

KOUNTZE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A CITY-WIDE CHURCH WITH A WORLD-WIDE MINISTRY

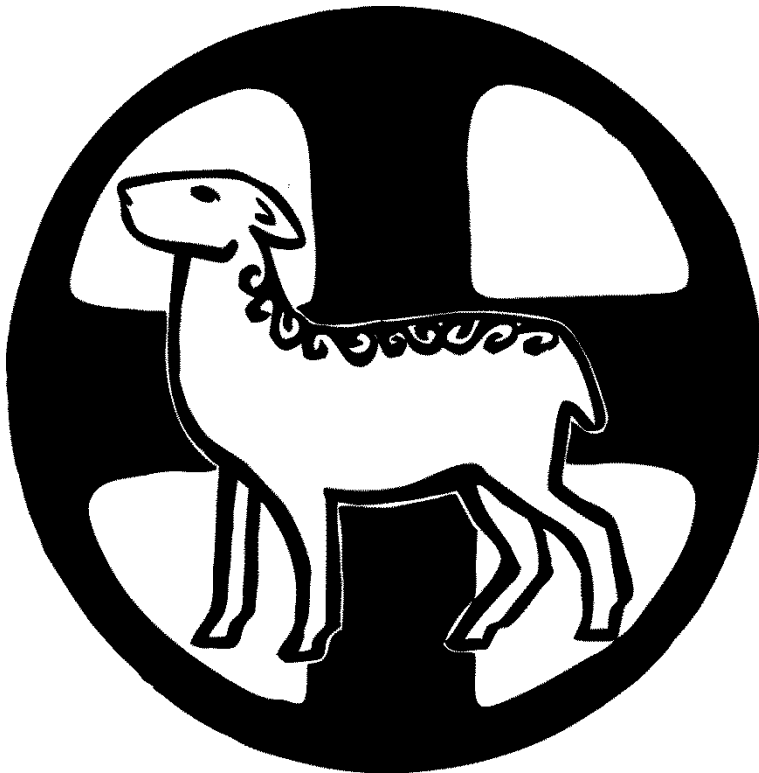
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January 15, 2017

9:00 & 11:00 AM

SECOND SUNDAY after EPIPHANY



How do people get connected to Jesus, the Christ? The Epiphany Season reveals to us God's righteous will to make the world right again. This will be done through Jesus, the Son of God. And, we get to be part of this work. But how do we connect? Today we meet several who joined with Jesus early, including Andrew and his brother, Peter. Elsewhere, we read how they "left their nets." That sounds like a rather abrupt life-style change. Today's gospel suggests they may have been on a longer quest, seeking deeper purpose for their life.

What are we experiencing in ourselves that seeks more? What do we hear from others that guides us? How is the Son of God calling us today?

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(stand)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- ☐ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

☑ **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

- ☐ Loving God,

- ☑ ***we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways.***

Forgive us for the times

we have spoken or acted too quickly;

we have not spoken or acted at all;

we have hurt those closest to us;

we have hurt those we have yet to know;

we have thought more about ourselves than others;

we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.

Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children.

Amen.

- ☐ Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of ☩ Jesus Christ our Savior.

☑ **Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

You Are God's Own People

Based on 1 Peter 2:9

A. Gerdmar

J. Lindorff, text

Kountze Youth Choir

You are God's own people,
now chosen, royal, and blest,
for God has called you out of the dark
into God's marvelous light.

Now proclaim with boldness
the mighty acts of God,
for God has called you out of the dark
into God's marvelous light.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Rise, O Sun of Righteousness

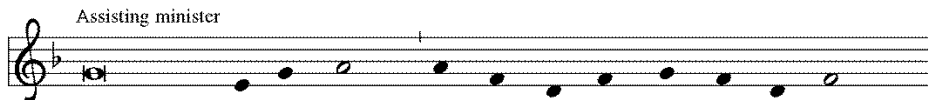
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GREETING

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

☑ ***And also with you.***

HYMN OF PRAISE



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Holy God,

☩ *our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

MUSICAL OFFERING

We Bow Down

Twila Paris
Peggy Bettcher, Arr.
Kountze Handbell Choir

WORD

(sit)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

Who is the servant? We continue the Servant Songs from the book of the prophet Isaiah. You may find the others at 42:1-9; 50:4-11; and 52:13-53:12. We can read this as applying to the ancient people of Israel, descendants of Abraham—see Genesis 12:1-3. The earliest Christ followers saw these passages pointing to Jesus. Perhaps we are also to see the purpose of the Church in these passages. The prophet announces God’s expanding expectations—“It is too light a thing...” Wherever we read of God’s expectations, we also get to hear God’s promise to supply the resources necessary to fulfill those expectations.

