



# KOUNTZE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

# GOOD NEWS

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## Practice



Ask any basketball player if s/he has a free-throw routine. If you then give the player the ball and watch you will see that s/he will come up to the line, perhaps dribble the ball three times, bend his/her knees and shoot. If s/he were to do it again, s/he would go through the same procedure.

Now ask, "how did you do that the same way the second time?" You know the answer: **practice**. But why do it the same way each time s/he stepped to the foul line? Answer: going through the same motions made it more likely that s/he would score. S/he did it the same way **because it worked**.

Now think of worship. When you come to communion you pretty much do it the same way each time. Just before communion we join in the Lord's Prayer. Why is it that we know that prayer so well? Practice.

Think about the practices that our faith community repeats week after week to praise God and prepare ourselves for encountering God. Worship is the place where we predictably encounter God. Like foul-shooting, we worship the way we do because it works. The Saturday evening/Sunday morning worship is a pattern of praise and encounter that the Christian community has been practicing for a very long time. God has promised to meet us in worship, and God keeps his word!

Some of our worship "practices" are better than others. Sometimes we put more of ourselves into it than at other times. This is true whether you are a pastor or a parishioner!

Worship is a regular encounter with God. We do not worship because we believe. We believe because God is regularly met in the act of communal worship and speaks to us. God has promised to be there with us always.

Can you encounter God outside of worship? Certainly. But in worship, God is present for you ... giving you his love, his forgiveness, the strength to go and serve God in your daily lives.

*I was glad when they said unto me,  
Let us go into the house of the LORD.*

Psalm 122:1

A simple reminder: practice is held each Saturday, 5:00 PM; Sunday, 9:00 AM, and 11:00 AM. See you there.

*Pastor Olaf Roynesdal*

*I was glad when they said unto me,  
Let us go into the house of the LORD.*

*Psalm 122:1*

# WORSHIP *with us...*

## Worship Times

Holy Communion is offered weekly at all three weekend liturgies which use resources from Evangelical Lutheran Worship:

Saturdays at 5:00 PM; Sundays at 9:00 and 11:00 AM:

The 9:00 AM liturgy is broadcast on Cox Cable Channel 13 and is also live-streamed on our website ([www.kmlchurch.org](http://www.kmlchurch.org)). The Sunday bulletin is also available on our website.

Nursery care is provided on Sunday mornings.

A brief, spoken Eucharist is offered on Wednesdays from 12:15 - 12:45 PM in the Rotunda.



Photo by Jake Madison

## Worship with us on TV or via Internet Livestream



Our 9:00 AM worship service is broadcast live on television every Sunday on Cox Channel 13. You can now also livestream the service right from your computer on our

church website. Go to [www.kmlchurch.org](http://www.kmlchurch.org) and click on the Livestreaming link on the Worship Tab. We encourage you to worship with us via television or Internet as you are able.

## Children in Worship

We believe that all are welcome in worship and encourage families to worship together. Quiet activity

bags, children's bibles, and bulletins are available. We also have a Quiet Room, just off the west side of the main sanctuary, that includes a TV and a variety of toys, games, and books for young children.



## Altar Flowers and Eternal Candle

Altar Flowers are provided by Janousek Florist and cost \$20 a bouquet. The Eternal Candle is \$7.50.

You can help us beautify the altar at Kountze by donating altar flowers or the eternal candle. Donating altar flowers is a simple and meaningful way to honor a loved one who has passed away, celebrate a special anniversary or milestone, or can be given in thanksgiving for friends or family. Their names will appear in the church bulletin on the weekend you select.

The Altar Flower and Eternal Candle sign-up is located in the Narthex, just before you enter the Sanctuary.



## Church Broadcasts

You can sponsor a broadcast in memory of loved ones, in honor of someone's birthday or anniversary, etc. The cost of sponsoring one broadcast is currently \$175).

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# GROW with us...



