



# KIMBALL'S TAKE-HOME NEWS

January 11, 2026



## BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of God. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In the waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. Our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing.

## TODAY IS THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

It is always celebrated on the First Sunday after the Epiphany, and an opportunity for us to renew and reflect on our Baptismal Vows here in a New Year. As you come forward for communion this morning, you're invited and encouraged to dip your hand in the Baptismal Font, mark the sign of the Cross on your forehead, and remember that you are a child of God - in this winter season and in every season of your life!

## FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

The flowers at the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Iris Keith's 4th birthday celebrated on January 3rd.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** are today here at Kimball Memorial. Please be present by 2:15; Parent pick-up is at 4:30.

## THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

### Sunday January 11

8:30 am Contemporary Worship  
10:00 am Adult/ HS/MS Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship  
12:15 pm Handbells  
2:30 pm Confirmation at Kimball  
5:30 pm Epiphany Celebration Dinner

### Tuesday January 13

5:30 am Executive Council  
6:30 pm Book Club at Frankie Bogutsky's

### Wednesday January 14

10:00 am Bible Study  
2:30 pm Blood Drive  
6:30 pm Contemporary Rehearsal  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday January 15

5:00 pm Samaritan's Table

### Sunday January 18

8:30 am Contemporary Worship  
10:00 am Adult/ HS/MS Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship  
12:15 pm Handbells

 **North Carolina Synod**  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

## NC Synod 2025 Was a Big Year

At the start of this new year, we look back with gratitude on the wonderful year of ministry that was 2025. It was a big year!

Scan this QR code and watch this short video on what happened in your Synod during 2025!



# WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

Family and Friends names will remain on the prayer list for only 2 weeks, unless resubmitted.

## KIMBALL MEMBERS

Bonnie and Lonny Adair  
Sylvia Anderson  
Susan Bame  
Jerry and Pat Beam  
Sherri Bennett  
Howard and Diana Bentley  
Silvia Binnon  
Robin Ballard  
Allen Brantley  
Brad Brothers  
Sharon and Doug Brothers  
Florence Calandra  
Bretta Dodson  
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  
Kara, Ryan, Luna, Skyla Hardister  
Susan and Jim Harris  
Prebble Henrickson  
Kathy and Mike Hunter  
Jackson Family  
Sherry Johnson  
Eric and Jenny Jones  
Diana Keck  
Wilma Keller  
Sarah and Skylar Kempf  
Steve and Peggy Lynch  
Ed MacTaggart  
Grace Marcus  
Dianne Marlin  
Sherri Matheny  
Margaret McCombs  
Andrea, Wayne, Colby, Gus Miller  
Heather and Charlie Miller  
Pat Moser  
Murph Family  
Betty Ritchie  
Lisa Robinson  
Kip Russell  
Juanene Savage  
Kathy Scott  
Betty Shaver  
Roger Sizemore  
David Sloan and Family  
Mary Jo Snipes and Family  
Jean Tatarka  
David and Donna Taylor  
Debbie Troutman  
Betty Walker  
Gary Yount

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Pete Accumanna  
Michelle Adams  
Kelly Alexander  
Teresa Beaver  
Hans and Jon Bengstrom  
Mildred Black  
Dennis Blackwelder  
Debbie Bost  
Lee Borba  
Joe Bracey  
AR Campbell  
Tim Cox  
Laura Davis  
Elvin Demarcus  
Larry Doyle  
Lisa Duplisea  
Gene and Jackie Ellington  
Melva Feggins  
Will Fesperman  
Judy Frye  
Alisa Gibson  
Sue Gill  
Frida Gomez  
John & Becky Graham  
Tommy Graves  
Judy Harmon  
Larry Hartsell  
David Hathcock  
Madison & Cameron Hicks  
Gale Kelly & Family  
Cynthia Kinard  
Phyllis Lee  
Roz Lloyd  
Aurora Luna  
Karen Sloan Miller  
Billy Morgan  
Paul Parker  
Denise Pegram  
Celeste and Doug Pierce  
William & Carla Pressley  
Carter Quinn and Family  
Gary Ritchie & Family  
Family of Bill Sechler  
Jerry Sellers  
Helen Sides  
Madison Snipes  
Jeff and Janet Stancil  
Tallie Stancil  
Gary Stuart  
Robin Suggs  
Family of Billy Sumlin  
Trinity Turgeon  
Nick Wagner  
Pat Wagner  
Joanne & Albert Wingler  
Chuck & Mary

## MILITARY

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

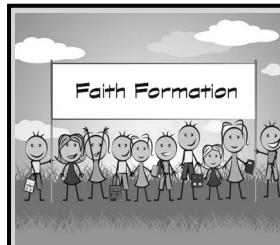
## HOSPITAL REPORT

**Betsy Ellington-Boynton** - Atrium-Cabarrus

**Keith Garver** - Atrium Cabarrus  
(discharged)

**Levi McDonald** - Gateway Surgery Clinic

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY AND LOVE** are sent to Jennifer Ridgell (*father*) and Tammy Kilby (*brother*) at the passing of Billy Sechler on January 5. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, January 10 at Nazareth Community Church. We remember the Hope and Promise of the Resurrection, made real through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



## FAITH FORMATION

### VOLUNTEERS

Faith Formation starts back on January 25.

