



# KINDRED CONNECTIONS

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***You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.***

- Exodus 20:4 (NRSV)

Siblings in Christ,

For as long as I can remember, every four years, people get really aggressive toward each other, people stop talking to friends and family members, and everything gets tense and seems worse for a few months leading up to the presidential election. We get invested in a political party or a specific candidate and let polls or their words and policies rule our lives. Some people will even base everything about themselves, their hopes and dreams, into their preference winning the election.

This is a problem! Not only does this type of behavior ruin relationships, impact our performance at work, and threaten our wellbeing, it is also a sin against God. As an explanation to the First Commandment (or as a separate commandment in other traditions), God states "You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them;" (Exodus 20:4-5a, NRSV).

My friends, allowing our preference of politics or a political candidate rule our lives is the exact definition of creating an idol. We don't need to, and are commanded not to, live our lives this way. Politics is important, it is a big piece of how we live our lives as Americans, but at no point should God ever come after politics, the statements and policies of our preferred political party, or any particular political candidate. God's word and God's love must come first in every aspect of our life.

This October, we are going to spend some time studying how we can be involved in and invested in politics without letting them come before God in our lives. Each week we will look at a reading that will help us to understand God's call on our lives to be part of and be so much more than what can be offered to us by any political party or political action. I invite you to join us each week as we look at how to live better lives, more devoted to God, in light of the political climate we find ourselves in.

Besides this series, we have many more exciting things happening at KLC this October. On October 6 we will be having a Bible Adventure for third graders and their parents before presenting their Bibles, and the Preschool Bibles, in worship on October 13. Also on October 13, there will be a bake sale and special offering to support a member of KLC who is battling breast cancer, and Kindred Kids will be singing during worship. Finally on October 27 during worship, we will celebrate Reformation and the Rite of Affirmation of Baptism for our 9th graders.

I hope you will be able to Come, See, and Experience all of the exciting things we have planned this October.

Peace,

Pastor Kyle



## Kindred Lutheran Church

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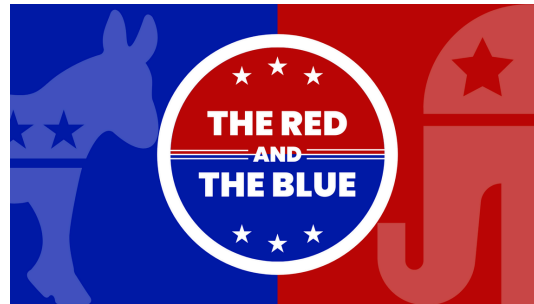
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# gathered to grow

## GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

We had a fantastic turnout for our Service Work Day! We collected garbage around town after the homecoming festivities and prepared treat bags for the "Viking Village." Once the work was completed, we enjoyed plenty of chili. The KLC families rose to the challenge. Thank you all!



## RALLY SUNDAY



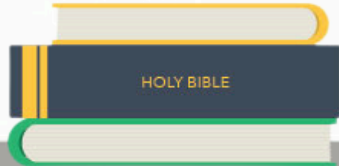
Rally Sunday was an exciting event featuring a balloon artist, a magician with a rabbit, games, music, and delicious hotdogs and root beer floats. Special thanks to the Kindred Kids committee for their planning and the Fellowship committee for the tasty food and drinks!





# gathered to grow

## PRESCHOOL & THIRD GRADE **BIBLE SUNDAY** PRESENTATION OCTOBER 13



3rd Grade Bible Adventure Class is Sunday, Oct., 6th at 1pm.  
Please contact Pastor Kyle with any questions. 701-429-1413

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<b>October 6</b>	The Red & The Blue Titus 3:1-8
<b>October 13</b>	The Red & The Blue Psalm 146:1-10
<b>October 20</b>	The Red & The Blue 1 Corinthians 11:17-34
<b>October 27</b>	Reformation/ Confirmation

### EVENTS

#### BIBLE SUNDAY

Oct 13 • 10:00am

Preschoolers and 3rd Graders will receive their bibles during the worship service on Oct 13.

#### KINDRED KIDS SINGING



3rd Graders will meet with Pastor Kyle on Sunday Oct 6 @ 1PM for a Bible Adventure Class. Parents please join!

#### NO CONFIRMATION

Oct 16

Kindred Schools will enjoy a four day weekend in October. Therefore, no confirmation class on Wednesday, Oct 16 and no Sunday School on Oct 20.

#### NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Oct 20th

#### CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Oct 27 • 10:00am

Please join us on Oct 27 for this very special ceremony. Our 9th Grade confirmation students will affirm their baptism during the worship service. Cake and coffee following the service. Please join us as we celebrate our youth.

Please check the calendar online for updates

#### KLC HAM DINNER

The KLC ham dinner is on Sunday, November 3, and volunteers are needed to ensure its success. Please call the office to contribute. All KLC family members are invited to help.

#### Monthly sign-up sheet

Please sign up to help with worship. Your help makes worship run much more smoothly. Sign-up board is located on Leah's Door.



