

August 2, 2026

THE PARISH NEWS

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



TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

Sunday August 2

7:15 am Men's Breakfast
8:30 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship

Thursday August 6

5:00 pm Samaritan's Table

Sunday August 9

8:30 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
12:30 pm Ice Cream Social at Northwest Swim & Racquet Club
Blessing of Backpacks at Both Services

FLOWERS

We give thanks for today's flowers. They are given by the Wiethorn Family to the Glory of God in honor of the birthdays of Ellis Brooks and Linda Wiethorn.



SUMMER ICE CREAM SOCIAL LAST SUNDAY TO SIGN UP

Join us on Sunday, August 9th, at the Northwest Swim and Racquet Club in Kannapolis, from 12:30 - 3:00. We will enjoy ice cream from the Sweetest Thing Ice Cream Truck. All ages are welcome - there is no charge to swim, visit, enjoy cool ice cream treats. Please sign up on the Kimball Connection on the back.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS — AUGUST 9



At both services, students, teachers, school staff, and families are invited to bring their backpacks, lunchboxes, or work bags to worship for a special blessing as we begin a new school year.

Join us as we pray for a safe, joyful, and faith-filled year!



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We are excited to introduce our new **Instant Church Directory**—a secure and easy way to stay connected with our church family. You can access contact information anytime, and you have full control over what information is shared. Full details are included in the August Newsletter. Need help or have questions? Contact Mary Lee Blackwelder at 803-984-4946

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
 Sydney Bradford
 Allen Brantley
 Bronson Family
 Brad Brothers
 Sharon and Doug Brothers
 Charlie Buttner
 Florence and Jennifer Calandra
 Emily Clamser
 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
 Todd Haley
 Ryan / Skyla / Luna Hardister
 Scott Harmon
 Larry Harris
 Susan and Jim 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 Marcus
 Dianne Marlin
 Margaret McCombs
 Andrea, Wayne, Colby, Gus Miller
 Heather and Charlie Miller
 Pat Moser
 Murph Family
 Betty Ritchie
 Kendall / Tracy Roberson
 Grace Robinson
 Andy and Lisa 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
 Jill Bodenheimer
 Debbie Bost
 Lois Boynton
 Tommy Brown
 Family of Steve Christy
 Pastor Palmer & Cindi Clemmer
 Maggie DeGamma
 Gary Dennison
 Gene & Jackie Ellington
 Melva Faggins
 Olivia Fario
 Gagen Family
 Sue/Cletus Gill
 Freda Gomez
 Tommy Graves
 Jon Ross Gregory
 Martha Gregory
 Leslie Griffith
 Patty Gurka
 David Haithcock
 Jeff Hearn
 Eddie Hewitt
 Hunter & Becca Jackson
 Gale Kelly & Family
 Paul Kraehling
 Noah LaCroix
 Family of Cheryl Lange
 Roz Lloyd
 Brenda McCombs
 Karen Sloan Miller
 Myron & Jeff
 Paul Parker
 Denise Pegram
 John Poston
 Will Quinn
 Norm Reid
 Gary Ritchie
 Tracy / Kendall Roberson
 Blake Robinson
 Tallie Stancil
 Chick & Robin Suggs
 Tatarka & Lombardo Families
 Sarah & Austin Tinker
 John Troutman
 Jolynn Tuttle
 Nick Wagner
 Joann & Albert Wingler
 Rachel Zaionz
 Joe Zuhoski
All Kids from broken homes

MILITARY

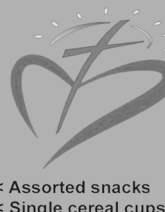
- Rajeem Baptist (Washington)
- Robert Busteed, Jr. (Virginia)
- Christopher Bame (Georgia)
- Sinatra Dreisbach (Nevada)
- Mason Hott (Georgia)
- Ben Kirchner (Georgia)
- Chris Kirchner (Missouri)
- Martin Luciano (North Carolina)
- Preston Mays (Maryland)
- Chris Overcash (North Carolina)
- Andrew Smith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

HOSPITAL REPORT

Harry Croote - Atrium Cabarrus

NEW DOOR ACCESS SYSTEM

A new key fob entry system has been installed. If your service at Kimball requires regular access outside of office hours, we encourage you to complete the Key Fob Request Form available in the church office, which will be reviewed and approved by our Security Committee. Currently if both spouses need access, we are asking that they share a Fob. No Fobs will be issued to anyone under the age of 18.