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother’s womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” ⁴But I said, “I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.”

⁵And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—⁶he says, “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

⁷Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, “Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

A The word of the Lord.

☩ Thanks be to God.

PSALM 40:1-11






I love to do your will, O my God, O my God.

Psalm 40:8

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- ¹I waited patiently upon the Lord,
who stooped to me and heard my cry.
- ²The Lord lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay,
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.
- ³The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.
- ⁴Happy are they who trust in the Lord!
They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies. 
- ⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God! In your plans for us, none can be
compared with you!
Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.
- ⁶Sacrifice and offering you do not desire;
you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required. 
- ⁷And so I said, “Here I am; I come.
In the scroll of the book it is written of me:
- ⁸‘I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep within me.’”
- ⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;
I have not restrained my lips, O Lord, you know.
- ¹⁰I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness
and your deliverance;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.
- ¹¹You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;
may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe. 

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

The ancient seaport of Corinth housed people from many ethnic, religious, and economic backgrounds. Saint Paul established First Church Corinth, drawing from these very diverse groups. Life together was not easy, however. In this letter, the Apostle will address many issues. From the very start he invites those early Christ-followers—and us—to remember: We are called by God’s grace and given every necessary gift/resource, so that our labor for Christ’s sake is not in vain (15:58).

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A The word of the Lord.

G *Thanks be to God.*

(stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

G *Glory to you, O Lord.*

GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

Last week we saw Jesus’ baptism and heard the voice proclaiming who he is. Today, we hear testimony about that event. John (the Baptizer) pointed to someone else. Andrew goes to find another. What does this suggest about a spiritual quest?

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.”³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus

walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!"³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?"³⁹ He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed).⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

☐ The Gospel of our Lord

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(sit)

CHILDREN'S BLESSING (9:00 AM)

Children (aged 3 years through 5th 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 Moessner

(stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word

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APOSTLES' CREED

☑ ***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,
G *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: Dorothy Cross, Edie Goodwin, Dee Hiatt, Dee Luchsinger, LeClare Steffen, Darlene White

Sympathy: To the family and friends of Patsy Chrisman

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

Other Prayers: *Those serving in mission* – Rev. Chandran Paul Martin, India; Dr. Stephen & Jodi Swanson, Tanzania; Krystle Moraska & Ignacio Madrussan, Argentina; Lindsay Mack, Mexico; Justin Perkins (Young Adults in Global Mission), Argentina/Uruguay; Our sister congregation, the American Church in Berlin

THE PEACE IS SHARED

P The peace of Christ be with you always.
G *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

Lamb of God

Twila Paris
Lloyd Larson, Arr.

(stand)

OFFERTORY HYMN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

- ☐ **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

- ☐ Merciful God,
☑ **receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

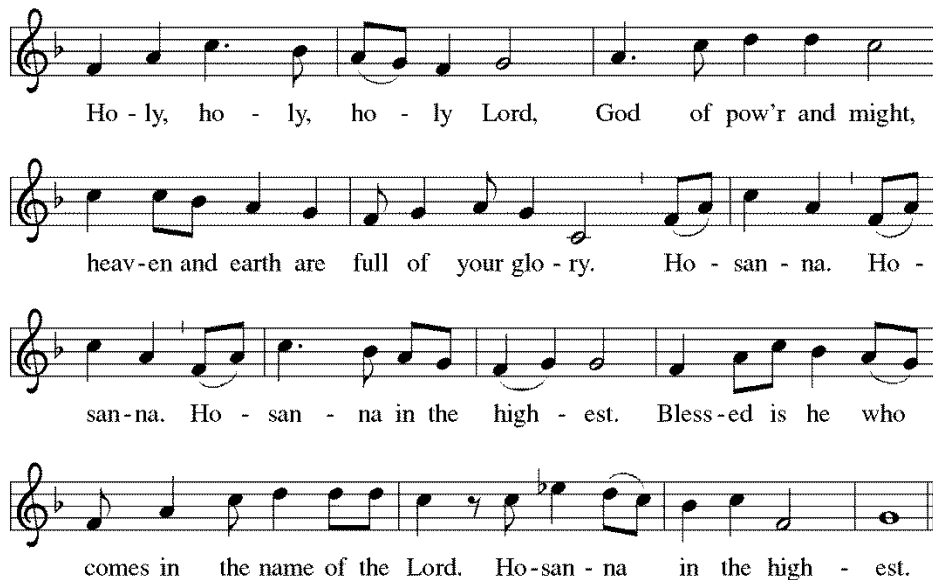
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(The Thanksgiving continues)

- ☐ 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'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

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

- ☐ We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life.
☐ **Amen.**

(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.

