



IN OUR EFFORTS TO FOLLOW the updated recommendations of the North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), here is the latest guidance from our Synod Council and Bishop about gatherings at Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church.

As a result of the Covid-19 transmission/hospitalization rates in Cabarrus and Rowan Counties (and most of NC), **we are now recommending all worship attendees wear masks, regardless of vaccination status.** Masks are available from ushers at both worship services. At this point, we will not be practicing contact tracing or physical distancing in our worship services, but these procedures will be evaluated each week, with guidance from our Synod. We will continue to have a nursery provided each Sunday morning for both worship services. Those who are keeping our nursery have been vaccinated. Other activities scheduled to begin after Labor Day (Sunday School, Youth Group Meetings, Wednesday Programs, etc) are still planned - although these too will be evaluated based on recommendations from the North Carolina Synod. For the ELCA, the Biblical question, *"Who are the least of these and those most vulnerable?"* has been central to the recommendations of the Synod and our Bishop. Currently, those who are at greatest risk are children who are not yet able to be vaccinated, and those who are unvaccinated for any reason. We ask for your patience as we strive to follow Synod guidance and do what is in the best interest of all our members and friends. We continue to pray for transmissions to decline, for vaccination rates to increase, for all those who are ill from this virus, and for the Covid-19 season to pass. **Lord, in your mercy...Hear our Prayer.**

MORE OF THE KIMBALL CAR MAGNETS are now in and available, and we continue to have window clings as well. We'll be providing these for a donation to our Youth for the 2022 National Lutheran Youth Gathering. These are available from the Church Office during the week, while they last! THANK YOU for your generous donations - we'll give you an update of monies collected later in September.

The church office will continue to close at noon on Fridays. We will update the congregation when there is a change.

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.

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR are to the Glory of God and in honor of Lucy Miller's third birthday, given by her Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles.

WE'RE SO PLEASED that Jessica Troutman of our congregation will be serving our **nursery** at both the 8:30 and 11:00 morning worship services, and during the Sunday School time if needed (once classes are back fully in session). Jessica lives here in Kannapolis and is a life-long member of Kimball Lutheran Church. The Executive Committee felt it very important that our nursery worker - and any of our High School Students who have served this Summer or will 'fill in' when Jessica is away - be fully vaccinated, and so the Church has followed this policy and will continue to do so. The nursery hours on Sunday mornings will be 8:15 - 12:15. Welcome, Jessica - we are glad that you are with us!

PARENTS OF OUR HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH will be meeting this morning in the Commons area at 10:00...we will be attending the season-ending Kannapolis Cannonballers' game today...leaving the church at noon!

OUR FALL BIBLE STUDY begins this Wednesday, September 15th at 7:00 PM. Please come to the Commons for directions as to where the Study will be held. The Bible Study is entitled: **"Beginnings: 6 Sessions on Discovering Christ"**, and will meet each Wednesday evening through October 20th. Each session will last approximately 45 minutes - this week's study is on Jesus' call to the Disciples. Please note that because of our Covid restrictions, we will NOT be offering meals at this time on Wednesday evening. We hope to resume this part of our Wednesday Fellowship/Learning in the near future. At this point, we will NOT be having programs for children on Wednesdays...we hope to resume this program soon as well. Thank you for understanding, and we hope to see you Wednesday evenings at 7:00 this Fall.

Looking Ahead... **Worship Assistants**
September 19, 2021

Lectors

8:30 am Frankie Bogutsky
11:00 am Peggy Pergola

Council Assistants

8:30 am Keith Garver/Shane Little
11:00 am John Glass

Projection Clickers & Audio

8:30 am Sarah Harmon & Eric Storey
11:00 am Anna Brown & Nathan Everhart

Tellers: Mondays @ 9:00 am
Brenda Brown/Pat Moser

Our Preschool Board made the very hard decision to close the Preschool for this academic year. We are all saddened by this, but think it is the best option for us at this time. Our hope is that we will be able to reopen either for summer programming or the next school year. We are especially thankful for our Preschool Director Crystal Sheppard for her love and dedication to our Preschool Program - she has worked tirelessly over the past 5 years to make sure that our families had everything that they needed. We are committed to helping Crystal transition to her next calling.

