



OUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, aware of the recent wave of Covid BA.5 infections - particularly in the South, have recommended some modifications in our worship life for the remainder of July. We'll not be utilizing our healing stations following communion for the remainder of the month, beginning today. In addition, we'll receive communion by coming forward to receive the bread and wine, rather than kneeling at the altar. Those assisting with Eucharist will be masked for everyone's health and safety. We encourage those who prefer to receive the prepackaged communion wafers/juice, to pick up your kit as you enter the Sanctuary. Please remember that masks are available for both adults and children should you desire one. You may receive a mask from an usher in the narthex. We ask that you continue to use your own good judgment as you evaluate your participation at our "in-person" worship services. Both 8:30 & 11:00 worship services are live-streamed on our Facebook Page, and posted on our website later on Sunday afternoons. We welcome and desire your participation here on Sunday mornings, but ask that if you feel ill or are running a fever, that you enjoy our services on-line as our communities deal with a virus that seems to be very transmissible. We also encourage everyone to follow the advice of their physicians with regard to vaccines and boosters. **Thank you** for your patience and prayers as we strive to keep all of our members and friends healthy during these challenging days.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THE INSERT in the Bulletin regarding the Ice Cream Social, upcoming on August 21st. We hope you'll join us!

THE 2022 ELCA CHURCHWIDE ASSEMBLY begins tomorrow and will run through August 12th at the Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio. The North Carolina Synod has 15 voting members, two of whom have Kimball Memorial connections! Grace Robinson is a member of Kimball Memorial. She is the daughter of Andy and Lisa Robinson, and sister to Blake. Grace will begin Seminary at Wartburg Theological Seminary in Iowa this Fall. And Mike Hix will be a North Carolina Synod delegate, representing Messiah of the Mountains Lutheran Church in Burnsville. Mike is the brother of Kimball Memorial Member Mary Jo Snipes. Please be in prayer for our ELCA Assembly. If you're interested, you may follow the proceedings of the Assembly at www.elca.org/churchwide assembly.

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

Mary Dorton now has a land line at Crescent Heights. Please call her at 704-793-9024. Leave a message if she does not answer.

WE ENJOYED A WONDERFUL Agape Day Camp this past week. Our thanks to all who helped with this ministry, and for all who attended A great time was had by all!!!

A SPECIAL HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH to Kimball Memorial Member Norris Dearmon, who turns 100 years old today! We rejoice with Norris and his family and friends at this wonderful milestone and celebration, and remember with great fondness his dear wife, Dot...and all the contributions Norris and his family have made to our congregation. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD'S PEACE, Norris!!!**

Jennifer Young (Daughter of David & Cathy Young) will have the first launch and a reading from her new novel, *A Little Switch*, in the Kimball Commons on Wednesday, August 10 at 6:00 pm. This novel completes her trilogy of Cold War thrillers. All are welcome to attend!

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH, WE WILL HAVE A BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS at both of our worship Services. Members and Friends are invited to bring their backpacks to church for a blessing over them, as students in the area embark on a new school year.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED in learning more about the resettlement efforts for Ukrainian refugees in North Carolina, and specifically Kimball Memorial's response to this challenge, a final Zoom Meeting will be held with our Bishop on Wednesday, August 17th at 3:00 PM. To receive the connection information to this zoom call, you may go to the Synod's website (nclutheran.org) or call the Church Office. We hope to begin a committee this fall to consider how our congregation might be a part of this resettlement effort. Thank you!

Weekly Prayer Concerns

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

Fred Aldridge
Kelly Allen
Rori Baker
Andy Ballard
Ben Ballard
Robin Ballard
Jerry Beam
Gene Beasley Family
Rosie Beaver
Todd Beaver
Jennifer Bennet
Betty Benson
Jana Benson
Becky Brantley
Doug & Sharon Brothers
Mabel Brown
Brenda & Tom Brown
Tommy Brown
Daniel Caldwell
Millie Jo Carver
David Carroll
Marie Coggins
Tim Cox
Lindsay Daugherty
Pat Davenport
Jonny Davis
Norris Dearmon
Eddie, Megan, Tony
Meighan Erickson
Ann Fisher
Skylar Gagnon
Joy Gainey Family
Matt Gainey Family
Betty Goins
Tommy Graves
Julie Hagy
Suzanne Hamilton
Dwight & Sylvia Harrington
Shirley Helms
Sarah Henderson
Judi & Bob Hill
Marcie Hodges
Graham Hopkins
Louise Jackson
Sherry Johnson & Family
Eric & Jenny Jones
Kay
Donna & Jerry Lambert
Phyllis Lee
Mikey Lundberg
Lisa Macy
Dianne Marlin
Sherri Matheny

Doris McCarn
Mike McCombs
Jason McManus
Mike & Stacy
Alice Olenchuck
Tamara Oliver
Paul Parker
Pat & Lil
Marty & Perriann Payne
Jim & Paulette Peeler
Gary Pless
Louise Propst
J.W. Ragan
Joyce Reed
Jim* & Suzanne Reid
Anna Richter
Blake Robinson
Grace Robinson
Mack Saavedra
Cliff & Kathy Scott
John & Betty Shaver
Savannah Shuemaker
Margie Shuman
Fred Sinz
Conrad Sloop
Lloyd Smith Family
Earlene Snipes
Gaye St. John
Sarah Stewart & Kingston
Billy Sumlin
Joshua Sumlin
Lindsey Tate
Doris, Rick & Sarah Teumer
John Troutman
Melissa Tucker
Ukraine
Carolyn White
Teresa Wilson
Albert & Joann Wingler

MILITARY: Robert Busted, Jr. (Norfolk, VA), Andrew Smith (Arizona), Chris Kirchner (Missouri), Ben Kirchner (Georgia), Preston Mays (Maryland), Chris Overcash (NC), Christopher Bame (Germany), Mike Peterson (Bahrain), Keith Lee (NC)

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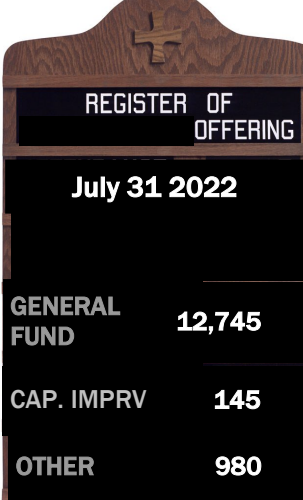
ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS

Kimball provides a number of different options for our congregation to electronically present their offerings to the church.

