

# KOUNTZE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

## A CITY-WIDE CHURCH WITH A WORLD-WIDE MINISTRY

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9:00 & 11:00 AM

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST



*The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today, in the assembly, we are surrounded by "so great a cloud of witnesses." In the word and in the holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."*

## PRELUDE

## GATHERING

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(stand)

### CONFSSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Just and gracious God,

C ***we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.***

P The apostle Paul assures us: “When we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record of our sins to the cross.” Jesus says to you, ☩ “Your sins are forgiven.” Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.

C **Amen.**

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Let the Whole Creation Cry*

ELW 876

### GREETING

P The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

C ***And also with you.***

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God, Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless-ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo - ry, and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** O God,  
**C** judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## WORD

(sit)

### FIRST READING

**Jeremiah 23:23-29**

Because Jeremiah preaches the unpopular message of God's judgment, he suffers rejection. Today's reading distinguishes between the true prophet, like Jeremiah, who speaks God's word, and the false prophet who misleads the people through dreams. One is like wheat; the other like worthless straw.

**A**m I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup>Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" <sup>26</sup>How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup>They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 82 (read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>God stands to charge the divine council assembled,  
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

<sup>2</sup>***How long will you judge unjustly,  
and show favor to the wicked?***

<sup>3</sup>Save the weak and the orphan;  
defend the humble and needy;  
<sup>4</sup>***rescue the weak and the poor;  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.***

<sup>5</sup>They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness;  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

<sup>6</sup>***Now I say to you, ‘You are gods,  
and all of you children of the Most High;***

<sup>7</sup>nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,  
and fall like any prince.’ ”

<sup>8</sup>***Arise, O God, and rule the earth,  
for you shall take all nations for your own.***

## SECOND READING

**Hebrews 11:29-12:2**

The author of Hebrews presents us with rich stories of faith. In a long list of biblical heroes, we find examples of trust in God that enabled them to face the trials of life faithfully. In addition to this “cloud of witnesses,” we have Jesus, the perfect model of faithful endurance.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned.<sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days.<sup>31</sup> By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.<sup>32</sup> And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup> who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions,<sup>34</sup> quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.<sup>35</sup> Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection.<sup>36</sup> Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment.<sup>37</sup> They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—<sup>38</sup> of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.<sup>39</sup> Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised,<sup>40</sup> since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.<sup>12:1</sup> Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,<sup>2</sup> looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

(stand)

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The musical notation consists of three staves of music. The first two staves are identical, showing a melody in G clef with quarter notes and eighth notes. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia," are written below each staff. The third staff shows a continuation of the melody with the lyrics "al - le - lu - ia." A bracket covers the first two staves, and the text "Repeat alleluia" is written above the third staff.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Repeat alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-56

*Jesus delivers harsh words about the purifying and potentially divisive effects of obedience to God's call. The way of the cross often leads followers to encounter hostility and rejection, even from those they love.*

Jesus said:<sup>49</sup> “I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup> Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup> From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup> they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

<sup>54</sup> He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup> And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. <sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

P The Gospel of our Lord

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(sit)

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING (9:00 AM)

*Children (aged 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to come forward for a blessing. Then, they may either follow the teacher upstairs for an extended children's sermon (joining us again later in time for Communion) or they may return to their seat and use the Spark Bible and/or activity bags during the regular sermon.*

## SERMON

Pastor Hall

(stand)

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

ELW 517

## APOSTLES' CREED

**C** *I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response: **P** Lord, in your mercy,  
**C** *hear our prayer.*

*(In our prayers today, during a time of silence, pray for those listed below and for others according to their needs)*

**Illness:** Vera Bang, Kaye Bock, Myrna Esluer, Colleen Lenners, Edward White

**Sympathy:** To the family and friends of Dorothy Kemp

**Other Prayers:** *Those serving in the military* – Amy Dyer, Michael McNeill, Scott Meyer, Daniel Milstead, Sheldon Skovgaard, Michael Vutov and Joel Woosley

**Other Prayers:** *Those serving in mission* – Rev. Chandran Paul Martin, India; Rev. John Lunn, Tanzania; Rev. Justin Eller, Bolivia; Lindsay Mack, Mexico; Our sister congregation, the American Church in Berlin

## THE PEACE IS SHARED

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**C** *And also with you.*

# MEAL

(sit)

## THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED

We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this church possible. We encourage everyone to give. If you are visiting with us today, please do not feel obligated to participate in this portion of worship. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online or use the giving kiosk in the Fellowship Hall.



