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You have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. – Colossians 3:1 (NRSV)

Siblings in Christ,

As we bask in the warmth of spring and witness the earth bursting forth with new life, we are reminded of the profound significance of the Easter season. Easter is not merely a single day of celebration but a season that spans a glorious fifty days, known as Eastertide. During this extended period, we are invited to immerse ourselves in the joyous reality of Christ's resurrection and to allow its transformative power to permeate every aspect of our lives.

In the book of Colossians, the apostle Paul encourages us to set our minds on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God (Colossians 3:1). This timeless exhortation serves as a guiding light, directing our focus away from the fleeting concerns of this world and towards the eternal truths of the kingdom of God. As we journey through the Easter season, let us fix our gaze upon the risen Christ, who conquered sin and death and offers us the gift of abundant life.

Colossians 3:1-4 reminds us of the profound reality of our new life in Christ: "So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory." These verses call us to embrace the new life we have received in Christ and to live in the reality of our resurrection power.

During this Easter season, let us heed Paul's exhortation to fix our hearts and minds on Christ. Let us embrace the new life He offers us and allow His resurrection power to transform us from the inside out. As we journey through the fifty days of Easter, may we be filled with renewed hope, joy, and anticipation of the glory that awaits us in Christ.

In the spirit of Easter, let us extend God's love and grace to one another and to all those around us. May our lives be a testament to the transformative power of the resurrection, as we continue to live out the reality of our risen Lord.

Blessings to you all as we celebrate the enduring hope and joy of Easter!

Peace,



Pastor Kyle



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PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP

COMMUNITY SENIOR MEAL

April 15 • 11:45am

We Want You!!

Swedish Meatballs and mashed potatoes and gravy will be served on our FIRST senior meal held at KLC. Please bring your friends.

This is community wide invitation. Any questions, give the office a call. 428-3630

NEW MEMBER CLASS/LUNCHEON

April 21 • afterworship

If you are interested in becoming a member at KLC, please reach out to Pastor Kyle. He is offering a class to be held during a new member luncheon.

701-429-1413 or pastorkyle@kindredlutheran.colm

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY & SOCIAL

April 28 • 10am

Swing by after the service for a New Member Social featuring cake and goodies. Let's roll out the red carpet for our newcomers with hugs and high-fives!

KLC's New Mission Statement

As Kindred Lutheran Church, we aspire to live like Jesus, love like Jesus, and lead like Jesus. United together we share God's word to all, teach all, nurture all, and welcome all.



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FIRST COMMUNION CLASS



The First Communion class was a blast on Palm Sunday! We had a baking bonanza as students whipped up bread for the special communion services ahead. Big cheers to our star First Communion crew: Landon Engelstad, Nevaeh Kramer, Nadia Kramer, Jack Rhodenbaugh, Jack Smith, and Archer Swanson - you rock!





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EASTER 2024



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

Please lift up the following in your prayers:

Pastor Phil Larson, Garrett Fenner, Marian Flom, and Leo Kannas.

And to the families of Collins Arnold and George Kruse.

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.



sent to serve

YOU ARE INVITED Community Senior Meals

Uptown Eatery is catering the meal

First Meal is April 15, 2024 at 11:45am
at Kindred Lutheran Church

EVERY 3RD MONDAY

KLC is hosting senior meals every third Monday of the month. Our first meal is April 15 at 11:45am. Uptown Eatery will be catering the meal. Free Will Donation. Please join us for fellowship and fun.



KINDRED KIDS collected \$153.25 in quarters in Feb. and Mar. This was donated to community members who need quarters to do their laundry at their apartment buildings. Thanks you!!

Join us
Free Seminar

Parenting Beyond Discipline

Peeling back the layers of labeling and embracing a more empathetic approach to parenting



April 8th, 2024
7:00PM
Kindred Lutheran Church

With Lindsey Bierdeman
Certified health and Life Coach



Parenting Beyond Discipline
Presented by Lindsey Bierdeman.
She is a certified health and life coach.
Join us Monday Night, April 8 at 7pm
in our fellowship hall.



