

Revelation



Dear Friends,

It is not easy to express our love for Jesus as he is not the person we can see or touch. Yet, there must be some ways for us to do so. We can say, "I love you, Lord," when we pray. We can buy a birthday gift for him around Christmas time and give it to those in need. We can do other things that we believe Jesus would want us to.

Being a Christian who believes in the church, I argue that doing things for the church, which is the "Body of Christ," in one way to express our love for Jesus. On the first Sunday of Advent season, some came to adorn the church building that signal the season. I saw people setting up the big Christmas tree in the sanctuary, putting up the banners, Advent wreaths, and other decorations. I watched people set up nativity on church's lawn.

I was surprised by the amount of work that people put in to make our church ready for the season. All these efforts signify the meaning of Advent. We prepare ourselves for the coming of our Lord Jesus. I believe our church building is ready. Now, I encourage you to examine yourself and see if you are preparing yourself spiritually for his return.

Each and every day, start with prayer and watch the devotion I offer on Facebook. Try to walk with the Lord all day long. As I said last Sunday, keeping awake while we wait is not easy. Discipling ourselves with spiritual disciplines is a good way to help us keep awake and prepare ourselves for his return.

Kibum Kim, Pastor



Enhanced Online Giving

Additional options have been enabled for online giving through our web site. You can access [Online Giving](#) or scan the QR code with your phone.

Through online giving, you have the option to give with a credit card or to setup direct deposit from your checking account. These gifts can be setup for a one-time gift or as a recurring gift. There is even an option to increase your gift to cover the cost of credit card processing fees!

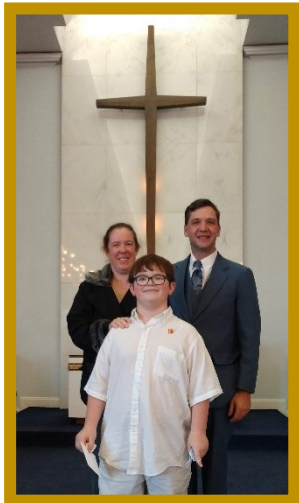


We encourage you to create an account using the e-mail address you receive e-mails on from the church so your giving is associated with your account in the ChurchTrac membership system and will appear on your annual giving statement. By creating an account, you will also have access to all of the giving options mentioned above. If you do not want to create an account, there is an option to give as a guest.

Baptism/New Members

Welcome to our newest members - Jeremy Coons, Mary Vazquez and Ethan Fields!

On Sunday November 21, 2021, Jeremy transferred his membership from Salina and Mary became a member through reaffirmation of faith. Ethan was baptized and joined our church by affirmation of faith.



UMW

The United Methodist Women will be having a carry-in dinner on Thursday, December 2 at 12:00 noon in the parlor. All women are invited to bring yourself, a guest, table service and your favorite dish.



First United Methodist Church Christmas Eve Services

12.24.2021

5:00pm

A PLACE FOR YOU THIS CHRISTMAS



Poinsettias

Orders are due (with Payment) December 11th

Please Check one

_____ 6" = One Stem \$21.00

_____ 8" = Three Stems \$45.00

In Honor or Memory of:

Your Name: _____

Phone: _____



How can we help others in Cloud County during the holiday season? Here are some ideas!



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Bring these items to the Concordia 1st UMC Missions Tree by December 12th for use in Holiday Baskets prepared by the Cloud County Resource Center (CCRC) and the Girl Scouts/Toy Run:

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| Hats, Scarves, and Gloves for men, women, and children | |
| Toys | Boxed Stuffing Mixes |
| Blankets | Mashed Potato Flakes |
| Cranberry Sauce | Macaroni and Cheese |
| Canned Green beans or Corn | Boxed Dinners or Dry Pastas |
| Evaporated Milk | Cereal |
| Pumpkin Pie Filling | Biscuit, Bisquick or Pancake Mixes |
| Tuna or Canned Chicken | Spices or Baking Supplies |



Perishable donations of Frozen Turkey (including just breasts), Ham (including half hams), Hamburger, Bread, Pre-made Pie Crusts, and Whipped Topping are also needed and should be delivered directly to the CCRC (open 9 am—5 pm, M/W/F). Toys can also be dropped off at CloudCorp or Alliance Insurance. Recipients can also be selected from Tree at Walmart to contributed specific items for children or seniors.

Give money for CCRC Holiday Baskets!

We will pass the Missions Buckets on **December 5th and 12th** and all money will be used to help families in need. You can also make a donation or adopt a family directly by contacting Tonya Merrill at the CCRC (243-1065, ccrc@nckcn.com).



Spread a little cheer by joining us for Christmas Caroling on December 12th at 3:00 pm!

Caroling will be followed by a soup supper at the church. A list of members is available in the church office if you would like to send cards or letters.



Volunteer to help prepare and distribute Holiday Baskets at the CCRC!

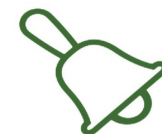
<u>Wrapping Christmas Gifts</u>	<u>Packing Christmas Baskets</u>	<u>Distribution of Christmas Baskets</u>
December 1 st , 2-5 pm	December 8 th , 2-5 pm	December 14 th , 6-8 pm
December 6 th , 6-8 pm	December 9 th , 5-7 pm	December 15 th , 2-6 pm
December 14 th , 2-6 pm	December 13 th , 2-6 pm	December 16 th , 5-7 pm
		December 17 th , 2-6 pm



For more details, Contact Tonya Merrill at the CCRC (243-1065, ccrc@nckcn.com).

Volunteer to help ring the Salvation Army Bells at Walmart on Sunday, December 19th from 12:00—6:00 pm!

