

October 25, 2026

THE PARISH NEWS

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

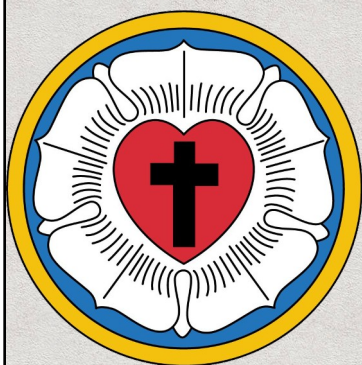
REFORMATION SUNDAY



Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

FLOWERS

We give thanks for today's flowers. They are given by Georgann and Jeff Sapp, Tanya and Paul Athanaelos, and Linda Hautzenroder to the Glory of God and in memory of Cookie Ketchie Athanaelos and also in honor of Jenny Jones' birthday on October 30th.



REFORMATION

More than 500 years ago, the Protestant Reformation brought the church's focus back to God's free gift of salvation in Jesus Christ.

The Gospel is the same now as it was then, even as the church's work continues through the ministry of Word and Sacrament.

"Praise be to you, O God, who calls and sends out your disciples and servants to proclaim the joy of the Gospel to all the ends of the earth. Strengthen your church that it continually proclaim your Good News in and out of season. Hold us and our ecumenical partners, encourage and embolden us in common witness. Come, Holy Spirit!"

—Reformation Worship Resources, Lutheran World Federation

THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

Sunday October 25--Reformation

8:30 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Adult/Youth Sunday School
10:00 am Faith Formation
11:00 am Traditional Worship
1:00-4:00 pm Fellowship Hall Reserved
4:00 pm Women's Bible Study

Monday October 26

9:00 am Tellers Count Offering

Wednesday October 28

10:00 am Bible Study
5:00 – 7:00 pm Fall Festival
6:30 pm Contemporary Choir

Thursday October 29

5:00 pm Samaritan's Table

Sunday November 1—All Saints

8:30 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Adult/Youth Sunday School
10:00 am Faith Formation
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4:00 pm Women's Bible Study

FALL October 28, 2026
5:00 - 7:00 PM
FESTIVAL



THANKS AND THANKSGIVING 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!

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
 Brad Brothers
 Sharon and Doug Brothers
 Janet Buck
 Florence and Jennifer Calandra
 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
 The Hardister Family
 Scott Harmon
 Kathy and Mike Hunter
 Jackson Family
 Eric and Jenny Jones
 Sarah and Skylar Kempf
 Tammy & Tom Kilby
 Alice Lloyd
 Steve and Peggy Lynch
 Joyce Mallernee
 Ed MacTaggart
 Grace & Lindsay Marcus
 Dianne Marlin
 Margaret McCombs
 Heather and Charlie Miller
 Pat Moser
 Murph Family
 Betty Ritchie
 Grace Robinson
 Andy and Lisa Robinson
 Diana / Joe Saullo
 Juanene Savage
 Kathy Scott
 Roger Sizemore
 David Sloan and Family
 Mary Jo Snipes and Family
 David and Donna Taylor
 Rick, Doris, & Sarah Teumer
 Debbie Troutman
 Mike and Cathy Young
 Gary Yount

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Pete Accumanno
 Kelly Alexander
 Doug Angel
 Hans & John Bengstrom
 Pete & Kathy Berntson
 Lois Boynton
 David Brinson & Family
 Tommy Brown
 Bunton Family
 Tim Cox
 Louise Current
 Tony Duplisea
 Gene & Jackie Ellington
 Jackson Erwin
 Melva Faggins
 Family of Greg Frost
 Family of Rachael Gibson
 Sue & Cletus Gill
 Frida Gomez & Family
 Mary Jane Goodson
 Tommy Graves
 Isaiah Gregory
 Leslie Griffith
 Jeff Hearn
 Hunter & Becca Jackson
 Ronnie Measmer
 Karen Sloan Miller
 Amy Monday
 New Hope Lutheran Church
 Louise Pair
 Paul Parker
 Denise Pegram
 Family of Sandra Pflaum
 Erica Phillips
 Will Quinn
 Gary Ritchie
 Tracy Roberson
 Family of Dennis Sellers
 Janet Stancil
 Joe St. John & Family
 Danny & Bobby Tatarka
 John Troutman
 Jolynn Tuttle
 Nick Wagner
 Pat & Lil Wagner
 Brenda Wilson
 Joann & Albert Wingler
 Family & Friends-Allison Young
 Myron & Jeff, Megan & Sam,
 Eric & Norm

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)

Attendance / Offering—Oct. 18

In Person	154
Online	116
Total	270
General Fund Offering	\$8,412

HOSPITAL REPORT

None



Sunday November 22nd, we are excited to welcome Bishop Emily Hartner as our guest Pastor for Stewardship Sunday. We will begin with a Congregational Meeting to present the 2027 proposed budget and accept Council nominations from the floor. Following the service, the Youth will cater a Thanksgiving lunch for everyone.

