

**September 6, 2026**

# THE PARISH NEWS

**The Weekly News of Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church, Kannapolis, NC**

FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE

GATHER IN MY NAME,

*there am I with them.*

MATTHEW 18:20

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community. Jesus' words in today's gospel are often used in situations having to do with church discipline. The prophet Ezekiel tells of warning the wicked to turn from their ways, and Paul reminds us that love is the fulfilling of the law. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

## FLOWERS

We give thanks for today's flowers. They are given by the Harris Family to the Glory of God and in memory of Jim and Mary Harris.

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR UPCOMING MILESTONES IN MINISTRY CELEBRATION,** on Sunday morning, September 20th, when we'll celebrate the milestone ministries of Pastor David Keck (50 years since his call to KMLC), Pastor John Futterer (40 years in the Gospel Ministry) and Deacon Liz Fisher (15 years at KMLC). We'll enjoy some time together with a brunch between services, and Pastor Richard Graf will be preaching at both worship services on that Sunday. Please plan to join us! There is more information in our September Newsletter.

## THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

### Sunday September 6

8:30 am Contemporary Worship  
10:00 am Adult Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship

### Monday September 7

*Office Closed for Labor Day*

### Tuesday September 8

8:45 am 1st Day of Class-Preschool  
9:00 am Tellers Count Offering

### Wednesday September 9

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

### Thursday September 10

5:00 pm Samaritan's Table

### Friday September 11

6:30 pm Book Club at Bentley's

### Sunday September 13

8:30 am Contemporary Worship  
10:00 am Adult Sunday School  
10:00 am Youth Parent's Meeting  
11:00 am Traditional Worship  
12:30 pm Youth Lunch at Los Arcos  
4:00 pm Women's Bible Study



## ON THIS LABOR DAY WEEKEND

we remember that Our Lord dignified our labor by sharing our toil. We pray that God would so guide us in places of work that we might never value things above people, or surrender honor to love of gain or lust for power. We ask that God might teach us how to govern the ways of business to the harm of none and for the sake of the common good!



**LABOR DAY IS ALSO** the traditional end of Summer. We hope and pray that your Summer was a good one and that you found time for rest and recreation in the midst of that Season. Please remember that many of our activities will be resuming with the coming of Autumn. Please read bulletins, newsletters and our website carefully, so that you might stay up with events in our congregation. Thank you!

# WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

FAMILY AND FRIENDS NAMES WILL REMAIN ON THE PRAYER LIST FOR ONLY 2 WEEKS, UNLESS RESUBMITTED.

## KIMBALL MEMBERS

Bonnie Adair  
 Sylvia Anderson  
 Susan Bame  
 Jerry and Pat Beam  
 Sherri Bennett  
 Howard and Diana Bentley  
 Silvia Binnon  
 Robin Ballard  
 Allen Brantley  
 Bronson Family  
 Brad Brothers  
 Sharon and Doug Brothers  
 Charlie Buttner  
 Florence and Jennifer Calandra  
 Abigail & Nate Carpenter  
 Emily Clamser  
 Lisa and Eddie Dunlow  
 Betsy Ellington-Boynton  
 Teresa Erwin  
 Shelly and Ava Farris  
 Ann Fisher  
 Liz Fisher  
 Sudie Foil  
 Pastor John and Anne Futterer  
 Fran and Keith Garver  
 Todd Haley  
 Ryan / Skyla / Luna Hardister  
 Scott Harmon  
 Larry Harris  
 Kathy and Mike Hunter  
 Jackson Family  
 Eric and Jenny Jones  
 Sarah and Skylar Kempf  
 Tammy & Tom Kilby  
 Steve and Peggy Lynch  
 Joyce Mallernee  
 Ed MacTaggart  
 Grace & Lindsay Marcus  
 Dianne Marlin  
 Margaret McCombs  
 Heather and Charlie Miller  
 Pat Moser  
 Hunter Murph  
 Betty Ritchie  
 Grace Robinson  
 Andy and Lisa Robinson  
 Blake Robinson  
 Christina Rolland  
 Diana / Joe Saullo  
 Juanene Savage  
 Kathy Scott  
 Roger Sizemore  
 David Sloan and Family  
 Mary Jo Snipes and Family  
 Jean Tatarka  
 David and Donna Taylor  
 Rick, Doris, & Sarah Teumer  
 Debbie Troutman  
 Gary Yount