# sent to serve

Kindred Kids Sunday School

## BAKE Sale

a fundraiser for Alicia Hildebrand



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13  
9-11:30AM  
Kindred Lutheran Church

Join us in supporting, long-time Kindred Kids volunteer/Sunday School teacher, Alicia Hildebrand and family while she recovers from surgery and continues her battle against breast cancer. Please include her in your prayers and participate in the Kindred Kids Sunday School Bake Sale. All proceeds will be given directly to Alicia. Baked goods should be plated, wrapped, and brought to the church by October 13 - 9:00 am.

Any questions, call the office 701-388-2124.

Kindred Kids are collecting personal items until the end of October.

### Items Needed:

- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Body Wash or Bar Soap
- Deodorant
- Razors
- Washcloths
- Lotions
- Toothpaste



Thank You



We are considering changing the food pantry hours to only be open on Tuesdays from 3-6pm, and we need adult volunteers for this shift. If you are interested and available to assist, please contact Leah at the church office.

Thank you. Call 428-3630.

Donations are also needed - drop off at KLC and/or we have Venmo: @kindredfoodpantry

Kindred Area

## FOOD PANTRY

We are seeking volunteers to assist with various tasks around the church, such as spraying round up, trimming trees, changing lightbulbs, and small painting jobs. Verne Wolf leads the committee and welcomes help with these minor projects. (Occasional) Please give Verne a call 701-412-5362 or the office if you can help.

### BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE



### WISH LIST

- New blinds in fellowship hall
- New BUNN coffee maker
- Pots & Pans for kitchen
- New banners for the sanctuary

If you would like to contribute money to these projects or have any questions, please let us know. 701-428-3630



# prayers & healing

*Please lift up the following in your prayers:*

## Healing for:

Prayers for healing:

Arlen Blumer,  
Pr. Phil Larsen,  
Garrett Fenner,  
Leo Kannas,  
Shawn Johnson  
Wyatt Simley,  
Camden Anderson  
Rodney Braaten  
Polly Roe  
David Rostad  
John Carlson



## Comfort for:

The families and friends of  
Shirley Berg (Norman)  
and  
Janice Oestreich (Walcott)

## Help for:

Lend A Hand Up  
Donations for:



Shawn Johnson  
Polly Roe  
Wyatt Simley  
Camden Anderson

All families are in the  
Kindred Area.

Links below

**Camden Anderson:**

<https://lendahandup.org/give/camden769/>

**Shawn Johnson:**

<https://lendahandup.org/give/shawn805/>

**Wyatt Simley:**

<https://lendahandup.org/give/wyatt768/>

**Polly Roe:**

<https://lendahandup.org/give/polly770/>

*If you, or anyone you know, would like to be added to this list of prayers for healing, please call or email the church office.*

### KINDRED LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF:

**Pastor:**

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**Cheryl Rostad**

**Choir Director:**

**LaVonne Nokleberg**

**Contemporary Worship Music:**

**Eldon & Amy Johnson**

**Custodians:**

**Mike & Karla Jostad**

Shawn Johnson, along with his wife Jackie and their three children, resides in Kindred. While at work, Shawn suffered a head injury from a piece of equipment, resulting in him being unable to work for some time. Jackie is currently at home providing care for him. The Lend A Hand donations are detailed above.





# youth

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# HOPE

ROMANS 15:13

## EaND FALL YOUTH RETREAT



Together with Norman-Davenport, Kindred Lutheran Youth attended the EaND Fall Youth Retreat at Castaway Camp! We heard about the Green Hope of God (Romans 15:13 MSG) from Jess Gulseth, executive director of Red Willow and Park River Bible Camps, we worshipped together and even celebrated Christmas with cookie and tree decorating, recreating the Nativity (be on the lookout for that video closer to Christmas), and joining in a "Christmas Eve" candlelight service. Special thanks to Angie Matthys for being a chaperone!

# SAVE THE DATE

## Confirmation Sunday

### October 27, 2024 - 10 am

### 9th Graders Affirm their Baptism

## OCTOBER CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

### Oct 2

#### Restart

Matthew 20:29-34

Psalm 34:4-8

Psalm 24:4,5

**6:00 pm**

### Oct 9

#### Activity Day

TBD

**6:00 pm**

### Oct 16

#### No Confirmation

NDEA Break

### Oct 23

#### Unafraid

Esther 7:1-6

2 Corinthians 4:6-12

Joshua 1:9

**6:00 pm**

### Oct 30

#### Unafraid

Job 2:1-10

Romans 8:26-28

Psalm 34:18

**6:00 pm**



# council notes

## Council Minutes Sunday, August 18, 2024 Kindred Lutheran Church

2025-3 Michele Hillman  
2026-2 Bryan Halvorson

2026-2 Caitlin Perhus  
2027-1 Verne Wolf

2027-1 Sally Erickson  
2027-1 Laurie O'Keefe  
2027-1 Justin Fiesel

Called to Order by: Caitlin at 6:32 pm

Present: Pastor Kyle, Caitlin, Justin, Bryan, Laurie, Sally, Verne, & Michele

Opening Prayer

Secretary's Report/Approval of prior Minutes: Motion to approve July Minutes by Bryan, Seconded by Sally. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report/Approval of Report: Motion to approve Report by Justin, Seconded by Laurie. Motion approved.