Bill Pay – Most banks today offer a bill payment service with re-occurring feature. Individuals can set up their offering as a bill, and a check will be issued from that account and mailed to Kimball. The frequency of the check issuance and the amount of the check is determined by the individual and is easily changed.

Tithe.ly (thru kimballchurch.org) – By going to our church website, individuals can present offerings thru an electronic service provided by Tithe.ly. The offerings can be set up as a one-time event or as re-occurring. There is a charge for this service and the individual has the option of paying the charge, or the amount will be deducted from the offering when sent to Kimball.

Electronic offerings set up by our previous provider, Vanco, will remain in place and the change to Tithe.ly will have no impact on these items. If you would like any more information about any of these options, or assistance in getting one of the options set up how to get them set up, please contact any member of the finance team, or the church office.



REGISTER OF OFFERING	
July 31 2022	
GENERAL FUND	12,745
CAP. IMPRV	145
OTHER	980

Statements for the first half of 2022 are available for pickup in the Narthex. We will not be mailing these statements. Please pick up yours today!

Worship Assistants *August 7, 2022*

Lectors

8:30 am Darian Miller
11:00 am Jerrod Smith

Acolytes

8:30 am Delaney Little
11:00 am Gabriel & Connor Keith

Communion Assistants

8:30 am Donna Taylor
11:00 am Liz Wise & Bob Boynton

Council Assistants

8:30 am Keith Garver & David Sloan
11:00 am Lori Whitcomb

Communion Preparers

8:30 am Keith & Fran Garver
11:00 am Tony Lippard & Jerrod Smith

Projection/Sound

8:30 am David Taylor & Shane Little
11:00 am Terry Steinert

Tellers

9:00 am on Mondays
David & Donna Taylor

The Flower Chart 2022 is in the Narthex. Please fill in your dates to place flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday morning worship. Thank you!

TITHING FROM THE GRAVE

George sat across from his Charitable Estate Gift Planner sharing stories about how he fell in love with his bride. He was 93 years old: "I was headed off to fly planes in the war, and I had decided I wanted to marry my girl. So, I flew in a little jumper plane to Atlanta in 30-degree weather to pick up her ring. I wanted to ask her before I left so no one else would snag her while I was gone!"

George and his bride, Lois, have been married for more than 70 years now. "We have been tithing for more than half of that," he said. Like most couples, when they first got married, they felt they had nothing and tithing to their congregation was last on their list. As they grew and matured in their faith, their priorities and their generosity changed.

"Our congregation does good work in the community," said George. "We feed God's people and look out for each other. The world needs more messages of grace, not less. Our tithe helps provide hope." George and Lois were worried that when they died, their tithe would die with them. They were worried that the congregation would feel that loss on a monthly basis and feared it might limit the congregation's ability to continue in the important ministries they do.

George and Lois decided to tithe their estate to their congregation by making their congregation the beneficiary of one of their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) that represented 10% of their assets. They chose to use the gift to start an endowment for the congregation, knowing that with a standard 4 or 5% distribution each year, their tithe would live on in perpetuity. George and Lois were ready to make their gift, but their congregation wasn't ready to receive it. They had not discussed that possibility, and did not have an endowment by-law ready to answer important questions: Who will steward the Endowment? How will it be invested and how will we use the quarterly distributions to build up the Kingdom of God? Their gift helped spark the congregation to action, and now three other couples in the parish have followed the faithful and generous example of George and Lois.

We are so thankful that our congregation HAS had these important discussions, and now has established an Endowment for Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church. There is a sign-up sheet in this bulletin inviting all to attend one of two Endowment Workshops here at the church, later in August. We hope you'll read this insert carefully, and prayerfully consider attending one of these Workshops later this month. THANK YOU!

LAST SUNDAY WAS THE END of our June/July : "Cans in the Commons" project for CCM. 711 lbs of food was turned in this past Monday, giving up a total for the two months of 1,147 lbs of food collected - THANK YOU!!! Please read the information below about continued needs for CCM for the remainder of the Summer. Our focus through Labor Day weekend will now be on the needs of our Pre-school, reopening this Fall. Needs will be in the Bulletin and posted around the church by next Sunday. Thank you for your gifts to this important ministry of our Congregation:

Cooperative Christian Ministry Food Pantry Critical Needs (as of August 2, 2022)

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| 1) Baked beans | 2) Cereal |
| 3) Any kinds of canned vegetables, except corn (green beans, carrots, potatoes, mixed, peas) | 5) Canned fruit (except fruit cocktail) |
| 4) Dried pinto beans | 7) Dried pasta (except spaghetti) |
| 6) Any kind of canned meats, except tuna! | 9) Pasta sauce |
| 8) Macaroni & cheese | 11) Toilet paper and paper towels |
| 10) Soup | |

As always, we especially seek low sodium items, no added sugar items, and whole grain items. Currently, they have plenty of tuna, corn, canned kidney and pinto beans, spaghetti noodles, and canned mixed fruit.

Please place your items in the containers on the ramp behind the black table. Thank you!