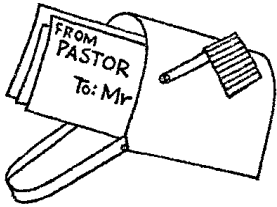


KENT HAPPENINGS

November 2010 Calendar, **CLICK LINK BELOW**
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There is a danger for those of us who have been Christians for awhile. In fact, the longer we are Christians, the greater is this danger. It is a subtle danger, yet it is a very real danger and it happens when we read or hear a story from the Bible. The danger is that the story is so familiar that it may be hard for us to see beyond “what we’ve always thought this story meant.”

When we hear a familiar story, something clicks in our brain and says, “I’ve heard that before,” and we think, “I don’t need to pay attention,” or “I don’t need to hear that again.” And so we don’t give the story our full attention.

Why is this a problem? It is a problem because we are then limiting God. We are closing ourselves from receiving what God wants to give us at this moment in our lives.

Take for instance the story of John the Baptist (see Matthew 11:2-6) John was in prison and had been hearing stories of what Jesus was doing. John had a certain assumption about what the Messiah would do. He believed Jesus was the Messiah, but what he heard Jesus was doing was doing was different that what he expected. So he sent word to Jesus and asked, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?”

I think this was the case of John being so familiar with Jesus that he had become, in a sense, close- minded. After all, John and Jesus were cousins; they had known each other since birth. John had baptized Jesus. And now this very familiarity with Jesus was getting in the way of John seeing and understanding what Jesus was actually doing. He needed to look at Jesus with fresh eyes and hear Jesus with open ears.

And that is what we need to do as well. Lay aside your assumptions about what the story means. Try listening to Jesus as if you are hearing him for the first time. Try reading the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) as if you are reading them for the first time. The idea is to approach the stories of Jesus with fresh eyes and open ears.

It can also be helpful to put yourself into the story. Take your time. Imagine the scene. Slowly, carefully, and thoughtfully, wonder what it would be like if you were there. If I were in the crowd at that scene, what would Jesus say to me? If I were the person lying on the stretcher, what might happen to me? If I were one of the critics, objecting to Jesus, how would he react? If I were one of the soldiers nailing Jesus to the cross, how would he look at me? What if I were the mother of Jesus or one of his disciples?

Other people can help you gain new insight into what the Biblical story is saying to us today. That is why group Bible study is so important for adults. We need others to help us see with fresh eyes and listen with open ears.

Dare to come close to Jesus, closer than you’ve ever come before. John the Baptist discovered that Jesus wasn’t what he expected. He discovered that Jesus was much, much more than he expected. And so will you. Waiting for you is a great Jesus, an awesome Jesus - and always, a Jesus who is much, much more than you expected

Pastor Dave

Kent Memorial Mission Statement: To Share Jesus With All!

Central States Synod Statement of Purpose: We are a people Changed by Love. Sent in Love. To Serve.

ELCA Mission Statement: God’s Work—Our Hands

NOVEMBER SCRIPTURE LESSONS

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2010 COUNCIL MEMBERS

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 Chuck Wanamaker Social Ministry, Ministry Fund
 Linda Kimberling Finance
 Gary Wiles Worship & Music
 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 NOVEMBER

11/7 Marilyn Hays, Gerry Williams
 11/14 Don Peterson, Gloria Peterson
 11/21 Ken Gerardy, Brian Kuckler
 11/28 Chuck Wanamaker, Joyce Wanamaker

November 7, All Saints

1st Reading Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18
 The Psalm Psalm 149
 2nd Reading Ephesians 1:11-23
 The Gospel Luke 6:20-31

November 14, 25th Sunday after Pentecost

1st Reading Malachi 4:1-2a
 The Psalm Psalm 98
 2nd Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
 The Gospel Luke 21:5-19

November 21, Christ the King

1st Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6
 The Psalm Psalm 46
 2nd Reading Colossians 1:11-20
 The Gospel Luke 23:33-43

November 28, 1st Sunday of Advent

1st Reading Isaiah 2:1-5
 The Psalm Psalm 122
 2nd Reading Romans 13:11-14
 The Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

