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Pastor's Word

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy New Year! This past year we have continued to be about God's mission of "Inspiring every generation to experience and share God's grace in Jesus Christ." Here are just a few of the many highlights from 2022 by the numbers.

Together we:

- ❖ Celebrated our 50th anniversary with festive events on February 27 (the date when Kinsmen was formally organized)
- ❖ Served over 130 people at the 50th Anniversary Crawfish Boil on May 21 (the date of the first charter member Sunday)
- ❖ Filled 124 Holiday Bags for children that went to Northwest Assistance Ministries for Christmas
- ❖ Assembled 314 Personal Care Kits and made 164 Quilts that were delivered to Lutheran World Relief.
- ❖ Made and delivered 514 flower re-arrangements after beautifying our worship services
- ❖ Served at 10 projects on God's Work. Our Hands weekend where over 190 individuals were serving in some way.
- ❖ Saved 256 lives through blood donations with Gulf Coast Regional Donor Coach being at Kinsmen 4 times in 2022
- ❖ Served 846 meals for Thanksgiving Feast and registered 89 to participate in the Run for Your Turkey.
- ❖ Enabled Sleep in Heavenly Peace to build and deliver over 2400 beds to children in northwest Harris County over the past 4 years through generous donations and volunteer activities.
- ❖ Served 20,882 individuals or 4,971 families with the support of Bridging for Tomorrow and the Houston Food Bank mobile food truck in 2022.
- ❖ Trained 5 and sent 37 Community of Hope Lay Chaplains to make over 5,000 visits to homebound members.
- ❖ Supported 5 local schools through encouraging emails to teachers, providing breakfasts or other goodies, participating in school events, and supporting Klein ISD Moms with necessities.
- ❖ Welcomed 42 New Members into God's mission at Kinsmen/ Sagrada Familia this year.
- ❖ Offered 12 Bible, Theology, Stewardship and Evangelism classes and 8 sermon series
- ❖ Offered over 226 English and Spanish language worship services in person and livestreaming (on YouTube and Facebook Live).
- ❖ Hosted our 18th annual St. Jude Trike-a-thon with KCA's Early Learning program and raised \$1885 this year, for a total of over \$20,000.
- ❖ Reached and connected with up to 29 young adults with children through Playground Playdates.
- ❖ Provided the opportunity for 40 youth and young adults to grow in discipleship and leadership while passing on the faith from one generation to the next through Camp Hope.
- ❖ Engaged 106 campers from preschool to middle school in learning 15 different bible stories for 3 weeks at Camp Hope where they grew in their faith, made new friends, and were mentored by high school staff.
- ❖ Confirmed 6 youth at Kinsmen in May and 10 youth and adults at Sagrada Familia in October.
- ❖ Baptized 17 children who received God's promises in the waters of baptism



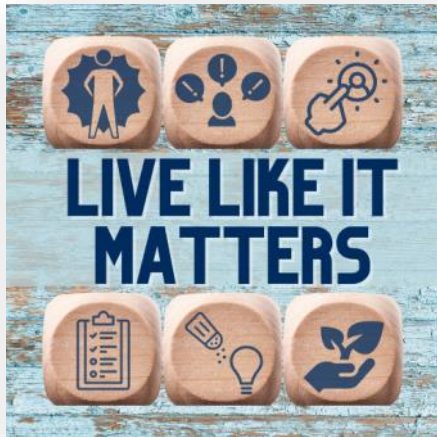
- ❖ Taught 70 ESL students through Latino Ministries.
- ❖ Completed the repairs and renovations of 11 spaces: the gym, 3 preschool rooms, the loft, the great rooms, the community room, the choir room/ chapel, the coffeeshouse, and rooms 12 & 13.
- ❖ Collected and distributed Noisy Offering in support of 6 local and 5 global mission partners.

These are only a few of the things we did together in 2022. Thank you for the ways you participate and make a difference with your time, talent and treasures. Together let us serve and live because it matters in our homes, communities, and world! I look forward to following where God is leading Kinsmen/ Sagrada Familia in 2023.