Join us Sunday Mornings in the Fellowship Hall  
10:10 - 10:50 AM

- September 1:** No Forum (Labor Day)
- September 8:** Recap of ELCA Churchwide Assembly
- September 15:** Update on Campus Ministry at Creighton
- September 22:** No Forum (Baptism Seminar)
- September 29:** Congregational Dedication of Weber Clinic



**New Member Class**  
Sundays, September 29 & October 6  
12:15 - 2:00 PM

If you are interested in joining our congregation or would just like more information about Kountze Memorial, we encourage you to join us. Please plan to attend both sessions. Lunch will be served and childcare is provided.

You may indicate your attendance plans on your attendance card or call the church office. Let us know if you will need childcare when you register (402-341-7761). New members will be received on October 13.

**Baptism Seminar**  
Sunday, September 22  
10:10 AM

Please join us if you are interested in having your child baptized and have not been through a Baptism Seminar before. We will meet in the Nave.

The purpose of the seminar is to introduce parents to the theology of baptism, walk through the baptismal liturgy, discuss scheduling for the baptism, and address any questions the parents might have. Please call the church office to register (402-341-7761).



**First Communion Class**  
Sundays, October 6 & 13  
12:15 - 2:00 PM



Kristin Boe and Pr. Hall will offer a First Communion Class. We will meet in the Nave and also use the Rotunda. The curriculum will be "Fed & Forgiven." All ages are welcome; the course is geared toward second graders. Please call the church office to register.



Saturday, October 19  
CPR, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
Light lunch "Food by Jim" in the link, 12:00 - 12:45 PM  
First Aid Training 12:45 - 4:15 PM

All Ushers and Sunday School teachers are encouraged to attend the training and the Church will take care of the registration fee which covers the training materials and certificates.

All other members of the congregation are invited to take part in the class as well for a small fee of \$20.00. If you attended the CPR training last year, you can attend the first aid training free of charge.

Training will take place lower level of the Kountze Commons. Please RSVP to the Church office or you can email [jim@kmlchurch.org](mailto:jim@kmlchurch.org) to reserve your spot.

*come grow with us!*

# SERVE with us...

## Help Wanted: People Who Sing!

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
and to sing praises to Your name, O Most High."

—Psalm 92:1



Come and join our amazing group of musicians who sing praise to God and have fun together. The Adult Choir will have its first rehearsal on Wednesday, September 4 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. The choir will return to the worship service on Sunday, September 8. If you are interested in being a part of this important way of worshiping, we would be very glad to welcome you. Past singing experience in high school or college is recommended. The director, Barb Carlsen, would like to hear you sing before joining the choir just to make sure that this group will blend with your type of voice. If you want more information about choir or would like to reserve a time to sing for Barb Carlsen, please call the church office at 402-341-7761.



**Wednesday, September 11  
9 AM - ???**

Our sewing group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 9:00 AM until 2:00 PMish or however

long you can stay. The group sews quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Even if you can't sew, you can still help. The quilts are not quilted but are tied, so if you can tie a knot, you can help! Bring a sack lunch and join the ladies for fun, fellowship, and service.



**Tuesday, September 17  
1:00 PM**

This group meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month to knit or crochet prayer shawls. The Prayer Shawl Ministry is a world-wide group of people in

churches of all denominations that make prayer shawls. These shawls are distributed to people who need the comfort of God's love and to give the recipient a tangible example of God's love and care. If you knit or crochet, please feel free to join the group in their ministry.

## Creighton Campus Ministry Update



The Office of Campus Ministry at Creighton University will soon announce a position for a part-time campus minister for Protestant ministry. The University has seen the value and the need to provide a communal

and liturgical space on campus for mainline Protestant students. This means that Protestant campus ministry at Creighton will be further integrated in the structures, resources, and events on campus. Pr. Hall will serve in an advisory capacity as this person is hired and, perhaps, continue to serve on an advisory board for what may develop.

Thank you for your support over the years as we built this ministry and we ask for your continued prayers as this ministry takes the next steps in its development.



# CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY...

## Look What's Coming Up!

### Join us for Sunday School!



Children ages 6 weeks up to 2 years of age are in the Kountze Nursery. The nursery is open from 8:45 AM to noon.

Children ages 2 to 5 can play upstairs in the pre-school room during the 9:00 AM service. From 10:00 until 10:50 AM, the kids sing and have a lesson with their pre-school leaders.

Students in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the Joyful Sounds studio after the 9:00 AM service. They will receive a lesson and have time to explore the meaning of the lesson through art, building, role-play, and more.

Grades 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> meet in the Junior High room at the conclusion of the 9:00 AM service.

We look forward to an educating and exciting Sunday School year with you! If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer your leadership, please contact Kristin Boe at [kristin@kmlchurch.org](mailto:kristin@kmlchurch.org).

### Sunday School Volunteers Needed!



As the Director of Children's Ministries, I deeply appreciate all who have considered how to help the children of Kountze, whether through teaching, organizing events, or offering to volunteer with our Sunday school classes. The children of Kountze are a valuable part of our congregation; they are the future.

The children of Kountze are in need of your leadership, enthusiasm, and time. We are looking for volunteers in the pre-school room on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month, between 9:00 and 10:50 AM.

Sunday School leaders are also needed. We are looking for a commitment of one Sunday each month for the school year. The lessons are scripted and all the materials are provided ahead of time. Sunday School is from 10:10 to 10:50 AM.

Thank you for considering giving your time to the children of Kountze. No matter what your experience or expertise, we have a spot for you! To join our program, please contact Kristin Boe at [kristin@kmlchurch.org](mailto:kristin@kmlchurch.org).



### Sunday, September 8

This Sunday is a day to reflect on how we can better serve our community and neighbors. To do so, we will be cleaning a stretch of the Keystone Trail through Keep Omaha Beautiful. Bring a picnic lunch for you and your family to Stinson Park, 67<sup>th</sup> and Center, between 12:00 and 1:00 PM. We will do trail clean up at 2:00 PM. Bags, gloves, and trash grabbers are provided.

See Page 8 for Future Fun Events!

# NEWS & Notes...



July 16, 2019

Minutes of the June meeting approved.

Financial report given by Mr. Rick Kolkman and approved by Council. Motion unanimously approved to authorize Mr. Kolkman to switch Kountze credit card account(s) from US Bank to First National Bank. Motion unanimously approved to close the current scholarship account at Schwab. Motion unanimously approved to open a corporate account at Schwab for the scholarship account and another corporate account at Schwab for the Christian education money.

Staff reports given and approved by Council.

Committee reports given and approved by Council.

Ceiling and false beam repair is ongoing. Ronco currently under budget. Stained glass window repairs have been pushed back until spring 2020 because of measurement difficulties. Ongoing issues with water along kitchen foundation wall when it rains. Still working with contractor to resolve the issue. Sincere thank you to Paul Sum for his continued dedication as our construction advocate.

Board reports given and approved by Council. KETV Board is working with Kiewit to address drainage along kitchen foundation wall. Artwork being installed in the link and clinic.

Old Business. Call committee has completed mock interview, waiting for applications from the Synod. Future Council Retreat date dependent upon Kountze strategic plan. Nominations sought for open council seats and tabled until August Council meeting.

## Kountze Commons Mortgage Update

Loan Balance, 8/1/19 .....	\$3,138,591.82
Principal Payment 8/4/2019 .....	\$18,323.59
Balance, 9/1/19.....	\$3,120,268.23

## Finances: July, 2019

	<i>July</i>	<i>Year-to-Date</i>
<b>Total General Fund</b>		
<b>Income:</b>	\$ 59,908	\$ 599,570
<b>Expenses:</b>		
NE Synod Mission Support	\$ 0	\$ 15,000
Christian Education:	\$ 559	\$ 4,862
Facility Costs:	\$ 6,106	\$ 112,191
Staff Compensation:	\$ 43,613	\$ 330,614
Worship & Music:	\$ 143	\$ 18,442
Youth:	\$ 0	\$ 9,192
Outreach:	\$ 0	\$ 9,816
Parish Life:	\$ 2,405	\$ 18,698
Office & Administration:	\$ 4,970	\$ 34,667
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Total Expenses:	\$ 57,796	\$ 553,482

THANK YOU for your generosity. Please continue to be faithful in your financial support of our ministry!

