

KUMC CONNECTIONS

November Newsletter//2015

As most of you know, we are doing a major renovation to the Sanctuary. The pews have been removed to be refurbished, the walls and ceiling have already been painted and the new flooring goes down next week. Please stop by the church and see what a great job Kane County Contractors did painting our Sanctuary. Brian Melchert and Jake Armbruster are the 2 gentlemen that own this business. Not only have they done a wonderful job and given us a very fair bid, they have been 2 great guys to do business with. If anyone has any kind of painting or remodeling to do, give this company a call for a bid on your project.

Kane County Contractors
Painting & Construction Solutions
Bryan Melchert 1-312-342-1818
Jake Armbruster 1-630-878-2426

Brian will be posting some pictures of this job on this Facebook page and would appreciate a review!
www.facebook.com/kanecountycontractors.

We are expecting this renovation project to be finished within the next few weeks. Please come and see the results!!

--Carol Flanders and Karon Miller



The Memorial Committee has purchased the following items with funds donated in memory of loved ones who have passed in the years 2014 and 2015.

Sanctuary Accordion Door –in Memory of Dennis Long
Nursery Accordion Door –In Memory of Forrest Zeal and Helen Landis
Sunday School Storage Cubes, TV's, Area Rugs –In Memory of Lois Shaw
Sunday School Enhancements –In Memory of Lorraine Jeter
Outside Furniture - In Memory of Doris Nier
Outside Furniture – In Memory of Dan Winter

It is a privilege to be entrusted with the memorial funds. As a committee, we strive to purchase items that are useful, beautiful and meaningful to our church and worship service. Sometimes families ask us to purchase specific items with their donated funds. We always strive to follow the wishes of the family. If you are interested in items purchased before 2014, please contact Karon Miller.

KUMC October Mission of the Month

Justice for Our Neighbors (JFON) is a faith-driven ministry, welcoming immigrants into our churches and communities by providing free, high-quality immigration legal services, education and advocacy. JFON is part of our Northern Illinois Conference. JFON is a unique United Methodist ministry in the NIC providing direct, high quality assistance for immigrants in need. Please consider a donation and also visit www.jfonnic.org for more information about programs they offer and how you can volunteer your time. Last year members of KUMC volunteered their time by serving breakfast.

Peacemakers

Hey kids, Peacemakers will meet on **Wednesday, November 11 at 6pm**. We'll be talking about being thankful and decorating cookies for our annual Christmas Caroling. Hope to see you all there! Bring a friend!



Keeping the Promises to Christ, Stewardship in Five Acts

Dates

November 8th 2015
November 15th 2015

Sermon Title

Keeping the Promise, Act 4: Service
Keeping the Promise, Act 5: Witness (Commitment Day)

Our commitment Sunday is on November 22nd, please place pledge card in offertory plate during worship service.



I love the holiday season as much as anyone, but it presents a challenge to me as a preacher. How do I preach the good news of Christ's coming into world without it sounding like old news? I was looking for a book that offered a fresh take, a different angle, a less-traveled path into these familiar texts.

One important theme of the book is that the popular Christmas story that we know and love didn't unfold in history quite the way we imagine. A close reading of the Bible, as Hamilton makes clear, often contradicts the popular story. Not only that, the popular story often seems like a fairy tale. Only when we understand the story in its place and time—using insights from history, sociology, and geography—can we see how gritty and down-to-earth it really is.

Hamilton also does a nice job keeping the Christmas story rooted in Israel's story. He makes many connections to the Old Testament that weren't obvious to me until I read about them.

We live in a very different time and place, but Hamilton familiarizes us with the territory—figuratively and literally. I appreciate the way Hamilton brings insights from his own trips to the Holy Land to help us place the story in its proper context.

Luke and Matthew were concise writers, but they give us enough information to know that these events must have happened something like this. Hamilton is nicely speculative at times, but he never strays far from the text. Here's one good example in relation to Joseph:

“While we don't read it explicitly in the Gospels, we can infer from the life and teachings of Jesus the profound impact Joseph had on Jesus' faith. When Jesus looked for a metaphor to describe his relationship—and ours—to God, his primary form of addressing God was Abba—the Aramaic word for Papa. It is likely that even as a boy Jesus saw in Joseph a picture of the love and character of God.