WORSHIP LEADERS IN NOVEMBER

8:00 AM

Altar Guild Sue Rosenthal
 Lector 11/7, 11/14, 11/21 Gail Kruse
 Greeters 11/7 Jan & Helmut Lacas
 Ushers 11/7 Linda & Gerry Williams;
 11/14 Kruse Family
 Coffee Fellowship
 Sound Technicians 11/7 & 21 Ken Gerardy;
 11/14 & 28 Lester Clark

10:30 AM

Altar Guild Floralie Harris
 Communion Assistant Shirley Clark
 Lector Ken Mueller
 Greeters Carol Knight
 Ushers 11/7 Jim & Diane Ziehl;
 11/14 Harger Family; 11/28 Jennifer Bolton
 Coffee Fellowship
 Sound Technicians 11/7 & 21 Fred Gould;
 11/14 & 28 Dan Garrett

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

Friday, November 19, 2010

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

THE STEWARDSHIP CORNER

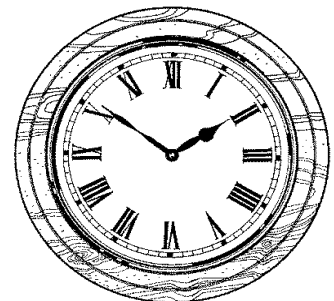
Offerings and Income for August.....	\$10,792
Budget Needs Each Month.....	\$16,016
Offerings and Income—January-August, 2010	\$130,912
Expenses—January-August, 2010.....	\$142,719
<i>Average Attendance for September ~ 128</i>	
THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL ATTENDANCE AND FOR YOUR GIFTS !!!	

SEPTEMBER 2010 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	
Bank Balance 9-1-10.....	\$6,803.23
Deposits, Interest and Adjustments.....	3,698.40
Payments to Mission Investment Fund	5,000.00
Bank Balance 10-1-10.....	\$5,503.40
Payment to Mission Investment	\$5,000.00
Interest Paid.....	1,873.84
Principal Paid	\$3,126.16
Balance due on Mortgage 9-1-10	\$350,743.69
Principal Paid	3,126.16
Balance due on mortgage 10-1-10	\$347,617.53

Remember ~ you must write “Kent Only” on your weekly offering envelope if you want to designate your contribution. All envelopes without this notation will be credited to the General Account.
Jean Killion, Financial Secretary

**Daylight Savings Time
Ends
Sunday, November 7**

***Turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed
on Saturday night!***



THRIVENT NEWS

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS:

Rosie Keeney is going to be on the ballot for Chapter Board Member representing Kent Memorial Lutheran Church. The election will be November 7 between the services in the Fellowship Hall. It is a written ballot and you must be a Benefit or Associate Member of Thrivent to vote. Those eligible will be voting for all the members of the Camden-Miller County Chapter Board.

Barb Yount has been the Congregational Advocate for Kent since May. There can be up to 4 Congregational Advocates in a congregation. At the Thrivers meeting on October 12, Joyce Wanamaker, Floralie Harris and Joyce McHenry were nominated and approved to be Congregational Advocates from Kent. Confirmation on them will be voted at the November 27 Chapter Board meeting. After the Chapter Board approves Congregational Advocates, and the minutes of the meeting are entered, the Congregational Advocates can call or go online to Thrivent in Appleton to get their names and addresses, etc., registered.

As a special social event, Thrivent Chapter Board voted to support a November 6th Turkey Dinner between 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church in Eldon. There are 20 tickets available to use to go to that dinner. Thrivent Benefit and Associate members are invited to enjoy the dinner and the fellowship of the Thrivent members in the church there and Thrivent members from the other churches represented in our Camden-Miller County Chapter. You will have to sign the back of your special green ticket and the Chapter Board will pay for your dinner. Barb Yount has the tickets.

WELCA has requested Thrivent additional funds for the Christmas Cookie Sale on Saturday, December 4th. There will be a sign-up sheet on the serving counter for people who bake cookies, etc., for the Cookie sale. Please sign your name and put down the hours you spend making the cookies and bringing them to the church (including travel time), as well as the time you spend working at the sale. This is important.

I have enjoyed my 4 years as Camden-Miller Board member for Kent Memorial. I wish Rosie the same satisfaction of serving and have promised to help her in every way when she is elected as Records Director for 2011.

Jan Kennedy

(For information about the next Thrivent meeting, see pg. 16.)