*This Little Light of Mine
Blest Are They*

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(stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- ☐ O Morning Star, fair and bright,
- ☑ ***you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now—today, tomorrow, every day—that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever. Amen.***

SENDING

BLESSING

☞ The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

☞ **Amen.**

HYMN

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

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DISMISSAL

☞ Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

☩ ☩ ☩

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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.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

SUNDAY, 9:00 AM

Comm. Asst. Lorie Groenjes

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Ushers	Joe Councill
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	Janice Falk
	John Georgeson
	Jeff Perkins
	Jeff Senn
	Fred Wachal
	David Forrest
Greeters	Darlene Anderson
	Lennea Davis
	Carol Hyland
	Lori Senn
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Acolytes	Clara Kidder
	Anna Kidder

SUNDAY, 11:00 AM

Comm. Asst.	Deb Hinrichs
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Lector	Bruce Nissen
Ushers	Dudley Syre
	Adam Klinker
	Linda Hoagland
	David Jesberg
Greeters	Peggy Johnson
	Myrna Carter
Crucifer	Lily O'Kane
Acolytes	Anna Kotula
	Kolbey Burns

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.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP We believe that all are welcome in worship and encourage families to worship together. Quiet activity bags and children's bibles and bulletins are available. We also provide a Quiet Room, just off the west side of the main sanctuary, that includes a variety of toys, games, and books for young children. Parents may watch the service via the TV screen.

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). Amanda Zasada 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? Or do you know someone who has expressed an interest in learning more? If so, please let us know on the registration card in your bulletin and we'll let you know when the next class will take place. The next class will be held on February 12 & 19 from 12—2 PM. Please plan to attend both sessions. Lunch will be served. If you have questions, please talk to one of our Pastors. We look forward to hearing from you.

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 card in your bulletin or text your e-mail address to 22828.

TODAY AT KOUNTZE

KOUNTZE CAFÉ Join us on Sundays for a hot, breakfast buffet served from 8-11:00 AM prepared by Chef Tim and his volunteers. The suggested donation for breakfast is, \$5 adults, \$2.50 children 12 and younger.

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

THIS WEEK: Deacons in Christianity **NEXT WEEK:** Deacons in Lutheranism

YOUNG MOTHERS Join us on Sunday mornings for some fresh brewed fun in the Fellowship Lounge 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.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS Trained volunteers provide blood pressure checks free of charge to parishioners this Sunday in the Fellowship Lounge from 10—11 AM. Blood pressure checks are on the 1st Saturday and 3rd Sunday of each month.

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES TODAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL Join us each Sunday for Sunday School on the 2nd floor for children 2 years—8th grade. Preschool 1 (2-4 yrs) meets from 9—10 AM (child care for those too old for the nursery). Sunday School (2 yrs—8th grade) is held from 10:10—10:50 AM.

HIGH SCHOOL FORUM Join us each Sunday week in the Youth Center at 10 AM.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in honor of Pauline Brager's 98th birthday from her loving family.

KMLC MEN'S LUNCHEON Thursday, 1/19, 11:30 AM at Kountze Memorial. Cost: \$10. All Men of KMLC are invited. Please RSVP to the church office (402-341-7761) or to Ian Hartfield (ian@kmlchurch.org) by Wednesday, 1/18. This Month we'll welcome KMLC member Justin Perkins via Skype. Justin is serving in the ELCA's Young Adults in Global

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Congregational Meeting
Sunday
January 29, 2017
10:10 AM
Fellowship Hall



Next Sunday, 1/22, following each service (10:10 AM & 12:10 PM) there will be a budget preview meeting held in the Lounge.

Faith is formed through relationships.



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.

Table with 3 columns: Day, Bible Reference, and Reading Title. Rows include Sunday through Saturday.

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Jesus replied, "Come and see!" It was already about four o'clock in the afternoon when they went with him and saw where he lived. So they stayed on for the rest of the day. John 1:39 (CEV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lamb of God, thank you for reaching out to us through others and inviting us to come and see you. Amen.

