

KENT HAPPENINGS

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The Glass And The Light

I remember visiting in the home of Evelyn and Vernon Holt, on a farm north of Manhattan, Kansas. There was this small piece of diamond-shaped glass hanging in their kitchen window. There was nothing spectacular about the glass; it just swayed slightly with the gusts of breeze that happened to move it. Plain old glass.

But the beauty of that glass was manifested when the sun shone through the window. Suddenly, the light entering the glass was transformed into rainbows on the walls, ceiling, and floor of the house. Simple light and simple glass combined to bring beauty into the world.

There is a parallel within the glass for us as Christians. Both the glass and the Christian are ordinary creations. To look at any of us, one would see regular people facing common difficulties with the usual human limitations and weaknesses. And there are times we can only sway with the gusts of life as they surround us.

But the Christian can truly shine forth when the Son-light is allowed to shine through. When the light of Jesus Christ's forgiving acceptance and love for us is realized, a whole rainbow can break out in the way we face the world. The spectrum of colors is known as love, hope, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness and self-control.

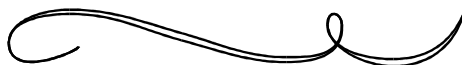
It's not that we are able to make those spiritual colors. In fact, we can't! We are just ordinary people. But we can keep ourselves focused on the light: the forgiving love of Jesus Christ.

Often, however, we try to make our own rainbows. We try to control situations or people around us to suit our own colors. Or we desperately pursue our desires, thinking they will brighten up our lives. Or we pretend before our neighbor and God to be something different than we really are...ordinary people.

Jesus invites and welcomes us as ordinary people to take in the light of his presence. We are called, as Christians, to worship and focus on him. His promise is that he will bring about the transformation in our lives. May the EPIPHANY LIGHT of CHRIST continue to shine through you!

Grace and Light,
Pastor Dave

**In Baptism, we are marked with the cross of Christ forever.
We are claimed, gathered and sent for the sake of the world.**



The Mission Statements of Kent Memorial, our Synod, & our Church
*Hearing God's Call And Responding In Love, We Share Jesus With All
We Are A people Change By Love, Sent In Love, To Serve
God's Work - Our Hands*

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FEBRUARY SCRIPTURE LESSONS

February 5, 5th Sunday of Epiphany

1st Reading Isaiah 40:21-31
 Psalm Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
 2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 9:16-23
 Gospel Mark 1:29-39

February 12, 6th Sunday of Epiphany

1st Reading 2 Kings 5:1-14
 Psalm Psalm 30
 2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
 Gospel Mark 1:40-45

February 19, Transfiguration of our Lord

1st Reading 2 Kings 2:1-12
 Psalm Psalm 50:1-6
 2nd Reading 2 Corinthians 4:3-6
 Gospel Mark 9:2-9

Wednesday, February 22, Ash Wednesday

1st Reading Joel 2:1-2, 12-17
 Psalm Psalm 51:1-17
 2nd Reading 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
 Gospel Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 26, 1st Sunday of Lent

1st Reading Genesis 9:8-17
 Psalm Psalm 25:1-10
 2nd Reading 1 Peter 3:18-22
 Gospel Mark 1:9-15

STAFF

David R. Beese Pastor
 Tracy Garrett Office Secretary & Newsletter Editor
 Kathleen Marco Organist
 Joyce Wanamaker Assistant Organist
 Jan Ellis Music Director, Vocal
 & Handbell Choirs Director
 Dorothy Englestad Parish Ministry Associate
 Brad Brumm Sunday School Director
 Gail Kruse Kent Krew
 Helen Oldham Prayer Chain Chairperson
 Lester Clark, Dan Garrett,
 Ken Gerardy & Fred Gould Sound Technicians
 Don Brohm Webmaster
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2012 COUNCIL MEMBERS

