

KENT HAPPENINGS

KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUNRISE BEACH, MISSOURI

September 2010 Calendar, **CLICK LINK BELOW**
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September 2010

A word from Pastor Dave.....

On Sunday, September 12 we will return to our regular schedule after three good summer months. We started off the summer with an afternoon of looking at the various ministries of Kent called Renew - Revive - Rekindle and heard from 28 new members about why they chose to be members of our congregation. On Memorial Day we recognized the veterans of our armed forces with the Color Guard from the American Legion and heard a stirring rendition of "Taps."

In June we had the first of our "Bring A Guest" Sundays. All summer long we were blessed with visitors from all over the country, and even several families from England, Australia, and the Czech Republic. We had our first Cruise Worship in Gator's Restaurant Cove and talked about the significance of Mark's telling of the Easter story for the early Christians and for us today.

In July many volunteers from Kent helped make the annual Vacation Bible School fun and exciting for the children from the neighborhood, and Gerry Williams directed another successful Bible Camp with the help of Linda and Laura and volunteers from our Area 9 congregations. Our second Cruise Worship was held at Cartwright Springs Bay, and although a dog howled his disapproval of our singing we had a good time visiting and reflecting on Scripture.

In August we had the second "Bring A Guest" Sunday, and had the largest attendance of the summer at 180. We had a very successful rummage sale (\$3286) thanks to the leadership of Jan Ellis and a host of members. We enjoyed the 2nd Annual Social Ministry fundraiser (The Luau) and raised over \$8000 for those in need in our community. Many thanks to Evelyn Clements and her team of helpers for an evening of good food, fun and color.

Of course, every summer is highlighted by our outdoor worship services overlooking the Lake. What a delight it is to worship the Creator as we enjoy his Creation: "Praise the Lord earth and sky." Many thanks to Fred and Ken and all the ushers, greeters, altar guild, and others for all the extra work it takes to set up for that service.

But now it is time to return to our fall program, with Sunday School and Bible Class and that means more opportunities to **"Fix Your Eyes On Jesus."** After three months of summer, we are ready for a new year of learning and growing in Christ. Our theme for this year comes from Hebrews 12:2, our New Testament reading several weeks ago, where we are given the encouragement, **"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith."** (NIV) It is vital that we **fix our eyes on Jesus**. There are so many things to look at, but only Jesus gives us the true picture of life. There are so many choices, but only Jesus gives our lives purpose and meaning. There are so many distractions, but only Jesus leads us to God. **Fix your eyes on Jesus!** He is the one who helps us grow and become more perfect in faith. As you look through this months newsletter notice the opportunities for growth, both on Sunday mornings and throughout the week, then participate in the groups that will help you **fix your eyes on Jesus!**

Pastor Dave

*Our Mission Statement: To Share Jesus With All !
We are a people Changed by Love, Sent in Love, To Serve. God's Work—Our Hands*

SEPTEMBER SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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 Chuck Wanamaker Social Ministry
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 Diane Ziehl Youth

Council Appointed Positions

Toni Wagner Recording Secretary
 Gail Kruse Treasurer
 Jean Killion Financial Secretary
 Barbara Patterson ... Building Fund Financial Secretary

GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR AUGUST

9/5 Chuck Wanamaker & Joyce Wanamaker
 9/12 Michael Wagner & Toni Wagner
 9/19 Linda Kimberling & Ken Gerardy
 9/26 Marilyn Hays & Gerry Williams

September 5, 15th Sunday after Pentecost

1st Reading Deuteronomy 30:15-20
 The Psalm Psalm 1
 2nd Reading Philemon 1:1-21
 The Gospel Luke 14:25-33

September 12, 16th Sunday after Pentecost

1st Reading Exodus 32:7-14
 The Psalm Psalm 51:1-10
 2nd Reading 1 Timothy 1:12-17
 The Gospel Luke 15:1-10

September 19, 17th Sunday after Pentecost

1st Reading Amos 8:4-7
 The Psalm Psalm 113
 2nd Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-7
 The Gospel Luke 16:1-13

September 26, 18th Sunday after Pentecost

1st Reading Amos 6:1a, 4-7
 The Psalm Psalm 146
 2nd Reading 1 Timothy 6:6-19
 The Gospel Luke 16:19-31

WORSHIP LEADERS IN SEPTEMBER

8:00 AM

Altar Guild 9/12 & 9/26 Kathleen Spaulding
 Lector Ken Mueller
 Greeters 9/5 Gus Granneman
 Ushers 9/5 Janet & Bob Kuecker;
 9/12 Jim & Pat Larson; 9/19 Phil & Rosie Keeney;
 9/26 Dennis & Sheryl Boos
 Coffee Fellowship
 Sound Technicians 9/5 & 9/19 Fred Gould
 9/12 & 9/26 Ken Gerardy

10:00 AM

Altar Guild 9/5 & 9/19 Ingrid Niemann
 Lector 9/5 Gloria Peterson; 9/12 Helen Oldham;
 9/19 Melba Bangert; 9/26 Nancy Beese
 Greeters 9/5 Richard & Carolyn Durkin;
 9/12 & 9/19 Carol Knight
 Ushers 9/5 Dan & Tracy Garrett;
 9/12, 9/19 & 9/26 Rich & Margo Strothmann
 Coffee Fellowship
 Sound Technicians Lester Clark