Sunday, November 29th which is the 5th Sunday we will have one service at 10:00 am.

Sunday, December 13 Mark your calendars for a Congregational Meeting at 10:00 am (between the early and late services). We will vote on the 2027 proposed budget and new Council members. Please plan to attend, as we require a quorum to conduct the vote.

SUNDAY MINISTERS

	8:30		11:00	
	25-Oct	1-Nov	25-Oct	1-Nov
Lector	Diana Bentley	Mary Lee Blackwelder	Rosalie Hartman	Kathy Hunter
Worship Assistant	Paula Brandle	Scott Harmon	Needed	Kathy Hunter
Acolyte	Riley Dodson		Emma Messenger	
Communion Helper	Sire		Carson Messenger	
Sound	Liz Fisher		Gavin Carpenter	
Projection	Sarah Harmon		Harrison Woodle	
Greeter	Melissa Little / Doris Teumer	Paula & Mickey Brandle	Hannah Wiethorn / Tom Ransour	Tony Lippard / Scott Harmon
Council Assistant	Emily Clamser / Melissa Little	Scott Harmon / Rob Roginski	Sallie Peterson / Hannah Wiethorn	Kim Kane / Sally Peterson
Healing Prayer	Debbie Troutman	Peggy Lynch	Needed	Anne Futterer
Communion Prep	Jim & Susan Harris	Keith & Fran Garver	Sydney Bradford	Lindsay Daugherty & Family
Teller	Oct. Keith & Fran Garver		Nov. Bob & Betsy Ellinton-Boynnton	
Slide Prep	Oct. -Mary Lee Blackwelder		Nov. -Scott Harmon	
Blessing Box	Oct. -Kathy Hunter / Murph Family		Nov. -Kim Kane / Luna Hardister	

BLESSING BOX ROOM HELP NEEDED

Social Ministry is looking for one or two HS/MS Youth to help with a special Blessing Box room project in exchange for service hours. If interested, please send a text to Kara Hardister 980-622-8125.

FOOD DRIVE

Remember our October Food Drive is ongoing, with food donations going to the Food Bank at CCM and our Blessing Box. Below are items needed. THANK YOU for your donations during this season.

- **CCM** items needed are: Soup, Canned vegetables, Beans, Rice, Pasta, Peanut butter, Tuna.

Birthdays This Week

Oct 25 William Henry
Shane Little
Oct 27 Brad Hunsuck
Melissa Kempf
Lisa Robinson
Judy Sloan
Blaine Wheatley

Oct 29 Dylan Brock
Oct 30 Jenny Jones
Oct 31 Heidi Lee
Sarah Teumer

Last Chance to Sign Up!

Autumn Gathering

**Sunday, November 1st
3:30 pm**

**Tyler & Hannah Wiethorn
865 Ketner Farm Rd., China Grove**

There will be games and activities including cornhole and pumpkin painting and a delicious meal including s'mores for dessert.

Sign up on the back of the announcement sheet in the bulletin or by scanning the QR code.



ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS

BILL PAY – Individuals can set up their offering as a bill, and a check will be issued from that account and mailed to Kimball.

TITHE.LY – 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.

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.

___ Interested in becoming a member of Kimball.

Use this section to register for Autumn Gathering
November 1st at 3:30 at the Wiethorn's

Number Attending _____

Name _____



FALL FESTIVAL

October 28, 2026

5:00 - 7:00 PM

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



- GAMES
- CRAFTS
- LOTS OF CANDY
- HOTDOG SUPPER

KIMBALL MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
101 VANCE ST.
KANNAPOLIS, NC



BLESSING BOX URGENT NEEDS FALL 2026

- Canned Chicken, tuna, and potted meat
- Canned pinto, kidney, chili, black beans, etc
- Canned vegetables and fruit
- Canned spaghetti sauce and pasta noodles
- Bottled Water (4oz or 8oz)
- Fruit cups and Pudding Cups
- Cereal
- Capri Sun and juice boxes

DROP-OFF LOCATION:

Top of ramp in designated bin
or on the table in the Blessing
Box room. Or contact Kara for
her address.

FOR QUESTIONS CALL, EMAIL OR TEXT:

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



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Our Blessing Box room is almost empty, and we are in critical need of your help! There are many people in our local community who depend on us for food, and we need to come together to make sure no one goes hungry. Every can, every box, and every donation makes a difference. Please see the list of items we most desperately need in the church bulletin.

With Gratitude and Love,
KMLC's Blessing Box Team