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Pete Accumanno  
 Teresa Beaver  
 Hans & John Bengstrom  
 Pete & Kathy Berntson  
 Mildred Black  
 Family of Taylor Botton  
 Lois Boynton  
 Tommy Brown  
 Tim Cox  
 Louise Current  
 Gary Dennison  
 Patti Duckworth  
 Gene & Jackie Ellington  
 Gagen Family  
 Maggie Gama  
 Tommy Graves  
 Leslie Griffin  
 Patty Gurka  
 Bailey Hamilton  
 Chris & Becca Loflin  
 Grace Marcus  
 Jan Marcus  
 Karen Sloan Miller  
 Sabrina Miller  
 Eddie & Donna Nicholson  
 Louise Pair  
 Paul Parker  
 Denise Pegram  
 Will Quinn  
 Barbara Reavis  
 A C Renken  
 The Richards' Family  
 Gary Ritchie  
 Tracy / Kendall Roberson  
 Blake Robinson  
 Travis Scott  
 Jerry Sellers  
 Robin Strickland  
 Gary Stuart  
 Sarah Tinker  
 John Troutman  
 Ken Upright  
 Nick Wagner  
 Brenda Willaims  
 Joann & Albert Wingler  
 Teresa Wilson  
 Rachel Zaionz

## HOSPITAL REPORT

**Jerry Beam** - Atrium Cabarrus  
 (discharged)  
**Betsy Ellington-Boynton** - Atrium  
 Mercy in Charlotte  
**Rick Teumer** - Atrium Cabarrus

## MILITARY

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

## OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES

are with Kimball Memorial Member Ella Ramsey, who was married to Nathaniel Bailey yesterday. Pastor Futterer presided at the wedding service. Ella and Nate will be living just off base at Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, NC, where Nathaniel is serving in the United States Marine Corps. We extend congratulations to Ella's parents - Tyler and Jennifer; and to her younger sister, Ava. We celebrate with all of Ella and Nate's family and friends at this joyous time!

## EGG CARTONS & GROCERY BAGS

Feeding Kannapolis Hunger is in need of 12ct egg cartons and plastic grocery bags. They use these items for their monthly food giveaway at Second Presbyterian. You can leave these items at the top of the ramp. If you have any questions about this ministry, contact Bob Boynton.

## SUNDAY MINISTERS

|                    | 8:30                                  |                      | 11:00                     |                   |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
|                    | 06-Sep                                | 13-Sep               | 06-Sep                    | 13-Sep            |
| Lectors            | Diana Bentley                         | Mary Lee Blackwelder | Rosalie Hartman           | Michele Nichols   |
| Worship Assistants | Sarah Harmon                          | Tim Patterson        | Sally Peterson            | Jerrod Smith      |
| Acolytes           | Skylar Kempf                          | T J Black            | Aubrey Gregory            | Anniston Wheatley |
| Communion Helper   | Lily                                  | TBD                  | Harmony Gregory           | Blaine Wheatley   |
| Sound              | Andy Robinson                         | Patrick Little       | Gavin Carpenter           | Gavin Carpenter   |
| Projection         | Delaney Little                        | Scott Harmon         | Leam Neely                | Tony Lippard      |
| Greeters           | Frankie Bogutsky / Tammy Stearns      |                      | Tim & Huyla Jackson       |                   |
| Council Assistants | Scott Harmon / Rob Roginski           |                      | Kara Hardister / Bob Hill |                   |
| Healing Prayer     | Debbie Troutman                       |                      | Sherri Matheny            |                   |
| Communion Prep     | Melissa, Sarah, & Skylar Kempf        |                      | Debbie Troutman           |                   |
| Tellers            | Sept. 8—Frankie Bogutsky / Judy Sloan |                      |                           |                   |
| Slide Prep         | Kara Hardister                        |                      |                           |                   |
| Blessing           | Paula & Mickey Brandle                |                      |                           |                   |

## ATTENDANCE / OFFERING—AUGUST 30

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| In Person             | 152     |
| Online                | 114     |
| Total                 | 266     |
| General Fund Offering | \$6,932 |

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

|                                                         |                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Sep 06 Allen Brantley<br>Gary Yount                     | Sep 08 Taylor Murph<br>Hunter Patterson<br>Tom Ramseur |
| Sep 07 Mickey Brandle<br>David Goodnight<br>Lori Woodle | Sep 09 Jennifer Buttner                                |
| Sep 08 Sandy Barton<br>Doug Brothers                    | Sep 11 Kathleen Gribble<br>Lucy Gribble                |

VIEW OUR  
**CHURCH  
DIRECTORY**  
ON YOUR MOBILE  
DEVICE!