Festival of All Saints ~ Sunday, November 7



Each year on the first Sunday of November, we observe the Festival of All Saints. On this Sunday we remember and give thanks to God for the faith and witness of those who have gone before us. We remember loved ones who have personally touched our lives and are now enjoying eternal rest with their Savior. We also give thanks for saints whom we have not had the privilege of knowing, but whose witness and service has made the church stronger.

At each service of worship we will remember members of Kent Memorial who died during the past 12 months. These saints include: Norma Estes, Georgia McFarland and Darlene Mueller.

If you have loved ones or friends who have passed away during the last year that you would like to have included in the service, please call the church office with the name and the date of death.

(See page 16 for more on our All Saints observation this year.)

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

Debbie Billing
 Will Blomberg
 Verlyn Bohling
 Sheryl Boos
 Seth Bruhn
 LeeAnne Brumm
 Don & Trisha Dittmer
 Alice Ermert
 Kaylee Farrell
 Margaret Frank
 Dick Frohart
 Martha Gruber
 Jack Hollingsworth
 Robert Johnson
 Judy Jones
 Linda Kimberling

Trudy Marco
 Jane McKown
 Bill Mills
 Char Nielsen
 Esther Niemann
 Viva Patterson
 Pat Poretta
 Jackie Porter
 Beverly Powell
 Ray Robinett
 Tom Schelp
 David Schoenig
 Wayne Stauss
 Charline Stringer

Judy Swigert
 Ken Taylor
 Ada Terry
 Donna Wassmann
 Rich Wilson
 George Wohlt
 Bob Yates
 Gay Zerbuchen

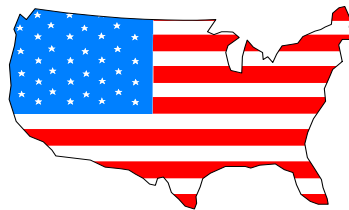


*Christian condolences and hope are extended to **Packie McFarland** and his family at the death of **Georgia Ann**; and to the family of **Joyce McHenry** at the death of her sister-in-law, **Deloris McHenry**.*

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
 Nicole Johnson
 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
 Wayne Stauss

Don Carter
 Sam Palmer
 Lucille Theleman

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.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

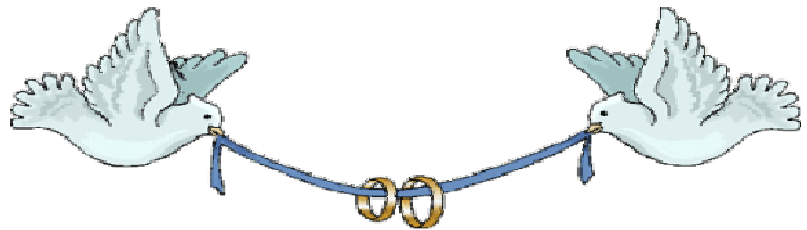


- 11/5 Marcia Heald
- 11/6 Steve Vogt
- 11/7 Otis Cobb
Gary Jones
- 11/8 Carolyn Cauton
Judy Kuckler
Teresa Jones
Dave Curchy
- 11/13 Leanne Bungler *
- 11/14 Dylan LaRock
- 11/18 Floralie Harris
Glenda Jones *
- 11/21 Brian Kuckler
- 11/25 Bob Bueker
Susan Jung
- 11/26 Rosie Keeney *
- 11/27 Laura Claggett-Vogt
Stan Rohde
Jeremy Brown
- 11/28 Isabel Cobb
- 11/29 Marjorie Grossman
Kahlan Enriquez

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

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 11/1/1971 Glen & Mary Marose
- 11/3/1981 Russ & Carol Ousley
- 11/4/1956 Darrell & Carolyn Garrett
- 11/23/1946 George & Lillian Wohlt
- 11/30/1963 Gerry & Linda Williams



ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION

50 years plus

- George & Lillian Wohlt 64 years
- Darrell & Carolyn Garrett 54 years

40 years plus

- Gerry & Linda Williams 47 years

30 years plus

- Glen & Mary Marose 39 years

20 years plus

- Russ & Carol Ousley 29 years

CONGRATULATIONS!

Helen Oldham's great-granddaughter got married.
Ashley & Matt Barnard were married on October 2
at Longview Chapel in Kansas City.



If your birthday or anniversary isn't listed, please contact the church office so we can include you in our congratulations!

