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COUNCIL'S POST

Dear Kindred Saints,

Grace and peace to you in this season! Thank you for your flexibility and understanding as we try to navigate the ways in which we worship and gather during a global pandemic. We hope to gather for in-person worship in December, however, at the this time we are still gathering only via Facebook Live. Christmas Eve Worship service times and details have yet to be determined. We continue to evaluate the situation and will communicate any changes as soon as we know more. Thank you for checking your emails, Facebook, the KLC App and the KLC website regularly. As we continue to live in love as we serve, equip, and challenge God's people, we are in this together.

KLC Church Council

Rich Schock (President), Suzanne Wolf (Vice President), Lloyd Hoffarth (Treasurer), Tony Gray, Lisa Hosman-Davis, Lori Pearson, Rob Sahr

CALL COMMITTEE'S POST

The Call Committee sincerely appreciates all the prayers asking for direction and clarity during this call process. We have 4 formal applicants for a "term call" pastor and we are very excited about that! We are currently getting ready to interview the candidates – organizing our questions and thoughts into a usable document. We will then begin interviewing any candidates that the committee deems appropriate. A "term call" pastor will need Congregational approval so we are hopeful this can happen within the first quarter of 2021. Again, if you know of anyone who would be a good fit for KLC, please send their names our way. Please continue to keep us in your prayers!

Dona Schock
Call Committee Chair



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gathered to grow

THANKS BE UNTO GOD FOR HIS
UNSPEAKABLE *gift*
2 CORINTHIANS 9:15



SEASON OF GIVING EVENTS

FOOD BASKETS

Dec 20

KLC is responsible for:
20 - Pies

Please deliver to the church by
Sunday Dec 20

PAJAMA DRIVE

Dec 13

KLC Kids are partnering with the
Jeremiah Program. Thank you to
those who have signed up! We are
still in need of robes and slippers.
[Click this link](#) or visit the KIDS page
on our website. Please deliver
WRAPPED items to the church by
Sunday Dec 13

FLOWERS

Dec 20

KLC Youth Group has partnered
with Sweet Stems of Davenport to
distribute flowers to the local
healthcare facilities. You can help
by donating vases or funds. Bring
your new or gently used vases to
the church by Dec 20. Checks
made out to KLC with memo "Youth
Group"

Please check the calendar online for updates or use the KLC App.

KINDRED KIDS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Kindred Kids are excited to present a Virtual Christmas Program for 2020! Children in preschool through 6th grade have been practicing since October and will record their special pieces at home. Please join us for Facebook Live worship on **DEC 20 @ 10AM** where we will debut the angelic voices of our youth singing about the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. *If you are the parent of a Kindred Kid, please watch for email instructions from the music team and let us know if you do not receive a note.

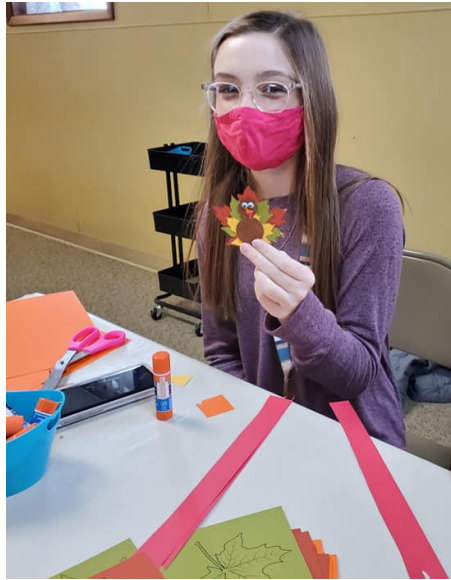
Christmas Eve Worship service times will be announced soon!
Please check the calendar online for updates and watch for emails and Facebook posts too.

POINSETTIAS

If you would like to dedicate a poinsettia in memory or in honor of someone, [click this link to sign up](#), visit the [Worship page on the KLC website](#), or stop by the church office. Please make a check to KLC for \$9 per plant.