We see evidence of this throughout Jesus' teachings. We see it in the parable of the prodigal son, where Jesus likened God to a father who showed mercy to a son who had squandered his inheritance, while showing patience with his older son who judged the younger. Could this parable be a reflection of Jesus' own experience of Joseph's mercy and love? In what other ways might Joseph's heart, character, and faith have shaped Jesus' faith and the man he would become?”

I hope this Christmas we all may find our own place in God's gift: Jesus.

Holiday Spirit

Holiday Spirit is underway! This year KUMC is sponsoring a local family with 3 children. Holiday Spirit is a joint program of the Kaneland schools, Conley Outreach and area businesses and civic organizations. Look for tags on the tree in the Fellowship Area with clothing and toy requests by mid-November. Each child has multiple tags for clothes and toys. Gift cards for department stores, gas or groceries may also be purchased for the families. **Unwrapped presents must be at the church by Sunday, December 13th.**



As in years past, we will also be collecting new **mittens, gloves, scarves, hats and socks** for these and other Holiday Spirit families. All leftover outerwear goes to the Kaneland Area Food Pantry for their patrons.

17th Annual Women's Retreat "Lavender Springs Spa"

Jan 15-17, 2016 at Wesley Woods in Williams Bay, Wi.



Ladies – Mark your calendars for a relaxing and spiritually nourishing spa-themed event where you'll be reminded of God's faithfulness and the power of connecting with other women. Through six refreshing sessions, we will journey through the psalms of the Bible, studying the different kinds of songs, poems, and psalms that have inspired people for centuries.

We will learn how the psalms help us share our feelings, disappointments, celebrations, and doubts with a truly great listener: God. And you'll leave with a fresh approach to prayer that will grow your faith throughout the months to come. If you're interested in

helping plan this wonderful weekend, please call Diane Hance at 815-991-9488

Announcing the 2015 U.M. Aurora Cluster Mission Trip!

Wednesday, January 27 – Saturday, January 30, 2016

The United Methodist Churches of the Aurora Cluster (including Aurora, Kaneville and Sugar Grove) are together planning a road trip to our regional UMCOR warehouse, the Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, Illinois (Springfield). We can accommodate 32 people for this annual outreach effort. Must be age 11 or older. **A deposit of \$50 (check payable to MMDS) must be sent to Fourth Street UMC to reserve your place by October 1.** The **balance of \$65 per person will be due November 1, 2015, plus costs associated with travel and groceries.**

KUMC Cookie Walk!

Calling all Bakers:

We are preparing for the 25TH ANNUAL COOKIE WALK on **Saturday December 5th.**

Over the past 24 years, we have netted close to \$22,150, all of which has been given to current mission needs. The very first Cookie Walk profit was sent to servicemen during Desert Storm. Many times, we have families right in Kaneville who need assistance.

I have a friend in Yorkville whose church is patterning a Cookie Walk after ours. She said they cannot understand how a little church like Kaneville UMC can make so many cookies. I told her we have the best baking ladies on earth! And we do.

We are aiming for 400 dozen cookies. Of course, we have added candy (fudge, caramels, and divinity) since our early years. So, anything you wish to contribute is greatly appreciated.

There is some butter in the refrigerator and 10 pounds of sugar, both of which have been left from the Beef Supper. Anyone who would like to use that is certainly welcome to do so.

We will be soliciting bakers and helpers on Sunday mornings. Be ready to sign up!

A big "Thank You" goes to everyone for helping to make this project so successful!



KUMC CHARGE CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 17TH, 7PM

Come and witness the God's presence this year in our ministry and receive God's vision for 2016.

Check It Out!

In *A Place Called Simplicity*, author Claire Cloninger encourages us to journey away from the clutter and clatter of daily survival toward a place of calm, order and refreshment—the “simple” life many of us long for. She writes, “So often we have the mistaken idea that the more things and activities and relationships we have in our lives, the more meaningful our lives will be. Ironically, the converse is often true.” Join Claire as she explores the attitudes and ideas that go along with a simple life. From simplifying your home to your spiritual , you’ll find encouragement on your way to uncluttering your life. *A Place Called Simplicity* can be found on the book shelf, in the non-fiction section.