A sign-up list is on the Missions Bulletin Board. More than 95% of the funds collected stay in Cloud County. In past years, \$800+ was raised during the time Concordia 1st UMC was ringing the bells! If you aren't available on the 19th, contact Toby Nosker (785-614-2070, tobynosker@yahoo.com) to volunteer for another time.





Annual Layette Set Project

Thanks to all who donated and supported the assembly of 80 layette sets!



Thanksgiving Dinner

Thanks to the dozens of volunteers who helped with the Thanksgiving Dinner! We served 270 meals and delivered 34 meals!



Missions and Outreach

Thank you for your gifts of \$49.18 for the United Methodist Student Day special offering in November!

Missions Buckets will be passed on Sunday, December 5th and 12th for the CCRC Holiday Baskets program. Our goal is to give \$500 to this program again this year.



Christmas Caroling

Please plan to join us for Christmas Caroling Sunday, December 12th! We will meet in the upper parking lot at 3:00 pm. We will be going by car; please plan to wear a mask if we are allowed to go into any of the care facilities. Caroling will be followed by a soup supper in the Fellowship Hall.





Little Free Pantry

If you would like to help feed those in our community who are food insecure, we ask you to place items directly into the pantry at your convenience. If you prefer, you can also make a monetary donation to help purchase food for the pantry. This helps us to provide a variety of food on a daily basis.

Thanks to those that have been placing food from our store in the pantry daily: Pam Campbell, Cindy Kocher, Jan Novlan, Nancy Wentz, and Lisa Valcoure!

Cloud County Resource Center Needs

Starting on November, 1st the Food Bank is open and accepting donations of cash or food items for distribution on **Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.**

If you would like to volunteer at the CCRC, please contact Tonya Merrill at 785-243-1065 or ccrc@nckcn.com. See the Holiday Missions flyer for more details on volunteer opportunities.



Meals on Wheels

The Senior Center is looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels. To volunteer, contact the Senior Center at 243-1872. Meals on Wheels provides a hot meal and human contact for the homebound.



Join in the Fun at
Whole Church
Sunday School!
January 19, 2022
9:30am
Fellowship Hall

Commodities Distribution

November distribution was a cool, windy day!

We served 232 total individuals. 107 boxes.

32 families, 16 couples and 59 singles.

15 Volunteers bundled up to help!!!



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
DECEMBER 12, 2021
10:30AM WORSHIP

INVITE YOUR CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN
TO ATTEND TABLE TALK
ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH AT 6:30PM
AND SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH
AT 9:00AM TO PRACTICE FOR THE
CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.
(SUPPER IS AVAILABLE AT 5:45PM)





Christmas Card List

Are you making your Christmas card list? Consider adding some of our members and friends!

Marquis Place

205 W 21st St
Rita Callaway
Stanley McMillan
Dallas Nading

Mount Joseph

1110 W 11th St
Sue Collins
Gene Johnson
Janyce Matthew

Sunset Home

620 2nd Ave
Les Hemphill

Concordia Residents

Marge Cruzen
809 1st Ave

Anita Chartier
720 E 12th St

Amy Gerber
1416 Highland Dr

Steve Lawson
1017 W 11th St

Joan Lawton
1828 Crestview Dr

Richard & Joyce Peterson
1305 N 145th Rd

Jean Shankle
1405 Crescent Ln

Robert & Delores St. Pierre
703 3rd Ave

Branson Wilcox
729 E 8th St

Out-of-Town Residents

Bill Erhardt
1007 Johnstown Ave.
Salina, KS 67401

Betty Everitt
2251 E Crawford St, #125
Salina, KS 67401

Carolyn Hoffman
20455 SE 140th St
Umatilla, FL 32784-7842

Wendy Holt
920 S 4th St
Lakeview, OR 97630

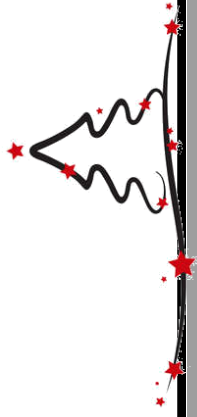
Judy Kircher
1007 Wilson St
Great Bend, KS 67530



Liz Steinle
2150 S Sagamont, #104
Springfield, MO 65807

Sunday Morning Volunteers

	December 5	December 12	December 19	December 26
Worship Leader	Angie			
Sound				Jason
Media	Janice	Lisa	MaryLisa	Lisa
Greeters				
Nursery Helpers			Donna	
Scripture Reader				
Ushers	Lyle /Steve	Lyle /Steve	Lyle /Steve	Lyle /Steve
Acolytes				
Advent				

December 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 5:00pm Sitting With Jesus 5:45pm Table Talk	2	3	4
5 9:00am Christian Ed. 9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Worship Service	6	7 7:00pm Trustees	8 5:00pm Sitting With Jesus 5:45pm Table Talk	9	10	11
12 9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Kid's Christmas Program 3:00pm Caroling	13 7:00pm Finance	14	15 5:00pm Sitting With Jesus 5:45pm Table Talk	16	17	18
19 9:30am All Church Sunday 10:30am Worship Service Bell ringing at Walmart	20 5:30 pm ADCO	21	22 No Table Talk	23	24 5:00pm Christmas Eve Service	25 
26 9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Worship Service	27	28	29 No Table Talk	30	31 	



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Pastor: Rev. Kibum Kim

Administrative Assistant: Lisa Valcoure

Christian Ed. Coordinator: Angie Gabel-McConkey

Choir Director: Renata Knox

Organist: Pam Campbell

Nursery: Jan Novlan

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Facebook: Concordia First United Methodist Church

Church Phone: 785-243-4560

Sunday Services:

Crusaders: 9:30am

Searchers: 9:30am

Worship: 10:30am

Wednesday:

Sittin' with Jesus 5:00pm

5:45pm Table Talk

6:30 Classes begin