## THE TABLE IS PREPARED

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Come, Follow me," the Savior Spake

B. Gesius, Composer  
D. Busarow, Arranger  
Naomi Kirkvold, Clarinet  
Nicole Campbell, Flute

(stand)

### OFFERTORY HYMN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

P *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

### OFFERING PRAYER

P God of mercy and grace,  
C *the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(continues the Thanksgiving)

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...  
...and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

¶ *Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

¶ Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the feast.

(sit)

## HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling  
How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

ELW 631  
ELW 580

(stand)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P O God,
- C ***as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

## SENDING

### BLESSING

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and <sup>☩</sup> give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

### HYMN

*Lead On, O King Eternal!*

ELW 805

### DISMISSAL

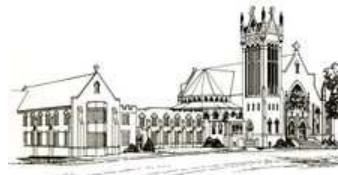
- P Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

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# KOUNTZE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 13 & 14, 2016



Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church is a congregation of the Nebraska Synod, in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), a part of the worldwide Lutheran Church body. We invite you to join us regularly for worship and for a variety of opportunities for growth and service. If you are a new resident in the community and are looking for a church home, we invite you to join this faith community. If you are new here, welcome. If you are "newly returned," we rejoice with you. If you are a member of long-standing, we celebrate your ministry and your faithfulness.

## KOUNTZE STAFF

Pastor Dean W. Bard	Interim Senior Pastor
Pastor Ashley Hall	Associate Pastor
Pastor Inba Inbarasu	Visitation Pastor
Katie Larson	Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministry
Ian Hartfield	Director of Congregational Life
Debbie Bogue	Office Manager
Ashley Ford	Administrative Assistant
John Bogue	Building Superintendent
Barbara Carlsen	Dir. of Music & Fine Arts
Danny Bos	Handbell Director
Mark Jones	Organist
David Gerard	Saturday Accompanist
Sheri Lynn Tipton	Night Security Manager
Norma Pafford	Nursery Superintendent
Joyce Palmer	Urban Ministries Coordinator

## WORSHIP + GROW + SERVE

**HOLY COMMUNION** All who are baptized and trust in Christ's



presence in Holy Communion are invited to commune at the Lord's Table today. Children not yet communing will receive a blessing. Ushers will direct you. Communion is by intinction: you will receive the Host in your hand; you may then dip the Host into the chalice. It is the understanding of the universal Church that those who wish to commune with bread only (especially for health reasons) have communed fully.

**NURSERY** is available from 9 AM—noon for children 0—2 years. Please ask an usher if you are unsure as to where our nursery is and would like to use it.

**ATTENDANCE CARDS** Please fill out the cards found in your bulletin. If you are a guest, please fill out the additional information, so we can meet your needs. Then, put the cards in the offering plates. Thanks.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND LISTENING DEVICES** are available. Please speak to an usher if you would like to have a large print bulletin or to use a listening device.

**WELCOME DESK** Our Welcome Desk in the Fellowship Hall has become a center for hospitality with volunteers on hand each Sunday to help with event information, sign-ups, payments, answering questions, etc. Be sure to check out this resource if you have questions and to stay up to date on events and activities happening at Kountze Memorial. If you'd like to volunteer to help at the Welcome Desk, please contact Ian (402-341-7761 or ian@kmlchurch.org). Ashley Ford and Sheri Tipton are also available if you need help on Sunday mornings in the church office.

**ALTAR FLOWERS & ETERNAL CANDLE** If you would like to provide altar flowers or the eternal candle in honor or memory of someone or some special event, please put your name on the flower chart in the Narthex by the drinking fountain. Altar flowers are \$20 and the eternal candle is \$7.50.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS** Are you interested in learning more about Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church? If so, consider attending the next New Member class that will take place on Sundays, September 11 & 18 from 12—2 PM. Lunch will be served, so please call the church office or respond to this e-mail to RSVP by September 4 if you would like to attend so we can plan for lunch. We look forward to hearing from you. If you have questions, please talk to one of our Pastors.