ANNUAL MEETING PART I

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church Fifty-ninth Annual Meeting Part I November 14, 2010 Agenda

- Call to Order: Jennifer Bolton, Council President
- Opening Prayer: Pastor Beese
- Approval of Congregational Meeting Part II Minutes of February 14, 2010 and special congregation meeting April 11, 2010
- Vote on appointed Council Members:
 - Ken Mueller - to fill the term of Virgil Norris (Term Expires 12/31/10)
 - Gary Wiles - to fill the term of Jim Kennedy (Term Expires 12/31/11)
 - Linda Kimberling - to fill the term of LeeAnne Brumm (Term Expires 12/31/12)
- Thank you to outgoing Council Members:
 - Ken Mueller
 - Diane Ziehl
 - Bob Harger
 - Jennifer Bolton
- Vote on Council Member Nominees:
 - (Term expires 12/31/13)
 - Denise Kralina
 - Gail Kruse
 - David Curchy
 - Don Johnson
- Call for nominations from the floor
- Approval of 2011 Budget
- Changes to the Kent Memorial Constitution
 - Absentee Ballot
 - Combine Finance Committee and Stewardship Committee
- Adjournment
- Closing with the Lord's Prayer

Continuing Resolution Proposal

The Finance Committee and the Stewardship Committee shall be combined into one committee called the Finance and Stewardship Committee. Adpoted by the Council on September 21, 2010.

The committee shall have 5 members with the Treasurer being the fifth member.

The term for the Finance and Stewardship Committee shall begin January 1st and end February 1st after the three year term because of the preparation necessary of year end financial reports and financial audits.

Absentee Ballot

Absentee ballots for a congregation meeting will be available to voting members 14 days before the congregation meeting. The official ballot can be mailed to the voting member or the voting member can vote at the church office during the regular office hours. All absentee ballots must be returned to the office within 3 days before the congregation meeting. If there is not a quorum at the Congregation Meeting, then all ballots cast will be considered null and void.

We will share a potluck meal prior to the start of the meeting.

Kent Kids Corner



Kent Kids at Miner Mike's!

On November 13th, Kent Kids will head for **Miner Mike's & Buster's** in Osage Beach. Meet at church at 11:00 AM. We'll have lunch at Miner Mike's and play, and be back at the church by 3:00 PM.

Kid's Club!

"Kids Club" is back on November 17!

Kids in 1st through 6th grades are invited to join in the fun on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 3:30-5:30 PM. They'll read and act out Bible stories, do some crafts, play games, enjoy music... there's even a surprise station. Snacks and a light supper are provided.

Want to help make the fun happen? Diane Ziehl, 873-5846, would love to hear from you. Visitors are always welcome, so stop in and become a member of the Club!



The Kent Youth collect old cell phones and chargers. Drop yours into the box in the Fellowship Hall.



HEY KIDS ~ COME AND "LIGHT A FIRE!"

We need acolytes for the 8:00 AM services. Must be 5th grade or older. Sign up with Pastor Dave.

Don't Dump It! Recycle It!

Used Ink Cartridges, collected from area churches and neighborhood banks, brought in \$1258.00 for Habitat For Humanity.

Don't throw away empty ink cartridges from your home or work printers ~ drop them into the box at your local bank and help Habitat for Humanity.



WELCA NEWS

President Pat Poretta opened the October 5, 2010, WELCA meeting with a prayer. Pat Kuss was welcomed as a guest. Sharon Ballard and Jan Schick were thanked for serving as hostesses. Eldeen Henke gave the devotion.

The secretary's report was read and approved. Barbara Patterson reported a balance in the treasury of \$4,034.64.

The Christian Action committee reported that 11 workers had made 65 stuffed animals and 1 preemie blanket.

Nancy Beese reported that Kent volunteers will work at Community for Christ on October 19 and 21. She thanked those who helped during the change over from summer to fall goods.

Janet Harger reported that Kent Klowns had painted faces at an event and will meet on October 11.

