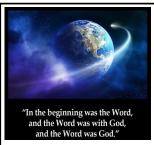


# KIMBALL'S TAKE-HOME NEWS January 5, 2025





# SECOND 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.

#### THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

#### **Sunday 01/05**

7:15 am Men's Breakfast

8:30 am Contemporary Worship

10:00 am Adult Sunday School

10:00 am HS / MS Sunday School

10:00 am Kingdom Kids/3rd-5th Epiphany Activity

11:00 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal

6:00 pm Epiphany Celebration

# Monday 01/06 Epiphany

Preschool Returns

#### Wednesday 01/08

10:00 am Bible Study

6:30 pm Contemporary Ensemble

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

#### Thursday 01/09

5:00 pm Samaritan's Table

#### **Sunday 01/12**

8:30 am Contemporary Worship

10:00 am Adult Sunday School

10:00 am HS / MS Sunday School

10:00 am Faith Formation

11:00 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal

2:30 pm Confirmation

#### **FLOWERS**

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Colson Bradford, who celebrated his 4th birthday on January 2nd. He is finishing his second year of Preschool here at Kimball and will begin his final year in September.



# EPIPHANY CELEBRATION 6:00 pm—Sunday, Jan. 5th

Please join us for an evening of good fun and fellowship as we gather together with our

Church Family on Sunday evening, January 5th at 6:00 pm, for a supper and celebration of Epiphany. In addition to the meal, we'll "put away the carols" for another year AND enjoy a "Three Kings Cake" for Dessert - with prizes given to the "Royalty who bring forth the Gold" included in this traditional cake. It will NOT be a late evening, so we hope you will join us for an evening of food, fun, celebration, and joy as we usher in the eight week Season of Epiphany! This event is sponsored by our Table Young Adult Sunday School Class.

# KINGDOM KIDS / 3RD-5TH GRADERS ACTIVITY

Our children, Kingdom Kids and 3rd - 5th graders, will be together between services today at 10:00 am in the

Fellowship Hall for an Epiphany Craft and Devotion.



# WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Morning Bible Study resumes this Wednesday at 10:00 am in the Church Parlor.

Pastor John will be teaching this session, which lasts about an hour. All adults are invited to join us...and we hope you will!

### WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

All names will remain on the prayer list for only 2 weeks, unless resubmitted.

#### KIMBALL MEMBERS

Sylvia Anderson Robin Ballard Jerry and Pat Beam Howard / Diana Bentley Sylvia Binnon

**Becky Brantley Brad Brothers** 

Sharon and Doug Brothers

Brenda Brown **Buttner Family** Florence Calandra **Emily Clamser** 

Jean Davis Mary Dorton

Lisa and Eddie Dunlow

**Emily Clamser** Teresa Erwin

Shelly and Ava Farris

Liz Fisher

Pastor John and Anne Futterer

Fran and Keith Garver

John Glass Family

**Todd Haley** 

Scott and Sarah Harmon

Skyla & Luna Hardister

Susan and Jim Harris

Prebble Henrickson

Jodi Hott & Family

Kathy and Mike Hunter

Eric and Jenny Jones

Pr. David & Diana Keck

Wilma Keller

Steve and Peggy Lynch

Ed MacTaggart

Dianne Marlin

Margaret McCombs

Nathan and Kathryn Murph

Taylor and Kaylee Murph

Louise Propst **Betty Ritchie** 

Blake Robinson

Lisa Robinson

Kip Russell

Juanene Savage

Kathy and Cliff Scott

**Betty Shaver** 

Roger Sizemore

David Sloan and Family Mary Jo Snipes and Family

Gaye St. John

**David and Donna Taylor** 

Sarah Teumer Debbie Troutman

#### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Deborah Adams Family of Kelly Allen Teresa Beaver Mildred Black Dennis Blackwelder **Bolivar Family** 

Debbie Bost

Joe Bracev

Janet & George Chance

Ethan Cole

Family of Jeff Deaton

Gary Dennison Doug Drye

Teresa Eudv Will Fesperman

Alisa Gibson / Kelsie Gibson

Tommy Graves Sharon Griffin

Julie Hagy

Reese, Hannah, & Archie Hagy

Jeff Hearn

Adam Hipp / Tammy Hipp

Derek & Liz Hooper

Rvan Hooper

Hunter & Becca Jackson

**Danny Jennings** 

Kvle Joliff

Diane Jones

Cynthia Kinard

Family of Don Lazenby

Phyllis Lee

Suzanne & Charley Lent

Becky Miller

Family of Glenn Mitsch

**Bethany Mocus** 

Mike Morton

Paul Parker

Will Quinn

Carter Quinn and Family

Diane Rahme

Michelle Rayfield

Gary Ritchie

Lisa Robinson (Andy's Sister)

Marsha & Allen Scott

Jerry Sellers David Shippel

**Snipes Family** 

Tallie Stancil

Gary Stuart

Ethan Talamonti

Trang Tran

Nick Wagner

Sue Williams

Buck & Judy Wingler

Joann & Albert Wingler

Judy & Buck Wingler

Chuck & Mary, Janet, Pedro

### **MILITARY**

- Rajeem Baptist (Washington)
- Robert Busteed, Jr. (Virginia)
- Christopher Bame (California)\
- Mason Hott (Texas)
- Ben Kirchner (Georgia)
- Chris Kirchner (Missouri)
- Preston Mays (Maryland)
- Chris Overcash (North Carolina)
- Andrew Smith (Arizona)

### PRAYERS-SPECIAL NEEDS

If you know of a member of the congregation who is hospitalized, sick, or has special needs, contact: Church Office @ 704-933-4101 Pastor John Futterer @ 704-699-2547 Deacon Liz Fisher @ 704-713-1758.