Beth Warpmaeker

Beth Warpmaeker, Senior Pastor,
Kinsmen Lutheran Church

Happy New Year! The Kinsmen pastors and staff would like to say thank you for the Christmas gifts. Your generosity is a blessing and an inspiration!



Sermon Series Title: Live Like It Matters

Three years ago, we began a new year that was unlike any we could have imagined. Since then, we have had the opportunity to reevaluate a lot about our lives and the things that matter most. God wants us to continue our journey of purpose and meaning in this new year. This journey will lead us into a deeper awareness that we matter to God, to one another, and to God's mission in the world. Join us in this 6-week sermon series where we will hear Jesus' call to "come and see," follow him, do justice and love kindness. Together, we will grow in our relationship with him and others around us. This is what truly matters as we begin this new year.

January 7-8

Living Fearlessly
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17

January 14-15

Pay Attention
Isaiah 49:1-7
John 1:29-42

January 21-22

Follow the Light
Isaiah 9:1-4
Matthew 4:12-23

January 28-29

What does the Lord require?
Micah 6:1-8
Matthew 5:1-12

February 4-5

Be Salt and Light
Psalm 112:1-9
Matthew 5:13-20

February 11-12

God's Growth Plan
1 Corinthians 3:1-9
Matthew 5:21-37

Flower Angel

Ever sit in church on Sunday and wonder where the flowers on the altar came from? They might have come from the person sitting next to you.

Kinsmen is blessed with its own Flower Committee. The Flower Committee takes donations of \$25 in honor of, in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a family milestone and uses the donations to create the beautiful altar and narthex arrangements. After the worship services the arrangements are moved to the cooler in the flower room. On Mondays, a team of rearrangers break the floral pieces down to make smaller arrangements of flowers that are delivered to Kinsmen members and friends.

If you have donated flowers for that week one of the smaller arrangements will be delivered to you. The smaller arrangements may be delivered to the hospitalized, the homebound, the sick, the grieving, those celebrating the birth of a baby, and/or even for "just because" reasons.

Your \$25 donation for flowers does a lot of work. It beautifies the Sanctuary for the worship services, it can honor a loved one's memory, it can celebrate a loved one's achievements, it can be given to the Glory of God, it can remind a Kinsmen member that others are thinking of them and praying for God's healing grace to come to them in a time of need.

You may donate online (kinsmenlutheran.org under the worship tab) or sign up on the chart located in the narthex. Thank you for sharing grace.

P.S. If you are interested in being involved in the arranging and/or re-arranging of flowers, contact R'Nay Havran or Lynnae Schatz (lschatz@kinsmenlutheran.org). Training is provided.



SPECIAL HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31

10:30AM English

Sunday, January 1

10:30AM English
(no Spanish)



New Year, New opportunity to connect

We want you to connect to a Group where you can get to know others better and grow in your faith. We have groups that gather around scripture both on Sundays and other times of the week and groups that gather around common interests including playing euchre, disc golf, board games, pickleball, and discussing books together.

This is a great time to join a group and grow in friendship and faith. Learn more here. <https://bit.ly/experiencefamily>



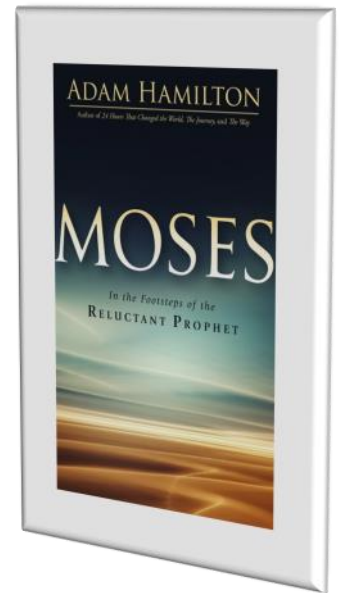
Men's Evening Bible Study

Mondays at 7PM – beginning January 9

Together we will retrace the life of Moses from his modest birth and rescue as a baby to the courts of Pharaoh, from herding flocks in Midian to leading his people out of Egypt. Through video teaching we will join Adam Hamilton on location where Moses lived and traveled.