Karen Hardwick reported for the Laurie Care Center. Jeff Robbins is the new administrator. The computers in their activity room are open to the public. There is a thrift store inside the care facility. Anyone is invited to shop there or keep them in mind when cleaning out your closets. Ed and Georgia Gocal are now in charge of the soda fountain. They are putting together a volunteer list for anyone interested in working there for an afternoon once or twice a month. The soda fountain is open most weekdays between 12:30 to 3, on Tuesday its open 12:30 to 2. The care center needs wall calendars for year 2011. Halloween and Trick or Treat will soon be here. They will be having their annual candy give away. Karen moved to donated \$50 toward the purchase of candy. Marilyn Lansford seconded the motion. The motion passed. November is our month for birthdays. Karen passed around a list of residents with November birthdays. Gifts are to be delivered the last week of October or the 1st week of November. The Holiday Craft Fair & Bake Sale is November 6. December 3 is the Christmas Store. Volunteers will be needed to help residents with their shopping and taking packages to their rooms. Their Christmas party will be held December 11.

Joyce Wanamaker reported that workers have signed up for the Senior Center.

Lorraine Boyd has sent two get well cards.

October birthdays were celebrated.

Sharon Ballard presented the slate of officers: Eldeen Henke, president; Linda Williams, vice president; Nancy Beese, secretary; and Karen Hardwick, treasurer. The officers were elected by acclamation and will be installed at the November meeting. Judy Ward will replace Karen Hardwick as the Laurie Care Center representative.

Pat Poretta signed up people to bake cakes and help in the kitchen for the concert on October 17.

Jan Ellis presented the rummage sale traveling trophy to Pat Poretta.

Karen Hardwick will make arrangements for preemie blankets to be delivered to St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City.

The chili/soup luncheon with bake sale and bazaar will be October 23. Pat Poretta requested that items for the bazaar should be brought to church Thursday or Friday. Shirley Clark asked that bake sale items be brought on Friday. Pies are also needed for luncheon dessert. Hours for the bazaar and bake sale will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch will be served from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sharon Ballard asked for volunteers to help cut vegetables for soup on Friday. Joan Wilken will be in charge of the chili.

Marilyn Lansford moved that we pay for a new paper cutter for the church office. Shirley Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed.

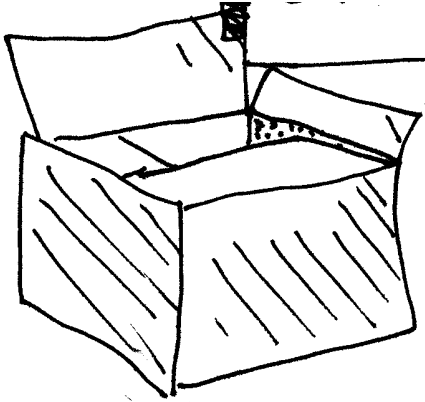
Thirty-two members stood for the Lord's Prayer to end the meeting.



ANNUAL COOKIE/CANDY SALE DECEMBER 4, 2010

The Annual Cookie/Candy Sale will be on Saturday, December 4. Start digging through those recipes! Thrivent will match up to \$1,008.00 ~ and that's a lot of cookies!

SOCIAL MINISTRY



THE BLUE BOX UPDATE

The Social Ministry Committee would again like to thank everyone in their efforts to support the Blue Box.

Most needed food items:

- > Creamed soups
- > Fruits & veggies
- > Pasta
- > Spaghetti sauce
- > Box dinners
- > Canned meats
- > Pancake mix (water-added only)
- > Syrup
- > Breakfast bars
- > Macaroni & cheese

Did you know that food stamps cannot be used for personal care products? Because of this, shampoo, soaps, toothpaste, toilet paper, deodorant, and diapers are always needed. House cleaning supplies, too.

We should be very proud of our generosity and for our cares for our local community.

Thank You!!

The Social Ministry Committee



THE ARMY NEEDS YOU!!!

(The Salvation Army, that is)

COME AND RING A BELL FOR A GREAT CAUSE!

November 26 - December 24

Laurie Save-A-Lot

Kent Memorial, in conjunction with other area churches and businesses, is supporting the Salvation Army's efforts to raise money at the holiday time for those less fortunate.



Remember, 90% of what is donated stays in our area.

Bell ringing begins Friday, November 26, and lasts through December 24, Monday-Saturday from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM at **Save-A-Lot** in Laurie. Volunteers are asked to sign up for two hour shifts.

Signup sheets will be posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship hall. Please help!

Any questions? Contact Chuck Wanamaker at 374-0113.

THANK YOU NOTES

Thank you for the service for Georgian Ann, and for your prayers. Georgia Ann was a great Christian and student of the Bible, with a love of Jesus and a strong faith.

