# KINDRED CONNECTIONS

"On the way [Jesus] asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still other, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am? Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.'" Mark 8:27b-29 NRSV

The question "who is Jesus" is as much debated today as it was in Jesus' day. Here we are offered a rather recognizable point-to-point comparison of Jesus' nature. One group says that Jesus is a prophet, a very good guy, but none-the-less a human being who is far from anything godly or divine. While the other group declares that Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ, the Son of God, through whom God is doing great and miraculous things.

This is an important and valuable question, which each of us need to take a moment to seriously ask and ponder. Is Jesus just a good teacher? Or is he more? It's important that we wrestle with Jesus' announcement of the nearness of the kingdom of God and its implications. It's important we confront the peculiar way in which he identified himself with the Lord, how he declares the forgiveness of sin. And it's important we face the meaning of his death and the effects of his resurrection. Then, and only then, are we able to adequately answer Jesus' valuable question, "Who do you say I am?"

As we celebrate our life together as God's people, may you be inspired by the energy, excitement, and enthusiasm of this time. Grant God the space to surprise you, expand your imagination, and be an inspiration on your life. We profess that through Jesus, God is doing some rather radical and profound things. My prayer for you is that you witness these truths:

the nearness of God's kingdom is real, the value of Jesus' death on the cross is significant, the impact of His resurrection is eternal.

Shalom Pr. Michael



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# gathered to grow



It is time to invite and welcome the students, the teachers, and the congregation for another year of Church and Sunday School!

### BLESSING OF THE STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

LUNCH & INFALATABLES AFTER SERVICE!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

**PICK ONE MONTH** 

**ON SUNDAYS** 

9:45am).

11:00am).

**TO SERVE YOUR CHURCH** 

Facilitate our fellowship time by bringing

goodies and making coffee for your fellow

saints to enjoy before worship (8:45-

Help in the worship service by greeting

and communion, ring the bell (it's fun!)

and help keep our space tidy (10:00-

people at the door, assist with the offering

# NEW SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME

8:45am

Starting on Sept 19th, everyone is invited to gather for coffee and treats in the Fellowship Hall before the worship service, starting at 8:45am. PARENTS! Please join us after you drop the kiddos off at Sunday School

# FIRST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00am

Hooray! The kids are gathering again to learn about their Lord and Savior! Register now at www.kindrelutheran.com or inperson during our Rally Sunday celebration on the 12th. Kindred Kids wills meet Sundays 9-9:45AM.



CONFIRMATION STUDENTS! You are so special that you get your own page in the newsletter (pg3)

# we need you!

IT TAKES MANY HANDS TO MAKE OUR SUNDAY SERVICES POSSIBLE

### SENT TO SERVE

### SERVE OUR CHILDREN ON SUNDAYS, TEACHERS NEEDED

Will you prayerfully consider donating one hour of your week to share the Gospel with our precious children? All of the resources and materials are provided. You don't need a teaching degree or a child in school....you just bring some love to pour on these kiddos!

We can't have a Sunday School without volunteers like you. Call Kelly (793-0284) or Jess (640-1585) with questions.

Sign-up in the narthex on Rally Sunday or call the office!



# 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation

Orientation: Sept 8 @ 6pm Blessing of Confirmands: Sept 19 during worship Confirmation Begins: Sept 22 @ 4pm-5pm

# 9th Grade Confirmation

Orientation: Sept 8 @ 7pm Blessing of Confirmands: Sept 19 during worship Confirmation Begins: Sept 22 @ 9am-10am Confirmation Supper: Oct 29 @ 6:30pm **Confirmation Sunday: Oct 31** 





@10am

ZERO GRAVITY

GYROSPHERE!

# FUR SALE

- 'Be the Light' Youth Group Gear
- Bulk items leftover from the Burger Stand

sent to serve

# WELCOME!





Rhett Grady Knowlen baptized on August 22nd. Son of Bryce & Breanna Knowlen, brother to Kennedy. Welcome!

# LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE

### **OCTOBER 3**

St. William's Church is putting on a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, bake sale, country market and raffle to raise money for special projects for their parish. Everyone is invited! Argusville Community Center, Argusville, ND on Sunday, October 3rd from 11AM-1PM. Free will offering.

# September 18, 2021 5:30-7:30 p.m.

## BBQ Bison Feed & Silent Auction "ALL ARE WELCOME"

Join us for a fun-filled family event with a great meal, concert, and a silent auction. Enjoy BBQ bison, all the fixings, dessert and beverages

-- Free-will Donation --Proceeds will go to Garret Fenner (Kindred) for medical expenses.

West Prairie Free Lutheran Church 15720 Highway 46 (Intersection of Highways 18 & 46) Kindred, ND 58051

# SEPTEMBER BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Lloyd Olsgard 09/01 Geraldine Hoyme 09/02 Victoria Braaten 09/05 Elliott Wolf 09/05 Shevenne Frietaa 09/06 Christine Ilvedson 09/08 Sheena Mattson 09/08 Kennedy Bakko 09/09 Teresa Braaten 09/10 Andrew Jensen 09/10 Karen Kruse 09/11 Sandra Teske 09/14 Elenore Johnson 09/15 Steve Hildebrand 9/15 Andrew Rutten 09/16 Avery Thilmony 09/18 Kristin Hoyme 09/22 Eric Engstrom 09/22 Everly Score 09/22 Nicole Ernst 09/23 Dawn Johnson 09/24 Vickie Kub 09/25 Larry Mitchell 09/25 Grace Getscher 09/25 Braydon Olson 09/27 Johnny Brayton 09/29

# HAVE YOU SEEN THIS PICTURE ALBUM?

A very important historical picture album has gone missing (red with title W.M.F. HISTORICAL ALBUM on the front). It contains wonderful pictures of the past of KLC 1887-1959. There is a picture of the entire congregation standing in front of our church. If you borrowed it, please return to the Archive room or the church office. Call 428-3866 with questions.