Help pass along your faith to the children of Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church. We are working on signups for volunteers for 2026. Scan this QR code to help. It will not only be a blessing for our children but for you as well! Sign Up Now!



## SUNDAY MINISTERS

	8:30		11:00			
	11-Jan	18-Jan	11-Jan	18-Jan		
Lectors	Lauren Nichols	Scott Harmon	Tim Jackson	Sally Peterson		
Worship Assistants	Jack Smith	Ava Ramsey	Alexis Nichols	Bob Hill		
Acolytes	TJ Black	Lucy & Charlie	Maydin Kohlmeier	Alyssa Nichols		
Sound	Patrick Little	Andy Robinson	Leam Neely	Colby Miller		
Projection	Nathan Carpenter	Nathan Carpenter/ Patrick Little	Nathan Carpenter	Leam Neely		
Greeters	Melissa Little/ Doris Teumer		Joyce Mallernee			
Council Assistants	Scott Harmon/ Rob Roginski		Kara Hardister/ Ben Hesley			
Healing Prayer	Peggy Lynch		Joyce Mallernee			
Communion Prep	Debbie & Jessica Troutman		Ryan & Kara Hardister			
Tellers	Randy and Amy Price					
Slide Prep	Amy Black					

## 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](http://kimballchurch.org)) – By going to our church website or using **Scan to Give cards** (found in pew racks,) 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. 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.

## ATTENDANCE / OFFERING—JANUARY 4

In Person	125
Online	76
Total	201
General Fund Offering	\$4,455

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Jan. 11	Brayden Yount
Jan. 12	Phil Troutman
Jan. 14	Frankie Bogutsky
Jan. 15	Miller Lamberth
Jan. 16	Nicholas Bronson
	John Troutman
Jan. 17	Prebble Henrickson

## Epiphany Celebration *Battle of the Bowls*



## EPIPHANY CELEBRATION DINNER

January 11, 2025 at 5:30 pm

OUR EPIPHANY CELEBRATION is tonight at 5:30. Please join us for a delicious soup and sandwich supper (who makes the best soup??), along with a Three Kings Cake, and the opportunity to put away the carols for another year. It will not be a late evening and a nursery is provided - please join us!

## KIMBALL MEMORIAL BOOK CLUBS

### Tuesday Evening Book Club

January 13th 6:30 pm

**Host:** Frankie Bogutsky

**Book:** The Wedding People By: Alison Espach

**Refreshments:** Susan Sloop

### Friday Evening Book Club

January 23rd 6:30 pm

**Host:** David and Judy Sloan

**Book:** The Proving Ground By: Michael Connolly

**Food:** Taylor's

## BLESSING BOX NEEDS

With the help from the Hardister, Hunter and Murph families, our Blessing Box is now being restocked multiple times each week, and we need your help to continue meeting the growing needs of our neighbors. Families, many of whom are regular visitors, depend on the items we provide. The need is great, and your donations help us share God's love in a tangible way. Current items needed.

- Bottled Water
- Canned Food: Veggies, Fruit, Beans, Tuna, Soups
- Rice Krispie Treats
- Shelf Stable Milk
- Small cans of spaghetti sauce
- Pasta noodles
- Individual bags of chips, pretzels, Cheetos, Doritos, Cheez-it's, etc.
- Lance Crackers
- Macaroni and Cheese Cups
- Cereal
- Soap / Deodorant / Lotion
- Diapers / Feminine products
- Blankets, Jackets, Cardigans

Kimball Lutheran Church  
J.O.Y. Group



## OUR JOY FELLOWSHIP WILL MEET

at Stag & Doe for  
lunch on Thursday,  
January 22nd at

11:30 am. There will be a sign-up in the Commons so  
reservations can be made...we hope you will join us!

## ANNUAL REPORTS

If you are the chair or coordinator of a ministry committee/area it's that time of year again when we compile our Annual Reports. Please send these to the church office as soon as possible.

## BOWLING

High School / Middle School Youth  
are going bowling on Sunday,  
January 25th. We'll meet at Foxfire  
Lanes at 1:00 pm, with parent pick-  
up at 3:00 pm. The cost of bowling is  
\$10, which includes 2 games and shoes. The bowling  
alley is located at 225 Security Street in Kannapolis.  
We hope you'll plan to join us.



# DONATE BLOOD

Donors  
Receive

Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church  
Wednesday, January 14

2:30 PM - 6:30 PM

All donors will receive\*:

- **\$20 eGift Card**
- **Long-sleeved T-shirt**
- **Wellness Checkup** including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

Fact: Only 3% of those who are eligible actually donate blood.

Appointments are encouraged, please visit [oneblood.org/donate-now](http://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](http://oneblood.org/details).



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