## Food Pantry Report

(1/1/19 - 7/31/19)

**Balance, 1/1/19**      \$ 29,761

### Income:

Donations:              \$ 15,281

Memorials              \$ 3,370

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\$ 18,651

### Expenses:

Aldi                      \$ 17,063

Dollar Tree            \$ 389

Food Bank              \$ 14,288

Other                    \$ 1,313

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\$ 33,053

Balance, 7/31/19      \$ 15,359

The Food Pantry relies on your financial donations! Please be alert to the weekly needs of this important ministry!



## Middle School Retreat, October 11-13, 2019 Carol Joy Holling Camp

*"Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another." – 1 John 4:11*

Kountze Middle Schoolers (Grades 6-8) are invited to a **Middle School Retreat** at Carol Joy Holling Camp from Friday-Sunday, October 11-13! Come and join us as we dive into this past summer's theme, "Chain Reaction." This retreat will serve as a good reminder to campers who attended camp about the things they learned during their time there and how they can continue to implement those lessons into their lives. For campers who may not have been able to attend camp, this retreat will serve as a way for them to experience camp and what we learned this summer in a condensed and meaningful way.

Along with the lessons we will learn about God's love and the chain reaction it causes, we will also experience some favorite camp activities, God's creation, and of course, fellowship! See the tentative schedule below for some examples of activities that your camper will get to participate in.

### (Tentative Schedule)

#### Friday, October 11

7:00 PM Check-In  
7:30 PM Village Time and Snack  
8:00 PM Camp Challenge  
9:00 PM Night Geocaching  
10:00 PM Worship  
10:30 PM Devotional

1:30 PM Rotations including High Ropes, Boating, & Human Foosball  
5:30 PM Dinner  
6:30 PM Bible Study  
8:00 PM Witness Event  
9:00 PM S'moresgasbord Campfire  
10:00 PM Worship  
10:30 PM Devotional

#### Saturday, October 12

7:30 AM Breakfast  
8:00 AM First Word  
8:30 AM Rotations including Creative Arts, Gaga Ball, & Archery  
11:00 AM Hike and Witness Event Planning  
12:00 PM Cookout Lunch

#### Sunday, October 13

9:00 AM First Word  
9:30 AM Breakfast Cookout  
10:30 AM Bible Study  
11:00 AM Closing Worship  
11:30 AM Big Group Games  
12:00 PM Departure

Cost: \$40 per camper. This cost includes lodging, meals and programming on Friday through Sunday. If you are interested in attending please speak with Pastor Olaf or Marcia Roynesdal.

## Confirmation News

An orientation for new confirmation students and their parents will be held on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30 PM. A letter will be sent to those students we know should be beginning class. An RSVP is requested.



Regular Confirmation Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 18; supper at 6:00, class from 6:30-7:30 PM, and worship at 7:30 PM. Pastor Olaf Roynesdal will be teaching the class.

Sunday Confirmation School meets with Marcia Roynesdal from 10:10-10:50 AM.

## Yesterday's Youth, August 6, 2019

We had a lovely afternoon, enjoying the musical talent of Nicole Campbell. Nicole's mom, Janet, accompanied her on the piano.



Join us for a KMLC Cookout!

Save the Dates



Bellevue Berry

Farm

11001 South 48th Street

Papillon

October 20

2:00 - 6:00 PM

# Bible Sunday Sunday, October 20 9:00 Worship Service

Bibles will be presented to children who are 2 and 4 years old, and to children in grades 1, 3, 5, and 7.



