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# AUGUST 2020 – NEWSLETTER

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***Our Mission Statement** – As joyful followers of Jesus Christ, we welcome and care for all people. We boldly proclaim the Good News, share our faith, and love God by serving others.*

***Our Statement of Welcome** – Accepting those who Christ has already accepted, Kure Memorial Lutheran Church affirms that all people, regardless of race, national origin, sexual orientation, or economic status, are unconditionally welcome to our community of faith and are invited to join us in worship, fellowship, and ministry.*

*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.” (Galatians 5:22)*



Patience. It's one of those words that can have different levels of meaning. Being patient for the cookies to come out of the oven. Being patient while you are sitting at the traffic light. Being patient while you wait for your children or grandchildren to get ready to go to the beach. You know...waiting for those things that you know will be happen soon.

Then there is the kind of patience many of us can't wrap our heads around...like this continual waiting for this Corona Virus pandemic to turn the corner so we can see glimpses of "light at the end of the tunnel"...and there doesn't seem to be any. And so...we wait...patiently. Being patient for something we know there will be an end to...or at least we know things will get much better...(and I am confident they will)...is hard when there doesn't seem to be an end in sight. And yet...we wait. Patiently?

Lately I've heard many people say their patience is being tested through this situation. And sure, it is difficult. It is frustrating. But we've all seen and heard of many examples of people seeing the "silver lining" in all of this...identifying many positive things that have happened in their lives in the midst of the "waiting"...and maybe even in spite of it!

As we read this list of the "fruit of the Spirit", one of the things I am realizing, is that patience in its fullest form can lead to all of the others...being more loving, joyful, peaceful, kind, good, faithful, gentle...and certainly...when we are patient, we are more self-controlled with our emotions. Think about it.

Patience. I agree, it's not as easy as it sounds! But when we trust the Spirit to fill us with patience, so many good things can happen in our lives!

Surfin' on God's Grace!

**Pastor Dan**

**Sunday morning worship and “Re-gathering” Plan for Kure Memorial:** It has been four months that we have been worshipping via Facebook Live and Zoom and continue to do so. You can find us on our church Facebook page, go to: <https://www.facebook.com/Kure-Memorial-Lutheran-Church-113882918643415/> or on “Zoom” for those who are not on Facebook, at 10am every Sunday morning! Our worship outline is emailed to folks on our email list and can also be found on our website: [kmlc.org](http://kmlc.org) so you can follow along! We are very encouraged and thankful for the response, dedication and patience of all of you as we wait to come back together for worship! We have had a few folks ask when we will be gathering worship together again. As I have previously shared, we are following the North Carolina Synod’s recommendation to wait until the state of North Carolina gives the green light to move to “Phase 3” of their re-opening plan. We have many people who are in the higher risk categories of age and health issues and our entire church council wants to be as caring and careful as we can be in light of the virus that is turning this world upside down! As of this writing, we are not sure when that will be, however we will continue to prepare for when it will happen! In last months newsletter, we included the steps we will follow once we do begin meeting in person again. When we finally make the decision to meet in person, these steps/guidelines will be emailed out to everyone again so that you are aware of how we plan to proceed. Again...thank you so much for your patience, love and support over these last four months!



**Beach Worship!** I can’t believe we’re into August already! Only two months left of our beach service! We continue gathering on the beach, since we can spread out as far as we need to, to keep a safe distance. So, join us at 7pm on Wednesdays, out on the beach at the end of Avenue F in Kure Beach, about a half mile south of the stoplight! Bring your beach chair, beach towel or blanket and join us for a refreshing, casual time of worship together.

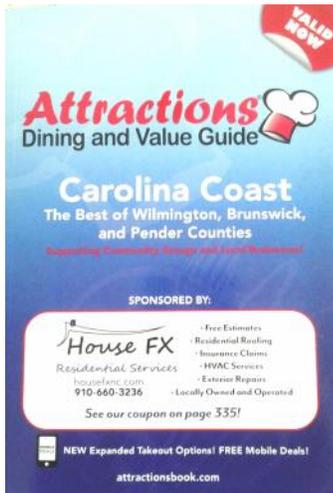
**Coordinator of Youth and Family Ministry update:** We have completed updating the ministry description for the position. We are now accepting resumes! Please keep this process in your prayers as we continue to search for the person who fits the vision we have for this ministry!

**Most things continue to be put on hold for the month of August!** However, we are still collecting food for the *Help Center* in Carolina Beach. You can drop items off at the church. Or if you prefer not to go out, but would like to donate something, you can leave it on your doorstep and someone will come and pick it up to get it where it needs to go! Please don't hesitate to contact the church office if that is the case and we would love to help out! The needs for August include; canned carrots OR mixed vegetables .... canned Spaghetios .... canned fruit .... mayonnaise or Miracle Whip .... \*\*Donate these items any day of the month.