Committee Assignments

Michael Wagner President
 Chuck Wanamaker Vice President;
 Social Ministry, Ministry Fund
 Denise Kralina Christian Education
 Jerry Husbands Evangelism
 Dave Curchy Finance & Stewardship
 Barb Yount Evangelism
 Sheryl Boos Social Ministry
 Linda Kimberling .. Finance & Stewardship, Ministry Fund
 Don Johnson Property
 Pat Larson Long Range Planning
 Margo Strothmann Worship & Music
 Gail Kruse Youth

Council Appointed Positions

Toni Wagner Recording Secretary
 Gail Kruse Treasurer
 Richard Strothmann Financial Secretary
 Ken Gerardy Building Fund Treasurer
 Barbara Patterson Building Fund Financial Secretary

WORSHIP LEADERS IN FEBRUARY

9:30 AM

Acolyte 2/5 Shade Bullock; 2/12 David Hansen;
 2/19 Delaney Brumm; 2/26 Sydney Irwin
 Altar Guild Nancy Beese
 Greeter 2/5 Jim & Diane Ziehl;
 2/12 Teri Stout & Shirley Clark;
 2/19 Shirley Clark & Teri Stout;
 Lector Teri Stout
 Ushers 2/5 Kruse Family; 2/12 Jim & Pat Larson
 Coffee 2/5 Pat Garrett
 Sound Technicians 2/5 & 19 Ken Gerardy;
 2/12 & 26 Lester Clark

GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR FEBRUARY

2/5 Chuck Wanamaker, Joyce Wanamaker
 2/12 Michael Wagner, Toni Wagner
 2/19 Linda Kimberling, Ken Gerardy
 2/26 Rosie Keeney, Gerry Williams

***NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE
 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2012***

*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 December.....	\$8,019
Actual Expenses for December	\$15,414
Budget Needs for December	\$14,880
Offerings and Income—January-December, 2011.....	\$166,966
Expenses—January-December, 2011	\$171,770
<p><i>Average Sunday Attendance in December ~ 131</i> <i>Average Adult Bible Study Attendance in December ~ 20</i></p> <p>THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL ATTENDANCE AND FOR YOUR CONTINUING GIFTS !</p>	

DECEMBER 2011 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	
Bank Balance 12-1-11	\$4,158.39
Deposits, Adjustments and Interest.....	8,101.44
Payment to Mission Investment Fund	8,000.00
Bank Balance 1-1-12	\$4,259.83
 Mortgage Payment to MIF	 \$8,000.00
Interest Paid	1,241.73
Principal Paid.....	\$6,758.27
 Mortgage Balance 12-1-11	 \$299,996.62
Principal Paid in December.....	6,758.27
Balance Due on Mortgage 1-1-12.....	\$293,238.35

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

Judy Bailey
Ron Baltzer
Peggy Canales
Charles Corrigan
Don & Trisha Dittmer
Pat Ellis
Jennifer Fosler
Barb Gidley

Krista Harger
Ron Harms
Jerry Holloway
Carol Jewel
Donna Johnson
Brendon Kasselmann
Brian Kelly
Dick Kirchner
Donna Maddox
Lee Mannisi

Nancy Maloan
Sandy McClain
Jane McKown
Bill Mills
Matt Nelson
Nancy O'Hara
Helen Oldham
Peggy Patterson
Millie Pelfrey
Sherry Ray

Diane Reams
Wilma Schardt
Marshall Sherlock IV
Wayne Stauss
Rose Tolby
Pam Toombs
Karen Williams
Rich Wilson



REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN PRAYER

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
Nathan Meir
Shawn Moorhead
Will Pierce
Timothy Price
John Waddell
Jon Weiss
Mark Woodfin
Bryan Wright