The main resource you will need is the Bible. However, we will be using the book, *Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet*, to guide us through this six-session Bible Study.

Register here. <https://bit.ly/KinMensEveningBibleStudy>



MLK Parade

Everyone loves a parade! You are invited to walk in downtown Houston with Bishop Mike Rinehart and lots of other synod Lutherans - of all ages!- to honor the legacy of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on Monday, January 16. We will gather on Allen Parkway at Crosby St. about 9 am. Parking is easy in the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Houston parking lot on Crosby. Coffee and cookies will be provided before the parade begins at 10 am, and we will walk behind our synod's banner, "#Lutherans are Here!" The parade route ends near City Hall and Allen Parkway, and we should be finished about 11 or so.

Questions? Contact Rebecca Shields at 281-389-3616 or rshields63@gmail.com.



PEACE

is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal.

-Martin Luther King Jr.

Dream Big

Pastor-led class
beginning Sunday, January 8 at 9:45AM

Through this video Bible study, bestselling author Bob Goff will provide a step-by-step road map to breaking through the barriers that are holding us back from the opportunities God gives us. Each of the five sessions explores a different aspect of what it means to rediscover the dreams God has for us and to turn them into reality.

This 5-week class will begin on Sunday, January 8 at 9:45 AM. It is not required but if you would like to purchase the book for this class, *Dream Big* by Bob Goff, it is available through various online retailers.

Register here <https://bit.ly/KinDreamBig>



Naomi Bible Study

Resuming January 3rd at 10AM

We welcome women of all ages to join us for Naomi Bible Study. We meet at 10:00 AM on the first Tuesday of each month in the Coffee House in the Community Life Center. Bible study lessons provided from *Gather*, the magazine of Women of the ELCA, form the background for discussion. We combine Bible readings with application to issues in our lives, community and world.

We celebrated in December with a fabulous potluck meal in the home of one of our members. We learned about the history of our favorite Christmas hymns, laughed, shared, and had a fun white elephant gift exchange.

In January, we will continue its look at nature as our teacher, through the words of Jesus and other parts of Scripture. The trees, the soil, and creatures are offering us new perspectives on the character of God and challenging us to deepen our stewardship of God's precious creation.

You will find Naomi Circle to be an informal and caring group of women. Studies have some leader-led direction but a lot of sharing. Please join us!

For any questions, contact Pastor Mark England.



Are you interested in a Kinsmen Trip?

The Holy Land, Peru, the Apostle Paul's journeys....

There are several options for trips in the next few years, but Pastor Beth needs to know what interests you.

- We have a mission partnership with the church in Peru. Is this a trip that interests you? There is a group traveling there in July or August of this year.
- We have a mission partnership with Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem. Would you like to go on a trip and experience the 5th Gospel – The Land—by visiting key sites from the Biblical narrative and learning about their history and current relevance? A Trip may be planned in 2024 if there is enough interest.
- Our synod has regular trips that follow the Apostle Paul's missionary journeys. One is scheduled for this April. Should we plan to take a group from Kinsmen in the future?



Email or call Pastor Beth at the church if you are interested in taking a trip with other members and friends of Kinsmen.

MARRIAGE MILESTONE LOVE IS...

Come for the appetizers and a catered dinner that begins at 6:30 PM. Bring a bottle of wine to share at your table. Tickets are \$25 per person and will go on sale January 11 at kinsmenlutheran.org. Tickets must be pre-purchased by January 30. Childcare – with a meal - will be available for children through Grade 5. For more information contact Lynnae Schatz (lschatz@kinsmenlutheran.org)

Saturday.
February 4
6:30 PM





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RETREATS

Communion Retreat
January 27-29, 2023
4th and 5th graders and their families
Join us at Lutherhill as we prepare for your Communion Milestone (aka First Communion). Contact Sara Ray for more details!