Pastor's Report:

- VBS had 28 kids attend and lots of fun. Planning to try doing it in early June next year.
- Youth gathering in New Orleans was a great experience. The youth had lots of great conversations and learning done. They met lots of new youth from around the country. The only hiccups were that traveling had a few complications and their Service project day was a little lacking. The next gathering is in 2027 in Minneapolis.
- Had a busy month planning for Burger Stand, VBS, & New Orleans trip.
- Gone on Sept. 22nd (Castaway weekend-would need chaperones).
- Met with the Prayer Garden committee-they're planning some new things.
- Took a prepare/enrich class-to continue education and offer premarital classes/counseling to couples.
- Looking for people to take over the Food Pantry. Pastor & Leah are spending too many paid church hours dealing with it.

Updates from Directors:

Faith Formation & Growth:

- VBS-was held Aug. 5-8 and went great! They had lots of wonderful volunteers. They even made smores on the last night to go with the "Firelight" theme. Will plan to do it in early June next year.

Rally Sunday-is Sept. 8, and the registration is open. We have a few teachers who are signed up, and will need a few more.

Youth group-sent out an email for 6th grade families to notify them that they will not have a Sunday school class, but will join the Confirmation group this year.



# council notes

## Management & Grounds:

- Garage was cleaned out and organized. Will be getting a new door knob/code & key. Glass was replaced on the front door. Rain gutter extensions on the east side have been working well. We haven't had any water issues in the basement as a result. Carpets were professionally cleaned. Reorganizing storage and shelving throughout the church. Box Elder tree in front of the parsonage had a quote of \$650 to remove. Will keep it for now.

## Social Ministry & Outreach:

- Worship committee-a new sign up board is on the office door. Youth students will also be signing up for jobs soon per their requirements for confirmation. Fellowship committee-have 2 new volunteers and are planning to do hot dogs/potluck for Rally Sunday.

## Old Business:

- House for sale-discussion of the property and special meeting to be held Sept. 8th. Youth Director-no new applicants. Emergency Shelter (contact person)-No one assigned yet. WiFi-No new changes since July. Worship through Service-September 29th at 10am. More details to come.

## New Business:

- Burger Stand-made \$1447.45 and had a great turn out. Used a credit card machine this year. May use a cash only or credit card line for next year and change the time it is open till.

Motion to adjourn by Bryan, Seconded by Verne. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted by: Michele Hillman



### Special Meeting Results

At the meeting on Sept 8, the congregation voted to not pursue the purchase of 451 Spruce St at this time. The vote was 38-3 with abstentions.

Thank you to everyone who stayed after worship to vote.

## Financial Giving to the General Fund:

Annual Budget: \$232,930.54  
Needed Each Month: \$19,411  
Received in 2024: \$109,297.36






# calendar

2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
		1	2	3	4	5	
			6 pm Confirmation 7:30 pm 9th Gr Confirmation 7:30 pm Choir Practice		Church Office Closed		
9am Sunday School 10am Worship Service 11am Fellowship  1pm 3rd gr Bible Adventure Class -	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
			6 pm Confirmation 7:30 pm 9th Gr Confirmation 7:30 pm Choir Practice		Church Office Closed		
<b>Bake Sale</b> 9-11:30 am  9am Sunday School 10am Contemporary Worship Service ----- Presentation of Bibles for Preschool & 3rd Grade	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
			NO Confirmation 7:30 pm Choir Practice	No School	Church Office Closed  No School		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
NO Sunday School  10am Worship Service  11am Fellowship	Senior Meal 11:45am 		6 pm Confirmation 7:30 pm 9th Gr Confirmation 7:30 pm Choir Practice	Deadline for Newsletter Articles	Church Office Closed		
27	28	29	30	31			
9am Sunday School 10am <b>REFORMATION SUNDAY</b> Worship Service 11am Cake & Coffee			6 pm Confirmation  7:30 pm Choir Practice				



# 1st Annual KLC Christmas Closet

Saturday, Nov. 2

9am-noon

<New & Gently used Christmas Items>

<Bake Sale/Christmas Goodies>

Free Will Offering

As Christmas approaches, Kindred Lutheran Church is excited to celebrate! Vicki Milbrandt, Kari Johnson & helpers, are reviving a cherished tradition from their mother's church, organizing a delightful sale of new and gently used Christmas Treasures.

There will also be a bake sale, and everyone is invited to contribute treats like lefse, snack mix, caramel corn, bread, cookies, and bars.



## Christmas Bake Sale Items Needed

**IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS, WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO SHARE YOUR BAKING TALENTS BY DONATING TO THE BAKE SALE.**

**EX: LEFSE, JELLY, SNACK MIX, CARAMEL CORN, BARS, COOKIES, BREAD...**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 1ST ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CLOSET/BAKE SALE ON NOVEMBER 2ND.

**PLEASE HAVE ITEMS TO THE CHURCH BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST BY NOON**

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE KINDRED AREA FOOD PANTRY AND VIKING VILLAGE**

**Please invite your friends to join this festive gathering!**



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October 