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CALL COMMITTEE'S POST

Dear Kindred Saints,

The Call Committee started meeting in November and we interviewed three candidates for the Term Pastor position. We are happy to announce that the Call Committee feels very strongly that we have selected the person to lead us for the next 15-18 months! This person has been presented to the Council and will be discussed and voted on at the Annual Meeting on February 7th (the candidate will not be at the meeting in-person).

We feel truly blessed that God has shown us who our Term Pastor will be. We will continue to meet to complete the Ministry Site Profile that will be used in identifying our next full-time Pastor. Thank you for your prayers and guidance!

Dona Schock, Chair
John Hertsgaard, Barb Rude, Scott Milbrandt, Doreen Brandt, Trish Miller
Mattea Johnson, Matthew Pearson

"...SINCE THE DAY WE HEARD ABOUT YOU, WE HAVE NOT STOPPED PRAYING FOR YOU. WE CONTINUALLY ASK GOD TO FILL YOU WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF HIS WILL THROUGH ALL THE WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING THAT THE SPIRIT GIVES"
COLOSSIANS 1:9



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COUNCIL'S POST

Hello, KLC Saints! As we prepare to hold the Annual Meeting next week, Council wanted to provide a couple of updates. First and foremost, Council would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to Tony Gray and Suzanne Wolf for their dedication and service while serving on the Church Council. Your input, guidance, leadership and friendship has been greatly appreciated and not gone unnoticed by KLC or your fellow Council members. Thank you for your service to KLC!

Annual Meeting:

KLC Council has met twice in the last two weeks to finalize items for the Annual Meeting scheduled for Sunday, February 7th. We look forward to seeing you all there - whether in person or virtually. The information to join via Zoom is included in the February newsletter and will be added to the online calendar. The Annual Report and Annual Budget will be made available electronically the morning of February 7th for those joining virtually; hardcopies will be available for those in attendance as in years past.

Council would like to remind you that we are voting on the following three issues: Adopting the 2019 Version of the Constitution (the last approved version is from 2011); Calling of the pastor recommended by the Call Committee; and Pastoral Salary for the Call Pastor.

These items do require a written ballot per the Constitution. Written ballots will be made available for those attending in-person. If you are voting virtually, you will be required to type in your vote in the Zoom chat in order for it to count. As a reminder, only members can vote during a Congregational Meeting. If you are unsure of your member status, please contact the church office prior to February 7th.

Audit:

Council would like to thank Brandon Kub, Darren Hoyme and Lloyd Hoffarth for their efforts in completing the audit on January 30th. We know this is not an easy task and appreciate all your efforts and time.

Sunday School Announcement:

Due to the upcoming President's Day holiday, there will be no in-person Sunday School on February 14th. Parish Ed will be posting a virtual option on the Kindred Kids Facebook page. Keep posting your pictures on the Kindred Kids page. It has been fun to see all those smiling faces!

Worship and Fellowship Update:

In accordance with state guidelines and the state of North Dakota returning to the "green" phase, masks will continue to be recommended, however you are welcome to remove your mask once seated in the sanctuary if you feel comfortable. Please continue to social distance and sit with your families during worship. These are the same guidelines we followed when North Dakota was in the 'green' phase prior. Our virtual worship option will continue to remain in place.

Lenten Services will begin on Wednesday, February 17th at 7pm. There will be no soup and sandwich dinner this year. Confirmation students will meet with Pastor and Trish prior to service and are required to attend Lenten services. Confirmation families should continue to watch for update from Trish with further details.

Fellowship will commence after worship on Sunday, February 14th. There will be coffee and snacks offered in Fellowship Hall for those that are comfortable attending. There will not be any cookies or coffee in the narthex prior to service at this time.

Council is looking forward to speaking with all of you during the Annual Meeting next week. We are especially excited to present the Call Committee's recommendation for our Term Pastor. The Holy Spirit is up to something amazing and we can't wait to see what KLC's future holds!

Grace and Peace, KLC Church Council



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EVENTS

LENTEN SERVICES 7PM SANCTUARY & FACEBOOK LIVE

FEB 17, FEB 24, MAR 3,
MAR 10, MAR 17,
& MAR 24

*NO BIBLE STUDY OR SOUP & SANDWICHES



ANNUAL MEETING FEB 07 @ 11:00AM

All are welcome to join the Church Council for the KLC annual meeting. If you are an official member, please plan to attend and cast your important vote regarding several integral pieces of our church life:

- Adopting the 2019 Version of the Constitution (the last approved version is from 2011)
- Calling of the pastor recommended by the Call Committee
- Pastoral Salary for the Call Pastor

The meeting will be held in-person at Kindred Lutheran Church in the Sanctuary.