**E-NEWS AND E-NEWSLETTER** If you would like to receive our weekly e-news and monthly e-newsletter, add your e-mail address to the membership card in your bulletin or text your e-mail address to 22828.

## TODAY AT KOUNTZE

**KOUNTZE CAFÉ** Join us for a hot, breakfast buffet each Sunday served from 8-11:00 AM prepared by Chef Tim and his volunteers. The cost of breakfast is a free-will offering (please be generous so breakfast can pay for itself).

**ADULT FORUM** Join us Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall from 10:10-10:50 AM.

**THIS WEEK:** Nebraska Synod Prison Ministries **NEXT WEEK:** Introduction of The Rev. Paul Moessner, D.Min.

**YOUNG MOTHERS** Are you ready for some fresh brewed fun? Please join us in the Fellowship Lounge on Sunday mornings between worship services for "Frappy Hour." Come meet other young mothers in the congregation for coffee, conversation, fellowship and fun. For more information, contact Meeghan Hartfield at ma\_hartfield@yahoo.com or call 402-212-8145.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God in memory of Don Nippert by Marvin & Kris Olson

**ETERNAL CANDLE** is given to the glory of God in honor of Lavern Larkowski's birthday

## CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES TODAY

**HIGH SCHOOL** We meet each Sunday in the Youth Center at 10 AM.

**HANDBELL CHOIR** It's that time of year again! Time for handbell rehearsals to begin. Danny Bos would like to welcome any and all interested no matter what your skill level. Please consider giving it a try. We'll meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM beginning on 8/17. If you're interested in playing bells or have questions regarding the bell choir, please contact Danny at seahawk1984@yahoo.com . Rehearsal times may change in September.

**MEN'S LUNCHEON** Plan to join us on 8/18 at 11:30 AM. Come and meet our new Interim Associate Pastor, Paul Moessner.

**ALL CHURCH PICNIC** Sunday, 8/28, 1-4PM at Vennalyst Park Pavilion (9100 N. 31<sup>st</sup> St.) All KMLC Children, Families, Friends, and Neighbors invited! Bring the whole family and join us for free food, inflatables, a slip n slide, balloons, face painting, volleyball, music, field games, and more! There is also a playground for the kids. KMLC is providing the main dish, sides and refreshments, but we are asking folks to **bring a dessert to share** (feeds approx. 8 people). Families of all ages are invited and there is something for everyone. Please call the church office, email: info@kmlchurch.org, or visit the Welcome Desk in the Fellowship Hall to RSVP by 8/21. Volunteers are needed to help set up at 12 PM, greet and serve, lead games, and help with clean-up following the event. Please visit the Welcome Desk in Fellowship Hall to sign up to help! Thanks.

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*Run the race of faith.*



#### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passages.

Sunday	Luke 12:49-56	Jesus the cause of division
Monday	Hebrews 11:29-12:2	The example of faith
Tuesday	John 9:13-34	Pharisees divided on Jesus
Wednesday	Acts 14:1-7	Division at Iconium
Thursday	1 Corinthians 1:10-17	Paul writes about division
Friday	Hebrews 10:23-25	Persevere in the Lord
Saturday	Psalm 35	Contend, O Lord
Sunday	Luke 13:10-17	Jesus heals on the Sabbath

#### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Such a large crowd of witnesses is all around us! So we must get rid of everything that slows us down, especially the sin that just won't let go. And we must be determined to run the race that is ahead of us. **Hebrews 12:1 (CEV)**

#### SAY, PRAY, AND BLESS:

##### A Prayer for the Week:

Let us run the race of faith that is before us: Let us never give up. Amen. (Hebrews 12:1)

##### Mealtime Prayer:

Lord, with food you feed us and with love you lead us. Thank you for giving all we need for living. Amen.

##### A Blessing to Give:

May God give you a faith that keeps on going. May you keep your eyes fixed on Jesus. Amen. (Hebrews 12:1-2)

#### CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your household or small group:

- Who has been an encouragement to you in your life? How?
- Hebrews 11 lists people of faith who encourage us by the way they have trusted God. Who or what encourages you in your faith?
- How can you be an encouragement to others?

