



# Kenwood Park United Methodist Church

*A Christian community where Faith grows, Hope is found and Love is demonstrated.*

January 2012

## KALLER

Monthly Newsletter

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**NEW**

**OFFICE HOURS:**

**9:00 am—Noon**

**Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday and Thursday**

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

**9:00 am Traditional Worship**

Fellowship time follows

**10:15 am Sunday School -  
for all ages**

**11:15 am The Journey -  
Contemporary Worship**



## Happy New Year!

We get to start off the new year by being in church on New Year's Day in 2012! How great is that?!

Everyone is invited to **bring a watch or clock for a "Time Table" as a worship focus place for the service on January 1.** Spend some time before coming to church the first time in 2012 reflecting on any goals or dreams you might have for the coming year, anything you sense God is laying on your heart or in your path, or any negative experiences you want to leave behind in 2011. Your inner preparation for worship will open your heart to a deeper, more meaningful, worship experience.

**See you in Church! And happy new Year!**

**January 29, 2012**

**Leadership Training Event:  
Creating New Places for New People  
2:00 - 5:00 pm**

**All are invited to attend a District Leadership  
Training Event on Sunday, January 29 at  
Shueyville UMC in Swisher.**

Keynote speaker will be Rev. Eric Guy, Leadership Development Minister for Young Adult & Generational Ministry.

A flyer is available, go to [http://www.iaumc.org/console/files/oFiles\\_Library\\_XZXLCZ/oFiles\\_Library\\_XZXLCZ/Jan\\_training\\_brochure\\_ZATEWGJ7.pdf](http://www.iaumc.org/console/files/oFiles_Library_XZXLCZ/oFiles_Library_XZXLCZ/Jan_training_brochure_ZATEWGJ7.pdf)

## Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends,

2012 is just about here. The end of the old year and the beginning of the new is a traditional time for taking stock. Like cleaning out the garage, it is good to throw out memories of bad experiences, foolish decisions, or harsh words that may have happened last year. It is good to examine them first, however. Perhaps there is a lesson to be learned within any memory before discarding it. Then, allow grace to touch your memory and life, and through grace start fresh this new year.



Hope is born new through grace. As at Christmas we celebrated the birth of the Christ Child, we also sensed deeply the rebirth of hope in our hearts as we remembered God's love. Perhaps the change of the year leads you to be aware that God is at work in your life, leading you to grow and change. The work of the Holy Spirit is never finished in any life. Good things await you in these coming months.

It is the gospel truth: God will use some of the experiences of this coming year to give you the opportunity to learn and grow. That is why we are here on this planet, so make the most of those experiences. Say "Yes" to God!

Happy New Year,  
Pastor Michael

### Revised Church Office Hours

**9:00 – 12:00 noon, Monday through Thursday**

Some changes in the hours the Church Office is open will take effect in January. The new hours will enable the **office to be open 4 days a week** instead of the 3 days it has been open this past year.

Office hours will be 9:00 – 12:00 noon, Monday through Thursday. Bulletins will be printed on Thursday morning. We hope this will make it easier to contact the office and Carolyn with information or requests.

## ✝ PRAYER LIST ✝

- ✝ Corrine Smalldridge, Jeff Strait, Jim Rosche, Opal & Ralph Glider (Jean Bisingers parents)
- ✝ **SERVICE PERSONNEL:** Scott Gray (Grandson of Darwin & Neva Nielsen) to Afghanistan; Scott Barrett (Grandson of Jeanne Neuenswander), Paul Reynolds (Grandson of Lester & Barb Wilson)

(If you know of anyone who should be added to our prayer list or who would appreciate a visit or call, please contact the church office 365-6933 or [office@kenwoodparkumc.org](mailto:office@kenwoodparkumc.org))

## THANK YOU...

We want to thank our church friends for the cards, food, phone calls and visits when Leonard started cancer treatments and recently when Dorene fell and was hospitalized. We appreciate your thoughtfulness very much.