#### HOSPITAL REPORT

Barry Christenson - Atrium Main, Charlotte

Betty Ritchie - The Greens at Cabarrus

Jean Davis - Palliative Care at Home



# 2025 FLOWER **CALENDAR**

The Flower Calendar for 2025 is up in the narthex for your use. Please use this chart

to reserve flowers on Sundays during the upcoming year. Thank you!

#### J.O.Y. FELLOWSHIP

**January 15th**—There will be a planning meeting after the Bible Study to plan our 2025 J.O.Y. calendar of events.

**January 16th**—Join us at 11:30 am at Johnny's Farmhouse in Concord. We will have a short devotional and go over the calendar for the year. Sign-up in the Commons and Narthex.

SIIN	<b>IDVA</b>	MIN	<b>ISTERS</b>
JUI	NUAT	IVIIIV	13 I EKS

	8:30		11:00	
	05-Jan	12-Jan	05-Jan	12-Jan
Lectors	Sharon Brothers	Darian Miller	Heidi Lee	Tim Jackson
Worship Assistants	Mary Lee Blackwelder	Sarah Harmon	Bob Boynton	Kim Kane
Acolytes	Riley Dodson	Delaney Little	Rory Hesley	Hank Schmitt
Sound				
Camera/ Projection				
Greeters	Melissa Little / Doris Teumer	Melissa Little / Doris Teumer	Alice Lloyd / Shirley Miller	Alice Lloyd / Shirley Miller
Council Assistants	Scott Harmon / Todd Haley	Scott Harmon / Todd Haley	Heidi Lee / Ben Hesley	Heidi Lee / Ben Hesley
Healing Prayer	Peggy Lynch	Peggy Lynch	Sherri Matheny	Sherri Matheny
Communion Prep	Debbie & Jessica Troutman	Debbie & Jessica Troutman	Ryan & Kara Hardister	Ryan & Kara Hardister
Tellers	Randy / Amy Price			
Slide Prep	Amy Black			

ATTENDANCE / OFFERING—Dec. 29, 2024				
In-Person	115			
Online	85			
Total	200			
General Fund Offering	\$14,728.34			

**OFFERING:** The Offering Plates are located in the narthex, at the entrance to the sanctuary for your convenience. Or you may give online. Thank you!

#### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Jan 08 David Kiser Darin Peay Diana Saullo Phillip Wise

Jan 10 Tom Kilby

Jan 11 Brayden Yount

#### **JANUARY NEWSLETTER**

The January Newsletter has been emailed and printed copies are available in the Commons as well. Please read carefully about upcoming events at Kimball.

#### **CARDS**

Aileen Triece will be turning 100 on January 25. She loves getting cards from her church family at Kimball. Please consider sending her a birthday card. Her address

is: Aileen Triece

Caremoor Retirement Center 4876 Caremoor Place Kannapolis, NC 28081

### **ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS**

any member of the finance team, or the church office.

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

#### **BLESSING BOX NEEDS**

As we enter the third year of our Blessing Box ministry, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported this mission over the past two years. Your contributions have made a significant impact on our community.

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.

A list of our most-needed items is available below, but we welcome any contributions you can offer.

- 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 / YOUNG ADULTS**

Our college students / young adults who are 'Home for the Holidays" will join Deacon Liz and Pastor John for dinner, this coming Wednesday evening, January 8th at Logan's Restaurant at 5:30. If you have any questions about this event, please contact Liz or Pastor John...or call the church office.

#### **HS/MS Youth**

High School and Middle School Youth will meet in the Commons next Sunday, January 12th, from 12:15 - 2:15 pm for lunch and a service project. Thank you for being present for this event.

**Confirmation Class** is also at Kimball next Sunday, January 12th beginning at 2:30 pm.

#### **TIME AND TALENT 2025**

Time and Talent forms for 2025 are available from an usher or on the credenza in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to serve at Kimball next year. Completing the cards helps in scheduling and making sure that we utilize your gifts in ministry.

#### **COMMITMENT CARDS**

If you have not yet turned in your Commitment Card for 2025, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. Additional cards are available from the ushers or on the credenza in the narthex. THANK YOU in advance for your support of Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church!

#### **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

The 2025 Offering Envelopes are available for you to pick up in the Commons, arranged alphabetically. If you normally contribute online or through automatic bank check, you will not find physical envelopes for yourself unless you desire. If you still want envelopes, please notify the church office. Also, the first envelope in the pack is for an initial offering of \$5 to offset the cost of the envelopes if you desire. Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of Kimball Memorial.



#### KIMBALL STAFF

Rev. John Futterer, Senior Pastor pastor@kimballchurch.org

Deacon Liz Fisher, Minister of Word & Service youth@kimballchurch.org

Keith Sutton, Parish Administrator churchoffice@kimballchurch.org

Howard Bentley, Treasurer treasurer@kimballchurch.org

Brian Sevison, Music Director (Chancel Choir / Handbells) and Accompanist music@kimballchurch.org

Rev. Dr. David Keck, Pastor Emeritus