangements
Familiar Carols and Seasonal Favorites*

Friday - December 6, 2024 | 7 pm
Saturday - December 7, 2024 | 3 pm

Calvary Lutheran Church
950 Bradley Street NE
Concord, NC

Kimball Members Singing: Sabrina Bennett, Bob Boynton, Matt Bradford, Nick Bronson, Darla Steinert

TIME AND TALENT 2025

Time and Talent cards for 2025 are included in today’s bulletin. Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to serve at Kimball next year. Completing the cards helps in scheduling and making sure that we utilize your gifts in ministry.

WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

All names will remain on the prayer list for only 2 weeks, unless resubmitted.

KIMBALL MEMBERS

Sylvia Anderson
 Robin Ballard / Andy Ballard
 Jerry and Pat Beam
 Howard / Diana Bentley
 Sylvia Binnon
 Becky Brantley
 Brad Brothers
 Sharon and Doug Brothers
 Brenda Brown
 Buttner Family
 Florence Calandra
 Emily Clamser
 Jean Davis
 Mary Dorton
 Lisa and Eddie Dunlow
 Emily Clamser
 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
 Skyla & Luna Hardister
 Susan and Jim Harris
 Prebble Henrickson
 Kathy and Mike Hunter
 Eric and Jenny Jones
 Pr. David & Diana Keck
 Wilma Keller
 Steve and Peggy Lynch
 Ed MacTaggart
 Dianne Marlin
 Milton Matheny
 Margaret McCombs
 Nathan and Kathryn Murph
 Taylor and Kaylee Murph
 John Pendleton
 Peggy Pergola
 Louise Propst
 Betty Ritchie
 Blake Robinson
 Lisa Robinson
 Kip Russell
 Juanene Savage
 Kathy and Cliff Scott
 Betty Shaver
 Roger Sizemore
 Family of Conrad Sloop
 Chloe Small
 Mary Jo Snipes and Family
 Gaye St. John
 David and Donna Taylor
 Sarah Teumer
 Debbie Troutman

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Billy Absher & Family
 The Atkinson Family
 Teresa Beaver
 Hans & John Bengstrom
 Mildred Black
 Dennis Blackwelder
 Debbie Bost
 Karry Bostian
 Joe Bracey
 Tommy Brown
 Annie Corriher
 Tim Cox
 Jeff & Pam Deaton
 Ed & Anne Dehlin
 Elvin Demarku
 Doug Drye
 Tony Duplisea
 Teresa / Tim Eudy
 Sydney Falls
 Will Fesperman
 Jan & Steve Garmon
 Sue Gill
 Tommy Graves
 Sharon Griffin
 Julie Hagy
 Reese, Hannah, & Archie Hagy
 Sylvia Harrington
 Jeff Hearn
 Dan Hill Family
 Derek & Liz Hooper
 Ryan Hooper
 Brandy Hooven
 Joan Huegil
 Hunter & Becca Jackson
 Danny Jennings
 Cynthia Kinard
 Phyllis Lee
 Chris Oliver
 Paul Parker
 Family of Aleen Pence
 Billy Pressley
 Will Quinn
 Diane Rahme
 Mishelle Rayfield
 A C Renken
 Gary Ritchie
 Jerry Sellers
 David Shippel
 Helen Sides
 Snipes Family
 Tallie Stancil
 Gary Stuart
 Trang Tran
 Robin Suggs
 Nick Wagner
 Pat & Lil Wagner
 David, Destiny, Easton Watley
 Joann & Albert Wingler
 Judy & Buck Wingler
 Pedro, AC, Nelson, Kale, Chuck & Mary, Flood Victims

MILITARY

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

PRAYERS-SPECIAL NEEDS

If you know of a member of the congregation who is hospitalized, sick, or has special needs, contact:
 Church Office @ 704-933-4101
 Pastor John Futterer @ 704-699-2547
 Deacon Liz Fisher @ 704-713-1758.

HOSPITAL REPORT

Jean Davis - Pallative Care at Home

John Pendleton - Atrium, Cabarrus

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Due to the Thanksgiving Holidays, the December Newsletter will be emailed to members/friends tomorrow.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY AND LOVE are extended to the family and friends of Andy Ballard, who departed this life last Sunday, November 24th. At the time this Bulletin was printed, funeral services had not yet been set, but Pastor John will announce them this morning. We remember our Christian Hope in the Promise of the Resurrection, made real through Jesus Christ our Savior.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY

Rehearsals for the Children's Christmas Play are each Sunday morning at 10:00 am. The play will be presented on December 22 at 5:00 pm.