OUR FRIENDS IN AREA CARE FACILITIES



Laurie Knolls & Laurie Care Center
610 Highway O
P.O. Box 1068
Laurie, MO 65038

Betty Bennett
Bill Knight

Mary Gordon
Wayne Stauss

Summit Villa Lifecare
229 Karen Drive
Holts Summit, MO 65043

Lillian Wohlt

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

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- 02/01 Wendy Blomberg
Teri Stout
- 02/04 Tom Fee
- 02/05 Melissa Bennett
- 02/06 Diane Reams *
- 02/09 Don Peterson
- 02/11 Brenna Enriquez
- 02/13 Jerry Brumley
Linda Kimberling
Glenice Gibson
- 02/15 Rick Waite
- 02/16 Floyd Wait *
- 02/17 Jan Lacas
- 02/18 Dee Hamman *
- 02/20 Pat Larson
- 02/23 Alysia LaRock
- 02/24 Marilyn Peterson
Joan Zemke
Margo Strothmann *
Carol Ousley
- 02/25 Bud Kidder
Al Diemer *
Jim Kruse
- 02/26 Allen Kimberling
Nancy Beese
- 02/27 Linda Williams
- 02/28 Matt Bunger
Shade Bullock

ANNIVERSARIES

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|------------|------------------------|
| 02-04-1995 | Merle & Judith Swigart |
| 02/08/1964 | Brian & Judy Kuckler |
| 02/12/1994 | Brad & LeeAnne Brumm |
| 02/19/1988 | Bill & Ada Terry |



ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| <u>40 years plus</u> | |
| Brian & Judy Kuckler | 48 years |
| <u>20 years plus</u> | |
| Bill & Ada Terry | 24 years |

* Psst. This is a BIG birthday!
(5, 13, 16, 21, 40, 50, 65, 70, 75...)



WELCOME HOME EVAN !

Born December 21, 2010
Parents: Korina & Richard Tweed

Jan & Helmut are the proud grandparents.

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

Ash Wednesday

“Remember,” the pastor has said for centuries, always on this day. “Remember,” the pastor has murmured, touching a finger to ash in a dish, smearing the ash on a worshipper’s forehead....”Remember, that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

Ash Wednesday, the day of the personal ashes. The first of the forty days of Lent -- and like a deep bell tolling, that word defines the day that starts the season: *memento!* “Remember!”

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, is February 22. A service beginning with the imposition of ashes and ending with the sacrament of the Lord’s supper begins at 7:00 pm. We will remember not only our death, but also His death which gives us life!

The following Wednesday we will begin the series, “By My Hand?...For My Sake!” by Arden W. Mead & Peter Mead. What is your role in the suffering and death of Christ? Week by week this question is addressed by biblical characters who actually did have a hand in the crucifixion of Christ.

Characters include Adam, Nicodemus, Judas, Barabas, and Pilate.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, February 22 Service at 7:00 p.m. with Imposition of Ashes & Communion

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Services begin at 6:00 p.m. Following each Wednesday Lenten Service, we will share a light supper provided by the Committee Members of Kent. Members are invited to bring a dessert to share.

- Wednesday, February 29 -
Supper prepared by Social Ministry & Altar Guild Committees
- Wednesday, March 7 -
Supper prepared by Finance & Stewardship, Ministry Fund & Youth Committees
- Wednesday, March 14 -
Supper prepared by Worship & Music & Long Range Planning Committees
- Wednesday, March 21 -
Supper prepared by Mutual Ministry & Property Committees
- Wednesday, March 28 -
Supper prepared by Christian Education & Evangelism Committees

The Lenten offerings will be shared with the Easter Pageant committee to purchase new costumes and sound equipment.