Explore Retreat
March 24-26, 2023
1st - 5th graders
This is a great opportunity for anyone who'd like to take a trial run at camp for a full weekend retreat before coming out for a whole week in the summer. Contact Sara Ray for more details!

Worship. Lead. Serve.
Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers
February 17-19, 2023

Join us for a great weekend at Lutherhill! We'll grow in our faith and friendship and have a lot of fun too!
Register at lutherhill.org and then let Pastor Mark know.

SUMMER CAMP

JULY 16-21, 2023

Alphas - 1st Graders, \$395
(leave camp on Wednesday, July 19)

Youngns - 2nd & 3rd Graders, \$695

Yearlings - 4th & 5th Graders, \$695

Amazing Race - 6th-8th Graders, \$745

Scholarships are available!

Wondering what campers will gain from a week at Lutherhill? We're glad you asked! Here are just a few benefits of camp:

FAITH! Campers engage their faith with a sense of wonder. This wonder ignites a passion for lifelong faith exploration.

AFFIRMATION! The young adult staff is specially trained to engage campers in all camp activities while honoring their individual needs.

COMMUNITY! Campers live together in cabins and are partnered with another cabin group to create a 'village'. It's a great way to practice living well with others.

ADVENTURE! Campers are encouraged to try new things and most of all have fun!

For more info: www.lutherhill.org

Use group code: Kinsmen and save \$50!



Our high school ministry (SWAT) gathers regularly throughout the school year. We are going to kick off the spring semester on January 8, 2023 at noon in the Loft. We will have a time of reconnecting, play some games, and discuss ideas for ministry activities this spring. All high school students are welcome.

RSVP here: bit.ly/KinSWATJan8

Youth and Family News

Are you receiving the Tuesday Middle School and High School Youth Ministry News?

These emails are one of the primary ways you will stay in the know on all things, especially Confirmation (Middle School) and SWAT (High School) happenings.

If you are not receiving the Tuesday email, please contact Pastor Mark at mengland@kinsmenlutheran.org

Camp Hope Save the Date!

Camp Hope 2023 will be June 12-16, June 19-23, June 26-30.

Camp Hope a day camp run by the Kinsmen youth and is for children currently in Pre-K (entering Kinder in fall 2023) through 7th grade. Youth currently in 8th grade and older can apply to be part of the Camp Hope Staff.

Staff applications and registration for campers will be open in Spring 2023!



Playground Playdate

Saturday, January 7 at 10AM

We'd love to help parents to connect with other families in the same life stage while kiddos connect with others their age.

Snacks and water bottles are provided!

If your kiddo is too young to run and play, we encourage you to bring a blanket or a stroller so you can still enjoy the adult fellowship.

We will meet in the North Parking Lot (the small lot off of Pinewood Springs). That is where our preschool playground is located. This event is aimed at those 5-years-old and younger, but all are welcome!



MINISTERIO LATINO



Our Kinsmen Latino Ministry is looking forward to new challenges and goals in 2023. We will:

- Begin the search for new Pastor for the Ministry
- continue to grow our membership
- continue our outreach and support programs for the community
- implement the Community Garden project
- prepare for First Communion, and
- increase the participation of Hispanics in our community

Additionally, we look forward to working on the integration of Latino ministry in the life of the congregation. This is one of our stated priorities in 2023.

The challenge is not easy, but we are willing to work faithfully and energetically to achieve our goals. We are counting on the entire community's support and help.

We want to ensure that the people who attend the services and participate in our activities feel is welcomed and that they are willing to do their part to strengthen this congregation.

This will all be possible if we continue to walk the path of faith, love and humility and are guided by the wise hands of God.