You won't want to miss this!

Join us!



HAPPY FRIENDSGIVING

KOUNTZE MEMORIAL THANKSGIVING POTLUCK



November 15, 6:00 PM  
Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church



## If You are Hospitalized...



If you or someone you know is ill, hospitalized, or would like a pastoral visit, please be sure to let the church office know, at 402-341-7761 or e-mail [info@kmlchurch.org](mailto:info@kmlchurch.org). The pastors, eucharistic ministers, or altar guild (flower deliveries) would be more than happy to call on you at any time. Thank you.

## Help Deliver Altar Flowers to the Sick & Homebound

After the 11:00 AM service on Sundays, donated altar flower bouquets are taken to hospitalized members, nursing homes or care



centers. This is a great way to brighten someone's day and to grow friendships! Typically, the time commitment is only three Sundays a year.

Contact the church office at 402-341-7761 or via email at [info@kmlchurch.org](mailto:info@kmlchurch.org) if you are interested in volunteering.

## Blood Pressure Checks

Saturday, September 7  
4:30-5:00 PM  
Bride's Room near Sanctuary

Sunday, September 15  
10:00-11:00 AM  
Fellowship Lounge



Trained volunteers provide blood pressure checks free of charge on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month.

## Yesterday's Youth

It is unfortunate that we must cancel our plans for our Camp Carol Joy Holling outing. We did not have enough people sign up. If you paid money for this event, please stop into the church office, during weekday office hours, or from 10:00-11:00 AM on Sunday morning, and your money will be refunded to you. There will be NO Yesterday's Youth for the month of September. Please join us in October. Thank you!

If you have any questions, please call Sheri Tipton (402-415-6033).



## Kountze Women of the ELCA (W-ELCA)

- Welca Board Meeting on September 12 at 9:30 AM
- Our offerings will be monetary for mailing quilts, health and school kits to Lutheran World Relief, and also for supplies for the Health and School Kits
- We are in need of apple boxes to pack quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Anyone can bring these to church.
- Omaha Lutheran Women Luncheon will be Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church 6201 North 60<sup>th</sup> Street Omaha, NE 68104

If you have questions, please contact Linda Johnson (h) 402-734-0886 (c) 402-699-4473.



## KMLC Men's Luncheon

Thursday, September 19, 11:30 AM (Please RSVP by September 17)  
At Kountze Memorial

The Kountze Men's Luncheon is held the third Thursday of every month at 11:30 AM. Watch the bulletin and Wednesday e-news for info on the speaker for the day. Suggested donation for lunch is \$10.00.

## Book Group

Sunday, September 8, 12:00 PM

"Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine" by Gail Honeyman



Smart, warm, uplifting, this is the story of an out of the ordinary heroine whose deadpan weirdness and unconscious wit make for an irresistible journey as she realizes the only way to survive is to open your heart. She becomes enamored of a singer she sees performing named Johnnie Lamont who she believes she is destined to be with. Join us on September 8 at noon for a discussion of this book.



Words cannot express my gratitude for the support and love my church family and friends have shown me through Ralph's cancer fight. I am overwhelmed with the love shown for Ralph, myself, and our family. Ralph fought the good fight and he truly won! I thank God for each and every prayer sent our way and ask for continued prayer for myself and my family as we begin our new journey without him. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for your support during this difficult time.

In Christian Love,  
Janet Diggins and Family

# Calendar...



## September 1 Sunday

Homebound Communion  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)

## September 2 Monday

Labor Day  
OFFICE CLOSED

## September 3 Tuesday

9:00 AM Staff Meeting  
No Yesterday's Youth- see pg. 9

## September 4 Wednesday

12:15 PM Worship  
7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

## September 5 Thursday

4:00 PM Healing Gift Free Clinic

## September 7 Saturday

4:30 PM Blood Pressure Checks  
5:00 PM Worship

## September 8 Sunday

7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)  
9:00 AM Joyful Sounds Children's  
Choir (gr K-6)  
10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8<sup>th</sup> gr)  
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)  
10:10 AM Adult Forum  
12:00 PM Book Group  
12:00 PM God's Work. Our Hands.