**Dorene and Leonard Dahms**

### **Christmas Eve Bakers & Servers...**

Thank you very much for providing refreshments following the Christmas Eve Service.

### **Poinsettias for the holiday...**

Thank you for sharing:

The Odegaards, Bob & Phyllis White, Gerre Walder & Eldon Mackert, LaDonna Grout

Also thank you to the person who left the Christmas napkins for us to use.

To *Gerre Walder & Eldon Mackert* for paying to have the matching sofa, love-seat, chair and two beige chairs in the lounge professionally cleaned

*and*

*Janet & Jerry Bair* for repairing the furniture cushions and making arm covers for the chair.

**DISTRIBUTING CHRISTMAS INVITATIONS.** . . . Volunteers who helped with preparing the Christmas invitation cards with addresses stickers and went house to house in the KPUMC neighborhood delivering cards on December 4 and 10, many thanks.

**Your time and efforts communicating with the neighbors is appreciated.**



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)

**UMW Circle will meet Thursday, January 12  
at 9:30 am in room 104**

It will be our pledge service.

Also will be making plans for the UMW Soup & Sandwich Supper on January 28  
(see page 8)

*Hope to see all of you Thursday the 12th.*

### BASKET CLASS

**Basket Making class  
Saturday, January 7, 1:00 pm  
at the church.**

*~ Class filled for this session ~*

Gerald Bair, instructor

### Inter-Religious Council of Linn County

**Women in Interfaith Dialogue** invites all women to gather to find common ground among their traditions and to promote understanding of differences.

Please call Barbara Schlachter 319-351-4380.

Next meeting is

**Saturday, January 7  
10:00 am – 3:00 pm at Prairiewoods**

### Sew n' So

**Wednesday, January 11 & 25  
at 1:00 pm**

**Kenwood School Book Bag Project...**

They have asked for 40 book bags for pre-schoolers for next August. Anyone interested in helping we have instructions as to size on the table in the narthex. Feel free to pick up the instructions. We also could use money for material. Any help would be appreciated. Give money to the church office. **Thank you.**

### KPUMC Fellowship Hall floor

**Our church basement fellowship hall floor** has some raised places where the old floor heating water pipes have leaked in the past. It presents a tripping hazard, so on

**Saturday, January 14 at 9 AM**

**we need YOUR help** to do some minor chiseling and repair. We will be taking up some of the matching floor tile under the curtains and use them to repair the center part of the floor.

**If you can help**, please let Gerald Bair know at either **393-8661** or [grandpabair@msn.com](mailto:grandpabair@msn.com).



### Monday morning Bible Study - 9:30

Monday morning Bible Study invites all who would like to study the Bible. We meet at 9:30 at the church and are studying Exodus.

## 2012 LEADERSHIP COUNCIL OF KPUMC

Lay Leader:	Steve Odegaard	(2014)	Finance Chairperson:	Paul Klesner	(2012)
Chairperson:	Steve Odegaard	(2012)	Finance Vice-Chair:	Pam Landon	(2014)
Treasurer:	Gerald Bair	(2012)	Nurture Coordinator:	Helen Pratt	(2014)
Pastor:	Rev. Michael Metz		<b>Outreach Coordinator:</b>	<b>Jerry Elsea</b>	<b>(2012)</b>
SPRC Chairperson:	Dean Willis	(2012)	<b>Worship Coordinator:</b>	<b>Mary Zorn</b>	<b>(2012)</b>
SPRC Vice-Chair:	Thelma Perry	(2014)	Education:	Jolene Whiting	
Trustee President:	Wes Landon	(2012)	Lay Member to Annual Conference:	Thelma Perry	(2012)
Trustee VP and Endowment Chair:	Larry Franklin	(2014)	Recording Secretary:	Jacqueline Unkrich	(2014)

## KPUMC CARING RESPONSE GROUP

Friday, January 13 at 10:00 am

Caring Response Group will review all calls, cards and visits made to our assigned member(s).

This Response group for KPUMC started a few months ago asking people to care for the members of the congregation who have needs - both women and men. If you would like to participate or know of anyone who needs some response from someone, please let Helen Pratt know, 364-2043.

