

The Contact

The Newsletter of the Kingwood Church of God
November, 2025

HATS OFF TO SISTER'S IN CHRIST

The Secret Sister annual Christmas party will be Sunday, November 16th at 12:30. Our theme this year is hats, and we are encouraging each sister to wear their favorite hat. We will be voting for the best hat, and there will be a prize for the winning hat. As always, we will be playing the grab bag game, so please remember to bring 3 small, wrapped gifts. This is when we reveal who our secret sister was for the year, so don't forget your Christmas gift for them. At last year's party we voted that the gift was to cost around \$25.00. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. Please mark if you are bringing a main dish, dessert or side dish, which can be anything from potatoes, vegetable or salad. We would love to see more ladies sign up for the coming year. It is such a blessing to remember a special sister in Christ throughout the year.

There will be a FREE Luncheon for any area retirees their spouses and/or caregivers on Wednesday November 12, 2025 12:00 noon at the Fellowship Center. This will just be a time to enjoy lunch and fellowship with other retirees. Space is limited and reservations are necessary (First-come, First-serve). Please either sign up on the list in the hallway or call 814-442-4916 or 814-233-0053 to reserve your space. The last day to make your reservation, space permitting is Sunday Nov 9, 2025.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!!! TIME FOR KINGWOOD'S SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY!

(Community Welcome)

November 15 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at FC

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PREPPING ITEMS FOR SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY AT FC

11/11, 11/12, 11/13 - 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and 11/14 - 6:30 p.m.
to ?

NATIONAL DROP OFF WEEK KINGWOOD FELLOWSHIP CENTER

11/17 & 11/18 - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at FC
11/19 - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at FC
11/20 - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at FC
11/21 - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at FC
11/22 - 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at FC
11/23 - 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at FC
11/24 - 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at FC

**Contact Stacey Hay at 814-926-6321 if you would like to
volunteer.
Thank You**

A Note of Thanks...

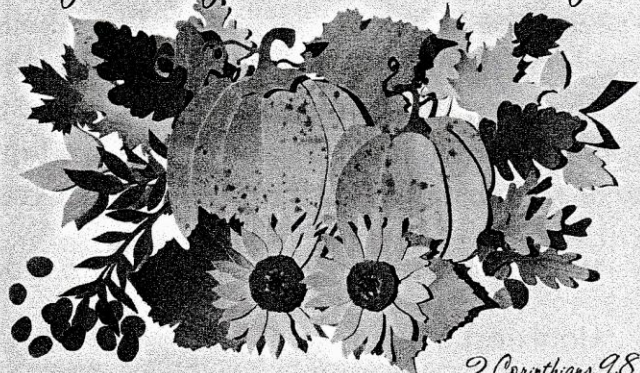
*I would like to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers, cards,
phone calls and visits over the last year. Your thoughtfulness
was very much appreciated.*

Gerald

*Turning 90 was pretty exciting! Thank you to everyone for the
cards, visits, flowers and goodies. I feel so blessed to have such
good friends, family and neighbors! Thank you.*

Mardelle Duppstadt

*God is able
to provide you with every
blessing
in
abundance,
so that by always having
enough of everything,
you may share abundantly...*



Church Mouse



October. As I write this we have had a few very chilly evenings and even a bit of frost. I hate to complain though because I haven't had to wade through any snow as of yet. The leaves are not as vibrant as they could be because of the drought conditions but we are seeing some color. We are into the second "ber" month. I am trying to get a bunch of seeds and crumbs stored up for the oncoming winter.

The farmers are harvesting corn and beans so I might find some scraps in the fields to put in my larder. But a little church mouse like me usually stays closer to the parsonage and church where I can find crumbs in relative safety. Occasionally I stowaway and get a ride to the fellowship center. I did stowaway in the church van recently and got to take in the rally day service. Glad I didn't miss that. Pastor Jim talked about our past and Pastor Will talked about the present and the future. After the service there was a catered meal done by chuck wagon. Boy did I get some good crumbs from that.

Other gathering chances were present in the month as well. There was a fall harvest party with a lot of kids and families going through the Fellowship Center. That meant snacks and candy. Also there was a buck wheat and Pancake supper. I had to walk down to the FC for that one as Pastr Will and Beth were out of town.

Pastor Will has been doing a series on worship and that has been pretty interesting. He is going through the idea of worship asking all the typical journalist questions. Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How. I think it will take us through this month and almost all of November.

All of my deer friends are getting ready to dodge arrows and bullets. I can't imagine having to do that. All I have to dodge is the mouse traps certain people put out to try to snap me. I have those pretty well figured out. Sure am glad there is no mouse hunting season.