If you would prefer, you can join the meeting, interact with other members, and cast your vote VIRTUALLY via Zoom. The Annual Report and Annual Budget will be made available electronically the morning of Feb 7 for those joining virtually; go to our website and click on [Welcome/News](#) to find the document. Hardcopies will be available for those in attendance as in years past.

Use a web browser to navigate to www.Zoom.com or open the Zoom app on your mobile device or tablet. Click to Join a Meeting and enter this id: 243 102 4803 (no passcode is required).

1 Join Meeting

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2 Make sure you are joining with both VIDEO and AUDIO

3 Please wait, the meeting host will let you in soon



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LENT RESOURCES

Lent is a time of introspection, and even penance, as we look forward with humble awe and deep gratitude to the celebration of Jesus' resurrection. Lenten practices traditionally fall into three broad categories: justice toward God, justice toward oneself and justice toward others. Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to meet these goals. However one practices Lent, it's a time of introspection and preparing to celebrate Jesus' taking away of our sins, sinfulness and embrace of death over life. It's important that we don't wallow in self-contempt. Rather, with confidence in Jesus' salvation, we should repent of negative patterns and live into Jesus' calling to love God and our neighbors. Lent continues to be a time of preparation of self and the community as we look forward to the expansion of God's reign and the defeat of sin and death. (from Living Lutheran magazine)

The most impactful way that we as a church practice Lent together is to support people in our congregation and in our community who are experiencing hunger, unemployment, grief, or illness. The KLC Mission Committee has presented several ways that we can continue this work through special offerings; details can be found in this newsletter and will be announced from the pulpit on Sundays. In addition, you can participate in ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving campaign that works to end world hunger and poverty. Deepen your engagement throughout this season of Lent with their daily calendar, study guide, and weekly email series where you can find impactful, motivational stories and information about how your gifts to ELCA World Hunger are at work in the world. You can find these resources on their website at ELCA.org/40Days.

FEBRUARY BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

- Sarah Ouse 02/00
- Rylie Rankin 02/00
- Maia Miller 02/00
- Paige Lee 02/02
- Auda Ilvedson 02/02
- Karina Waloch 02/03
- Kensley Knight 02/05
- Bailey Schock 02/07
- Brianna Schock 02/08
- Marlan Olson 02/11
- Harvey Hoyme 02/15
- Gerald Overboe 02/17
- Adeline Mattson 02/17
- Terrance Spelhaug 02/18
- Leah Lundquist 02/19
- Maverick Besette 02/20
- Kacie Kramer 02/21
- Paisley Ritterman 02/21
- Marie Robertsdahl 02/23
- Daniel Nipstad 02/24
- Vicki Hamry 02/25
- Arlen Blumer 02/26
- Jeremiah Mattson 02/26
- Ann Helbling 02/27
- Julie Lee 02/27
- Kayla Otterson 02/28
- Joseph Tommeraas 02/28
- Nevaeh Kramer 02/28

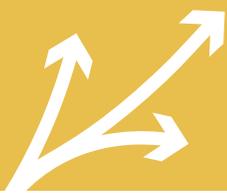


**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**



The Stephen's Ministry Committee would like to extend this invite to anyone who is in need of our services. We have not been engaged with a care receiver for some time. If you know anyone in need, please feel free to reach out!

**Dona Schock, Stephen Leader
Joan Ottis, Stephen Minister
Cheryl Rostad, Stephen Minister.**



sent to serve

COLLECTING NOW!

This Lent, we're putting God's love in action by making Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits. The loss and uncertainty of COVID-19 hit our poorest neighbors around the world even harder. We want to be the hands and feet of Christ for our brothers and sisters and we're ready to DO something! The essential items in the Personal Care Kits are needed more than ever to protect vulnerable families from the virus.