A special "Thank You" to all the members of Kimball Lutheran Church who have continued to help support our preschool program. We appreciate your dedication and words of encouragement. With your donations and prayers, we are able to minister to many families within our community. We covet your prayers, and hope to have news about our future available to you soon!

-Many Blessings, The Preschool Board and Crystal

CCM HAS NEEDS FOR THE AREA FOOD PANTRY

- 1) Canned chicken
- 2) Canned corn, canned carrots, peas, potatoes and mixed vegetables
- 3) Peanut butter and jelly
- 4) Diced tomatoes and baked beans (pork & beans)
- 5) Toilet paper

Right now, we have plenty of canned green beans, canned black beans, soup, spaghetti noodles, pasta, pasta sauce and fruit.

Please place the food items on the ramp behind the black table. Thank You!

The Flower Chart for 2021 is in the Narthex. Please fill in your dates to place flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday morning worship. Thank you!

Weekly Prayer Concerns

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

Afghanistan
Fred Aldridge
Leigh Ann Allen
Jerry Beam
Olivia Bittle
Becky Brantley
Mabel Brown
Brenda & Tom Brown
Florence Calandra
Lynne & Roger Carter
Hoyle, Nancy & Jeff Clodfelter
Norris Dearmon
Mary Dorton
Kailyn Douglas & Douglas Family
Liz Fisher
Michelle & Brian Gagnon
Joy Gainey Family
Emily Griggs
Suzanne Hamilton
Shirley Helms
Sarah Henderson
Judi & Bob Hill
Louise Jackson
Beth Jennings
Sherry Johnson & Family
Donna & Jerry Lambert
Lilly Lanning
Betty Chloe Longacre
Mikey Lundberg
Nicole Lundberg
Garry & Joyce Mallernee
Doris McCarn
Vicki & Mike McCombs
Mike Miller
Marty & Perriann Payne
Jim & Paulette Peeler
Louise Propst
J.W. Ragan
Helen Rary
Jim & Suzanne Reid
Anna Richter
Blake Robinson
Grace Robinson
Diana & Joe Saullo
Cliff & Kathy Scott
John & Betty Shaver
Conrad Sloop
Earlene Snipes
SOLA Students from Afghanistan
Sara Stewart & Kingston

Lindsey Tate
Sarah Teumer
Ruth Trollinger
John Troutman
Melissa Tucker
Todd Waits
Martha Yount

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

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ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS

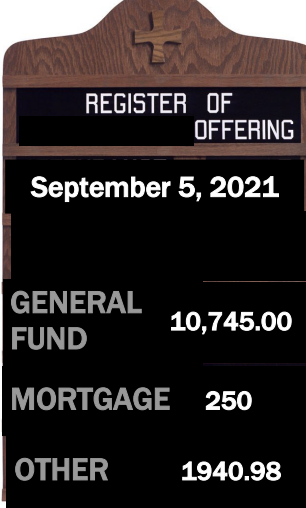
Kimball provides a number of different options for our congregation to electronically present their offerings to the church.

ACH Transfer – Individuals can work with their individual bank to set up automated transfers from a selected account to Kimball’s checking account at Wells Fargo. These transfers can be scheduled to occur at whatever frequency and amount the individual desires.

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	
September 5, 2021	
GENERAL FUND	10,745.00
MORTGAGE	250
OTHER	1940.98

In November of 2019, Kimball used \$331,884.64 of its invested funds to pay-off our mortgage, create a facility management reserve, and balance our operating budget. In August of 2021, we repaid to ourselves a total of \$7,350 bringing our total repayment to date to \$174,618 dollars and a repayment balance owing of \$157,266.