WELCA

Reminder: WELCA will meet on Tuesday, February 7 ~

9:30 a.m.	Sewing stuffed animals for Lake Regional Hospital
10:30 a.m.	Altar Guild meeting
12:30 p.m.	Dessert & Fellowship
1:00 p.m.	WELCA Meeting begins



NEW WEEK DAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY ~

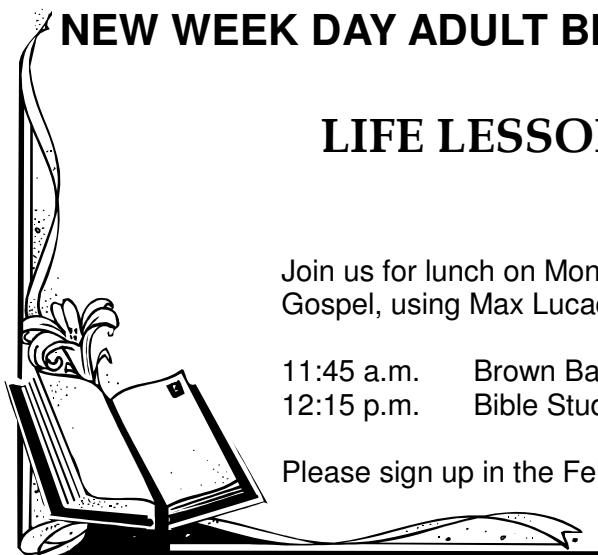
LIFE LESSONS: THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

Led by Ken Mueller

Join us for lunch on Mondays, May 14—August 13, 2012, as we discuss Matthew's Gospel, using Max Lucado's book as a study guide.

- 11:45 a.m. Brown Bag Lunch & Discussion Review
 12:15 p.m. Bible Study & Discussion (-1:15 p.m.)

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall by April 15 so books can be ordered.



PRAYER PROJECT

In order to further strengthen the relationship Kent is building with the two nearby schools, Hurricane Deck and South School, we once again would like to promote the Hand to Hand in Prayer Project. Recently, cutout handprints for each staff member were delivered to both schools. Staff members were given the opportunity to sign their names to the cutout and add a prayer request. These handprint cutouts will be part of a "Hand to Hand in Prayer" poster which will be displayed in the Fellowship Hall soon. This presents an opportunity for the congregation. Hearts with a staff member's name and a prayer request will be available, and we encourage you to be part of this prayer project by taking one or two of these hearts home. Place the heart in a prominent place and pray for the individual. Just think what God can do with so many of us praying.





KENT CHOIR & HANDBELLS



Kent Handbells

Wednesdays

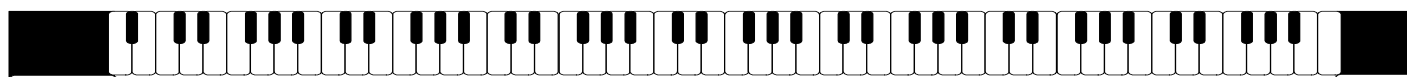
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in the Sanctuary



NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

Contact Jan Ellis, Music Coordinator & Director of Choirs, if you have any questions: 372-5907.

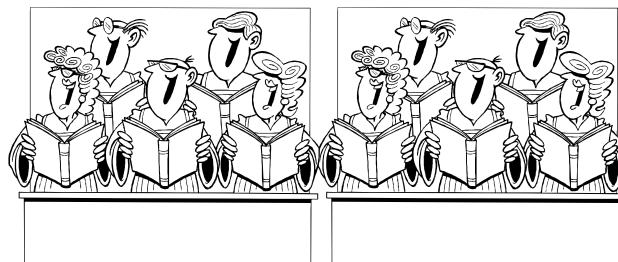


Kent Adult Choir

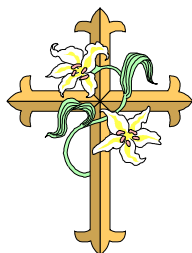
Wednesdays

6:30 PM

in the choir room



He Is Risen!



2012 Easter Pageant

Planning for the 2012 Easter Pageant is underway. We're always looking for more cast members so if you'd like to help us bring the Easter story to life for the community, join us. We would especially love to hear from prior cast members who are willing to be in the pageant again this year.