Packie McFarland & Family

Dear Friends, Thank you for your 3rd quarter donation of \$475.00. The generosity of your congregation is a blessing to many in our community.

Peace,

Barbara Butler, Community for Christ

Thanks for the lovely dinner.

Hurricane Deck Elementary Staff [*dinner provided by PMC Committee*]

Dear PMC Committee Members:

What a great lunch you provided us! We appreciated your generosity. You had all the “bases covered.” our staff enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere and the delicious meal. We also enjoyed meeting each one of you. We are all part of a learning community that helps us in our effort to maximize each student’s performance for future success.

Thank you, Shawn Dandry, Hurricane Deck Principal

Dear Congregation,

Just a note to let you know how much we appreciate you. Each child we are able to feed is because someone cared enough to provide assistance for that child. We are so thankful that we can partner with you in caring for God’s children.

In Christian Love,

Judy Wimmer, Director, Share the Harvest Food Pantry / Twice Around Clothing and Furniture Nook

Dear Kent Memorial Lutheran Friends, ...It is with heartfelt appreciation that we express our loving gratitude for your third quarter gift of \$75.00 which helps us help God’s precious children during their time of need. We appreciate so much for your partnership in choosing through your budget to reach out to our young people this year. Thank you so much for your beautiful example of Christianity in action!

Gale & Karen Culler, Show-Me Christian Home

Dear Friends,

On behalf of everyone at CADV/VOC we would like to thank you for recent donation of \$350.00... Each of us at CADV/VOC, is grateful for your support and the opportunity to put your donations to work. Each dollar makes an impact in the lives of families in need. We are blessed to have your continued support.

Sincerely,

Heather W. Durbin, Outreach Coordinator

A special **THANK YOU** to Brian Kuckler for planting the new tree in the Garagnani Memorial Garden! The Greenlace Maple is a replacement for a tree that did not survive.



THE FAVORITE HYMN BOX IS BACK!

Do you have a favorite hymn you would love to sing during our worship services? Beginning in November, the Favorite Hymn Box will be in the narthex waiting for your suggestions. Just write down the name of the hymn, or the first few lines of the song, and we'll do our best to include it in an upcoming worship service.

Kent Choir & Handbells

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Everyone is invited to join!



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*

THANK YOU! From the bottoms of our hearts, thank you to all the Kent members who helped make *An Afternoon With the Classics* such a huge success. Every aspect, from setting up the Sanctuary to decorating the venue, from gathering items for the Raffle to baking and serving for the reception, helped make the concert an unforgettable celebration. Though we are the ones who took the bows, we could never have done it without you!!!

Tracy Garrett, Vanessa Hebrank & Margo Strothmann



MUSIC AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Greater Lake Area Chorale	Sunday, November 28, 3:00 PM	West Lake Christian Church, Laurie
Lake Area Community Orchestra	Sunday, November 28, 7:00 PM	Community Christian Church, Camdenton

REMEMBERING GENE & CAROL GERSCHEFSKE

Gene and Carol Gerschefske had Twin Oaks Men's Wear in the Laurie Terrace Mall. I worked in the mall at the Music Box as a DECA student in high school. I saw them at church but first got to know them better at the mall.

When Pastor Dunning was here we used to have Monday night Bible Study at church and from that we started a Monday night Bible Study that began in Gene and Carol's home. There was a group of about 10 of us and we would study and talk about the Bible, pray and sing. And of course, Carol always had a nice snack afterwards. Gene and a couple others in the group spoke in tongues and sometimes they would speak on Monday nights. It was fascinating to me to hear and see it! I read in the Bible about speaking in tongues and here was proof that it is true! Gene's friend, from Kansas City came a few times and one evening Hal interpreted the tongues. How exciting!

Gene sang in the choir and would sing solos. I remember when he sang "How Great Thou Art". The love that he had for the Lord was just pouring out from him. I can see Gene in my mind's eye every time I hear that hymn.

In Sunday school there were many times during our study about God that Gene brought up predestination. Did God already have our lives planned out or do we make our own free will choices?

Later in the years Gene and Carol added a line of women's clothing to the store. Carol organized yearly fashion shows. She organized a couple over the years at the May Day Luncheon. She was the quiet, steady one. She liked to read Psalms for peace and comfort. The saying goes "behind every man there's a woman pushing." Carol was behind Gene, supporting him.