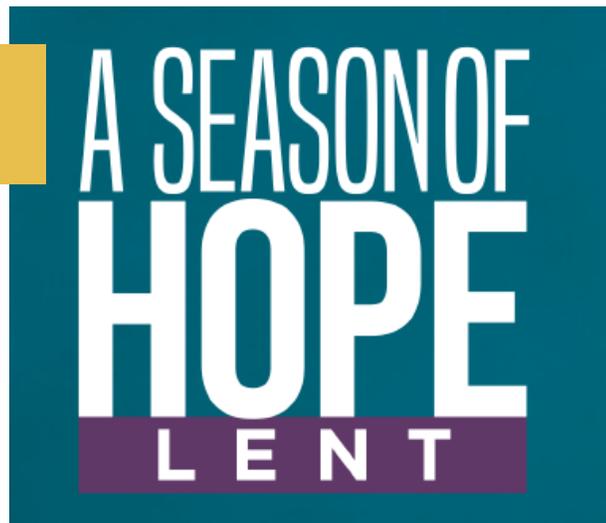
Donations are accepted from now until Easter! Collection boxes are located in the church entrance along with a take home list of items needed.

CONGREGATION

- ▣ **lightweight dark colored bath-size towel (max size: 52" x 27")**
- ▣ **sturdy comb**
- ▣ **metal nail clipper**

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- ▣ **adult toothbrush in it's original pkg.**
- ▣ **bath-size bar soap (4-5oz) in it's original pkg.**



LOVE OFFERING

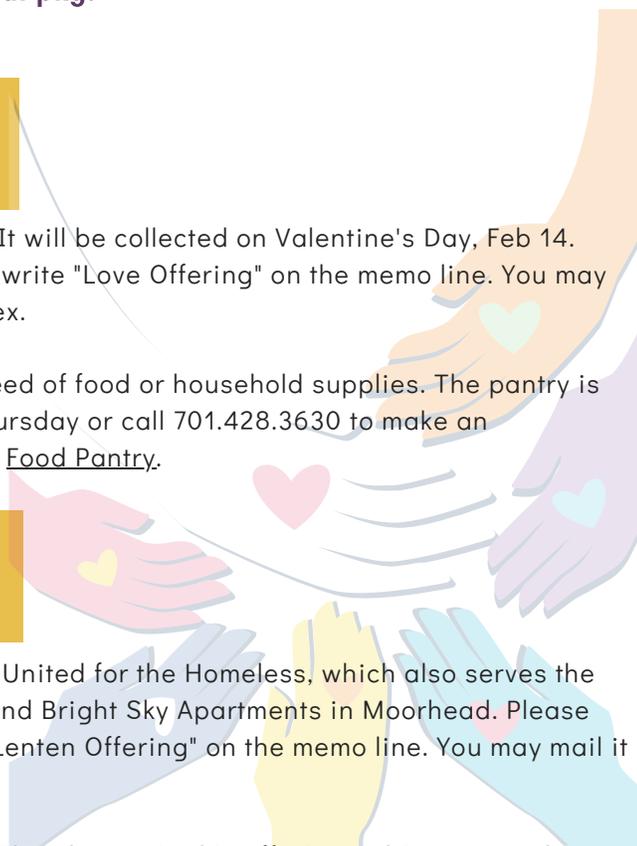
This year's LOVE OFFERING will go the Kindred Area Food Pantry. It will be collected on Valentine's Day, Feb 14. Please make your check payable to Kindred Lutheran Church and write "Love Offering" on the memo line. You may mail it to the church or leave it in the offering basket in the narthex.

The Kindred Area Food Pantry is available for those who are in need of food or household supplies. The pantry is housed at Kindred Lutheran Church. Hours are 9a-2p Monday-Thursday or call 701.428.3630 to make an appointment. For more information go to our website and click on [Food Pantry](#).

LENTEN SERVICES OFFERING

During Lent services, we will take a special offering for Churches United for the Homeless, which also serves the Dorothy Day House, Dorothy Day West, Dorothy Day Food Pantry and Bright Sky Apartments in Moorhead. Please make your check payable to Kindred Lutheran Church and write "Lenten Offering" on the memo line. You may mail it to the church or leave it in the offering basket in the narthex.

We are still unable to serve Friday night meals at the facility, but Churches United is offering a drive-up meal service for those in need. If you or anyone you know is interested in volunteering to serve hot meals at Trinity Lutheran in Moorhead, here is a link to sign-up: [Churches United Hot Meal Service at Trinity \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)



cash or check only, no electronic special offerings at this time



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Help our synod reach its goal!

