

The Kresge Kourier February 2021



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Our Journey Continues ...

And what a journey it was in 2020!

Covid-19 has certainly affected us all in many ways: personally, professionally, and most importantly – how we worship, serve, and financially support Anna Kresge UMC. Please begin to pray about our individual commitments to realize our mission and ministry for 2021.

We will need your support in both servitude and monetarily. There may be opportunities for your many talents to shine! Our hope and prayer is that together we will bring revival and renewal to Anna Kresge UMC and to introduce Jesus to those in our community who don't yet know Him. When we join the local church, we covenant to fully participate through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

Be listening as our N.O.W.W. (Nurture, Outreach, Witness, and Worship) Teams continue their work. There will be both long-term and short-term opportunities to serve. Here are just some of the possibilities:

Nurture - Gaynell Owens, Coordinator

Bible Studies, Community Groups, Retreats, VBS for children, youth and adults, Seasonal Planners (Lent/Advent etc.) studies and devotions, Confirmation/membership classes, UMM/UMW, Fun Event Planners, Shepherds, Life celebrations (Guidelines) – (Remember Baptisms, Anniversaries, Births, Wedding Showers, Baby Showers, Graduations, Bereavement, Benevolence to members, Prayer efforts, Spiritual Formation, Sunday School Classes (all ages), Children's Church, Superintendent, Order Materials, Substitute Teachers, Kresge Kids, and Youth Group.

Outreach – Linda Stanton, Coordinator

Reaching out to non-members, unchurched, de-churched, lost members, irregular attenders. Visitors – Welcome, Receive, Follow Up Visit. External – Benevolence to non-members, Samaritan House, Habitat for Humanity. Provide emergency financial aid for utilities, food, clothing, shelter, medicine. Do errands or provide transportation for those in need. (Partner with One Door Polk). Organize mission trips/service opportunities. Organize worship services, concerts, family friendly events around town.

Witness - _____, Coordinator

Basically our Communications Team has many opportunities to serve and assist, here are a few – invite/inform of future event, Directory, Advertisement, Signage, Flyers, Business Cards, Social Media (Facebook, Website, Instagram, Photographer/Videographer, Liaison to local radio and newspaper), someone to manage bulletin boards- designate and assign responsibilities. Share our Jesus story with others.

Worship – Lynn Self, Coordinator

Opportunities abound to serve in support of worship services (Liturgist, Acolytes, Sanctuary decorations/paraments/banners) and assist worship planning, preparation and execution. Greeters, Ushers, Musicians, Technology Support (video and audio).

Also note that we are still searching for several openings on the One Board: Vice Chair, Witness Coordinator, and Assistant Treasurer.

Financially our current leaders and One Board Chairs have developed a budget under the leadership of Jeff Masi, Finance Chair. Our total budget for 2021 is \$225,060 which is \$6,227 less than last year. We ask you to prayerfully consider giving a true tithe (10%) of your income. If you give less than 10% now make a step toward tithing by increasing your giving by 2% each year until you reach this traditional standard of giving. Once there challenge yourself to increase by 1% each year. Give to the General Fund of the church, trust the leadership to follow the appointed budget. When you have some overflow of blessings give to pay down the principal on the church mortgage and attempt to give a little to each of the General and Annual Conference special offerings we receive.

We need three things to happen in 2021: 1) we need to invite, welcome, and receive new members, 2) we need to increase giving, and 3) we need to go find our lost sheep and invite them to return. These are not new ideas, You have heard them before.

Please pray now about your commitment in 2021!

We ask that you turn in your commitment statements by Sunday, March 28th.

