February 2022



Revelation

Dear Friends.

This is the first letter I write to you this year. So, I will say once again, "Happy New Year!"

By the way, the Chinese new year begins February 1st, and it is the year of the tiger, in case you want to know. Koreans celebrate the Chinese new year's day, even though they call it "Seol." If you wonder why it is different, it is because in the old days their calendar ran on the moon's movement. "Lunar month is a month measured between successive new moons, roughly 29.5 days."

If you didn't know, now you know. I remember a lot of things were strange when I first came to Kansas. Even hugging was strange as it was uncommon in Korea when I lived there. I learned new things about American culture little by little. Whether I like it or not did not matter. It was part of the process of understanding the people I was serving. Even after 29 years, I am still learning, and it is fun.

Racism and discrimination of any kind are difficult subjects to even talk about. I believe, however, Christians are called to face and fight the evil in the society. One of the things we can do is learning about others and help them learn about us.

Understanding the differences will help a lot as we try to bring down the barriers of any kind.

A few days ago, I attended "Orders and fellowship" offered online. It was about racism. I learned a few new things about racism. Obviously it was a difficult subject, yet, I was Impressed, even touched by my colleagues for their willingness to understand and face the reality. At the end of the conversation in the group I served as the convener, I said to them I was proud to be among them.

Pastor Kibum Kim

The three most important things to have are faith, hope and love. But the greatest of them is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13



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.

Missions and Outreach

Thanks for your contributions of \$48.30 for the Human Relations Day Special Offering.

We will pass the Missions Buckets on February 20th for Mission Agency Support in the Great Plains Conference. For more information, visit: https://www.greatplainsumc.org/missionagencysupport.

Food Distribution



January 19th was a busy, bitter cold day for Commodities! A big shout out to the 19 Volunteers who packed and loaded cars. Total boxes filled 115, which breaks down to 27 Families, 19 Couples and 60 Singles. Total number of people served was 215. Thank You everyone who came out on this cold day to help!

We will have no distribution in February due to shortage of food.



Little Free Pantry



Winter is here! Please do not leave items in the pantry that could freeze when the weather is predicted to be extremely cold. In particular, canned goods can freeze and spoil.

During February, we are asking for donations of the following items:

Boxed Cereals
Tomato Sauce
Diced Tomatoes
Chili Beans (Red, Kidney, Pinto)

We have LOTS of Chili Seasoning and need the ingredients to go with the seasoning!

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

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.

Coat distribution events will take place on January 29th and February 5th. If you would like to volunteer at the CCRC, please contact Tonya Merrill at 785-243-1065 or ccrc@nckcn.com.



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.



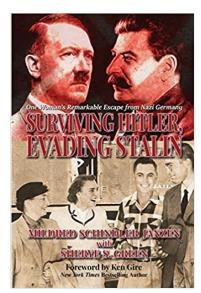
Book Club

We are starting a book club to read <u>Surviving Hitler</u>, <u>Evading Stalin</u>, a historical autobiography by Mildred Janzen of Ellsworth:

A teenage girl's peaceful farm life is upended when Stalin's Red Army captures her and her family in *Surviving Hitler, Evading Stalin*. Chronicling the harrowing events of a family torn apart by the injustices of war, this memoir is a poignant account of love and loss, a beautiful tapestry woven by God's hand in the life of a WWII survivor.

The group will read sections of the book and then meet to discuss (a total of 2-3 sessions). An event is being scheduled for June to meet the author and ask questions about her experience.

If you would like to participate, sign-up on the bulletin board or contact Nancy Wentz at ndwentz@gmail.com. Reading of the book will start in late February or early March.



150TH ANNIVERSARY



COFFEE CUPS AND ORNAMENTS
TO CELEBRATE OUR CHURCH'S 150TH
ANNIVERSARY ARE HERE. EACH FAMILY
MAY TAKE ONE CUP FROM THE TABLE IN
THE FOYER. ANYONE WANTING MORE
THAN ONE CUP MAY MAKE A DONATION IN
THE OFFERING PLATE PROVIDED THERE.
DONATIONS RECEIVED IN JANUARY WILL
GO TO THE LITTLE FREE PANTRY.

MAKE SURE TO MARK YOU CALENDARS:

CONCORDIA FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 27, 2022

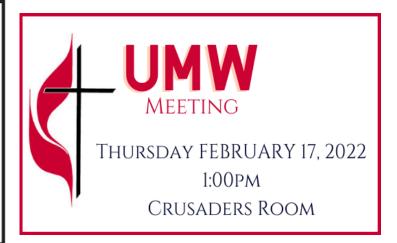
9:45AM WHOLE CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CRUSADERS AND SEARCHERS WILL MEET FOR
PRAYER IN THEIR ROOMS AT 9:30AM.