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DECEMBER BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

- Pamela Liebenow 12/00
- Colin Lunde 12/00
- Scott Milbrandt 12/00
- Riley Staton 12/00
- Jamie Swenson 12/00
- Alec Braaten 12/01
- Brian Bubach 12/01
- Jason Kub 12/01
- Philip Rostad 12/06
- Ron Lundquist 12/08
- Seth Johnson 12/09
- Jeremy Swanson 12/09
- Kiturah Blilie 12/13
- Rodell Lee 12/16
- Silas Mund 12/16
- Kristen Jensen 12/18
- Altha Johnson 12/20
- Lindsey Mitchell 12/21
- Breanna Knowlen 12/24
- David Hertsgaard 12/25
- Jean Hertsgaard 12/25
- Austin Goerger 12/27
- Cecilia Karst 12/28
- Branden Erbe 12/30
- Dana Otterson 12/30
- Barrett Perhus 12/30
- Karson Ouse 12/31

THANK YOU

Our wonderful Youth Group gave their time and efforts to help fill the Thanksgiving Food Baskets last month. The youth also created memorable scripture cards and turkey magnets for each family. We are so grateful for their generous spirits!

Thank you to all of the churches that partake in this service to our community each holiday season along with the Kindred Area Food Pantry. Thanks to Walcott, Christine and Hickson Lutheran Churches, Norman and Davenport Lutheran Churches, Calvary and Zion United Methodist Churches, West Prairie Free Lutheran, St Maurice's Catholic Church, Goshen and Bethel Moravian Churches, Canaan Moravian Church, and Kindred Lutheran Church.



ATTENTION PRAYER PARTNERS:

Hello to all those who have signed up to be our 'Prayer Partners'. Barb and I have talked and decided to continue with the current partner we have into 2021. We will not get together this December. No Christmas present this year. If you wish to include something small, that fits in a greeting card, fine but not a large gift. I will remind you again next fall about our plans for revealing who our prayer partners are and date for our Christmas party. Contact me if you do not remember who your Prayer Partner is. Thank you! Carlotta





sent to serve

HELP WANTED!

We may not be attending worship services face-to-face right now, but as a church we keep moving forward. To facilitate the gathering, growth, and calling of this body of believers, we need help from all our members.

Would you prayerfully consider how you can best use your time and talents to help the mission of Kindred Lutheran Church in the upcoming year?

In this moment, we are thinking about the needs of the building in which we worship and how we facilitate gathering when we are able to do that again.

The Altar Guild is in need of your consideration in the upcoming year. This committee prepares the church altar for our services each Sunday. Rotating volunteers make sure the linens are clean, the candles fresh, and the flowers appropriate for the season. Notice those gorgeous banners and beautiful advent wreath? Have you ever wondered who prepares the items for communion or baptism? Yes, there's a small but dedicated group of people making sure each of these special Sundays are ready for presentation to our church body. If you are interested, please call or email Leah Lundquist (701.388.2124 or leahjolund@gmail.com).

The Worship Committee is also looking for volunteers to serve in an on-going role. The Committee is tasked with ensuring that worship services are adequately staffed with ushers and fellowship volunteers. They plan and organize special services such as Holy Week and Christmas Eve. In the past weeks, I've learned that they also partner with the Altar Guild to decorate the church for the Christmas Season!! I just love the lighted trees and sweet nativity scene. If you have a talent for planning and organizing or if you simply want another Christmas Tree to decorate, please consider serving on this team. Contact Joan Ottis (701) 371-1004 or Ann Huether (701) 730-6300. Thank you and Blessings!

AROUND THE OFFICE

Communication is more important than ever. We have a lot of information going out each week; I feel like I'm bombarding you all with announcements. Eeek! Please let me know how we are doing on getting the needed updates out there. What can we do better?

Make sure that you are signed up for the email list. And thank you for checking Facebook posts and opening the KLC app notifications. Did you know our new website is up-to-date? You can always check that online calendar for information.

If your contact information (phone, mailing address, email) needs to be updated, please let me know.

Blessings, Bekki

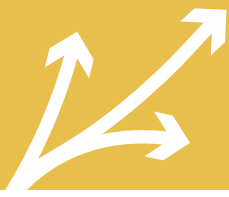
Facebook Live worship services have been going extremely well! We've gotten good feedback from members about the quality of the production and the ease of using Facebook. However, if you or someone you know needs an alternative method of watching the services, please reach out to the office or one of the Church Council members to make your concerns known. We are thinking of and praying for those members who may have trouble using online resources. All suggestions are welcome.