## September 9 Monday

10:00 AM Pantry

## September 10 Tuesday

9:00 AM Staff Meeting  
11:00 AM Devotions @ deFreese  
Manor

## September 11 Wednesday

9:00 AM Sewing Group  
12:15 PM Worship  
6:30 PM Confirmation Orientation

## September 12 Thursday

Council Reports Due  
9:30 AM WELCA Board Meeting  
11:30 AM Property Committee  
Meeting  
4:00 PM Healing Gift Free Clinic

## September 14 Saturday

5:00 PM Worship

## September 15 Sunday

Good News Deadline  
7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)  
9:00 AM Joyful Sounds Children's  
Choir (gr K-6)  
10:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks  
10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8<sup>th</sup> gr)  
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)  
10:10 AM Adult Forum  
10:30 AM Executive Committee

## September 16 Monday

10:00 AM Pantry

## September 17 Tuesday

9:00 AM Staff Meeting  
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group  
6:00 PM Congregation Council

## September 18 Wednesday

12:15 PM Worship  
6:00 PM Confirmation Supper  
6:30 PM Confirmation Class  
7:30 PM Worship

## September 19 Thursday

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

## September 21 Saturday

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

## September 22 Sunday

7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM & 11 AM Worship

9:00 Acceptance of New  
Confirmands

9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)

9:00 AM Joyful Sounds Children's  
Choir (gr K-6)

10:10 AM Baptism Seminar

10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8<sup>th</sup> gr)

10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)

No Adult Forum

12:00 PM KMLC Church Picnic

12:00 PM Stephen Ministry

## September 23 Monday

10:00 AM Pantry

## September 24 Tuesday

9:00 AM Staff Meeting  
4:30 PM KETV Board Meeting  
7:00 PM Circle 3

## September 25 Wednesday

12:15 PM Worship  
6:00 PM Confirmation Supper  
6:30 PM Confirmation Class  
7:30 PM Worship

## September 26 Thursday

1:30 PM Circle 4  
4:00 PM Healing Gift Free Clinic

## September 28 Saturday

5:00 PM Worship

## September 29 Sunday

7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Continental  
Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)  
9:00 AM Joyful Sounds Children's  
Choir (gr K-6)  
10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8<sup>th</sup> gr)  
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)  
10:10 AM Dedication of Weber  
Clinic

12:00 PM New Member Class

## September 30 Monday

10:00 AM Pantry

## Pastoral Acts

(July 16 – August 15)