Everyone welcome.

## FRIDAY DAYTIMERS CARE GROUP

Friday, January 20 - 11:30 am  
at Lindale Mall Food Court



Make our meeting plans for 2012.

Hostess: Thelma Perry

### Kenwood Park Neighborhood Association (KPNA)

Monday, January 9 - - 7:00 pm  
meeting in Fellowship Hall

### SHARE Iowa

The next food pick-up for SHARE Iowa is **Saturday, January 28** in Fellowship Hall. (notice pick up date a week later this month)  
Must purchase your packages no later than Friday, Jan. 13.

We need to make a new updated list of [neighborhood addresses](#).

If you are interested in **entering some addresses into a data base**, please contact the church office or Jerry Bair. Training will be given on how to do it if needed.

### NOTICE: Scheduling use of a room at the church for meeting, etc.

If you or your group want to schedule a meeting or event at church *or* if you are changing the meeting or date of a regularly scheduled event, please be sure to call the church office 365-6933 in advance or send an email to: [office@Kenwoodparkumc.org](mailto:office@Kenwoodparkumc.org). and please include your phone number.

# Sunday School!

Kenwood Park United Methodist Church  
175 34<sup>th</sup> St. NE 365-6933

10:15 -11:00 AM



**All-In-One Bible Fun Class**  
Ages 3-11 Room B6

**Adult Traditional Bible Studies**  
Room B1

**Middle School/High School Class Reading the Bible Adult Studies**  
Room B5 Room B3

## ✓ these out from the Church Library

### Children's Board Books

Jesus is My Friend, by Daphna Flegal.  
Church is a Special Place, by Daphna Flegal.

### Adult Fiction

A Handful of Heaven, by Jillian Hart  
The Five People You Meet in Heaven, by Mitch Albom.

### Adult Non-Fiction

Introducing the Bible, by William Barclay.  
Never Alone: Personal Way to God, by Joseph Girzone.  
God's Word For Simple Abundance, by Dan & Nancy Dick.  
The Purpose Driven Life: What On Earth Am I Here For?,  
by Rick Warren

### UMW Books

Social Principles of the United Methodist Church, 2009-2012.

My Sister the Father, by Meri Whitaker.  
A Deepening Love Affair: the Gift of God in Later Life,  
by Jane Marie Thibault.

### How to check out a library book or other items:

1. Write your name on the card inside the book pocket and stamp it with the due date stamp.
2. Put the book card in the basket and place a pre-stamped due date card in the pocket. (due back in 4 weeks).
3. Enjoy! When you return the book, place it on the "Return Books Here" shelf on the library cart.

*Thank you*

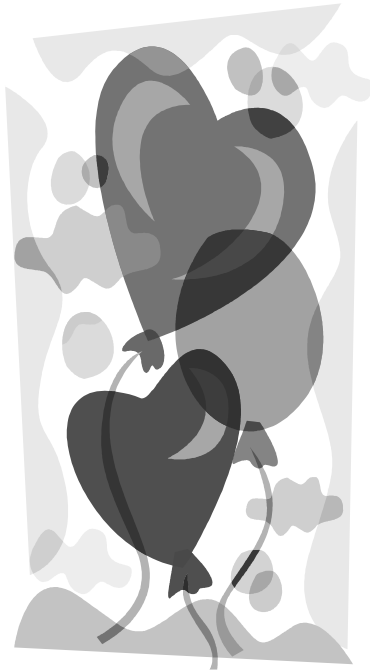


We are looking for one more person to run the projector at the first service one Sunday a month. Contact Gerald Bair to be trained.