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

Friday, September 17, 2010

*Leave your articles in the Newsletter box in the office,
 or e-mail your news to office@kentmemorial.com.*

THE STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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| Offerings and Income for July..... | \$14,989 |
| Budget Needs Each Month..... | \$11,720 |
| Offerings and Income—January-July, 2010 | \$85,064 |
| Expenses—January-July, 2010 | \$96,317 |
| <i>Average Attendance for July 139</i> | |
| THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL ATTENDANCE AND FOR YOUR GIFTS !!! | |

| JULY 2010 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH | |
|---|--------------|
| Bank Balance 7-1-10 | \$6,032.74 |
| Deposits, Interest and Adjustments | \$3,941.81 |
| Payment to Mission Investment Fund (ELCA) | \$5,000.00 |
| Bank Balance 8-1-10 | \$4,944.55 |
| Payment to Mission Investment | \$5,000.00 |
| Interest Paid | \$1,969.11 |
| Principal Paid | \$3,030.89 |
| Balance due on Mortgage 7-1-10 | \$356,818.78 |
| Principal Paid | \$3,030.89 |
| Balance due on mortgage 8-1-10..... | \$353,787.89 |

Sound Room Technician Needed:
 Someone needed to learn sound room for Sunday mornings. No experience necessary. Lester Clark at 372-5018.

Historian Wanted: Someone to put pictures in albums after they have been taken. Contact the church office.

Webmaster: Update & manage the website on your computer using *Front Page 2002*. Must be on High Speed Broadband and be able to edit, add photos, slideshows, update weekly bulletins, monthly newsletter, member directory, etc. Visit www.kentmemorial.com to see what it's all about.
THIS IS A VOLUNTEER POSITION.
 Contact Pastor Beese or Jennifer Bolton

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Friends at Kent—

Thanks for all of your prayers, cards, and help with the boys. I'm feeling a little better each day. We appreciate your thoughtfulness. And the prayers really do work! *Stacey O'Neal & family*

THANK YOU to Jan Ellis for using her creative talents to produce a clever and artistic poster for our use! *The PMC Committee*

Dear Friends at Kent,

Thank you so much for the prayers, meals, calls, cards and visits during my recovery from bilateral knee surgery. I'm glad it is over and yes, I'm glad I only have to do this one time. It feels great to walk on the new knees. *Jan Kennedy*

Thank you all for all the prayers, cards, calls, food, and concerns for my well-being since my battle with the lizard. One does not realize how fast your life can change in a second. It is a wonderful feeling to experience the love and caring offered by one's Church family when in distress.

Only the month before I received the same inclusive thoughtfulness when Larry died. Sadly, two such events are devastating, but your kindness and care has been an uplifting benefit for my psych.

Thanks You! *Jan Ellis*

Medical aids are still available for those who need them. My second visit to the basement area afforded me the immediate use of a very nice walker followed by a wonderful quad cane and special hi-rise seating arrangement! Please keep kent in mind when this need arises and if you are able to add to their supply, please do! It is noted that wheelchairs are non-existent at present. *Happy Recipient*

Jan's Rummage Sale Wanderings:

As chair of this event, I was amazed to see so many new faces arrive to help the WELCA Women set up the sale and work it. Many hands make the work go so smoothly. Fun and friendship prevailed. The donations and workers made this annual event successful once more. Our Boutique was one of the first rooms that buyers flocked to. Word is spreading that, if you are willing to pay a little more for something new or near-new or unique, this is the place to start! Please keep this in mind for next year, when you receive the nice gift that you really won't use or as you downsize or change colors.

Thank you! *Jan Ellis, Kent Rummage Sale Chair*

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make *High Seas Expedition* VBS possible. Individuals helped Brian Kuckler prepare and paint the fantastic ship and set. Crew leaders donated their time each day. Thank you to all who donated financially to help fund this project. As always, the children loved their ice cream treat on Friday. And finally, a special salute to three people from out of state who helped: Debbie Rhoads from California, and Carley Lesley and Taylor Pfeifer from Nebraska.

The VBS 2010 Crew

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

Debbie Billing
Verlyn Bohling
Seth Bruhn
Chelsea Busch
Don & Trisha Dittmer
Jan Ellis
Danny Gaw
Barb Gidley
Martha Gruber
Monique Harger
Jack Hollingsworth
Judy Irwin
Cyndy Kamin

Jan Kennedy
Char Nielsen
Stacey O'Neal
Jim Price
Jackie Porter
Rose & Earl Rand
Ray Robinett
David Schoenig
Bobby Stringer
Charline Stringer
Richard Strothmann
Judy Swigert
Ken Taylor

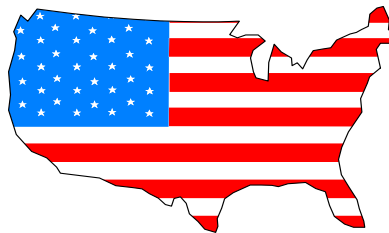
Donna Wassmann
Edward Weiss
Rich Wilson
Esther Wood
Bob Yates
Skyler Evan Yount



Christian condolences and hope are extended to Ken Mueller and the family at the death of Ken's brother-in-law, Don Ellerbusch, this week.

REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN PRAYER

Gregory Bird
Aaron Davis
David DeJarnette
Joseph W. Ellis
Sam D. Ellis
Travis Ervin
Brian Fitzgerald
J. R. Frakes
Tom Gidley
Joalene & Joe Grissel, Jr.
Brandon Gronhoff
Jason Ites
Benjamin Kyle Jones



Cameron Keaton
Adam Kralina
Glenn Maddock
Dustin McCormick
Shawn Moorhead
Will Pierce
Timothy Price
Blake Richardson
Michael Rudolph
John Waddell
Jon Weiss
Mark Woodfin
Bryan Wright

REMEMBER OUR FRIENDS IN CARE FACILITIES



Currently in Laurie Knolls & Care Center
610 Highway O
Laurie, MO 65038

Esther Bryan
Mary Gordon
Don Carter
Lucille Theleman
Sam Palmer

If you are aware of anyone being admitted to or discharged from the hospitals or nursing homes, please notify the church office or speak with Pastor Dave.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- 2 Merle Swigart *
- 2 Frank LaRock
- 4 Shirley Hamm
- 4 Vincin Yount
- 7 Maxine Williams
- 9 Lillian Wohlt *
- 9 Pat Bronner
- 12 Lorraine Boyd *
- 14 Jerry Hamman
- 14 Bill Hebrank
- 15 Leona Harper *
- 16 Andrew Clever
- 18 Joe Poretta
- 19 Tracy Garrett
- 20 Gerald Killion
- 20 Judith Swigart
- 21 Connie Esbeck
- 21 Tiana Enriquez
- 23 Charles Zemke
- 24 Barb Patterson
- 24 Aaron Bolton
- 24 Lauren Harris
- 25 Will Hankins
- 25 Samuel Fleming
- 27 Bob Kuecker
- 29 Christy Jones
- 30 Kandy Husbands
- 30 Alicia Fleming



** These are BIG birthdays—but we're not saying which ones!*

September Anniversaries

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|------------|--------------------------|
| 09/09/1961 | Phil & Melba Bangert |
| 09/12/1953 | Claude & Janet Page |
| 09/15/2008 | Dorothy & Don Engelstad |
| 09/16/1995 | Jim & Kathleen Hennick |
| 09/17/1961 | Jim & Pat Larson |
| 09/17/1994 | Bill & Vanessa Hebrank |
| 09/22/1962 | Donnie & Ann Johnson |
| 09/26/1992 | Fred & Suzanne Gould |
| 09/26/1992 | Allen & Linda Kimberling |
| 09/28/1985 | Tom & Judy Newland |
| 09/28/1996 | Gene & Betty Johnson |
| 09/29/2007 | Tim & Kelly Covey |
| 09/30/1972 | Joe & Joan Grissel |

We missed an anniversary last month:

08/08/1964 Jim & Maxine Williams, 46 years



ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION

50 years plus

Claude & Janet Page, 57 years

40 years plus

Phil & Melba Bangert, 49 years
Jim & Pat Larson, 49 years

30 years plus

Joe & Joan Grissel, 38 years

20 years plus

Tom & Judy Newland, 25 years

If your birthday or anniversary has been left out, please contact the church office so we can include you in our congratulations!



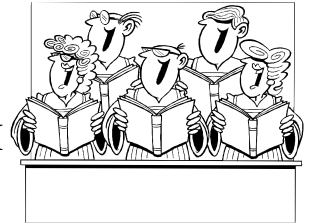
Kent Choir & Handbells

REHEARSALS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 8



Handbells: 5:15 PM

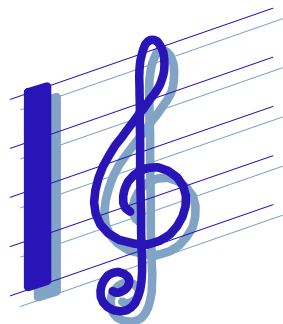
Adult Choir: 6:30 PM



*Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
Psalm 98:4*

The Kent Choir is pleased to extend a personal invitation to people that would like to experience the ambiance, joy, and friendship at our next Music Rehearsal on Wednesday, September 8, 2010, at 6:30 PM, in the Sanctuary.

~ **KENT MEMORIAL PRESENTS** ~



An Afternoon with the Classics

Sunday, October 17, 2010

3:00 PM

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

Featuring Tracy Garrett, Vanessa Hebrank, Michael Lindeman & Margo Strothmann

Tickets are \$10 and will go on sale Sunday, September 19

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CLASSES FOR THE FALL

Begin on September 19 at 9:15 AM

Sunday Morning Classes

Primary Grades will be taught by LeeAnne Brumm and will focus on the Gospel reading from each Sunday. In our Gospel readings this fall we hear Jesus calling us to imitate creation. He bids us to accept the poverty of discipleship, to surrender to the way of repentance, and to walk in the paths of obedience.

7th and 8th Graders will begin the two year program of catechetical study by learning what Confirmation is all about and what it means to be a Lutheran Christian. The remaining weeks of year 1 will be spent on the sixty-six books of the Bible and their meaning for us today. Pastor Dave will be the guide.

High School Students will be led by Gail Kruse. They will be discussing a book by Max Lucado on John 3:16 and applying it to their daily lives.