Our church directory is a great resource tool that allows you to get to know your church family better.

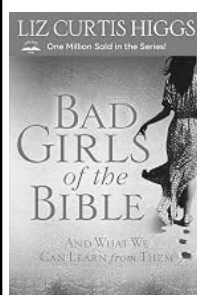
Simply got to the App Store (Apple or Android) and download and install Instant Church Directory.

Enter your email and select “Send Secure Sign-In Link.” Check your email and click on Sign in to Instant Church Directory.

**IMPORTANT:** For your information to be included in the online directory, you must complete an opt-in form. Copies are available from the ushers.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Lee Blackwelder.

## A NEW BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN will begin



next Sunday, September 13th at 4:00 pm in the Church Library. All women of the church are invited to attend - please contact Mary Lee Blackwelder (803-984-4946) for more information, or call the Church Office.

## ADULT MYRTLE BEACH TRIP

Nov. 9-11

All rooms at The Beach Cove Resort are oceanfront. The price includes two breakfasts and dinners at the Original Benjamin's and Joe's Grill. Additionally, we will enjoy two shows: The Carolina Opry and the Legends Theatre.

Cost is \$274 per person with double occupancy.

Checks should be made to KMLC and designated for Adult Beach Trip. So, choose your roommate and sign up today for Christmas Shows, delicious food, shopping, and wonderful time with friends at the beach. Registration deadline is October 1st.



# KIMBALL CONNECTION

We are so pleased you worshipped with us today. If you are a guest, please introduce yourself to us and let us know how we may be a help to you. If you are a member, please record your attendance and prayer requests here. Please remove this portion and drop it in the offering plate.

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer Requests** \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_ I/We received communion today.

\_\_\_ Member \_\_\_ Visitor \_\_\_ Regular Worshiper

\_\_\_ I would like to talk to the pastor.

\_\_\_ I am new to the Kannapolis area.

\_\_\_ The above is an address/email change.

\_\_\_ I am interested in becoming a member of Kimball Memorial.

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*Use this section to register for*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_



**9/13--PARENTS OF OUR YOUTH & CHILDREN** are reminded of your meeting with Deacon Liz and Pastor John next Sunday morning, September 13th, at 10:00 in the Commons. We will look at schedules for events, churchwide events, retreats, camps, confirmation classes and other activities. Please join us!

**9/13-HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH** are reminded of our "traditional opening" of the new year of Youth Ministry, next Sunday, September 13th...when we'll join together at Los Arcos for lunch, immediately following our 11:00 Worship Service. We do hope that you'll join us - please bring \$10 to assist with lunch. Thank you!

**9/20-YOUTH DINNER & HEALTH KIT SERVICE PROJECT** High school and middle school youth are invited to join us for dinner and a hands-on service project on September 20th at 4:00 pm! Together, we will pack health kits for people in need while enjoying food, fellowship, and time together.



## KMLC PRESCHOOL

Our Preschool opens on Tuesday of this week - September 8th...so our church will be filled with laughter, learning...and lots of LOVE during our weekday mornings. Your gifts to the Preschool will be most appreciated, as would your prayers for Kimball Memorial Members Sherri Matheny (Director,) Kara Hardister (Teacher,) and to Deacon Liz Fisher and our Preschool Volunteers in this new school year. Thank you!

<https://gwplgzf.s.gy/my-link>

**BLESSING BOX  
URGENT NEEDS  
SEPTEMBER 2026**

- Canned Chicken, tuna, and potted meat
- Canned pinto, kidney, chili, black beans, etc
- Canned carrots and peas
- Canned spaghetti sauce and pasta noodles
- Bottled Water (4oz or 8oz)\*\*\*
- Fruit cups
- Pudding Cups

Please ensure all food items are sealed and within expiration date.

**Dropoff: Tote on Ramp**