He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." - Matthew 17:20

Farewell and Godspeed to Pastor Gabriel - January 21-22

As mentioned in the December newsletter, we are saddened that Pastor Gabriel will be leaving Kinsmen/ Sagrada Familia this month. However, we give thanks to God for bringing Pastor Gabriel to us and for the incredible mission development work done in the past 3 years. It was not an easy time to be a mission start pastor during the pandemic, and yet, Pastor Gabriel has grown the Spanish-speaking ministry at Kinsmen in so many ways. For this, we are so grateful.

We will wish him Farewell and Godspeed during all the worship services January 21-22. Receptions will take place after the 5:30PM worship on Saturday, in between the 8:30 and 11:00AM worship services on Sunday and after the 12:30PM worship. If you would like to contribute to a "Thank you" gift for him, you make contribute with the "Pastor's gift" designation.

After January 22, Pastor Adriana Johnson-Rivas will be the Interim Pastor. She is currently the



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pastor at Principe de Paz, but she will be at Kinsmen/ Sagrada Familia 3 days a week. She has preached and led worship many times at Kinsmen when Pastor Gabriel was on vacation. We look forward to having her join the Latino ministry team along with Adriana Cuina, Spanish Communications Administrator, and many strong volunteers.



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MEET PASTOR ADRIANA JOHNSON-RIVAS!

I was born in a blessed May night in the beautiful city of Medellin, Colombia, where the whole country recognizes it as the city of eternal spring. Medellin is a city that boasts a vivid bouquet of romantic flowers year round, and as my father once explained to me, it is why my cheeks are so colorful. I was born into a large family with 2 handsome brothers and 5 attractive sisters all under the watchful eyes of two hardworking and loving parents. In Colombia I studied to be a teacher, but I never had a chance to master my education and develop a career. It was until 1986 when I decided to follow some of my sisters into the US looking for other opportunities. This is where I met the father of my two strapping sons, Kenneth Alexander and Kelly Dustin Johnson. It was until Prince of Peace I had the opportunity to really practice what I learned in Colombia when I began teaching classes of Catechism to both youngster and adults. Before I accepted the position of SALM, (synodically authorized lay minister) I served as a volunteer at the church of Prince of Peace, teaching the children and adults for approximately 8 years. I had the opportunity to study in the Institute of Evangelism of Prince of Peace "La Escuelita" during its two year run, which built a foundation of knowledge to bring to collaborate the Hispanic mission "Light of Christ" in La Porte, Texas, which developed between June 2005 to May 2006. In 2009 due to the health of the former Pastor, I was put in charge of the congregation of Prince of Peace. To properly fill this role, I enrolled with TEEM (Theological Education for Emerging Ministries) in the seminary of LSPS (Lutheran Seminary Program in the Southwest) in Austin, Texas. Now in 2013 I was ordained at Principe de Paz under a big tent on our 6 acres of open field where family, friends, members, and colleagues alike will share with me a grand moment in my life made possible by hard work, brilliant teachers, and above all, a sweet and merciful God.



Pastor
Adriana

In the spring of 2014, the president and the council of St. James asked me to help them in the mission Santiago Apostol because the deacon Aura Suarez went to Miami with her husband, and they needed a pastor in the mission. Initially thought to do for a few months but because of the lack of Latino pastors I had to stay for about three years. It was a wonderful experience a great learning time.

When somebody asked at what point or reason I felt the call to work in God's work? My answer is swift. It is through service, and my unconditional desire to help others. "I serve God, live for God and I am glad to be His daughter."

Noisy Offering—Living Water International

Everything begins with water.

Water is the foundation of all sustainable development. It impacts every aspect of life: hygiene and sanitation, mental and social well-being, justice issues for women and children, education, the economy, and the environment.

Yet 771 million people lack basic access to water. Communities are trapped in debilitating poverty because they constantly suffer from water-related diseases and parasites, and/or because they spend long stretches of their time carrying water over long distances. In response to this need, we implement participatory, community-based water solutions in developing countries. Since we started, we've completed more than 18,000 water projects (and counting!).