Adults will be studying the *Book of Exodus*. Their leader for the journey out of Egypt will be Jerry Fithugh. Come and learn how God worked through Moses to set his people free.

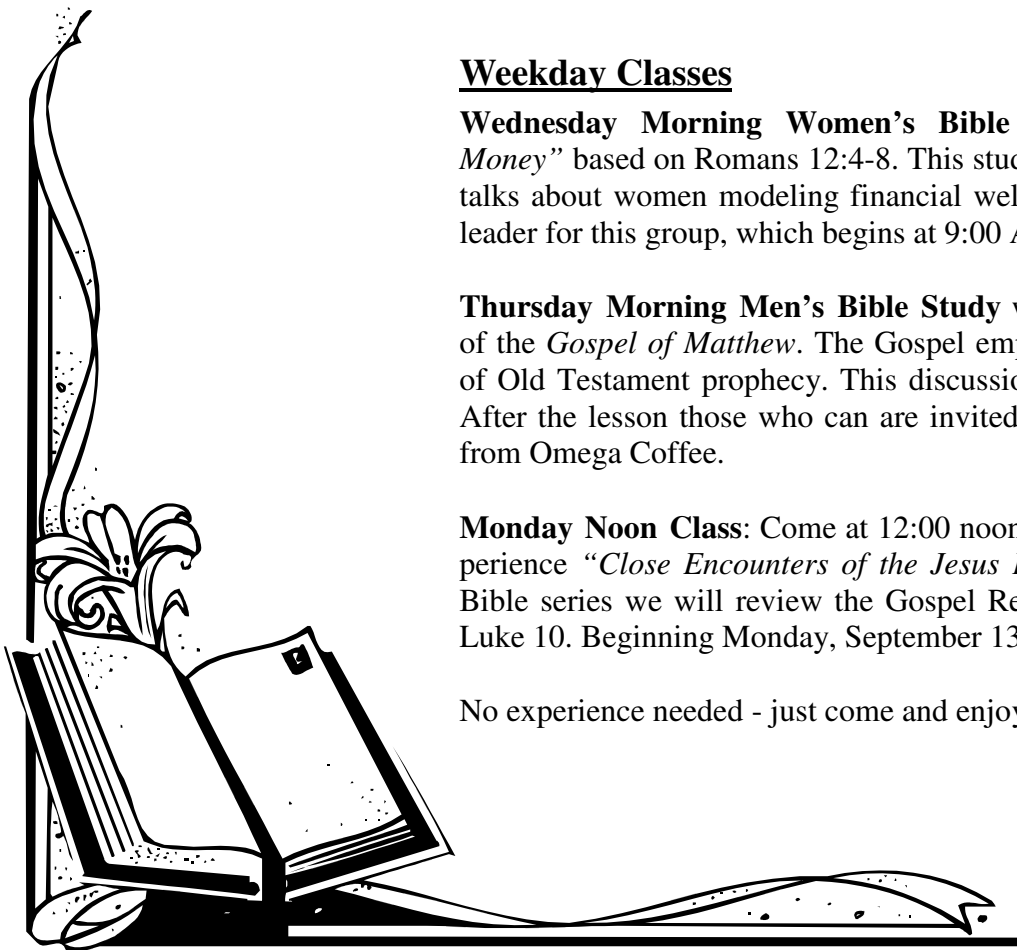
Weekday Classes

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study will be "*Modeling Money*" based on Romans 12:4-8. This study from Women of the ELCA talks about women modeling financial wellness. Linda Williams be the leader for this group, which begins at 9:00 AM

Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study will be continuing their study of the *Gospel of Matthew*. The Gospel emphasizes Jesus as the fulfiller of Old Testament prophecy. This discussion group begins at 8:00 AM. After the lesson those who can are invited to breakfast at Val's, across from Omega Coffee.

Monday Noon Class: Come at 12:00 noon with your bag lunch and experience "*Close Encounters of the Jesus Kind.*" In this Book of Faith Bible series we will review the Gospel Readings from Luke 7 through Luke 10. Beginning Monday, September 13th.

No experience needed - just come and enjoy Jesus and each other.



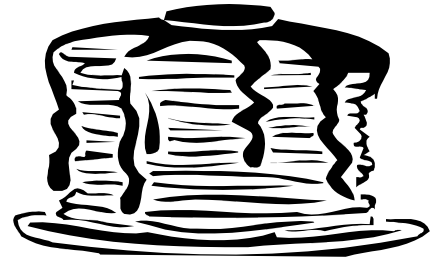
YOUTH GROUP

Youth Sunday

September 12, 2010

Come worship with us on YOUTH SUNDAY, September 12th. The youth will conduct the service, and will host a Pancake Breakfast after the first service to raise funds for their programs.

They will serve pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon and sausage. Proceeds will be split between Kids Club and Youth Gathering.



Kid's Klub Returns September 15!

Join us after school beginning September 15 for fun and fellowship. We will hear a story, do crafts and play a game. A light supper will be served. Your parents can pick you up at 5:30 PM.

Adults: If you're interested in helping, or know children that would like to attend, please contact Diane Ziehl, 873-5846.



