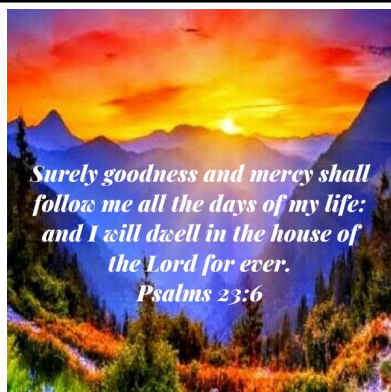




# KIMBALL'S TAKE-HOME NEWS

May 11, 2025



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the

Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**WE WELCOME PASTOR TONY BRADSHAW** to our pulpit today as Pastor John is away today and Deacon Liz is recuperating from an illness. Tony is a native of Winston-Salem, and a life-long Lutheran. He completed both his undergraduate and masters degree (Accounting) from Appalachian State University, and served as a CPA, College Professor, and College Administrator before entering the Lutheran Ministry. He is a graduate of Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, and served St. Stephens Lutheran Church in Lenoir and St. James Lutheran Church in Concord, before retiring in August of 2022. He now lives in Happy Valley, NC, has served several interims since his retirement, and is now serving as the Treasurer for the North Carolina Synod. Tony is a great and valued friend of Pastor John, Deacon Liz, and Keith Sutton - our parish administrator - having served with PJ and Liz in the area Confirmation Cluster for seven years, and working with Keith at St. James. Tony is married to Debbie, his wife of 38 years...and they are the proud parents of a three-year-old poogle (beagle/poodle mix) named Frankie. We are so glad to welcome him to our pulpit this morning.

## FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

The flowers today are given by Mike and Kathy Hunter to the Glory of God and in memory of their mothers: Kathryn Cranford and Peggy Hunter.

## THIS WEEK AT KIMBALL

### Sunday May 11 *Mother's Day*

8:30 am Contemporary Worship  
10:00 am Faith Formation  
10:00 am Adult/ HS/MS Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship

### Wednesday May 14

10:00 am Bible Study  
2:30 pm Blood Drive  
6:30 pm Contemporary Ensemble  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday May 8

5:00 pm Samaritan's Table

### Friday May 9

6:30 pm Friday Night Book Club  
Commons reserved for Party

### Sunday May 18 *Graduation Sunday*

8:30 am Contemporary Worship  
10:00 am Faith Formation  
10:00 am Adult/ HS/MS Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship  
12:15 pm HS/MS End of Year Picnic  
4:00 pm Preschool Graduation

Today is Mother's Day across the USA, when we remember our mothers, grandmothers, aunts, cherished friends and others who loved us unconditionally and have made our lives richer. Thanks to Council Member Todd Haley and the good folks at



Kilby's Florist (Kimball Memorial Members Tom and Tammy Kilby), we have corsages available in the narthex this morning. An old tradition on Mother's Day was for churchgoers to wear a red flower if your mother was living; a white flower if your mother was deceased. We welcome the return this morning of this Mother's Day celebration. We also celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" on this Fourth Sunday of the Easter Season, with traditional readings and scripture for this Sunday in the Easter Season, as we focus on Christ, our Good Shepherd.

# WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

*Family & Friends names will remain on the prayer list for only 2 weeks, unless resubmitted.*

## KIMBALL MEMBERS

Sylvia Anderson  
 Robin Ballard  
 Jerry and Pat Beam  
 Sherri Bennett  
 Howard / Diana Bentley  
 Silvia Binnon  
 Allen Brantley  
 Brad Brothers  
 Sharon and Doug Brothers  
 Frankie Bogutsky  
 Florence Calandra  
 Mary Dorton  
 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  
 Sarah Harmon  
 Susan and Jim Harris  
 Prebble Henrickson  
 Kathy and Mike Hunter  
 Sherry Johnson  
 Eric and Jenny Jones  
 Pr. David & Diana Keck  
 Tony & Paula Lippard  
 Steve and Peggy Lynch  
 Ed MacTaggart  
 Dianne Marlin  
 Margaret McCombs  
 Charlie Miller  
 Pat Moser  
 Louise Propst  
 Betty Ritchie  
 Blake / Grace 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  
 Jean Tatarka  
 David & Donna Taylor  
 Sarah Teumer  
 Debbie Troutman

## FAMILY & FRIENDS

Maggie Adair  
 Hans & John Bengstrom  
 Mildred Black  
 Dennis Blackwelder  
 Kim Blayton  
 Patricia Boone  
 Debbie Bost  
 Lynn Bracey Family  
 Tommy Brown  
 Chad Callurno  
 Family of Kevin Clancy  
 Ethel Cole  
 Tim Cox  
 Elvin Demarcus  
 Gary Dennison  
 Larry Doyle  
 Doug Drye  
 Jackie Ellington  
 Melva Feggins  
 Will Fesperman  
 Tommy Graves  
 Patty Gurka  
 David Haithcock  
 Sylvia Harrington  
 Jeff Hearn  
 Sarah Henderson  
 Hunter & Becca Jackson  
 Cynthia Kinard  
 Chad LaTurne  
 Phyllis Lee  
 Grace Marcus  
 John Middleton  
 Karen Sloan Miller  
 Bethany Mocus  
 Paul Parker  
 Kyle Pearce  
 Celeste Pierce  
 Lucy Popper  
 William Pressley  
 Carter Quinn and Family  
 Willard Quinn  
 Gary Ritchie  
 Lisa Robinson (Andy's Sister)  
 Jerry Sellers  
 Madison Snipes & Family  
 Jane Spainhour  
 Janet Stancil  
 Tallie Stancil  
 Gary Stuart  
 Trinity Turgean  
 Nick Wagner  
 Betty Walker  
 Joann & Albert Wingler  
 Emily Workman  
 Pedro