Mealttime Prayer:

Dear God, thank you for giving us this food, a sign of the many wonderful things you have done for us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May you be led to see and know Jesus. May God our

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your household or small group:

- What does it mean to you when someone invites you to their home?
• Jesus invited two people to see where he was living. What would it be like to be invited by Jesus to his home?
• When Andrew heard that Jesus was the Messiah, the first thing he did was search for his brother Simon and bring him to meet Jesus (John 1:40-42). In what ways do you help others meet Jesus?

DEVOTIONS

John the Baptist refers to Jesus as the Lamb of God twice in John 1. That message is so important to the church that Christians around the world sing these words every Sunday during Holy Communion. Sing or pray that part of the liturgy called the agnus dei, Lamb of God. Identify ways that you have seen or experienced Jesus, the one who takes away the sin of the world. After each experience is named, say aloud these words.

Say: Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Conclude by praying the Lord's Prayer.

SERVICE

In John 1, we hear that John the Baptist pointed two of his disciples to Jesus. They followed Jesus and spent the day with him. Andrew, in turn, introduced his brother, Simon Peter, to Jesus. Invite someone to have a meal with you and use some portion of Taking Faith Home as a way to experience and see Jesus, the Lamb of God, in your relationship.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Mealtimes offer wonderful opportunities for sharing, connection, hospitality, and value formation, but these things do not come automatically. Consider these steps to make the most of your home hospitality.

- When you eat, turn off the television and other forms of media.
• Try not to worry about accidental messes. Focus on the bigger picture, time together with another person.
• Avoid using the time to raise issues or being critical. Encourage affirmation, sharing of news and ideas, and other positive communication.
• At mealtime, light a candle and say a table grace.

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Mission (YAGM) program in Argentina and Uruguay. He will be with us to share about his wonderful and unique experiences serving in another country.

KMLC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE Deadline to apply is March 1.

Applications received after this date will not be accepted. The KMLC Scholarship Program makes scholarship funds available to any eligible college-bound student member. Active members of Kountze Memorial planning or continuing to attend ANY college, university or seminary may submit an application. Additional eligibility requirements are noted on the application. Applications can be picked up in the Youth Center, Church Office, or downloaded at www.kmlchurch.org. Please note: Scholarships are not automatically renewable, and recipients must re-apply each year. Funds are sent directly to respective institutions. Submit your applications, along with supporting documentation, by mail to: KMLC, Attn Scholarship Committee, 2650 Farnam St., Omaha NE 68131, deliver in person to the church office, or by fax at 402-341-4841, or e-mail to ian@kmlchurch.org. If you have any questions, contact Ian Hartfield in the church office at 402-341-7761.

KOUNTZE PANTRY NEEDS We continue to need: beef stew, canned chicken, Spam, spaghetti/pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, oatmeal, and canned fruit. Your time and monetary offerings are always welcome as well. Please talk to JP if you have questions. Thanks.

THIS WEEK AT KOUNTZE

Sunday January 15

- Good News Deadline
7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
8:00 AM MS/HS Choir Rehearsal
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 Moms "Frappy Hour"
10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8th gr)
9:00 PM LCM Worship @ CU (Halley Chapel)

Monday January 16

Martin Luther King Day
OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday January 17

- 9:00 AM Staff Meeting
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group
5:00 PM Building Committee
5:30 PM Executive Committee
6:30 PM Church Council

Wednesday January 18

- 12:15 PM Worship
5:00 PM Communion @ deFreese Manor
5:30 PM KETV Management Board
5:45 PM MS/HS Choir Rehearsal
6:00 PM Dinner
6:45 PM Confirmation
7:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal
7:30 PM Closing Worship

Thursday January 19

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

Saturday January 21

- 9:30 AM Women's Prayer Group
5:00 PM Worship

Sunday January 22

- 7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
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 Annual Meeting Preview
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)
10:10 AM Young Moms "Frappy Hour"
12:00 PM Stephen Ministry
12:00 PM Annual Meeting Preview
7:00 PM MS & HS Girl's Bible Study
9:00 PM LCM Worship @ CU (Halley Chapel)

Table with 2 columns: Next Weekend's Lessons and Bible References (Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1, 4-9, 1 Corinthians 1:10-18, Matthew 4:12-23)

Saturday Attendance: 47
Sunday Attendance: 9:00: 239 11:00: 108
Midweek - Noon: 14 Evening: 31
Total: 439
Pantry Guests Served: 342
Medical Clinic Guests Served: 46
Offering:
\$33,011.20 (Regular) \$5,908.00 (Specials)
\$53,397.61 (In the City for Good)