~ Coming Soon ~

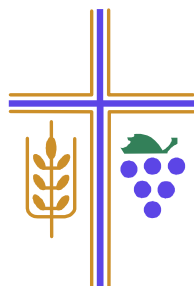
Potato Bar Fundraiser

October 31, 2010

After 2nd Service

Make plans to join us! Watch the newsletter and bulletin for the latest information.

ALTAR GUILD ~ COME & LEARN ABOUT US



The Kent Altar Guild would like to invite the ladies of the congregation to join us for our October 5th meeting. Your attendance is not a commitment, rather an opportunity to meet us and learn more about the purpose and duties of the Altar Guild. This meeting will be a hands on “refresher” for those of us who have been serving for a time and a demonstration and orientation for those new to or considering joining Kent’s Altar Guild.

We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 10:30 in the classroom adjoining the Gathering Room. Please come. We look forward to sharing time and information with you.

ALTAR FLOWERS

You can celebrate a special person or event by placing flowers on the altar.

A chart for this purpose is located on the bulletin board in the Gathering Room. Sign your name and the person or occasion to be remembered on the line corresponding to the desired date. Two vases are available per date. The cost is \$18.00. A check payable to the Altar Guild may be left in the church office. A two week notice would be appreciated. Flowers may be taken home after the late service or left at the church for distribution to an area nursing home or shut-ins. The green vase insert must be left at the church.



Would you like to commemorate the birth of a child or grandchild? Order a rose bud from Lake Florist. You pay them and they will deliver the flower to the church. The cost is \$6.95 including a vase. If you supply your own vase, the cost is \$2.50. The church has vases available if you would like to borrow one. The flower may be picked up immediately after the late service. Please return the vase to the church when convenient.

Lake Florist gives a 10% discount to congregation members. When you are placing any order, please remember to tell them that you are a member of Kent Memorial Church.

NEWS FROM THRIVENT

ATTENTION ALL THRIVENT POLICY HOLDERS ~

You are encouraged to attend our next meeting on Monday, September 13 at 6:00 PM at Cannon Ball Saloon on F Road (formerly B&P BBQ).

WELCA NEWS

The August 3, 2010, WELCA meeting was called to order by president Pat Poretta with a prayer.

Patricia Dasher from the Pregnancy Help Center spoke to the group about the mission of the center and asked for volunteers to serve as house mothers and resale shop workers.

Shirley Hamm and Gladys Bohling were thanked for providing refreshments.

Pat Poretta gave the devotion.

The secretary's report for the July meeting was read and approved.

Barbara Patterson gave the treasurer's report with a balance of \$4549.65.

The Christian Action committed reported 80 stuffed animals were made. Helen Garagnani has sewn 55 animals. There is a box in the storage closet to be traced and trimmed.

Nancy Beese passed around a sign-up sheet for September volunteers at Community for Christ.

Kent Klowns will be performing at back-to-school events in Camdenton and Stover.

Karen Hardwick reported upcoming events at the Laurie Care Center. Our group will host bingo in September.

Joyce Wanamaker signed up volunteers to work at the Senior Center on August 23-27.

Sunshine Lady Lorraine Boyd reported that she has sent six get-well cards and one sympathy card.

Publicity chair Janet Harger reported that she has produced news articles and flyers advertising the upcoming rummage sale.

Thank you notes were read from Share the Harvest and Oaks Indian Mission. The children from our local Bible camp made a thank-you card for the cookies.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to Sharon Ballard.

Sheryl Boos and Eldeen Henke will serve as hostesses for the September meeting.

Linda Kimberling and Sharon Ballard will serve on the nominating committee for new officers.

Jan Ellis reported on plans for the rummage sale. Set-up will be on Thursday, August 5, with a contributive lunch. The sale will be held Friday and Saturday. There will be a bid table for workers who wish to purchase items before the sale opens to the public.

Evelyn Clements reported on plans for the Social Ministry's luau.

Melba Bangert asked for volunteers to sign up for the Care Core program.



PUMPKIN, PUMPKIN, WHO'S GOT THE PUMPKIN?

Are you growing pumpkins or know someone who is? Perhaps you'd like to donate some for the Bazaar in October. We'd love to take some off your hands and sell them.

We are not looking for a ton - just a few to sell before Halloween. Any leftovers can go to our own Sunday School kids. Please let me know. Pat Poretta 374-7548



SOCIAL MINISTRY

Festival of Sharing

Missouri State Fair Grounds, Sedalia, MO

“Keeping the Garden Green”

Worship begins at 10:0 AM The speaker is Rev. Dr. Shannon Jung.



WHAT IS THE *FESTIVAL OF SHARING*?

The third Saturday of October is the day that people of faith, from many different denominations all over the state, gather at the Missouri State Fairgrounds, in Sedalia. The groups and families bring money that has been raised and “kits” that have been assembled during the year. Volunteers help to sack rice, beans and potatoes for distribution to Missouri agencies. In the afternoon state agencies bring their trucks and trailers to receive the kits, rice, beans and potatoes to distribute to their clients. Kits, assembled for Church World Service, are loaded on a semi-truck to continue their journey to other parts of the world.

The Festival is now in its 28th year and generates approximately \$1 million annually. This interfaith event is an expression of mission support and involvement that has helped improve the lives of countless individuals in Missouri and around the world.