## MILITARY

- Rajeem Baptist (Washington)
- Robert Busteed, Jr. (Virginia)
- Christopher Bame (California)
- Sinatra Dreisbach (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

**Deacon Liz Fisher-Atrium Cabarrus**  
*(discharged)*

**Prebble Henrickson-Duke Eye Center,**  
 Durham *(discharged)*

### YOU ARE INVITED

We are looking for singers for both the 8:30 am, Contemporary and 11:00 am, Traditional ensembles. Come out and make a joyful noise with your fellow members and friends of Kimball. Rehearsals are on Wednesday at 6:30 and 7:30 pm respectively.

### OUR FINAL YOUTH PROGRAM OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

and before summer activities, will be next Sunday, May 18th, immediately after worship. Our High School and Middle School Youth will enjoy an afternoon picnic/activities together in the Park. We'll meet in the Commons at 12:15, immediately following our 11:00 Worship Service. \$10 will help to defray the cost of the meal. We hope you'll join us for this end of year celebration...as we look forward to a full, fun, and faithful Summer together.

## SUNDAY MINISTERS

	8:30		11:00	
	11-May	18-May	11-May	18-May
Lectors	Frankie Bogutsky	Lisa Robinson	Bob Boynton	Sally Peterson
Worship Assistants	Donna Taylor	Nancy Demeny	Nicholas Bronson	Robert Rolland
Acolytes	Delaney Little	Palmer/Asa Russell	Hank Schmitt	Connor Nichols
Greeters	Jim & Ann Fisher		Ben & Whitney Hesley	
Council Assistants	Scott Harmon / Todd Haley		Sally Peterson / Kim Kane	
Healing Prayer	Peggy Lynch		Lindsay Daugherty	
Communion Prep	Jim & Ann Fisher		Tim & Huyla Jackson	
Tellers	Shirley Miller / Kathy Hunter			
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](http://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.

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## ATTENDANCE / OFFERING—MAY 4, 2025

In-Person	215
Online	76
Total Attendance	291
General Fund Offering	\$8,954

## WESTERN NC GENERATOR FUNDRAISER

Total Collected	\$6,067
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We will be collecting our morning offering by "passing the plate" the old fashioned way. Our Council will be making a decision about whether to return to this every Sunday, or continuing to have offering plates in the narthex. Your feedback is appreciated - please speak to Pastor John, Deacon Liz, or a council member if you have an opinion on this part of our service.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- May 11** Palmer Russell  
Marlaine Wheatley
- May 12** Tony Lippard  
Roger Sizemore
- May 13** Connor Keith  
Larry Barton
- May 15** Richard Hartman  
Bob Tartarka
- May 16** Joe Gribble  
Sarah Harmon  
Joshua Lambert  
Jennifer Perkins
- May 17** Delaney Little  
Milton Matheny  
Owen Whitcomb

**PASTOR JOHN IS WORSHIPPING** at University Lutheran Church in Philadelphia this morning, where Kimball Member Grace Robinson is preaching her "senior sermon" prior to graduation from Wartburg Seminary and her ordination into Word and Service (Deacon) later this year. Please be in prayer for Grace as she preaches at our Lutheran Church, which serves the community of both the University of Pennsylvania and Drexel University, both located in West Philadelphia.

## BLESSING BOX NEEDS

A list of our most-needed items is available below, but we welcome any contributions you can offer. Donations to purchase items for the Blessing Box are also welcome and appreciated.

- 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

Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church  
presents...

A Faith-based Summer Day Camp



SAVE THE DATES AND JOIN US!

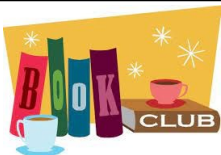
## KIMBALL KAMP

**Ages:** Preschool —8th Grade

**Dates:** June 9-13, June 16-20,  
Jul 28-Aug 1 (tentative)

**Cost:** \$200--1 week, \$350--2 weeks

Registration is now open:  
Sign Up Now!



## KIMBALL BOOK CLUBS FRIDAY NIGHRT BOOK CLUB

**Date:** May 16—6:30 pm

**Host:** David and Judy Sloan

**Book:** *The Housemaid* by Freida McFadden



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**BECAUSE OF OUR GROWTH IN CHILDREN AND YOUTH**, Kimball Memorial is looking at restructuring our Sunday Morning Faith Formation Program beginning this Autumn. An initial meeting for those who might be interested in teaching or assisting with this program, will be held on NEXT Tuesday night, May 20th at 6:30 PM. We hope you'll attend this brief introductory meeting concerning how we hope to re-vision this ministry to our young people. If you have any questions, you may contact council member Hannah Wiethorn (704-301-9605) or Deacon Liz at the Church Office. **THANK YOU** in advance for assisting us with this important project upcoming this Fall.

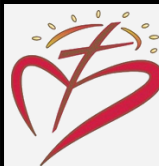


## J.O.Y. Group

### FORT DOBBS OUTING

Thursday, May 22 10:00 am

Sign up in the Commons or  
Narthex.



## KIMBALL STAFF

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**Howard Bentley, Treasurer**  
[treasurer@kimballchurch.org](mailto:treasurer@kimballchurch.org)

**Brian Sevison, Music Director**  
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**Rev. Dr. David Keck, Pastor Emeritus**