Something new ~ we need seamstresses to make additional costumes. Toni Wagner has the patterns, and this year's offerings from our midweek Lenten services has been dedicated to purchasing fabric. If you can help with the costumes, please contact Toni or Michael Wagner.

Rehearsals begin on March 10.

IN THE COMMUNITY



BLOOD DRIVE

February 10

1:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

at

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

(no appointment necessary)

Our area is under a **CODE YELLOW ALERT for O negative & A negative blood types.**

The alert means that there is currently less than a two day supply of blood available for use by patients at the thirty-seven area hospitals served by CBCO donors. Mark your calendar now and give to save a life.

For more information, visit The Community Blood Bank of the Ozarks, www.CBCO.org.

We will need cookies—if you have time to bake, please drop them off in the kitchen by Friday morning.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Unapproved January 17, 2012 Council Minutes

In attendance: Michael Wagner, Pat Larson, Gail Kruse, Don Johnson, David Curchy, Linda Kimberling, Margo Strothmann, Pastor David Beese, and Sheryl Boos. Absent: Jerry Husbands, Chuck Wanamaker, Barb Yount and Denise Kralina.

Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Michael Wagner presented the devotion.

Motion by Linda Kimberling to approve the minutes from the December council meeting as presented, second by Gail Kruse, motion carried.

Motion by Linda Kimberling to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, second by Sheryl Boos, motion carried.

Motion by Gail Kruse to approve the Building Fund report as presented, second by Linda Kimberling, motion carried.

Pastor's report: *Favorable feedback has been received regarding the change to one service since Christmas, however it is having an impact on Sunday School. Some members have suggested continuing having just one service for more months, council will discuss again at the February meeting. *Pastor now has 6 students in his confirmation class, with the addition of Austin Crowe, a friend of David Hansen. *Three bibles will be ordered for our third-grade students. Our Thrivent representative, Paul Lekar, and his niece Emily Heimsoth, will be at Kent on Sunday, January 22, to talk about Thrivent ChoiceDollars, to provide information to Kent members who have not yet designated that their Thrivent ChoiceDollars go to Kent. *Melba Bangert has resigned from the board of Community For Christ, but will continue to volunteer. Jean Kasselmann will replace Melba on the board.

Available committee reports were presented. *The annual financial audit has been completed, and all was found to be in order with our books.

Old Business: *Tracy Garrett reports that all annual committee reports have been received, and she is assembling the annual report for the congregational meeting to be held February 12.

New Business: *The congregational meeting is scheduled for February 12. The congregation will vote to ratify four of the resolutions previously voted on at the November congregational meeting, as well as the two new resolutions that came from the most recent Churchwide assembly. The meeting will be held immediately following our 9:30 a.m. service, and the meal will be a potluck "brunch". *It was discussed to allocate the Lenten offerings to the Easter Pageant for a sound system, costumes and ongoing needs. *Denise Kralina has resigned from her committee position on Christian Education, and her position on Council. Michael Wagner will contact possible replacements.

Correspondence received: *Thank you notes were received from Share The Harvest, Community For Christ, and the Show-Me Christian Youth Home for Kent's ongoing support. Pastor Beese will present the devotion next month.

Motion by Gail Kruse to adjourn, second by David Curchy, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m., followed by The Lord's Prayer.

Next council meeting February 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Toni Wagner

ANNUAL MEETING PART 2

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2012

The congregation will share a Brunch Potluck following worship, approximately 10:30 a.m., followed by the meeting. Copies of the Annual Report are available in the Gathering Place for you to take home and review. Please bring your copy with you to the meeting.