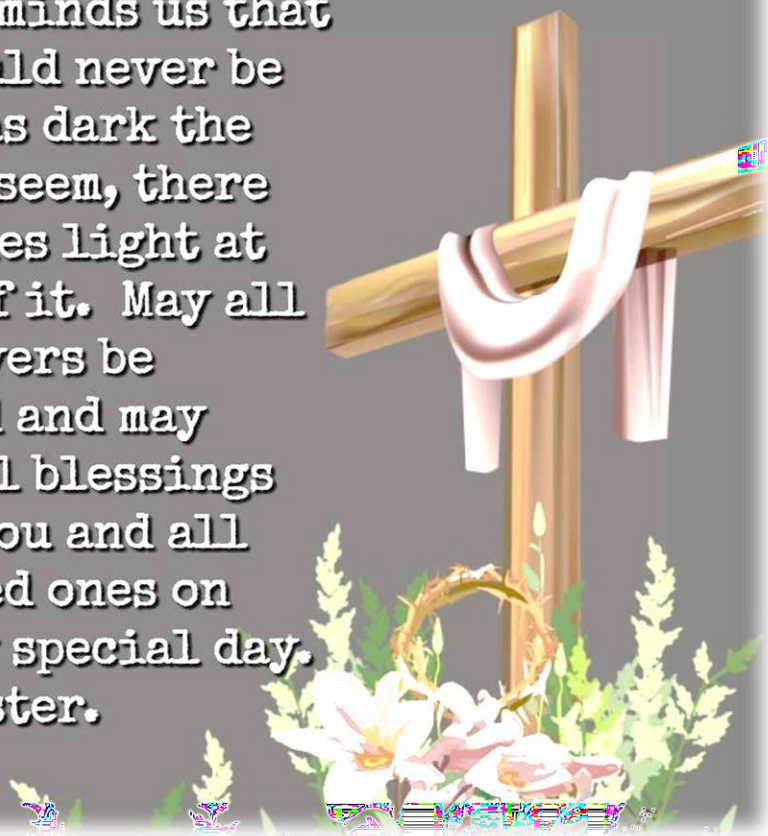
If you have any concerns or questions, please contact any of us. God's blessing to you all.

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Debra Willingham – One Board Chair & Trustee Chair

Jeff Masi – Finance Chair

Easter reminds us that hope should never be lost for as dark the road may seem, there always lies light at the end of it. May all your prayers be fulfilled and may wonderful blessings be upon you and all your loved ones on this very special day. Happy Easter.



Happy Birthday



3/7 Martha Robinson
Jeff Priest
3/8 Colt Welchel
3/11 Martin Jordan
3/16 Jason O'Neal
3/18 Allen Palmer
3/20 Judy Cook (Mrs. Jim)
3/23 Greg Cooper
Vandy Cobb
3/25 George Robinson

Happy Anniversary

3/7 Brian & Shannon McGee
3/8 Terry & Sandra Simpson
3/17 John & Ann Roberts



We Greatly Appreciate Gifts Given:
In Memory of; Blanche Kulp



SAMARITAN
*Hope, Healing,
and Change.* house

Please remember to bring supplies for the Samaritan House the first Sunday of each month. The Samaritan House is open on Tuesday and Thursday. Volunteers this month are:
March 16 – Ellen Dickert
March 18 – Deborah Edge

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SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
	1 Small Group 4:30 Deuteronomy 1-2	2 Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am Small Group 11:30 Deuteronomy 3-4	3 Bible Study 2:00 pm Deuteronomy 5-7	4 Clothing Bank Deuteronomy 8-10	5 Clean Team: Edge, Cook Willingham Deuteronomy 11-13	6 Deuteronomy 14-16
7 Worship @ 10:55 Social distancing Masks required Deuteronomy 17-20	8 Small Group 4:30 Deuteronomy 21-23	9 Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am Small Group 11:30 Deuteronomy 24-27	10 Bible Study 2:00 pm Deuteronomy 28	11 Deuteronomy 29-31	12 Deuteronomy 32-34	13 Joshua 1-3
14 Worship @ 10:55 Social distancing Masks required Joshua 4-6	15 Small Group 4:30 Joshua 7-8	16 S.H. – Ellen Dickert Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am Small Group 11:30 Joshua 9-10	17 Bible Study 3:00 pm Joshua 11-13	18 S.H. – Deborah Edge Small Group 11:30 Joshua 14-16	19 Clean Team: Petersmarck, Williams, Cooper Joshua 17-19	20 Joshua 20-21
21 Worship @ 10:55 Social distancing Masks required ONE BOARD 6:00 pm Judges 22-24	22 Small Group 4:30 Judges 1-2	23 Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am Small Group 11:30 Judges 3-5	24 Bible Study 3:00 pm Judges 6-7	25 Small Group 11:30 Judges 8-9	26 Judges 10-11	27 Judges 12-14
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