Please help our synod meet it's goal for Giving Hearts Day 2021. This year, our Hearts (are) on Fire for ministry in the Eastern ND Synod. Whether it's giving kids a chance to experience camp, raising up new leaders in our synod, or giving a gift to the greater church we can all find something that ignites a spark in us!

TO DONATE **Online:** go to www.GivingHeartsDay.org click on "Donate" then search for "Eastern North Dakota Synod" **Text:** Text GIVE to 701.566.9775 and follow the prompts. **Check:** *if mailing a check, it must arrive at the synod office by February 11th for it to be counted. Mail to: Eastern North Dakota Synod, PO Box 2019, Fargo, ND 58107.

Did you know that each year KLC gives \$2,000 to the ELCA missionary fund to use for young missionaries?

The KLC Mission Committee helps our congregation to select a specific missionary family that will receive this contribution. Our selected recipients are Anne & Willie Langdji, they have served 20 years as missionaries for the ELCA. They are currently serving as the Global Mission Region Representatives in Central and West Africa. They have one son, Micah, who is 13 years. old. The Langdjis live in Yaoundé, Cameroon, West Africa.

Willie attended the University of Yaoundé and studied Soil Science. He received his master's degree in Developmental Studies from the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town, South Africa. Willie is responsible for development and capacity building. He grew up in Cameroon.

Anne graduated from Minot High School. She lived in Helena, MT and speaks five languages: English, French, Pulaar, Sango and Wolof. Anne received her BS in International Studies at the American University, Washington DC and earned her Master's degree in Public Health at the University of the Western Cape, Cape Town, South Africa. Anne's main focuses is health ministries.

Anne & Willie belong to one of the 118 missionary households serving on behalf of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA). The ELCA consists of 65 synods which have companion synods throughout the world. The companion synod for eastern North Dakota is the Central African Republic (CAR). Former pastor, Sarah Larsen-Tade served in the CAR with Anne and Willie prior to her to coming to our local Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Parish.



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Confirmation Details

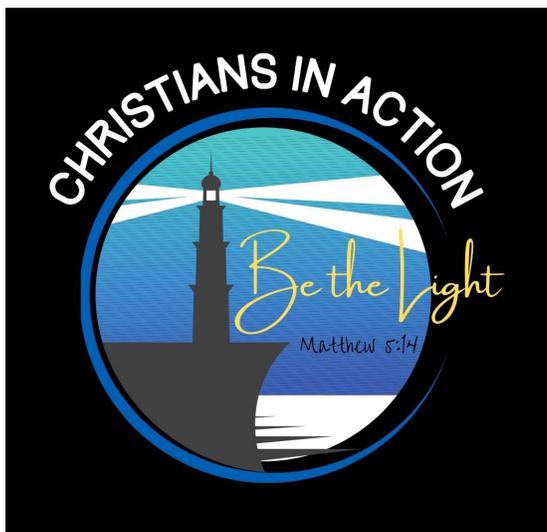
Feb 3 & 10 meet 4:00–5:30pm

Feb 17 & 24 meet 6:45–8:00pm

Confirmation will meet at 6:45 pm to gather confirmation books and check-in. Students will be dismissed to sit with their parents. Lenten service begins at 7 pm, with the expectation of taking sermon notes.

Lenten service confirmation schedule continues into March.

**KLC Youth decide
youth group name,
logo, and mission!**



Feb Youth Group Meetings

Feb 7 & 21 @ 1pm

Feb 28, tubing at

Thrill Hills

New members welcomed!



prayers

"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 move and new calling for Pastor Andrew and Vallorie. Blessing on Pastor Corey Lange as he preaches God's Word from the pulpit each Sunday.

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

Llowell Tangen

Brody Seter

Scott Wooster

Marc

Don Schlecht

Peggy Carlson

Eleanor Johnson

Jack Anderson

Ken

Cindy

Craig

Carlotta

Jason

Erbie Hopwood

Raymond William

Sandy

Shirley Jermstad

Helen

Hunter Pinke

Jeff Kub

Cindy

Velora Robertsdahl

Westin Hage

Linda

Travis Anderson

Sandy Olsgard

Dean

Cory

Josh Ostenson

HOPE FOR:

An end to the global pandemic.

The Call Committee that God would grant them wisdom and guidance during the search for a new Pastor for KLC.

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 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

Wes Robertsdahl

Victims of sexual abuse and assault



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