PURPOSE AND MISSION

The *Festival of Sharing* seeks to:

1. Generate financial, material, and personnel resources for hunger, poverty, crisis, and injustice;
2. Meet and challenge injustice through advocacy and systemic change;
3. Promote awareness of hunger and justice issues, local and international outreach opportunities, and resource stewardship possibilities;
4. Encourage and enable hands-on experience with mission projects and local outreach agencies.

HOW CAN I HELP *Festival of Sharing*?

Festival of Sharing needs volunteers to help with the following positions:

1. Potato Drop—42,000 pounds of potatoes is a lot for one man to unload by hand. Give a hand and help.
2. Parking and Traffic—Show drivers where to park and help with traffic flow throughout the day.
3. Rice and Beans—Re-bag rice and beans to be distributed in the afternoon.
4. Welcome and Directions—Help people find their way.

YOUTH FEST FOR 6th-12th Graders

Friday night at 7:30 PM through Saturday at 3:00 PM

There will be education on hunger in the world on Friday night, with mission work on Saturday. It is a day that you would not want to miss! You will leave with a desire to help and give hope in your community. Registration is \$27 and includes meals and a T shirt, and an awesome band.

KENT’S SHARE of the project is “Dental Kits.” Each kit contains:

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| -- 4 child size <u>soft</u> toothbrushes | -- 2 adult size <u>soft</u> toothbrushes |
| -- 1 6 oz. tube (or larger) of fluoride toothpaste | -- 1 dental floss, any size |
| -- Gallon size zip lock bag for contents | |

Collection will be assembled on **October 10th**. Place contributions in the box in the **Fellowship Hall**.

Thank you!

The Social Ministry Committee

PARTNERSHIP FOR A MISSIONAL CHURCH

Keeping in mind that the goal for PMC is to discover and respond to the many challenges of youth, two activities were planned and carried out in August by the PMC in preparation for the new school year.

Both Camden and Morgan Counties annually conduct “Back to School Fairs” which are attended by many children and parents. Committee members along with “Sweet Pea” the clown set up and manned a booth at each fair, passing out candy and many invitational fliers about Kent’s Kid Klub.

On a very hot Thursday, which was also “Meet the Teachers” night at Hurricane Deck School, the PMC made a plunging activity, which in essence is to discover what God is up to in other people’s lives, so that we might partner with them.

Even as the teachers were preparing their rooms for a new year, the nurse was reading her charts and planning her work schedule, the principle, secretary, and custodian were working towards readiness for students, and parents, they all took time out to eat and meet their neighbors from Kent Memorial.

This activity, planned by the Missional Engagement Team together with the Plunging Team was an attempt to form a bond in the community. A meal of tasty, eye appealing sandwiches, fruit, pickles, chips and sweet treats was thoughtfully prepared and carried into the teachers work room an hour before the parents and students were scheduled to arrive.

The gesture was very well received by all the staff at Hurricane Deck School. Gerry William’s statement to the principle, Mr. Dandoy, “we know you are here and we want you to know that your work is appreciated,” summed up the missional act. They were left with Kent’s phone number and an invitation to call if Kent members might be of help at any time.

The PMC members, who participated in both events, left with smiles and joy-filled hearts for having done acts of kindness for others.

CARE CORE

Would you be willing to take a meal to someone who is ill or recovering from an illness?

Provide a meal for a grieving family?

Offer a ride to the doctor’s office?

Visit someone who is homebound?

If the answer to any of these questions is YES then you are qualified to be a **Kent Memorial Care Core Volunteer**. This is a congregational ministry provided by members of Kent to members of Kent. Needs are networked through a **Monthly Coordinator**, who receives calls identifying particular kinds of help that is needed and contacts volunteers to fill the need. If you would like to be of service, please contact Melba Bangert 374-0128, or Susan Olson 374-5315, or sign your name to the sheet in the Gathering Place.



Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

IN MEMORIAM

Darleen F. Mueller Memorial Fund For Children

Many of you may remember that when Darleen passed away, the family requested that memorials be given to this special fund. I extend my special thanks to all of you that contributed to the fund in her memory.

Since the memorial service for Darleen, more than \$7,300.00 has been contributed to the fund. The Social Ministry Committee and I have met with Paul Lekar from Thrivent to set up the arrangements to invest the money in a fund that will produce income for use in benefiting children around the lake area. After meeting with Paul, it was necessary to develop an agreement with the Lutheran Community Foundation, which has been completed. Within the next few weeks, the fund dollars will be sent to the Foundation and invested with the annual proceeds coming to the Social Ministry Committee for children's uses.

I have requested the Church Council that I be allowed to request of the Congregation to add to the fund over time to help "grow" the principal. Thus, if anyone plans to give a memorial to Kent that is not designated, they would be asked to consider specifying the gift to go into Darleen's fund.

I thank you all for your continued thoughts and prayers!

Ken Mueller



VBS WAS A HIGH SEAS EXPEDITION

It was a *High Seas Expedition* when approximately 100 children arrived at Lake West Christian Academy at the end of July. Community Vacation Bible School was, once again, sponsored by the Westlake Ministerial Alliance. Children ages 3-6th grade explored the mighty love of God on a journey that changed them forever. *High Seas Expedition* was filled with opportunities to see, hear, touch and even taste ideas related to the daily Bible lessons. Cool Bible songs, Bible-point crafts, team-building games, and tasty treats were some of the activities that helped faith flow into real life. Children learned to discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life; these were called "*God sightings*." Operation *Kid-to-Kid* was the hand-on mission project that allowed everyone attending to participate to "blanket" the world with God's love.