THEN JOIN THE KIDS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
AT 9:45AM.

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!





sunday school will resume for Impact and Jam February 6, 2022 9:30am Invite your friends!



Impact!
Grades 7-12

Christian Women's Outreach

Tuesday, February 8, 2022 9:30am

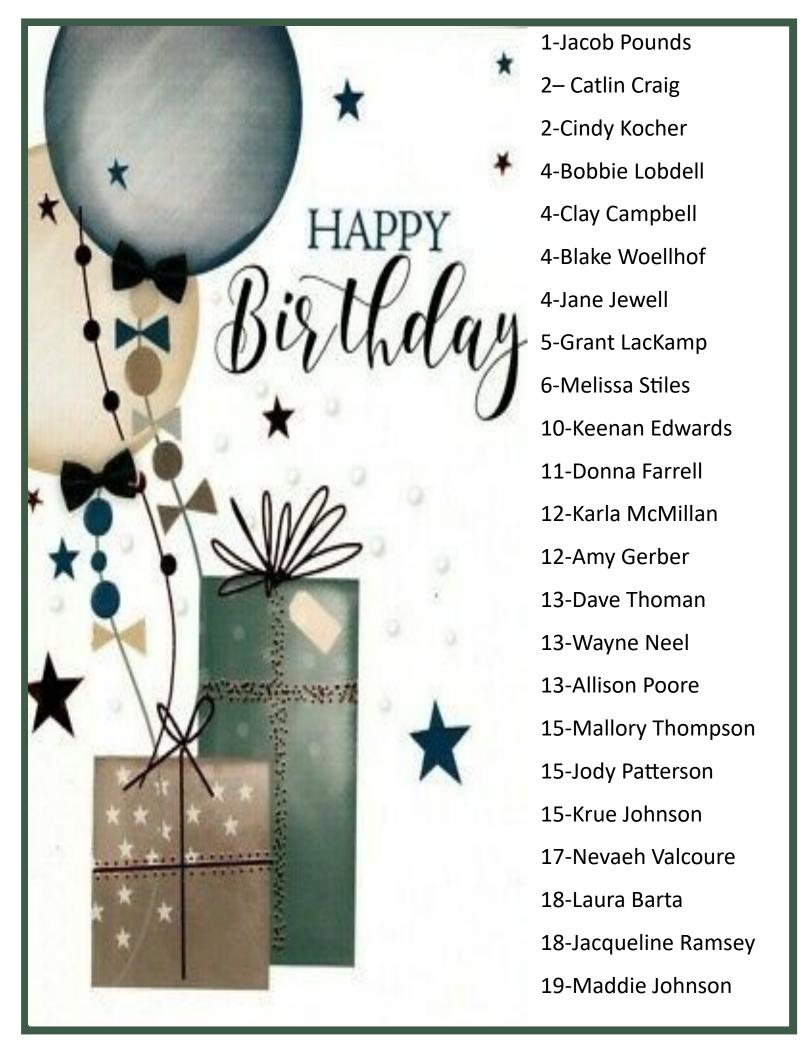
Christian Church Fellowship Hall 614 Cedar

Guest Speaker:

KIBUM KIM

Cost \$5.00

For light refreshments and Program. RSVP: Mary @785-614-4784





Sunday Morning Volunteers

	February 6	February 13	February 20	February 27
Worship Leader				
Sound	Jason/Jeremy	Jason/Jeremy		Mark
Media	Mary Lisa		Janice	Lisa
Greeters				
Nursery Helpers	Jan/	Jan/	Jan/	Jan/
Scripture Reader	Dakota/Liam		Nevaeh	Carly
Ushers	Lyle/Steve	Lyle/Steve	Lyle/Steve	Lyle/Steve
Acolytes	Dakota	Ethan?	Dakota	Ethan?



February 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	5:00-Sitting with Jesus 5:45-Table Talk	3	4	5
6 9:30-Sunday School 10:30-Worship	7	8	9 5:00-Sitting with Jesus 5:45-Table Talk	10	11	12
13 9:30-Sunday School 10:30-Worship	14 5:30-FUMC Council	15	16 5:00-Sitting with Jesus 5:45-Table Talk	17 1:00pm UMW	18	19
9:30-Sunday School 10:30-Worship	21	22	5:00-Sitting with Jesus 5:45-Table Talk	24	25	26
9:30-Sunday School 9:45-Whole Church 10:30-Worship	28 6:30-M&M's Meeting					



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Sunday Services:

Sunday 9:30am Worship: 10:30am

Wednesday:

Sittin' with Jesus 5:00pm 5:45pm Table Talk