AGENDA

Call to Order – Michael Wagner

Devotions (Inside front cover of Annual Report)

Approval of Minutes - Annual Congregational Meeting Part I, 11/14/10

President’s Report – Michael Wagner

Pastor’s Report – Pastor Beese

Treasurer’s Report

- “ General Fund – Gail Kruse
- “ Building Fund – Ken Gerardy
- “ 2011 Budget – Gail Kruse

Committee Reports

Vote to ratify Resolutions 1, 2, 5 & 6 (as approved in November 2011)
- Modifying Kent’s Constitution to match the ELCA model Constitution

Vote on Resolutions 9 & 10 to add required verbiage to Kent’s Constitution

Adjourn – Closing Prayer



SOCIAL MINISTRY

BLUE BOX UPDATE

Thank you for continuing to think of those in need every time you pick up extra food items for the Blue Box.

Community for Christ especially needs the following:

Cereal (*Wheaties, Cheerios, Rice Chex, Wheat Chex, or Corn Chex*)

Tuna

Hamburger Helper

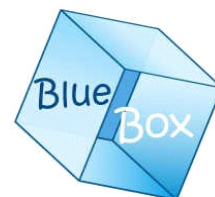
Spaghetti

Pasta

Canned Stew

Powdered Milk

Cash for Meat



Remember, the next time you shop, pick up a couple of extra items and bring them to the church for **The Blue Box**. *Community for Christ & Share the Harvest* are grateful for your support.

Our goal for February is

200 items!

Hearing God's Call and Responding in Love...

Here's a snapshot of the needs in our community & how we use your contributions.

DECEMBER (number of calls):

Electric - 9

Rent - 6

Propane - 1

Gasoline - 2

Prescription - 2

CADV Gifts (to complete all on Angel tree) - (\$100.00)

Total Dollars to our Community for November: \$1,714.24

[\$1684.24 paid by check, \$30.00 from petty cash)

Thanks for the generous hearts & gifts of the people of Kent!

We Share Jesus with All!

Kent Krew

What a great January we are having! On the 15th we went roller skating in Jefferson City and on the 18th we had a fun Kid's Klub.

Now we are preparing for the youth gathering in New Orleans. A total of 10 are registered to attend, 8 youth and 2 adults. Kris from the Messiah Lutheran Church in Springfield has arranged to take a Fisk coach bus. Russellville will be going with us on that journey. Meeting youth in our area will be a great experience for us all.

Our next step is to hold monthly meetings with the kids to spiritually get ready. Decisions on how to represent Kent Memorial will be discussed. Excitement is growing as we are now counting down to July.

Coming February 5—THE SOUPER BOWL OF CARING! The Kent Krew will be in the Gathering Place after worship collecting cash donations to help tackle hunger in our area.



Thank you for all your help and support.
Gail Kruse, Kent Krew Leader



Kid's Klub

February 15, 2012

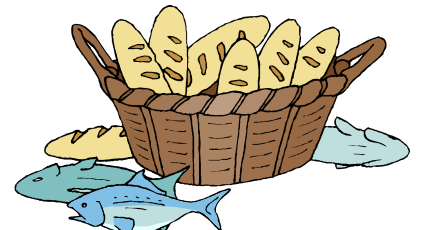
3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Kids Klub is on February 15th. The theme for this month is:

***Jesus multiplied the loaves of bread —
now let's multiply His love!***

Come one come all!!

Food will be provided by Shannon Bullock. Thanks, Shannon!
And thanks to Shelly Carolus for delicious dinner in January.



CHRIST CALLS US TO ACTION

In an effort to extend the outreach of this congregation, we need your help identifying some of the needs in our community or among our members?

- 1) Are there any unmet needs in our community?

- 2) If so, how can our congregation address those needs?

- 3) Are there any unmet needs among our members?

- 4) If so, how can our congregation address those needs?

- 5) Are you willing to volunteer to help resolve these issues? _____
(if yes, please provide your name)

Signature (not required)

Christ calls us to action! Please complete & return this survey to the church by February 21 by mail, email or fax, or you may leave in the church office.

PO Box 155, Sunrise Beach, MO 65079 / Office@KentMemorial.com / fax 573-374-8028 (answers on fifth ring)

