

KINDRED CONNECTIONS

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"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."— Lamentations 3:22-23 (NRSVue)

Siblings in Christ,

August feels like standing in a doorway. Summer is winding down, but still lingers, while the rhythms of fall are already taking shape. Students prepare for a new school year, families settle into changing schedules, and many of us begin thinking about what comes next. It's a month that reminds us life is always moving forward.

With so much change around us, it's easy to get caught up in planning, preparing, and wondering what the weeks ahead will bring. We can spend so much time looking ahead that we forget to notice the gift of today. That's why I find so much comfort in the words from Lamentations. Even in the midst of uncertainty and change, we're reminded that God's steadfast love never ceases. God's mercies are new every morning. Every sunrise is a fresh reminder that we're met with grace, hope, and the promise that we never walk alone.

That promise doesn't mean life will always be easy, but it does mean we can move forward with confidence. Whatever this season holds, we can trust that God is already there, calling us to live with faith instead of fear, with hope instead of worry, and with love instead of hesitation.

As our church begins this next season together, I hope we'll embrace every opportunity to grow in faith and in community. Let's continue to worship with joy, pray with expectation, and serve with generous hearts. Let's welcome new faces, encourage those who are struggling, celebrate one another's joys, and remind our neighbors that they are loved. The church is at its best when we don't simply gather on Sunday, but carry Christ's love into our homes, workplaces, schools, and community every day.

I also want to encourage you to remain open to where God might be leading you. Perhaps this is the season to try something new at KLC, volunteer in a ministry, invite a friend to worship, or simply spend a little more time each day in prayer and Scripture. Faith often grows through small, faithful steps, and God has a way of using those ordinary moments to accomplish extraordinary things.

Thank you for the many ways you make this congregation a place of welcome, compassion, and hope. Your generosity, your prayers, and your willingness to serve are a blessing to this church and to everyone who walks through our doors. It's a joy to serve alongside you, and I'm excited to see how God will continue to shape our life together in the months ahead.

As we step through this doorway into a new season, let's do so with grateful hearts, confident faith, and expectant spirits. God's faithfulness has carried us this far, and God's faithfulness will continue to lead us wherever we're called next.

Peace,

Pastor Kyle



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GATHERED TO GROW

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

Sunday, August 23, there will be a “blessing of school backpacks” as we get ready for kids to go back to school on August 26th



KLC BURGER STAND

Come join us at the KLC Burger Stand on Saturday, August 8, during Kindred Days! We'll have tasty burgers made by our awesome volunteers, with Pastor Kyle and Lanah. It's a great chance to support our youth since all the proceeds will go toward their future activities. We're excited to see you there!



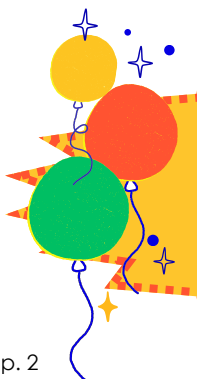
Volunteer to Help



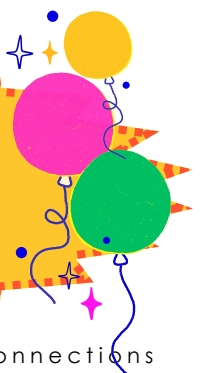
Register Here

Sunday School Registration

Registration is open for Sunday School. Please go to our website and click on Faith Formation Registration or scan the QR code to the left to get your child all signed up.



Sunday School @ 9
Worship @ 10
Fellowship & Games @ 11





SENT TO SERVE

KLC is partnering with Norman Lutheran and St. Maurice Catholic Church to support local charities through a rotating donation schedule. Here are this month's needed items.

Thank you for your generosity!

Community Closet

Paper Towels
Toilet paper

Viking Village

Beef Jerky

Food Pantry

Cereal, canned
fruit, canned meat

Donation tubs for all locations are available downstairs in the Sunday School hallway.

KLC DIRECTORY



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH OUR NEW KLC DIRECTORY! PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN ON-SITE BY A LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHER, AND EVERYTHING IS HANDLED LOCALLY. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 2 HELPERS SIGNED UP AND COULD USE 3 MORE. PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR KYLE IF YOU CAN LEND A HAND. THANK YOU!

Community Closet

Starting August 3rd, the Community Closet's hours will change to 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM (previously noon - 5:00 PM). Donations are still accepted during morning hours. They are currently seeking fall and winter clothing.

Community Senior Meal

**Monday, August 17th
Senior Meals are back!
Please join us and bring a friend!!
We'll save you a seat!**

YOU'RE INVITED!

Help inspire and shape our young Christians by serving as a Sunday School teacher! If you have a heart for sharing God's love with children and youth, we'd love to have you join our team. Curriculum and support are provided; just bring your willing heart!

Contact the office or speak with Candace Mattson, Jana Smith, or Kara Anderson to learn more.

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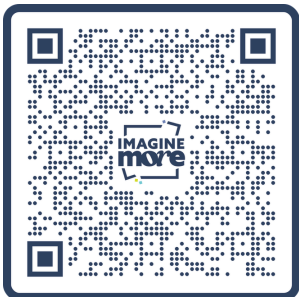
YOUTH GATHERING 2027

Minneapolis MN!
June 28-July 2, 2027



Register by October 1st
Questions? Please reach out
to Lanah at any time!

Interested in learning more?
Come Sunday, September 13th



**REGISTER
NOW!**

BURGER STAND HELP!

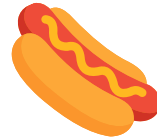
Volunteer!



Burger Stand Sign Up for
Saturday, August 8th!

PLEASE - Join us in the FUN!

We cannot wait to have your help!



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45A9AB2EA3FFC52-57100295-kindred>

EaND Fall Youth Retreat

Join youth from around the
synod for a weekend retreat at
Castaway Club.

Open to all youth grades 6-10.

Register by using the QR Code
to the left.

Cost: \$191



- Youth Programming and Confirmation will be starting Wednesday, September 16th!
- Interested in helping paint the youth room? Reach out to Lanah for more details.



PRAYERS & HEALING

Please lift up the following in your prayers:

Healing for:

Maverick Wilson
Joan Pratt
Tonna Horsely
Pastor Karin Moberg

Comfort for:

The family of Brian Ordahl.
The family of Joan Hoffarth.
The family of Rodney D. Wolf
(Verne Wolf's Father)

KLC Prayer Chain



If you have a private prayer request, please call Pastor Kyle (701-429-1413) and he will communicate with our list of prayer warriors on your behalf.

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**Anything look familiar?
Check our Lost & Found
we have in the entry.**



We will be emptying the Lost & Found at the end of September



CALENDAR

AUGUST

2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 10am Worship Service	3	4 Noon-5 pm Food Pantry	5	6	7 Church Office Closed	8 KINDRED DAYS Burger Stand End of Parade until ~2pm
9 10am - Contemporary Worship -	10	11 Noon-5 pm Food Pantry	12	13	14 Church Office Closed	15
16 10am - Worship Service	17 Senior Meal 11:45am	18 Noon-5 pm Food Pantry	19	20	21 Church Office Closed	22
23 10am - Worship Service "Blessing of Backpacks"	24	25 Noon-5 pm Food Pantry	26 First Day of School in Kindred	27	28 Church Office Closed	29
30 10am - Worship Service	31					