- 1 Steve Smith
- 2 Ben Young
- 3 David Oliver
- 3 Trevin Landon
- 5 Nancy Dlouhy
- 6 Richard Freeman
- 6 Shane Zaiger
- 7 Lila Shupp
- 7 Matthew Elsea
- 7 Skyler Landon
- 10 Marjorie O'Meara
- 10 Steve Odegaard
- 11 Max Hansen
- 12 Marilyn Hall
- 13 Paul Klesner
- 13 Brianna Brown-Norris
- 14 Sheryl Arensdorf
- 16 Paul Sabin
- 17 Michele Gilliam
- 18 Amanda (Elsea) Noble
- 18 Jennifer Elsea
- 19 Jacqueline Unkrich
- 19 Kim Rule
- 21 Gloria Bohn
- 23 Martin Cram
- 23 Parker Bennett
- 25 Jack Arensdorf
- 25 Rev. Laura Smith
- 26 Kevin Landon
- 26 Brandon Garland
- 29 Dale Glick
- 31 Wayne Groff
- 31 Krista Reeve
- 31 Brooke Barron

# JANUARY



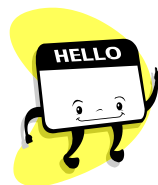
# Happy Anniversary!

- January 3 Lester & Barb Wilson
- January 18 Steve & Mary Odegaard
- January 27 Darwin & Neva Nielsen

## Birthday or Anniversary

**Please let us know. . .**

if your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please call the church office, phone **319.365.6933** or send an email to **office@KenwoodParkUMC.org**



**Wear your Lanyard/ Name Tag with Pride!**

*Don't have one?*

***Please contact the church office.***

## CHURCH CANCELLATION INFORMATION - Bad Weather!

Church office will go by the "school schedule for bad weather", if they close, church office will close.

Also we are working on updating the "phone tree" to the congregation in case of cancellations or emergencies and need to let you know by phone.

## UMW SOUP & SANDWICH SUPPER



**Saturday, January 28**

**4:00 - 7:00 pm**

**in Fellowship Hall**

The United Methodist Women (UMW) are planning to have a Soup and Sandwich Supper and the public is invited.

Look for prices on flyers and in the Sunday bulletin.

We will need help in serving and pouring coffee... How about it men?

## FOOD BANK SUNDAY

**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**

*or any Sunday!*



**Place your donations in the storage cabinet located at the North church entrance.**

***Thank you to Larry and Rosie Franklin who deliver the items to the Linn Community Food Bank.***

For 39 years, the Linn Community Food Bank has been meeting the need of emergency food assistance. Originally established through a collaboration of churches, the Food Bank is housed at First Presbyterian Church, 310 Fifth Street SE, Cedar Rapids.

Linn Community Food Bank, Inc. is overseen by a volunteer Board of Directors and staffed totally with volunteers. The Food Bank is funded and supported solely through donations of money and food from the community--churches, businesses, organizations, schools and individuals who believe passionately in the mission of the Food Bank.

Pancake mix  
Canned tuna, meat  
Boxed cold cereal  
Corn muffin mix  
Canned corn, green beans, peas  
Canned fruit  
Canned soup  
Canned pork and beans

Pasta  
Pasta Sauce  
Instant mashed potatoes (2 3/4 oz/small)  
3 oz. Instant pudding  
Saltine crackers  
Macaroni and cheese  
Creamy peanut butter

Food items not acceptable are: Opened, badly damaged or glass containers; home-canned food, perishable items; or items beyond the expiration date.

**KPUMC has a Linn Community Food Bank fund. If you would like to make a financial donation in cash or check, please mark your envelope special offering for food bank or make out the check to KPUMC and put Food Bank on check memo line.**



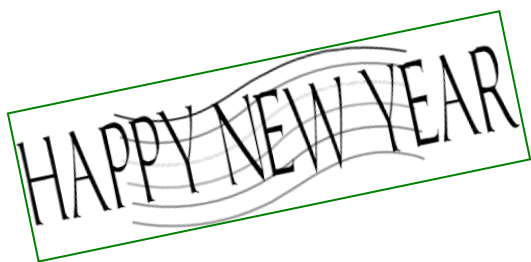
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**Sunday Schedule**  
**9:00 am** Traditional Worship  
*Fellowship Time Follows*  
**10:15 am** Sunday School (all ages)  
**11:15 am** Contemporary Worship  
*The Journey*