SUNDAY MINISTERS

	8:30		11:00	
	1-Dec	8-Dec	1-Dec	8-Dec
Lectors	Shane Little	Lauren Nichols	Huyla Jackson	Michelle Nichols
Worship Assistants	Jodi Hott	David Sloan	Ben Hesley	Bob Boynton
Acolytes	Riley Dodson	Anniston Wheatley	Hunter Murph	Skyla Hardister
Sound	Hope Russel	Keith Garver	Bo Phongsas	Milton Matheny
Camera/Projection	Nathan Carpenter	Nathan Carpenter	Nathan Carpenter	Nathan Carpenter
Greeters	Frankie Bogutsky / Tammy Stearns	Frankie Bogutsky / Tammy Stearns	Tim / Huyla Jackson	Tim / Huyla Jackson
Council Assistants	Paula Brandle / Todd Haley	Paula Brandle / Todd Haley	Heidi Lee / Terry Steinert	Sally Peterson / Terry Steinert
Healing Prayer	Scott Harmon	Scott Harmon	Anne Futterer	Anne Futterer
Communion Prep	David / Judy Sloan	David / Judy Sloan	Tony Lippard / Needed	Tony Lippard / Needed
Tellers	David / Donna Taylor			
Slide Prep	Amy Black			

ATTENDANCE / OFFERING—NOV. 24, 2024

In-Person	232
Online	60
Total	292
General Fund Offering	11,057.00

OFFERING: The Offering Plates are located in the narthex, at the entrance to the sanctuary for your convenience. Or you may give online. Thank you!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Dec 01 Addison Fisher / Ligia Larsen
Dec 02 Lisa Stirewalt
Dec 03 Holden Fisher / Georgann Sapp
Dec 05 Brian Voelker
Dec 06 Zoya Polzin

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.

This Week's Facilitator: Deacon Liz

COMMITMENT CARDS



If you have not yet turned in your Commitment Card for 2025, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. Additional cards are available from the ushers. **THANK YOU** in advance for your support of Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church!

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS



BILL PAY — Most banks today offer a bill payment service with recurring feature. Individuals can set up their offering as a bill, and a check will be issued from that account and mailed to Kimball.

TITHE.LY (through kimballchurch.org) — By going to our church website, individuals can present offerings through an electronic service provided by Tithe.ly. The offerings can be set up as a one-time event or as recurring. There is a charge for this service and the individual has the option of paying the charge, or the amount will be deducted from the offering when sent to Kimball. If you would like any more information about any of these options, or assistance in getting one of the options set up, please contact any member of the finance team, or the church office.

BLESSING BOX NEEDS

Your gifts to the Blessing Box are always appreciated - if you have any questions, please call the Church Office.

- Water*
- Canned Food: Veggies, Fruit, Beans, Tuna
- Soup
- Rice Krispie Treats*
- Granola and Nutri-grain bars
- Shelf Stable Milk*
- Small cans of spaghetti sauce
- Pop-Tarts
- Soap* / Deodorant* / Lotion
- Wipes / Diapers

Now that the weather is in transition we are in great need of gently used blankets, sleeping bags and coats. Please place them on the couch in the blessing box room.

GIFT CARDS

\$20 Grocery Store/Fast Food gift cards are needed for Samaritan's Table to hand out during the Christmas Season. You may bring these gift cards by the Church Office during regular business hours, or give them to an usher at a Sunday morning worship service.

ADVENT PRINTED DEVOTIONALS

Advent devotionals are available in the narthex on the credenza. Please take copies for your family to use during Advent which begins today.

FREE ONLINE ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

The season of Advent invites us into the tension of 'already' and 'not yet,' where we hold the fragile hope that everything broken will be made whole and that every deep longing will be filled with love. It's finding a way to sit with the messiness of life while holding on to the promise of what's to come. Kate Bowler invites you to embrace the Advent and Christmas season as it truly is—imperfect, beautiful, and real—in free guides, "The Weary World Rejoices."



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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



December 8 Congregational Annual Meeting

10:00 am between services

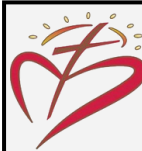
1. Vote on nominations for Council
2. Approve the 2025 Budget.
3. Adopt revised Endowment Bylaws

Men's Breakfast has been moved to December 8. The Lutheran Men have graciously offered to serve breakfast to anyone staying after the 8:30 service or coming early to the 11:00 service to attend the Congregational Meeting at 10:00.



LASTING LEGACY ENDOWMENT

As we draw near the end of The Year of the Endowment, we hope you have considered a gift to Kimball's Lasting Legacy Endowment Fund. There's no better time to set up your gift than during our stewardship appeal. Feel free to contact any member of our committee for assistance in setting up your legacy



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