It all began when a group from Houston, Texas traveled to Kenya and saw the desperate need for clean drinking water. They returned to Houston and founded a 501(c)3 non-profit. The fledgling organization equipped and trained a team of Kenyan drillers and Living Water Kenya began operations the next year under the direction of a national board. That pattern continues today; we train, consult, and equip local people to implement solutions in their own communities in the countries where we work.

Living Water International exists to demonstrate the love of God by helping these communities acquire desperately needed clean water, and to experience "living water"—the gospel of Jesus Christ—which alone satisfies the deepest thirst.



Food Distribution

Saturdays, January 7 & 21

Kinsmen Lutheran Church, in partnership with Bridging for Tomorrow and the Houston Food Bank, serves as a Mobile Food Distribution Site every month. The distribution dates this month are January 7 & 21 from 8-11AM. The food is for everyone. Volunteers are needed to make the Distribution possible. There are a variety of volunteer opportunities available. Visit kinsmenlutheran.org - EVENTS - to sign up to volunteer. Contact [Lynnae Schatz](mailto:Lynnae.Schatz@kinsmenlutheran.org) if you have questions.



Blest be the Tie that Binds

Kinsmen will be quilting for Lutheran World Relief on Monday January 9 from 1 - 3:30 PM and Saturday January 28 from 9 - 11:30 AM. All are welcome.

Training is provided. NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED!

Contact Connie Jackson or Lynnae Schatz (lschatz@kinsmenlutheran.org) for more information.

Financial Peace University

FPU is a money-management course taught by one of America's most trusted financial advisors, Dave Ramsey. During the nine weekly video classes, Dave and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, charitable giving, planning for the future, and much more. Kinsmen's Generosity Team facilitates FPU as attendees learn these steps toward financial peace.



Some of the feedback we have received from students over the years include:

- Before this class, I never felt "in control" of my finances. Now, I have a plan and confidence that I will make good decisions.
- FPU has given me the tools I need to plan a budget and build wealth on an hourly salary. I am much more at ease about my finances.
- We are now credit card debt free and committed to stay that way. We have most benefitted from learning God's principles of money. Thank you for offering this class. You are making a difference in the community and your congregation.
- We will be hosting the course IN PERSON beginning Tuesday, Jan. 24 from 7:00-8:30PM. (The last class will be March 28.)

The cost is \$80 per person or couple for the 9-week course with a \$20 rebate at the end. (\$60 is a discounted price from what you find on FPU's website.) Additional partial scholarships may be available upon request from Pastor Beth. This class is best done with a group of others who are committed to the class. For this reason, in order to receive the discount and/ or scholarship, you must attend 7 out of the 9 classes.)

Please register here: <https://bit.ly/FPU2023>

You are Joyfully Generous!

Your belief that God is in fact in control during these uncertain times is evident as you are trusting in God's abundance and declaring your generosity for next year! So far, as of December 15, we have received 150 Intent cards and exceeded our goal of 135. That means that the challenge gift of \$25,000 will be given to Kinsmen as well. So thank you!!

If you haven't yet responded, please mail your card today, or complete the online form at bit.ly/Annual2023Intent. Your generosity will make a tremendous difference as we seek to strengthen our ministry and follow where God is leading us in 2023!





UPCOMING!