Their daughter, Kathy, babysat the kids for a while so I got to know Kathy outside of church also. Every so often she would share with me when something was going on between her and her Dad. He was a hard nosed German and sometimes didn't cut Kathy much slack. But Kathy accepted that was the way her Dad was; he was looking out for her best interest and she loved him so!

As a young wife and mother, it was wonderful to have Gene and Carol as friends and as a role model. I can remember something that Carol said one Monday night. I don't remember her words exactly but I do remember that it hit me over the head like a 2x4 – I thought "Wow, Carol has such love and devotion for her husband. I want that with John". They were strong in their faith and lived it in their everyday lives.

There were many times this past year that John and I both said we wished Gene and Carol was still here. They loved God, their family and their church. Through their generosity, we will have a lasting reminder of them in the beautiful stained glass windows and the Columbarium that is in the Mike Garagnani Memorial Garden.

Jennifer Bolton

*But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles.
They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not be faint. --Isaiah 40:31*

LAKE ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTS

THE VIENNA BOYS CHOIR IN CONCERT

November 6, 2010, 7:00 PM

St. Anthony Catholic Church, Camdenton

Tickets: \$35 adults & \$10 students under the age of 18

No reserved seating

Tickets available at

Central Banks

HyVee, Osage Beach

Community Bank, Sunrise Beach

First National Banks

Health Mart, Laurie

Paul's Supermarkets, Lake Ozark and Osage Beach

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Unapproved October 19, 2010 Council Minutes

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

Meeting called to order at 6:00p.m.

Michael Wagner presented the devotion from Psalm 57.

After a correct to the date of the Festival of Sharing from October 10 to October 16, motion by Don Peterson to approve the minutes of the September meeting, second by Michael Wagner, motion carried.

Motion by Ken Gerardy to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, second by Diane Ziehl, motion carried

Motion by Don Peterson to approve the Building Fund report as presented, second by Michael Wagner, motion carried

Pastor's report: Pastor enjoyed some vacation time in North Carolina. Pastor Nick Stutesman has asked to borrow the white chairs from our fellowship hall for the fund raising dinner to be held at the Lake West Christian Academy on Thursday, October 28. After discussion, and based on the understanding that 30 of the chairs would be returned Friday morning for the blood drive in the afternoon, and the balance of the chairs would need to be returned by Saturday afternoon, Council gave the ok. Pastor received a call from the person in charge of the Christmas Light display in the Laurie fairgrounds. We pay \$50 per year for our display, which is a lighted star. Pastor mentioned that our star is quite a way off the road, and rather difficult to see, and is also in need of some refurbishment. He will check with Madeline (the person in charge of the lighted displays) and see who is responsible for the maintenance of the star, and if we could get better visibility. A big "Thank You" to the musicians for "An Afternoon With the Classics" – Tracy Garrett, Margo Strothmann, Vanessa Hebrank and Michael Lindeman. \$1185 was raised, which will be split between CADV and the Kent music programs. There will also be a CD for sale, which should bring in additional proceeds. Discussion followed regarding All Saints' Day (November 7), and the possibility of members bringing in photos of special loved ones who have passed away, whether recently or some time ago. The photos would be on display that day. Pastor David Carlson officiated at Georgia McFarland's memorial service, due to Pastor's absence.

Christian Education report: There was no meeting this month, things are going well with the classes, although attendance at the adult class is down. Dorothy Englestadt will be added to the Christian Education roster as Librarian.

Evangelism report: The banner that we used this summer to announce our 8:00 a.m. outdoor worship service will be reversed, and an announcement applied to the other side, so that we can use the banner year-round. The committee discussed ways to make visitors feel more welcomed at Kent.

Finance Committee: The committee met and worked on the 2011 proposed budget.

Long Range Planning: The committee discussed setting up guidelines for scholarships to be awarded from the Stewart McFadden fund. Plans are beginning for a new pictorial directory in the spring.

Ministry Fund: No report

Mutual Ministry report: Meetings were held with Tracy Garrett, Kathleen Marco, Jan Ellis and Jennifer Bolton (our paid "staff"), and things are going well.

Property report: Leaf blowing will begin soon; the committee will clean up the columbarium area on Saturday, October 30 in preparation for the dedication the following day.