**BLESSING BOX
URGENT NEEDS
JULY 2026**

- < Assorted snacks
- < Single cereal cups/boxes
- < Canned Beans (pinto, kidney, lima, black, etc)
- < Pasta sauce (Small cans-no jars)
- < Water bottles (Mini or Regular)

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

DROP-OFF LOCATION:

Top of ramp in designated bin or on the table in the Blessing Box room.

**FOR QUESTIONS
CALL, EMAIL OR TEXT:**

- Kara Hardister
980-622-8125
Karahardister82@gmail.com
- Church office



SUNDAY MINISTERS

	8:30		11:00	
	02-Aug	09-Aug	02-Aug	09-Aug
Lectors	Paula Brandle	David Sloan	Bob Hill	Laura Pennell
Worship Assistants	Lauren Nichols	Donna Taylor	Tony Lippard	Huyla Jackson
Acolytes	Lucy Miller	Skylar Kempf	Maydin Kohlmeier	Austin Ketchie
Communion Helper	Charlie Miller	TBD	Lucas Hesley	Isaiah Gregory
Sound	Jack Smith	Andy Robinson	Gavin Carpenter	Gavin Carpenter
Projection	Nathan Carpenter	Nathan Carpenter	Leam Neely	Leam Neely
Greeters	Jim & Anne Fisher		Ben & Whitney Hesley	
Council Assistants	Scott Harmon / Emily Clamser		Alice Lloyd / Shirley Miller	
Healing Prayer	Scott Harmon		Sydney Bradford	
Communion Prep	David & Judy Sloan		Kathy Hunter / Tony Lippard	
Tellers	Kathy Roginski / Keith Garver			
Slide Prep	Kim Kane			

KIMBALL SOUND AND PROJECTIONS VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

With the improvements being made in our Sound System, we will be providing training for everyone who will be working in the Sound booth. We are building a volunteer team to assist with sound, projection, microphones, and online worship streaming. No prior experience is necessary — training will be provided for all volunteers.



Sign up to Volunteer

<https://forms.gle/nzCXUFGtULvv9fV68>



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Just ask one of our ushers, who will guide you through their easy use.

ATTENDANCE / OFFERING—JULY 26

In Person	126
Online	106
Total	232
General Fund Offering	\$7,963

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Aug 03 Carson Messenger	Aug 06 Pallas Alexander
Aug 05 Jean Cauthen	Aug 07 Amy Black
Lisa Schmitt	Betty Stanwick
Gabriel Walters	Aug 08 Amy Joyce

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 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.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT SUMMER is our lowest time of attendance and giving during the year (just look at last Sunday's holiday numbers!), so your presence and your financial gifts are very important in this Season. Please remember that you may give electronically if you're away on Vacation - a quick phone call to Keith in the Church Office will get you signed up. Remember also that your church never goes on vacation, so your presence and your offerings are needed all year long. Thank you!



ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Mark your calendars now for November 22nd, with the Bishop of the North Carolina Synod, Emily Hartner, as our guest

preacher for the one 10:00 am worship service. Following worship, our Youth and children will be sponsoring a Thanks and Thanksgiving luncheon in the Commons. We hope you'll plan to join us!

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 _____

____ 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.



Use this section to register for
Ice Cream Social—Aug 9

Name _____

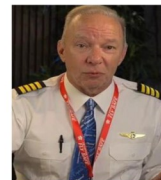
Number Attending _____

Charlotte Area Lutheran Men



Chicken and Corn Roast

Saturday, August 22nd at noon
 \$15.00 per person



Guest Speaker: Steve Schiebner
 Captain Steeve, former airline
 pilot and YouTuber
www.captainsteeve.com

Christ Lutheran Church
 4519 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC
 704-907-0507



Please join us in celebrating
**BETTY RITCHIE'S
 100TH
 BIRTHDAY**
 SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND | 12:30 PM
 KIMBALL LUTHERAN CHURCH
 (FELLOWSHIP HALL)
 KANNAPOLIS, NC

100TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Join us on Saturday, August
 22nd at 12:30 pm to
 celebrate Betty Ritchie's
 100th birthday.
 Use the link below to sign
 up:

[https://evite.me/
 ugCNyEa3Fy](https://evite.me/ugCNyEa3Fy)

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bssevison@gmail.com

Rev. Dr. David Keck, Pastor Emeritus