**Thank you so much for your support for our ministry!** We want to give a huge shout out and thank you to so many who have very generously continued their giving during these very difficult and unusual times! We have been so blessed each week by your contributions to help keep us doing what we do! It is just one more illustration that we are helping each other as the body of Christ, to navigate this time we are in as we prepare to worship together on Sunday morning again in, hopefully the very near future! You all are a huge blessing to the leadership of KMLC, and appreciated more than you will ever know!

**As you continue your financial support for our ministry...** A reminder of the options for continuing your contributions to meet your lifestyle. You may either drop off your offering (either in the church or at the church office), mail it to the church office (P.O. Box 1, Kure Beach, NC 28449), set us up in your bank online "bill pay" system, or go to our website, [kmlc.org](http://kmlc.org), and donating through our new online donate options. This will help us to continue doing the ministry God is calling us to do...especially in these trying times! Thank you so much for your continued support!

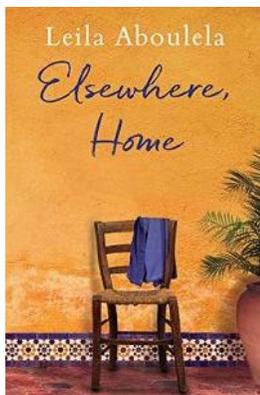
**Music at the Gazebo!** Lynne and Dave Denne and their band, "Lynn and the Wave" will be performing in the gazebo on the church lawn on Saturday evening, August 8 from 6:30-8:30pm! They are inviting our church family to come, bring lawn chairs or blankets spaced out at a safe distance and enjoy an evening of music. For those of you who don't know them, Lynne and Dave have been members at Kure Memorial for many years and they wanted to spend an evening sharing their music with you all! For many years, "Lynne and the Wave" spent their evenings performing at various restaurants and events throughout the area. So...come on out to the church...gather on the lawn around the gazebo and have an enjoyable evening together. You just may see folks you haven't seen in months!! Please remember to bring your face covering...just to be on the safe side! See you all here!



**Attractions Books are back!** The 2021 Attractions Books are here! They can be used right now through 2021...so be sure to get yours today! Even if you are still a little leery of going into restaurants right now...you can use the coupons for take-out menus. So you will certainly get your money's worth! The cost is \$25 and \$10 of that goes to our Costa Rica Mission Trip fund to support our mission trips every other year. Please tell your friends and neighbors! You can contact Pastor Dan at 910-619-8979 or [pdannybeachguy@gmail.com](mailto:pdannybeachguy@gmail.com). Or you can stop into the church office to purchase yours! If you would prefer not to leave your home, we will deliver it to your door! Talk about service with a smile! Over the years this has been a very helpful fundraiser and we have appreciated your support!

**Friday morning Book Group** We continue to gather at Becky Wetzel's in the carport on Fridays from 9:30 AM till 10:30 AM. Our new book is called *The Book of Joy* by Desmond Tutu and Dalai Lama. Everyone is welcomed! Any questions call Becky Wetzel at 571-230-6289.

### Book Club



During August we will be reading *Elsewhere, Home*, a collection of short stories by Leila Aboulela. We plan to discuss the book on Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 PM. We will meet either outdoors or in the fellowship hall. Copies of the book will be in the office, and all are welcome to join us.

Publishers Weekly's review states: "This collection of stories examines the alienation of individuals torn between two societies.... Each story is earnest and engrossing, holding surprising depth for tales so compact. Aboulela confronts and dissects Western and African stereotypes of Islam, Muslims, and immigrants, and beautifully renders the more universal challenge of cultural homelessness. Eleven of these stories have been previously published, and read together, they wonderfully coalesce."

If you are interested in joining the book club, send an email to Eleanor Lundy at [elundy@elundy.org](mailto:elundy@elundy.org) or you are able to email the church office requesting more information at [kurememorial@kurememorial.com](mailto:kurememorial@kurememorial.com)

**Christ in Our Home** is a booklet of daily devotionals. The July, August, September 2020 edition is available in the church entrance and in the office! Read these messages of God's amazing grace and let them fill your days!

**The KMLC Church Council News :** The next meeting will be held Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Everyone must wear masks, sit apart and have clean hands.

**Service Team:** Will meet Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Members will be able observe social distancing and are encouraged to wear a mask.

**From the Financial Secretary:** For the month of July, our Mission Plan was relying on receiving \$17,470 in Tithes and Offerings. (This is computed on 4 weeks x \$ 4,368.50). Our actual Tithes and Offerings were \$11,805 - giving us a deficit of \$ 6,669 for the month of July. We have now experienced six weeks in a row where our Offerings were considerably below the amount needed to sustain our Mission Plan. In more normal times, we generally receive contributions from about 75 families. Since the pandemic started, that number has dropped to about 40 to 45 families.