#### DEVOTIONS

In Luke 12:49-56, Jesus talks about painful divisions in families. At the heart of these divisions is our turning away from Jesus. Hebrews 12:1-2 reminds us to run the race of faith and keep our focus on Jesus, the one who makes our faith complete. As a devotional for healing of our daily divisions, draw or cut out a running shoe and write on it, "Run the race of faith, (your name), by . . . (list ways you can keep your eye on Jesus by showing kindness and mercy to others)."

#### SERVICE

The heart of service is God's call to justice and mercy for those in need (see Jesus' opening sermon in Luke 4:16-21). Summer is a particular time many families are in need of food. Give a donation or collect food items that can be used at a local food shelf.

#### RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Hebrews 12:1 encourages us to "get rid of everything that slows us down" from following Jesus. Have a service of repentance in your home. Take a stone that symbolizes things in your life that keep you from following Jesus. Pass the stone around. Each person names something silently or aloud that they would like to confess to God. When each person has had a turn, say this prayer:

**Dear Jesus, forgive us for those times when we don't follow you. Help us to fight against sin and to keep our eyes on you. Amen.**

Conclude by blessing each other using this week's blessing in Taking Faith Home.

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We just want to remind you, that for security reasons, our church building is locked. During regular office hours, you may need to ring a doorbell and let us know who you are in order to get in, depending on which door you come to. Please don't be offended, just know this is for the security of our office staff. Feel free to call the church office or Sheri Tipton (402-415-6033) to make arrangements to get in after hours.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** What does Stephen Ministry provide? Someone who cares, supports, listens, shares. **Who can benefit?** Anyone going through difficult times who needs someone to care, listen, and share God's love with them on a one-to-one confidential basis. **Want to know more?** Contact Donna Reinig — 558-6352 — or one of our pastors.

**PANTRY & CLINIC** Thank you for your financial and other support of the outreach ministries. These types of gifts are continually needed. Pantry food item suggestions: cereal, jelly/jam (16-22 oz), canned beans(16-22 oz), canned soup, syrup (24 oz), instant coffee, tea bags, white sugar (16 oz), bar soap (medium size), canned meat/fish, canned fruits & vegetables (14-15 oz). Note: no longer accepting brown paper bags.

#### THIS WEEK AT KOUNTZE

##### August 14 Sunday

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)  
10:10 AM Adult Forum  
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)  
10:10 AM Young Mothers "Frappy Hour"  
12:00 PM Book Group

##### August 15 Monday

Good News Deadline  
10:00 AM Pantry

##### August 16 Tuesday

9:00 AM Staff Meeting  
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group  
5:00 PM Building Committee  
6:00 PM Executive Committee  
7:00 PM Church Council

##### August 17 Wednesday

12:15 PM Worship  
5:00 PM Communion @ deFreese Manor  
5:30 PM KETV Management Board  
7:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal

##### August 18 Thursday

11:30 AM Men's Luncheon  
4:00 PM Healing Gift Free Clinic  
7:00 PM Circle 5

##### August 19 Friday

Wedding Rehearsal

##### August 20 Saturday

9:30 AM Women's Prayer Group  
2:00 PM Ecabert & Arrick Wedding  
5:00 PM Worship

##### August 21 Sunday

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)  
10:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks  
10:10 AM Adult Forum  
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)  
10:10 AM Young Mothers "Frappy Hour"  
12:00 PM Pantry Volunteer Appreciation Lunch

<b>Next Weekend's Lessons</b>	Isaiah 58:9b-14 Psalm 103:1-8 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17
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**Saturday Attendance:** 69

**Sunday Attendance:** 9:00: 191 11:00: 119

**Midweek - Noon:** 7

**Total:** 386

**Pantry Guests Served:** 325 (236 Adults — 89 Children)

**Medical Clinic Guests Served:** 33

**Offering:** At this time, weekly offerings are not being listed as we are in the process of finding a Financial Secretary and numbers are not ready by the time of printing this Announcement Sheet.

#### Kountze Memorial Congregational Meeting

**Sunday, August 28, 2016**  
**10:10 AM - Fellowship Hall**

For the purpose of voting for Council, Endowment, and deFreese Manor Board Members