BETHANY AUXILIARY FUNDRAISER

The Bethany Homes Auxiliary is selling geranium plants to raise money to provide items for Bethany residents. Order forms are in the entryway. Please drop the order form and a check made out to the Bethany Auxiliary to the office by April 24. Plants will be delivered to Kindred for your convenience. Thank you for your support.



calendar



2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	 1	2	3	4	5 Church Office Closed	6 Funeral for George Kruse
7 9am - Sunday School 10am- Worship Service 11am- Fellowship	8 7 pm Parenting Seminar Lindsey Bierdeman	9	10 6 pm Confirmation 7:30pm Choir Practice	11	12 Church Office Closed	13
14 9am - Sunday School 10am- Worship Service ALL KK singing 11am- Fellowship	15 Senior Meal 11:45am 	16	17 6 pm Confirmation 7:30pm Choir Practice	18	19 Church Office Closed	20
21 9am - Sunday School 10am- Worship Service 11am- Fellowship New Member Class and Luncheon	22	23 Deadline for Newsletter Articles	24 6 pm Confirmation 7:30pm Choir Practice	25	26 Church Office Closed	27
28 9am - Sunday School 10am- Worship Service All KK Singing 11am- <u>New Member Social</u>	29 	30				



council notes

Kindred Lutheran Church

Council Minutes

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Called to Order by: at 11:08 am

Present: Pastor Kyle, Kathryn, Lloyd, Caitlin, Verne, & Michele

Absent: Bryan & Susie

Secretary's Report/Approval of prior Minutes: Motion to approve December Minutes by Caitlin, Seconded by Lloyd. Motion approved.

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

Pastor's Report:

-Visitations are going well so far this month.

-Several people have approached Pastor with thoughts on expanding the church.

Updates from Directors:

Faith Formation & Growth:

-Kindred Kids-attendance is low but typical for this time of year and working on getting annual meeting reports done.

-Youth group-Trish gave her resignation and will stay on for the remainder of the school year.

Management & Grounds:

-Snow removal is going great! (Lack of snow helps)

-Garage power at the church was turned off after the Christmas Day ice storm took down the power line. It will be out until Spring.

-New lamp for the projector was purchased, and will be installed soon.

Social Ministry & Outreach:

-Fellowship committee-having a potluck 1/28 and meeting to discuss Lenten suppers, Easter breakfast, and fellowship on Sunday's.

-Worship committee-still looking for additional group members. Thanks to confirmation students & families for assisting with worship duties.

-Mission's committee-will be collecting a "Love offering" in February and donations will go towards the National Youth Gathering. Lenten supper offerings will go towards the Kindred Area Community of Care & National Youth Gathering. Lenten worship offering will go towards Churches United for the Homeless.

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council notes

Old Business:

- Gift Policy-looking at the final draft.
- Mission Statement-discussed congregation feedback.
- Service improvements-looking at getting a tv or screen and clock to go on the balcony or front pew to aid Pastor/musicians during the service.
- Nominating Committee-we still need 1 more director to fill Social Ministry & Outreach.

New Business:

- Senior Quilts-Carlotta Spelhaug has 13 Seniors on her list for this year's class.-Youth Director-we're working on the job description so it can be posted as soon as possible.
- National Youth gathering-will need 2 adults (Pastor + 1) to go with the 6 youth to NewOrleans in July. Will continue to fund raise as much as possible to help cover the costs.
- Annual meeting-additional items need to be added to New Business.
- 2024 Budget-looked over costs and any adjustments need to be made by 1/31.
- Organ-quit during worship today and will look into repairing asap.
- Building usage-several requests for personal use. Will look at our guidelines and see if they need to be adjusted.

Motion to adjourn by Caitlin, Seconded by Michele. Motion approved.

Adjourned at 2:28pm

Respectfully submitted by: Michele Hillman

Next meeting: February 11, 2024 (Annual meeting)



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WE'RE HIRING

— YOUTH DIRECTOR —

Apply Now!

Send your Resume and Cover Letter to:

pastorkyle@kindredlutheran.com

DO YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR YOUTH?

Are you passionate about making a positive impact on young lives? Do you thrive on creativity, energy, and building meaningful connections with the next generation?

If you, or someone you know, answers yes to those questions,
Pastor Kyle wants to talk!

**REFER A
FRIEND**

We are looking to hire a half-time youth director. This is a great opportunity to help build and shape the faith lives of the youth of Kindred Lutheran Church. You can truly make a difference in these young people's lives!

APPLY

NOW

**Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity
to become our next Youth Director.
Apply today and get ready to inspire the next generation!**

[Click for Job Description](#)