High Seas Expedition was made possible with help from many people throughout the community. Kent members were well represented before and during VBS. Many thanks go to Brian Kuckler, who built the ship and set for the "High Seas Expedition." Thank you to Karen Pragman and Brian for all their pre-planning and for volunteers: Carolyn Durkin, Judy Kuckler, Carol Gerardy, Eldeen Hanke, Marcia Heal, Ingrid Niemann, Sharon Ballard, Samantha Shannon, and Shade Bullock for their help guiding the children through the day. Also thanks to Lester and Shirley Clark for providing the ice cream snack on Friday.

We appreciate everyone's help in making this community activity possible.

NEWS!

Joe and Pat Poretta have their first great-grandchild, Nicholas Alan Chadwick. Born July 16, he weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long. The proud parents are Taylor Poretta and Kevin Chadwick, who reside in Kansas City, Missouri.

Bill & Wendy Blomberg are proud to announce the birth of their grandson, Noah Evan Blomberg on July 25, 2010. Noah lives in Indianapolis, Indiana, with his parents, Scott and Lara, and his big brother, Will.

“Hi Pastor and a Big Hello to all the members of Kent. I miss you all alot. However, I have a great ELCA Church to attend to every Sunday, Great people, Great sermons and extras. I haven’t gotten into the Ladies group yet, but hope to find someone close that I can go with soon. I have gone 4 Sundays now & it is great. This town is BIG & I am not driving a car!!

God Bless you all.” Eunice Langton

MORE THANK YOUs!

Our hearts are overjoyed as we express our heartfelt appreciation for your love in action today. Thank you for partnering with us for the cause of Christ through Show-Me. Thank you for your \$300.00 generous gift. Both your financial and prayer support are a true blessing to the success of this mission effort. *Gale & Karen Culler, Show-Me Christian Youth Home*

Thank you all for your generous contribution to the baby bottle campaign of \$349.25. We really appreciate it and feel so blessed because of your generosity. May God richly bless all of you.

Patricia Dascher, The Pregnancy Help Center

Dear Congregation,

Thank you for your continued support to **Share the Harvest Food Pantry**. Your donation will be used to provide assistance for gas to a family that has a child in the hospital in Columbia. So many families are one sickness away from disaster, and because of your donation we are able to help. It is a great feeling to know you have lifted some of the burden from a caring parent.

In Christian Love,
Judy Wimmer, Director

Thank you for supporting the programs of *Lutheran Family and Children’s Services of Missouri* through your gift of \$125.00, which we received on July 13, 2010. Your donation to our agency will enable us to fulfill our mission “to help families, children and individuals experience greater hope and wholeness of life.” Your concern for our mission is greatly appreciated.

On behalf of everyone at **CADV/VOC** we would like to thank you for your recent donation of \$162.50 on June 30, 2010.

Each of us, at CADV/VOC, is so glad to have your support and the opportunity to put your donations to work, making an amazing impact in the lives of so many families. You really are making a difference!

Heather W. Durbin, Outreach Coordinator

Unapproved August 17, 2010 Council Minutes

In attendance: Pastor David Beese, Don Peterson, Ken Mueller, Jennifer Bolton, Melba Bangert, Ken Gerardy, Chuck Wanamaker, Michael Wagner, Jerry Husbands, Bob Harger. **Absent:** Gary Wiles, Lee Ann Brumm, Diane Ziehl

Meeting called to order at 6:07 p.m.

Jennifer Bolton presented the devotion.

Motion by Ken Mueller to approve the minutes of the July meeting, second by Ken Gerardy, motion passed.

Motion by Don Peterson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, second by Jerry Husbands, motion passed

Motion by Ken Mueller to approve the Building Fund report as presented, second by Bob Harger, motion passed

Pastor's report: Packie & Georgia McFarland, and John & Shirley Baremore have asked to be removed from the membership of Kent Memorial. Don Peterson, Pastor Beese and Jennifer Bolton will be members of a committee to review the membership list of Kent Memorial. Council members will review the minutes of the council meetings before they are published in the newsletter. Pastor Carl Gauck will receive the "usual and customary" pay of \$165 for 2 services on Sunday. Pastor Beese is no longer claiming mileage for reimbursement. LeeAnne Brumm has found it necessary to resign her position on council and the Stewardship Committee. Brad has a new job, and LeeAnne must be available to shuttle the children to their various activities. Pastor officiated at 10 worship services in July, made 13 visits to members and non-members, which included communion to 7 individuals; conducted 2 counseling sessions; attended 11 meetings, including council, Area 9 Pastors' meeting, 2 PMC meetings, Christian Ed, Social Ministry, Worship & Music, Evangelism, Altar Guild, Spiritual Coach and New Member Orientation; attended Men's Bible Breakfast and Sunday Morning Fellowship, and officiated at Jim & Diane Ziehl's 45th Wedding Anniversary Vows on July 31.