With October winding down , I guess things around the church will start gearing up for Advent. I know Pastor Jim is preparing an Advent devotional. I always enjoy those and also seeing the church get decorated. But I shouldn't rush things. I am first looking forward to Thanksgiving and all the crumbs that I can score during that holiday.

The last of the gardens are coming in and the frost is going to end that fresh produce season. Pastor Will still has some carrots in a tub growing out in the yard. I guess I could go chew on a couple of those if the other sources run out.

Well, I think that might be all I have to report for now.

Until next time.

As always yours, The Church Mouse



National Revival
 Our Country
 Allegheny Region Churches
 Pastor Will & Beth
 Pastor Jim & Melanie
 Pastor Karey & Jake
 Hillary & Anthony
 Growing our Congregation
 Holiday Services
 Violence in our Nation
 Violence in the World
 Upcoming Elections
 Those dealing with severe weather issues
 Families who have lost loved ones
 Theresa Cramer
 Brad Henry
 Shirley Mullendore
 Those dealing with mental, emotional, spiritual
 & financial issues
 Those hospitalized & having procedures
 Those dealing with long-term illnesses
 Shut-Ins
 Those in nursing homes and care facilities
 Operation Christmas Child
 Teachers and Students
 School Workers & Bus Drivers
 College Students
 Safety in Schools and Colleges
 Hospital Workers
 Winebrenner Seminary
 Brent & Julie Sleasman
 Church Ministries
 Camp Sonrise Mountain
 Winter Retreats
 Chatelas Church
 Our Missionaries and Mission Fields
 Military / Police / First Responders
 CEF
 Unspoken Needs

NOV. & DEC. BIRTHDAYS

Nov 7	Bradley Lemmon
Nov 8	Blake Pletcher
Nov 9	Melanie Monticue
Nov 10	Jaynn Tobias Johnson
Nov 16	Beverly Pletcher
Nov 19	Jennifer Gross
	Erma Hay
	Viola Kerns
Nov 21	David Younkin
Nov 26	Naomi Shaffer
Nov 28	Logan Bowman
Nov 30	Heather Ream
Dec 1	Terry Ream
Dec 2	Marchelle Peck
Dec 6	Kendyll Younkin
Dec 9	Rose Tressler
Dec 12	Nina Phillippi
	Charlotte Carrabotta
Dec 13	Ernest Pletcher
Dec 14	Alessandra Vough
Dec 18	Jesse Moore
Dec 19	Ed Engleka
	Elika Pletcher
Dec 17	Levi Ream
Dec 21	Sheryl Meyers
	Adalyn Strelko
Dec 25	JESUS
Dec 26	Tom Brougher
	Jim Snyder
Dec 27	Chloee Anderson
Dec 30	Jim Monticue
Dec 31	Don Houck
	Louise Dumbauld

NOV. & DEC. ANNIVERSARIES

Nov 7	Ed & Kay Engleka
Nov 20	Tony & Eileen Buchanan
Nov 27	Josh & Stacey Rosman
Nov 29	Tim & Rita Show
Dec 3	Hilton & Loretta Mitchell
Dec 21	Paul & Juanita Hall



RAMBLINGS & RECIPES

Today – 58 Days until Christmas! **Let's not forget**

THANKSGIVING!

We have so much to be thankful for. Make a list – ten things that you are most thankful for – read them every day until Thanksgiving! I enjoy the smells of preparing Thanksgiving treats and dinner. Here are two recipes you might enjoy.

Bacon & Ham Bake

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| 1 – 9 inch unbaked pie shell | 1 tsp. Salt |
| 6 slices bacon, fried & crumbled | 1 Cup Shredded Swiss Cheese |
| 1 ½ Cups Half & Half | 1 Cup Diced Ham |
| 2 Whole Eggs + 2 Egg Yolks | |

Line the bottom of the pie shell with the cheese.

Mix the eggs well – using a whisk or fork – add all the other ingredients and pour over the cheese in the pie shell.

Bake 1 hour, or until mixture is firm (knife in the center comes out clean) at 375 degrees.

Pumpkin Bars

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| 4 Eggs – Beaten | 2 tsp. Cinnamon |
| 1 Cup Vegetable Oil | 1 tsp. Baking Soda |
| 2 Cups Sugar | 1 tsp. Baking Powder |
| 1 Cup Pumpkin | 1 Cup Nuts or Raisins |
| ½ tsp. Salt | 2 Cups Flour |

Combine all ingredients. Mix well and pour into a greased and floured cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 for 20 to 25 minutes – do not overbake.

FROSTING:

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| 3 oz Cream Cheese | 6 Tbsp. Butter |
| ¾ Cup Powdered Sugar | 1 tsp. Vanilla |
| 1 Tbsp. Milk – maybe a little more | |

MIX ALL WELL.

Frost while warm!