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**ATTENTION
COMMITTEE CHAIRS:
Annual Reports
due Jan 17th**



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Dear Kindred Lutheran Family,

As 2020 draws to a close, I am pretty sure everyone will be looking forward to a more promising 2021. I think it fair to say that the Corona Virus has been an equal opportunist, having touched everyone in some shape or form. However, I would like to point out that we do have some good things to report for this year! We have added Trish Miller as our Youth Director. Trish has already made an impact with the students and the future looks very bright. Another positive change this year is that Kindred Lutheran Church was able to reach more people on Sundays. With the help of a few tech-savvy members and our wonderful music team, worship services are now broadcasted to our members staying safe at home as well as those escaping the winter temperatures.

One impact of the global pandemic that has affected Kindred Lutheran directly is that we have been unable to gather for worship in-person as much as we would like. As a result, we are falling short on our annual contributions. December is typically our biggest month for offerings. In fact, we receive 25% of our annual contributions in December.

Christmas is why we do what we do here at Kindred Lutheran Church; it is because of the good news of salvation proclaimed around the world since that first Christmas Day that our church exists. In all that we do, we are seeking to share the real meaning of Christmas with those who long to experience the life-changing news of the Gospel. As we come to the close of the year, would you consider a special Christmas offering – a love gift to the Lord of Glory who became the Babe of Bethlehem – in order that we might continue to accomplish all that God has set before us?

Thank you! And may God bless you with his infinite grace!
KLC Church Council



#1 holiday hack:
When you buy your gifts at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates.
amazon smile
choose: Kindred Evangelical Lutheran Church of Kindred

FINANCIAL GIVING

Annual Budget	\$222,409
Received this Year	\$161,115
Needed Each Month	\$17,684
Received Nov	\$11,137

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.





youth



Wanted

9TH - 12TH GRADERS

When: Every Other Sunday

Time: 1pm - 2:30pm

Where: Fellowship Hall

YOUTH GROUP!

The KLC Youth Group has launched! All youth grades 9-12 are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Hall every other Sunday starting at 1:00pm.

If you have any questions or ideas, please contact
Trish@kindredlutheran.com.

**Dates for 2020 • 1:00pm
Dec 6 & 20**

We are always open to more members!



7TH & 8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION

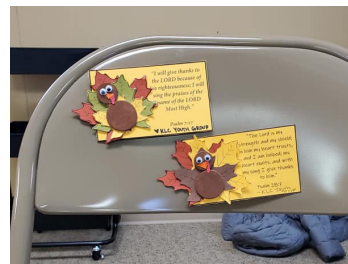
December Confirmation will be via zoom only. Zoom link has been emailed out. Please communicate with Trish if there are any zooming issues.

Confirmation Meetings

Dec

2,9,16

Starting at 4:15



A few more Thanksgiving Activity Pics

Thank you Pastor Corey for joining confirmation





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.

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

Wes Robertsdahl

Llowell Tangen

Brody Seter

Scott Wooster

Marc

Don Schlecht

Peggy Carlson

Eleanor Johnson

Lloyd Hoffarth

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: Sam & Rebekka Rood; Louis and Annie Liss and children in Lebanon.

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

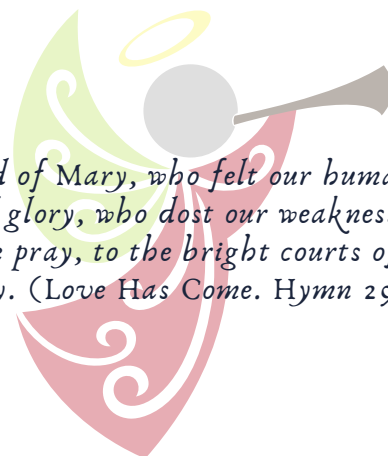
The Gideon’s ministry that doors would be opened and Scripture would be placed and God’s Word would accomplish what God sets out to do!

COMFORT FOR:

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

Victims of sexual abuse and assault

O Savior, child of Mary, who felt our human woe; O Savior, king of glory, who dost our weakness know: bring us at length, we pray, to the bright courts of heaven and into endless day. (Love Has Come. Hymn 292)





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Kindred Lutheran Church APP!

You can connect with KLC anytime, anywhere!
Features include church calendar, sermons,
audio and digital Bibles, devotions, journal,
website links, social media and so much
more. Download the app to your cell phone or
tablet.