Christian Education report: There was no meeting this month, but the teachers are working on their rooms and supplies. Jerry Fitzhugh will teach the Adult Sunday Bible Study class beginning September 19th. Pastor Beese will continue his weekday Adult Class after Labor Day, and will be starting a confirmation class of 4 or 5 kids.

Evangelism report: Bring a Friend Sunday was August 8, and there are plans to have another in the fall. PMC's goal is to do more with kids in the community. The Kent Klowns will attend the Back-to-School fairs. Linda Williams is leading the Kent Klowns. The committee is seeking more slogans for use on the outdoor sign. Gerald & Jean Killion's 60th anniversary recognition will be held December 28. The committee is still looking for more people to host Coffee Fellowship. Gary & Connie Esbeck and Darrell & Carolyn Garrett were received into membership on August 8th.

Finance Committee: Work has begun on the 2011 budget. Committee chairpersons will be contacted to submit their budget requests by September 30th.

Long Range Planning: Kidwell Granite Works was contacted about the Gerschevske memorial stone and they found out that their selected stone has since been sold. They will go tomorrow to look at other stones. They will be talking about a pictorial directory for Kent Memorial at their next meeting. They expect to receive about \$1800 from the Stewart McFadden Fund for scholarships after January 1, 2011.

Ministry Fund: No report

Mutual Ministry report: No report, they will meet 8/18

Property report: They met 8/14, followed by a work day. They have an estimate to install a permanent roof over the outdoor keyboard platform; work will begin after Labor Day. They will also add concrete to the outdoor worship area to make access to the front pew in the rear seating area easier. A dehumidifier has been put in choir room. They're looking into an industrial size dehumidifier for the fellowship hall, to relieve musty odor. There was discussion on the cause of the odor.

August 17, 2010 minutes continued...

Social Ministry: The committee received 6 requests for help. A letter was received from Unity at the Lake Church with a check for \$339 for the Social Ministry Committee, as they have no committee of their own. An invitation was received from Lutheran Family & Children's Services to attend their Luncheon & Open House on August 24 at noon. Ticket sales are going well for the Luau. Dental kits are being gathered for the Festival of Sharing. The initial fund amount of \$7402.70 for the Darleen Mueller fund has been invested with the Lutheran Community Foundation.

Stewardship: No meeting

Worship & Music: 3 Sundays remain for outdoor worship services. Attendance appears to be down 35-40 per Sunday, with the average about 147. Kathy Spaulding (Altar Guild) is checking on prices for a chalice, ciborium, paten & candleholder to be purchased with the balance of the Dick Peterson memorial money. Altar Guild is seeking more members, and they are planning an orientation session for those interested. Pat Poretta is coordinating food for the October 17th concert. The piano will be tuned prior to the event. Dehumidifier bars will be installed on the pianos in the sanctuary and choir room, at a cost of about \$150 each.

Youth: Kids Club begins the third Wednesday in September. The pancake breakfast, held between services on September 12, is a fundraiser, with the proceeds divided between the Youth Committee (for the New Orleans trip) and the Kids Club. September 12 is Youth Sunday; the Youth will be in charge of the worship service.

Partnership for a Missional Church (PMC): They are focusing on youth in the community. Some of their members attended the Morgan County and Camden County Back-to-School fairs. They distributed flyers on Kids Club at the fairs. PMC is taking lunch to the teachers at Hurricane Deck Elementary School this week.

Old Business: There are 11 names on the list of members to be contacted to see if they would be willing to be on council – 3 regular positions must be filled, and the balance of LeeAnne Brumm's term must be filled, which expires on 12/31/12.

New Business: Committees are reminded to have their annual reports ready for the February Congregational meeting. A new signature card has been signed for the Safe Deposit Box. Gail Kruse, Jennifer Bolton, Michael Wagner and Ken Gerardy will sign a new signature card for the general fund checking account at First National Bank. The signature cards for the two will now match. The large copier will need to be replaced in the not-too-distant future. The cost is approximately \$16,000, but if we traded in our current copiers, it would be \$5,000. Pastor has received positive responses to his "E-Kent" emails.

A thank you note was received from the Pregnancy Help Center – we raised \$350 in our "Baby Bottle" Campaign.

A motion to adjourn was made by Don Peterson, second by Chuck Wanamaker. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m., followed by The Lord's Prayer.

The next meeting will be Tuesday September 21st at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Toni Wagner

LATE SERVICE TIME CHANGE



Mark your calendars!

Sunday, September 5, is our last outdoor service.

On **Sunday, September 12**, the late service will begin at 10:30 AM.

E-Kent

A weekly message from Pastor Dave

E-Kent is the weekly email message from Pastor Dave. It includes a short inspirational message and the Bible readings for the upcoming Sunday.

If you wish to receive E-Kent, Send an email to the church office, Office@KentMemorial.com.

NEED A HANDYMAN?

We have several families in our congregation who are out of work and are willing to do any work around the house or yard. Need help? Contact Pastor Dave.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Lake Area Christian Women's Connection Luncheon

Tuesday, September 21, 11:30AM-1:30 PM

Speaker: Jaclyn Rowe ~ "Release The Lies, Retain The Promise"

Feature: Corkey Greene of Glitz & Glamour Music: Kathleen Marco

Old Kinderhook Resort, Lake Road 54-80 Cost \$12.00 (inclusive) Call Carol for reservations at 374-6680

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