



KIMBALL'S TAKE-HOME NEWS

January 4, 2026



In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ~John 1:1

2ND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Within the gospel reading's profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God's grace and truth.

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

The flowers at the Altar are given by his family to the Glory of God and in honor of Phil Troutman's birthday on January 12.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES are next Sunday, January 11th, here at Kimball Memorial. Confirmation Students are asked to be present here by 2:15...the class ends with parent pick-up at 4:30.



When you see me, Sparky, remember to turn off the light when you leave the room!

THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

Sunday January 4

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

Tuesday January 6—Epiphany

10:00 am Book Club—Parlor

Wednesday January 7

10:00 am Bible Study
6:00 pm College Student Dinner @ Los Arcos
6:30 pm Contemporary Rehearsal
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

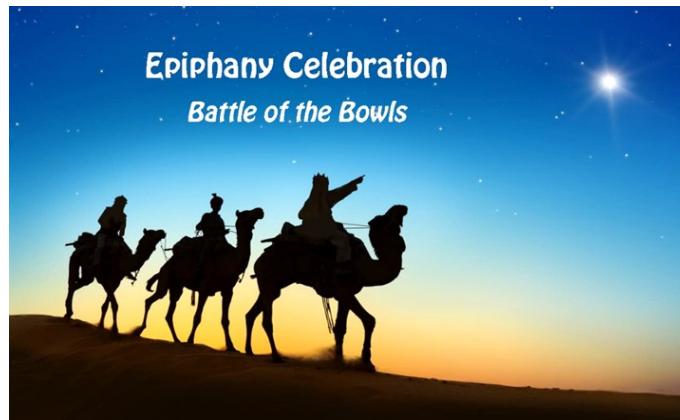
Thursday January 8

5:00 pm Samaritan's Table

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

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION DINNER



January 11, 2025 at 5:30 pm

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR EPIPHANY celebration and soup/sandwich supper...on Sunday evening, January 11th at 5:30 PM. Included in the festivities will be the "putting away" of the Carols for another year, and a special 3 Kings Cake for dessert. We hope that you'll join us - a nursery is provided!

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

Kelly Alexander
Doug Angel
Teresa Beaver / Todd Beaver
Hans and Jon Bengstrom
Greg Biffle Family
Mildred Black
Debbie Bost
Lee Borba
Joe Bracey
Kevin & Emma Clamser
Tim Cox
Laura Davis
Elvin Demarcus
Gary Dennison
Doug Drye
Gene and Jackie Ellington
Melva Feggins
Will Fesperman
Kaitlyn Freeman & Family
Judy Frye
Alisa Gibson
Frida Gomez
Tommy Graves
Patty Gurka
Sylvia Harrington
Patty Harrison
Larry Hartsell
Jeff Hearn
Madison & Cameron Hicks
John & Joni Higginbotham
Zachary Hill
Della Kate Hunter
Cynthia Kinard
Phyllis Lee
Roz Lloyd
Aurora Luna
Carole & Bob Miller
Karen Sloan Miller
Billy Morgan
Mike Morton
Family of Nathan Moose
Paul Parker
Celeste and Doug Pierce
William & Carla Pressley
Carter Quinn and Family
AC Renkin
Gary Ritchie
Lisa Robinson
Jerry Sellers
Helen Sides
Madison Snipes
Jeff and Janet Stancil / Tallie Stancil
Gary Stuart
Robin Suggs
Billy Sumlin
Sarah & Austin Tinker
Trinity Turgeon
Nick Wagner / Pat Wagner
Christine Williams / Sue Williams
Joanne & Albert Wingler

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 - Carolinas Rehab NorthEast, Concord (*discharged*)
Frankie Bogutsky - Atrium Cabarrus (*discharged*)

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY AND LOVE are sent to Georgann Sapp and her family - the funeral of her mother, life-long Kimball Memorial Member Cookie Ketchie Athanaelos, was held this past Tuesday at Oakwood Cemetery in Concord. It was a private service officiated by Pastor John and Deacon Liz; and to Pallas Alexander and Kyler Black at the December 26th passing of their father, Kenneth Black. Funeral services will be held at a later date in Concord; and to Scott Roland and his family at the death of his grandmother on December 28th. Funeral services will be held at a later date in Texas. We remember the Hope and Promise of the Resurrection, made real through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

CAREMOOR Aileen Triece
MORNINGSIDE Betty Shaver
AVANTE OF CONCORD Dianne Marlin

SUNDAY MINISTERS

	8:30		11:00			
	04-Jan	11-Jan	04-Jan	11-Jan		
Lectors	Paula Brandle	Lauren Nichols	Gracie Matheny	Tim Jackson		
Worship Assistants	Emily Clamser	Jack Smith	Anne Futterer	Alexis Nichols		
Acolytes	Skylar Kempf	TJ Black	Liza Jane Lee	Maydin Kohlmeier		
Sound	Jack Smith	Patrick Little	Gavin Carpenter	Leam Neely		
Projection	Nathan Carpenter / Patrick Little	Nathan Carpenter	Leam Neely	Nathan Carpenter		
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	Kim Kane					

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.

ATTENDANCE / OFFERING—DEC. 24 & 28, 2025

Christmas Eve 5:00 pm	177
Christmas Eve 11:00 pm	116
In Person Dec. 28	125
General Fund Offering	\$6,796.34

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Jan. 08	David Kiser Darin Peay Diana Saullo Elizabeth Schriver Philip Wise Tom Kilby
Jan. 10	

COMMITMENT CARDS If you have not turned in your 2026 Commitment Card, we encourage you to do soon. They are available from the ushers this morning, or from the Church Office. We are hopeful that cards will be completed this month as we look to our opportunities for ministry in the coming year. **THANK YOU!**

TIME AND TALENT SHEETS are in the bulletin today for 2026. These inserts will be available on Sunday mornings for the month of December. Please take a moment to prayerfully fill one out for the coming year. **THANK YOU** to all our volunteers who do so much for this congregation. You are noticed and appreciated!

OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES are with Kimball Memorial Member Tammy Stearns at the December 28th birth of twin granddaughters Charlee and Abigail. Mother and children (and grandmother!) are all doing well!

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to Kimball Memorial Member Jonathan Patterson who was married to Kimberly Austin yesterday in Bristol, Virginia. We rejoice with the happy couple - Jonathan is the son of Kimball Memorial Members Tim and Fran Patterson and the grandson of Pastor Emeritus David and Diana Keck.

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



COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO ARE

'Home for the Holidays' will meet with Deacon Liz and Pastor John for dinner, this Wednesday evening, January 7th at 6:00, at Los Arcos in Kannapolis. If you have not received your invitation, please call the Church Office. Thank you!

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.

2026 PLANNING

- 2026 Commitment Cards
- 2026 Time and Talent Forms

If you have not completed your Commitment Card or Time and Talent form, please check with an usher this morning. Your participation helps us plan ministry and involve you in serving at Kimball.

TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

Liturgical Churches continue to celebrate the 12 Days of Christmas on this first Sunday of a New Year.



The Next Season of the Church Year is Epiphany, which begins on Tuesday of this week. Just to get you prepared - Ash Wednesday begins the Lenten Season, and is on February 18th for 2026.



LYO
Assembly
2026

Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of faith, fun, and community as youth from across North Carolina gather for LYO Assembly 2026, **Friday, February 27 - Sunday, March 1**, in Greensboro! All High School and Middle School youth are invited. See Deacon Liz if you have registered.

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