55+

**Monday, January 9th
12PM (noon)**

**Mo's Irish Pub
138 Vintage Park Blvd**

For more information contact Colette at
cedwards@kinsmenlutheran.org

January Birthdays

Dennis Ivey	01/02	Ben Sachnik	01/10	Susan Sachnik	01/16	Garrett Ray	01/24
Michael Nott	01/03	Josephine Lyons	01/10	Amy Woods	01/17	McKenzie Miller	01/24
Caymann Johnston	01/04	Christine Heggeseth	01/12	Leigh Hahn	01/17	Sin-Ming Flora Lee	01/25
Ryan Kobmann	01/04	Jack Howard	01/12	Patrick Covington	01/17	Mark Rodenhauser	01/25
Veronica Mosqueda	01/05	Irene P. Baasen	01/12	Julie Pate	01/18	Karen L Schulze	01/26
Jeneisa Davis	01/05	James Hock	01/12	Julie Peltier	01/18	Sue Junker	01/27
Cynthia Reiss-Riley	01/05	Keith Cook	01/12	Randall Morgan	01/18	Barton Garlin	01/28
Dani Hakala	01/06	Daniel Holsberg	01/12	Anna Keeling	01/20	Terry Richter	01/28
Christopher Turner	01/06	Darlene Boggs	01/13	Liz Fidler	01/20	Deborah Watkins	01/28
Jessica Hudson	01/07	Grace Mielke	01/13	Alex Fidler	01/20	Kimberly Ford	01/29
Joel Lockhart	01/07	Amelia Craig	01/13	Karen Miller	01/21	Jenalie Lowe	01/29
Charlie McMahan	01/08	Eva Gerber	01/14	Tanya Klages	01/21	Mitchell Rall	01/29
Jackie Kloppenburg	01/08	Ann Simpson	01/14	Andrew Reder	01/22	Jennifer Kaurich	01/30
W Gary Mullinix	01/08	Jefferson Lockhart	01/14	Rex Schraeder	01/22	Christen Lowe	01/31
Anjali Yalamanchili	01/08	Linda Johanson	01/15	Max Schraeder	01/22	Sylvia Orosco	01/31
Dylan Porter	01/09	Susan Rovang	01/15	Phoenix Gwamanda	01/22	April Ruen	01/31
Carol Hart	01/10	Abigail Wietstruck	01/15	Spencer Walker	01/22		
Bob Boller	01/10	Madeline Wietstruck	01/15	Joshua Kaurich	01/23		
Bruce Novacek	01/10	Carolyn Barfield	01/15	Deanna Porter	01/24		



GLIMPSES of GRACE

KINSMEN BUDGET UPDATE - CHURCH ONLY OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS FOR November 2022

	Budget	Actual	Variance
Total Income	140,940	127,727	(16,213)
Total Expenses	142,456	151,981	(25,647)
Net			
Year-to-Date (2022)			
Total Income	1,446,021	1,492,301	46,280
Total Expenses	1,459,928	1,477,684	17,756
Net	(13,907)	14,617	28,524

GIVING UPDATE

Thankoffering	Budget	Actual	Variance
November 2022	112,240	85,691	(26,549)
Year-to-Date (2022)	1,101,421	1,042,323	(59,098)
Total Pledges	167		
Against Pledge	156		
Non-Pledged	26		
Total Households Giving	182		

Contribution Summaries for 2022

Please do not to file your federal income tax return before you receive your contribution summary from Kinsmen. A letter will be going out later this month.

Grocery Rewards Program

We encourage you to link your Randalls or Kroger reward cards to Kinsmen. Community Rewards is easy to use. The more you shop and use your rewards card, the more money Kinsmen will earn! For instance, from August to November, 36 households used their card at least once at Kroger for a total donation of \$73.63.

GLIMPSES OF SHARING GRACE CARE MINISTRY

December 2022	
Flower Deliveries	35
Prayer Shawls	2

GLIMPSES OF GRACE

November 2022	
Noisy Offering—ELCA World Hunger	1,995.15
General Mission Support	8,039.88
Designated Mission Support	381.00
KCA Scholarships	137.50
November TOTAL	10,553.53
YTD TOTAL	139,521.17

IN PERSON AND ONLINE WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

INFORMAL WORSHIP

Saturday
5:30 PM

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Sundays
8:30 AM

EDUCATIONAL HOUR

Sundays
9:45 AM

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Sundays
11:00 AM

MISA en ESPAÑOL

Domingos
12:30 PM

ESCUELA DOMINICAL

Domingos
12:30 PM

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