*I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness;
I will sing the praises of the name of the LORD Most High.
Psalm 7:17*

Global Reach Updates

“Share the Blessing” –

1. India Campus Medical & English Medium School
 2. Clean Water Wells for International Fields
 3. Support for Latino and Kenya Leaders
 4. Land Purchase for Kenya Church Building
- New Financial Opportunities to Donate

Nicaragua – Our Director Pastor German and his wife Sylvia, are doing fine. There are some health struggles and issues with the government, but that does not stop them from continuing the work the Lord has set before them! Pastors gather once a month for training and fellowship. There is a new church plant near the Honduras border! Pray for them all!

Venezuela – Pastor Jean’s church is continuing with their outreach to children and youth in their community. Pray for that continued work and that they would keep reaching these kids!

ACTS Teams 2026: USA Southwest, Southern California, Dominican Republic, and Bangladesh!

Helping Hands

Helping Hands Prayer Needs for November

Helen King c/o Meadowview 1404 Hay St. Berlin, PA 15530
Helen Lucas c/o Meadowview 1404 Hay St. Berlin, PA 15530

Children's Page

Upcoming Special Events for Kid's Midweek:

November 12th: Packing Shoeboxes with Samaritan's Purse!

7 pm in the gym, at the Fellowship Center



December 17th: Christmas Cookie Decorating Activity with Pizza!

Begins at 6 pm with Pizza in Kids' Midweek Room at Fellowship Center. Wear your favorite Christmas pajamas!

Children, color the picture from our lesson on "Daniel". Return your picture to Hillary Whaley, and receive a small prize. Your picture will hang on the bulletin board!





KINGWOOD CHURCH OF GOD COUNCIL MEETING

October 13th, 2025

Devotions: Renee Moore – 2 Corinthians 4:17 “For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. Problems force us to look to God and he has a purpose behind every problem. Trust in him.

OLD BUSINESS:

Church Basement Renovation- Next phase starting soon
Church Emergency Management – Next meeting is Tuesday, October 14th
Associate Pastor Search Committee – No response yet
A/C in Sunday School Classrooms – Work is currently in progress
AV Ministry – Still looking for help
New Church Directory – final processing phase
Worship Music – Results are coming in from the survey

NEW BUSINESS:

Barrel Train Usage Request – Richard Dumbauld (October 26th, 2025) and Christmas on Main (December 2025)
Barrel Train Tire Replacement – New Tires have been purchased.
Rally Day – Sunday October 26th, a catered lunch will be provided and everyone attending this event is asked to bring a dessert.
Youth/Young Adult Pastor: Jon and Stacey Pletcher along with Joel and Angie Romesberg will be taking over the role as youth leaders. Pastor Karey and Jake have started the process of planting a micro-church in the ARC. Thank you for their leadership the past few years and good luck in this new endeavor that God has lead them to.
Date for Nominating Committee Meeting – October 21st, 2025 7:00
Date for Budget Meeting – October 20th, 2025 7:00
Helping Hands – The Youth Group will be assembling approx. 50 bags for the homeless
Samaritan Purse Shoebox Ministry – The pickup trailers will be parked in front of the Fellowship Center from November 17th – 24th, 2025.
Local Missions Project- Plans are being made to construct an access ramp and enlarge a doorway for John Kreger for when he comes home

Fellowship Usage:

Walkfit	13
Pickleball	4 + 2 Extra
Midweek	4
Toddler time	4
Applefest	1 plus many other parts of days
Council	1
Total	27

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COMMITTEES:

Josh Rosman reminded council of Camp Day being the 21st of September and that there are some fun things being planned for the day.

OLD BUSINESS:

CHURCH BASEMENT RENOVATION: Everything completed.

CHURCH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. Josh gave an update on medical supplies needed. Randy reported that the door pulls and some doors will need to be replaced to prevent potential chaining together.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR SEARCH: Bring advertised.

A/C IN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS: Congregational meeting will be held on September 14, 2025 to vote on proceeding with the installation of the main floor and 2nd floor air conditioning.

A/V MINISTRY: There is still a need for assistance in this area. Only 2 persons setting things up as of now.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY: In process.

FELLOWSHIP CENTER PAVILION: No report.

DAYCARE COMMITTEE: No report.

Ratification of June, July and August Council Meeting Actions. Motion made, 2nd and motion carried.

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Worship Music – Worship Service Music survey sheet to hand out to the congregation.

Tara Hostetter – Use of train

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Karey Vough, Youth/YA Pastor
Hillary Whaley, Children's Ministry Director
Carey Beth King, Secretary

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Church Phone Number

(814) 926-4429

Sunday Morning Worship

8:15 a.m. First Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Second Worship Service

7:00 p.m. Midweek Services @ FC on



November