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Financial Giving to the General Fund: Annual Budget \$230,619 Received this Year \$105,754 Needed Each Month \$19,218 Given in August \$8,692

# **ELECTRONIC GIVING**

Consider scheduling a recurring contribution today. It's very convenient! You will no longer need to write out checks and prepare envelopes every week. Even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, electronic contributions will continue on an uninterrupted basis.

Kindred Lutheran Church has been partnered for some time now with the GivePlus mobile app designed specifically for churches. With GivePlus, you can quickly and easily give to KLC using your smartphone. Enjoy the convenience of making credit or debit card donations. Create an account to set up one-time recurring donations and view your giving history. Either way, GivePlus offers a safe, secure way to make one-time or recurring contributions to our church. GivePlus is free to use and available for download on Google Play or the App Store. You can also access your GivePlus account on the Kindred Lutheran Church website.





### Kindred Lutheran Church - Council Meeting July 18, 2021

Call to Order Called to order at 10:29 by Rich.Rich, Lisa, Susie, Kathryn, Pastor Michael and Lori present.Rob and Lloyd absent.

Our Purpose

**Reflection Time** 

Additions / Approval of Agenda-motion to approve minutes by Lisa, second by Lori.

Secretary's Report: motion to approve minutes by Lisa, second by Kathryn.

**Pastor's Report:** Focus on getting congregation and volunteers back to church. Define clear management/job descriptions for church staff. Breakdown of paper calendar. Pastor offered a breakdown of goals with clearer expectation.

#### Updates from Directors:

Faith Formation & Growth:

 Kindred Kids committee-Amy Thilmony resigned. Need to recruit 2 more members for Kindred Kids committee. Team meeting with all chairs Tuesday July 20th 2021 at 8:00pm.Discussing curriculum. Using RCL (calendar system using 3 year cycle) to coincide with curriculum for youth and adult education. Trish working with Lisa on burger stand plans, looking for volunteers. Bekki will put a Facebook post up looking for volunteers. Trish is working on credit system for youth group volunteerism. Youth group started using Marco Polo app to send messages to kids. Looking at Camp Castaway for middle and high school retreat. Pastor Michael, Lori and Trish doing a book study using The Godbearing Life: The Art of Soul Tending for Youth Ministry. Stewardshipworking with Pastor Michael and has worksheet to collect congregations time, talent and treasures information to involve congregation members.

Social Ministry & Outreach:

• Susie talked to Vicki T. She is in need for volunteers. Susie meeting today with Joan O and Joan H to go over Worship Committee information. Wednesday July 21st meeting with committee chairs to define definitions/roles within committees. Reaching out to LeAnn T for Churches United. Stephen Ministry would like names for shut-ins.

#### **Old Business**

- Parsonage Repairs-Bought furnace filter and replaced. Work is still be completed. Back bathroom being completed.
- Kindred Days burger stand-see above
- Offering counters-Need volunteers.
- Parish Ed renovations-Rich and Lisa have a punch list of needed repairs that need to be completed prior to Rally Sunday.
- Churches United-see above.

#### New Business

- Music closet doors-TBC
- Forming a Nominating Committee
- Pastor Michael has agreed to sing the National Anthem along with the Legion boys baseball team at Wednesday July 21st kick off day of the East Region baseball tournament. Yeah Pastor Michael!!!!

Adjourn & Lord's Prayer Motion-motion to adjourn at 1:52pm by Lisa, second by Lori.



# "THE PRAYER OF THE RIGHTEOUS IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE!" JAMES 5.16

## Please lift up the following in your prayers:

# THANKFULNESS FOR:

The coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Blessing on the Call Committee that they would feel supported and directed by God's own hand as they start the search for our next Pastor.

All of those who have been steadfastly serving others, whether in their personal or professional lives, during this unprecedented time of a global pandemic. Including, teachers and school administrators, the military, politicians, and community leaders.

# **HEALING FOR:**

All victims of COVID-19 Arlene Lykken Kelly Merl Sullivan Jamie Joe Maverick Velora Robertsdahl Llowell Tangen Brody Seter Scott Wooster Marc Peggy Carlson Eleanor Johnson Jack Anderson Ken

Craia Sandy Shirley Jermstad Helen Hunter Pinke Cindy Westin Hage Linda **Travis Anderson** Sandy Olsgard Dean Corv Josh Ostenson Carlotta Jason Erbie Hopwood

# **HOPE FOR:**

An end to the global pandemic.

Our entire congregation that we would clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and unity during this time of transition.

Our local and national leaders that God would grant them wisdom.

Missionaries: Anne & Willie Langdji serving West Africa and the  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{CAR}}$ 

Christians in China, Egypt, Iraq, Central African Republic and throughout the world who face persecution.

The Gideon's ministry that doors would be opened and Scripture would be placed and God's Word would accomplish what God sets out to do!

# **COMFORT FOR:**

The families of those who have passed into the loving arms of Jesus Christ our Savior

"God, may \_\_\_\_\_ know that You are able to bless him/her abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that \_\_\_\_\_ needs, he/she will abound in every good work." *From 2 Corinthians 9:8* 



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