### Funerals:

Ralph J. Diggins, July 17, 2019

William A. Christensen, August 3, 2019



1. Xander Gibson, Katie Rohmeyer, Gwen Siebler
2. Jordan Burt, Jason Headley, Linda Heedum, Matthew Szymczak
3. Janice Brady, Julie Huff, Terrie Larkowski, Jacob Martens, Lynn Meyer
4. Dylan Allner, Dorothy Sum, Rhonda Wachholtz
5. Jason Badura, Kristin Bieber, Beth Burton, Mark Martens, Nick Pignatore, Donovan Thorell
6. Krista Hill
7. Joel Brown, Alice Pickinpaugh, Holly Schmidt, Ardes Weedman
8. Allysa Anderson, Betty Bass, Susan O'Connor
9. Laura Granneman, Janice Hansen, Jacqueline Jensen, Zachary Martens, Maxine Selberg
10. Christopher Huff
11. Michelle Bottrell, Alexander Stouffer, Kim Vawter
12. Janet Diggins, Lori Erdman, Matthew Fletcher, Myrtle Weible
13. Ann Starkel, Tony Wilson
14. Emma Hiatt, Teresa Larson, Allen Starkel
15. Dan Bruckner, David Bruckner, Kimberly Fonda, Robert Johnston, Lewis Stevens
16. Jacob Pestel, Nancy Rayno
17. Marie Barrett, Andrew Bruch, Matthew Hansen, Jeffrey Meyer, Natalie Stucker, Erin Wolf
18. Glenn Anderson, Barbara Carlsen, Jeffrey Perkins, Timothy White
19. Nicholas Albright, Larry Filbrandt, Melea Headley
20. Zachary Griger, Pr. Ashley Hall, Karen Johnsen, Terry Sanne, Katie Schwieger, Maryan Stadie, Charles Ziegenbein
21. Richard Whitmore
22. Paul Artherton, Rebecca Daugherty, Joyce Graybill, Amy Kunz, Joanna Ziegler
23. Eric Johnson, Jamie Pfeilsticker, Kenneth Rudie
24. Erica Freeman, James Yeshnowski
25. Sharon Fonda, Nathaniel Holland, Melissa Meier, Thomas Williams, Kristy Clarke
26. Judith Bergjord, Mark Fredrickson, Ann Ultsch
27. Cheri Biggs, Katheryn Elsasser, Kathleen Hawkins, Mark Rayno, Tracey Saklar
28. Curtis Johnson, Molly Lyons, Gary Raber, Beverly Traub
29. Garrett Day, Jodi Meyer, Douglas Misbach, Mary Pavlis
30. Richard Bock, Erin-Louise Chapman, Jill Gittler, Todd Reckling, Gary Scarpino, Al Schewe

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## Kountze History from the



### 148 YEARS AGO - 1871

Rev. Ira Billman reported that prospects are hopeful and that the ladies of the church met and organized a Working Society, the first organization of women in Emanuel's Evangelical Lutheran Church (name changed to Kountze memorial in 1883).

### 96 YEARS AGO - 1923

LeClare Gardiner Steffan at one month old, was baptized at Kountze Church by Pastor Oliver Baltzly. LeClare is the oldest living person baptized at Kountze that is still a member. In 1937 she was confirmed at Kountze and in 1948 was married to Arnold Steffen, both by Pastor Walter Traub. Pastor Traub's daughter, Vera, was a bridesmaid in LeClare's wedding.

### 51 YEARS AGO - 1968

For 110 years, elected Church Office Holders at Emanuel's and Kountze Church, were called Elders, Trustees, and Deacons. In 1968, under the leadership of Pastor Paul deFreese, the Elected Officers designation was changed to Council Members.

### 25 YEARS AGO -1994

Our current organist, Mark Jones, performed a Graduate Organ Recital at Kountze Church in partial fulfillment of requirements for the Master of Music Education Degree at VanderCook College in Chicago, Illinois.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

### **Worship Schedule:**

Saturday at 5:00 PM  
Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM  
Wednesday at 12:15 PM

The 9:00 AM Sunday service is  
televised live on Cox Cable Ch. 13  
and live streamed on our website.

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### **Kountze Memorial's "Old Fashioned Picnic/Potluck"**

**Sunday, September 22, Noon - 3:00 PM**

**To be held at the Church this year**

Everyone is invited to attend the all Church picnic/potluck. This year we will be having the picnic here at the Church with lots of activities for young and old alike. The Church will provide the fried chicken and drinks. Please consider bringing a side dish or desert to share with everyone if attending.

You are also encouraged to "Bring Your Favorite Blanket" (or lawn chair) to put down in the green space as you enjoy lunch and conversation. We will also have table seating outside, in the link, and Fellowship Hall for those who prefer not sitting on a blanket.

The buffet style lunch will begin at noon, with games starting around 1:00 PM in the green space. And what would our picnic be without the familiar voice of Sheri calling out BINGO numbers in the Fellowship Hall starting at 2:00 PM?!

Please watch the Sunday insert for details and to sign up to attend, help out, or provide a side. You can also RSVP to the Church office or email Jim at [jim@kmlchurch.org](mailto:jim@kmlchurch.org).

We look forward to seeing you on September 22<sup>nd</sup>!