Congrats Beef Supper Basket Winners!

1. Manda Davis Rada Products
2. Chris Plumb Blackhawks
3. Larry LaVoy U.S.A. Basket
4. Jan Gramley Ream’s
5. Ben Vanatta Star Wars
6. Tyler Stevenson Legos
7. Michelle Probst Kuiper’s
8. Lorin Kitch Chocolate Lovers
9. Savannah Plumb? Hill Country Store
10. Dave Vaughn Tasty Treats by Alexa Hill
11. Morgan Davis For the Birds
12. Pat Javanovic Christmas Bears
13. Taylor Meyer Shopkins
14. Karon Miller Amazon Echo
15. Raymond McCall Chick Fil-A
16. Danielle Rauch Bath and Body Works
17. Manda Davis Cookie Magic
18. Norma Farley Fast Food Gift Cards
19. Mary Stolp Dine In or Out
20. Sandy Dick Baby Basket



KCCC News



We would like to extend a great big **thank you** to all who supported our Pastry Puffin Fundraiser!! Our fundraisers are successful because our community works together in support of each other and we really appreciate all that you do for us.

Enrollment: Openings available!

We still have **openings in our Early Learners Daycare** as well as our **Preschool and PreK programs**. For those school age children that take the bus to and from Blackberry Creek Elementary, we also have before and after care with transportation provided to and from school.

Did you know that during holidays and days off of school we also offer **Drop-in Care for elementary school students** whose parents are unable to take the whole day off of work. Get your student enrolled today to take advantage of this service as needed. Call 557-2424 for more information on how to get enrolled should you need to take advantage of this program. We just need 24 hrs. notice and you pay that day! What a sense of relief to have your child safe and cared for close to home.

Thank you for your continued support and blessings!
The Staff at KCCC



Happy Birthday!

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| November 1 | Stan Dembowski |
| November 3 | Laura Ryan |
| November 4 | Myrna Stouffer |
| November 7 | Lisa Liedberg |
| November 8 | Martha Baldrige, Anna Dembowski, Thomas Liedberg |
| November 9 | Melinda Ratliff |
| November 12 | Jade & Madison Schrader |
| November 14 | Myrna Stouffer |
| November 15 | Steve Gramley |
| November 16 | Karen Heinberg |
| November 19 | Steve Downen, Allison Dunlop |
| November 21 | Rachel Zimmer Lang |
| November 22 | Ben Vanatta |
| November 24 | Dan Alfrey |
| November 25 | David Kahl, Katherine Zimmer |
| November 27 | Bob Barnhart |
| November 30 | Jessica Angell |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

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| November 12 | Rick & Cindy Flanders |
| November 16 | Wayne & Karen Sanchez |
| November 22 | Dave & Carol Bateman |
| November 29 | Bill & Cindy Hiltenbrand |
- Contact Katee (office@kanevilleumc.org) with any corrections/additions to the list!**

KUMC Connections | November 2015 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 Finance 7 p.m.	6	7
8 Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m.	9	10	11 Trustee's Meeting 7 p.m.	12	13	14
15 Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Ad Council Meeting after Worship	16	17 SPRC meets at 6:30 p.m. Charge Conference 7 p.m.	18	19	20	21
22 Commitment Sunday Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m.	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m.	30					

Contact Us!

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Note from the Secretary:

Please contact the secretary with any events going on in the church. She will let you know if the space is available on that date to avoid conflicts and record it on the calendar. Thank you!

Newsletter items are always welcome; anything geared to-wards spirituality, thank you's, important events, devotionals, etc. We encourage you to submit your news no later than the **15th of the month**. The newsletter will be sent out near the first of each month.

Please submit your bulletin items for Sundays, via email, no later than **Wednesday**.

E-mail: office@kanevilleumc.org

Hours: Tuesdays 9am-2pm

Thursdays 3pm-5pm

This newsletter is created by human hands directing Technology, if you notice any errors kindly let us know. We will be happy to make any corrections!

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