Social Ministry: The committee prepared its budget proposal, with no change to the amount requested. The committee received 12 calls for assistance in September, and were able to help 9 of the calls. The youth of Kent assembled 65 dental kits for the Festival of Sharing, which were sent to Sedalia with Jim and Evelyn Clement. The Blue Boxes continue to receive donations. Chuck Wanamaker is coordinating the Salvation Army bell ringing, and will be putting up the sign-up schedule soon. We will begin ringing the day after Thanksgiving. 85% of the money raised

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here stays in our area. The committee will contact CADV and the Show-Me Christian Youth Home to determine how many children will have needs for gifts this year.

Stewardship: No report

Worship & Music: The dedication of the stained glass windows and the stone in the columbarium area will be Sunday, October 31, during both services. That day is also Reformation Sunday, so Pastor suggested we wear red. The Youth will have a potato bar fund raiser that day after the 10:30 service. Advent services begin December 1. The Favorite Hymn box will be returned to use in November. Altar Guild has added a few new members. The vocal choir is in need of more voices (please join).

Youth: Committee members will bring Chili, and kids will bring dessert for the potato bar on October 31. Kids club will meet on October 20, and will have a puppet show. A trip to Miner Mike's is being planned for November 13.

PMC: The Cluster meeting was October 15 and 16 in St. Louis, where we met with 15 other congregations to share experiences. The committee took lunches to the teachers at Hurricane Deck Elementary and Gravois South Elementary, both received a positive response. The next step is to broaden the work of the team as they build relationships with the staff at the schools.

Old Business: Pastor, Don and Jennifer met to discuss inactive members at Kent,. Pastor send a letter to them, several people were contacted, and some have expressed a desire to be released from their membership. Those people are: Ray and Pat Bronner; Jan Carpenter; Alan and Kate Clever; Alicia Fleming; Kathy Hankins; Liz Martin; David & Joann Moulton, and Tom & Judy Newland. (Many of these people have moved away from the area) Don Peterson made a motion that we honor the request to be released from membership, Bob Harger second, motion carried. Discussion followed regarding the proposed amendment to our church constitution to allow absentee ballot voting. The proposal will be presented to the congregation at the annual meeting in November.

New Business: Discussion was held on the 2011 proposed budget. Our contribution to the Central States Ssynod is for all undesigned receipts. Council discussed ways to trim our budget, and proposals will be submitted to the congregation at the annual meeting in November. Don Peterson made a motion to approve the proposed budget, Diane Ziehl second, motion carried. The Wednesday Advent dinners and Lenten dinners (2011) committee assignments have been made. The Council Christmas party will be hosted by David & Nancy Beese on Friday, December 10.

Thank you notes were received from some of the recipients of our budgeted benevolence, including: Share the Harvest Food Pantry; Show-Me Christian Youth Home, CADV and Community For Christ.

Motion to adjourn by Michael Wagner, second by Diane Ziehl, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m., followed by The Lord's Prayer.

The next meeting is on November 16 at 6:00 p.m. Devotions by Jerry Husbands.

Respectfully submitted,
Toni Wagner



2011 Wall Calendars

Needed for the Laurie Care Center & Laurie Knolls

Do you get two or three or four free wall calendars from lake-area businesses, insurance companies, utilities, etc., every year? This year, don't throw them away!



The residents Laurie Care Center and Laurie Knolls would really like to have those extra 2011 wall calendars.

Please put them in the tray on the table under the sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall.

THANK YOU!!!

SHARE YOUR "SAINTS"

As part of our *All Saints* celebration on Sunday, November 7, members are invited to bring in pictures of loved ones particularly missed over the years and place them on tables in the Fellowship Hall. Please include a brief description of who they are, their relationship to you, and how they are special to you at this time of year.

THRIVENT MEETING

ATTENTION ALL THRIVENT POLICY HOLDERS ~

Our next meeting is on Monday, November 8 at 6:00 PM at Mystic Dragon. The Kent Christmas Cookie Sale December 4 has been approved by the Thrivent board for \$1,008 in matching funds.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Lake Area Christian Women's Connection Luncheon

Tuesday, November 16, 11:30AM-1:30 PM

Guest: Mary Ann Paille, *A Life Sentence*

Featured Speaker: Ken Pearon, Omega Coffee

Music: Ruth Pleima

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