We know these are trying times for all of us. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact Pastor Dan or Todd Vought. They are there to help administer our Covid Cares Fund. If you are doing alright financially, I invite you to go back and read over your Contributions Statement that you recently received. Look at your pattern of giving - have you missed some opportunities to make a Tithe or Offering? Forget to send in your monthly offering? Has it been a while since you contributed? While we are not gathering weekly to worship, we can still support the Mission Plan of Kure Memorial. Much of our ministries are on-going and your support is needed as always. You can donate by going to the Church's website, by mailing in a check or have your bank send a check to the Church on a regular basis using Billpay, or stop in the office and drop off your offering. As always we are grateful to you for all you share and give in support of Kure Memorial's Mission Plan.

Teach us O God of love  
to learn how to love each other and care for all at this time  
when we are being urged to distance ourselves from each other.  
Be with us as we isolate ourselves and learn the discipline  
of not crowding into other's lives and spreading the disease.  
Teach us to savour this time of isolation  
as a gift from you to grow in ourselves  
– teach us to be alone without feeling lonely.  
"If you can't go outside go inside" a wise quote says...  
so may we use this time to reach into our hearts  
and discover those corners of love and service  
to each other and to God  
that we will yet have a chance to demonstrate.  
Teach us to appreciate this possibility of isolating ourselves...  
so many in crowded tenement houses  
and urban poor settlements cannot enjoy that privilege.  
"Escaping from quarantine" implies spreading the virus...  
and some have yet done it causing harm to others.  
Teach us to protect ourselves and our families  
with food and basic needs...  
without overdoing it at the cost of others  
or by being prepared to act with violence against each other,  
if we think we are under threat.  
Teach us patience dear God.  
Thank you, O God of compassion,  
for all those in the medical profession  
who are caring for those who are sick  
and for the medical staff who themselves are dying  
– give them strength, health and  
the loads of patience and perseverance they need at this time.  
Be with our churches and the Christian community that we will  
continue to serve you  
and all those who need our love and service at this time.  
Dear God in whom we trust and have our being... be with us! Amen

*Rev. Dr Aruna Gnanadason, Church of South India*



**World Council  
of Churches**

**#StayAtHome #PrayTogether**

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# VOLUNTEERING

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**The Sunday Lunch ministry** The Sunday lunch ministry will continue to meet at 11:15 a.m. on Sunday's to make the meat & cheese sandwiches and fill the bags. We maintain social distancing by wearing masks and gloves. The distribution location is at the Community Building on Cape Fear Blvd, next to Sea Merchant.

\*\*\*\*\*Additional questions or if you want to help, contact Jean Graff, [kjeb415@charter.net](mailto:kjeb415@charter.net) or call 309-339-9272

**The Help Center of Federal Point's Weekly Needs for August 2020 include:**

Canned carrots OR mixed vegetables .... Canned Spaghettios .... Canned fruit ....

Mayonnaise or Miracle Whip .... \*\*Donate these items any day of the month.

\*\*The Help Center is taking donations Monday - Friday 10 a.m. until noon.

**Sanctuary Flowers:** Because worship service is still being put together respecting social distancing guidelines and policies, we will not be having sanctuary flowers for August 2020.

**Sanctuary Lamp:** Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually, signifying the unswerving presence of the spirit of the Lord in our hearts and in our lives. To sponsor the sanctuary lamp, choose your Sunday date and the loved one or occasion you wish to honor and sign up in the Fellowship Hall. The cost of sponsorship is \$5; an acknowledgement will be made in the Sunday Bulletin.

*August 2 -*

*August 9 -*

*August 16 -*

*August 23 - Wayne Bostic / Joe Bostic (father)*

*August 30 -*

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## ✠ REMEMBER IN PRAYER ✠

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### HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED, SPECIAL CONCERNS

Teri Massey, Anne Burkauskas, Nancy Baker, Ellen Prevatte, Ted Prevatte, Maxine Jordan, Lisa Lee, Barry Nelder, Emily Barber, Irene Girvan, Nancy Spaller, Bob Stuart, Barb Stuart, Mina Piedmont, Betty Swann, Joanne Adams, Marge Lucido, Cathleen Applegate, Carol Ochs, Hannah Dumbrowski, Victoria Sanchez, Aris Mora, Morgan Smith, Billy Ward, John Walker, Pam Solstad, Morgan Davison, Kaitlin Sprague, Gene Snuggs, Lisa, Frank Dyson, Beth Loony, Belle Hunt, Laura Snow, Jack Campbell, Virginia Vargas, Megan Peoplis, Vaughn & Cathy Schweitzer, Andra Ciparis.

### FRIENDS & FAMILY

Sandy Hunt and Ginny Blauboer (Buckley), Tracy McKay, Tom Grady, Pat Hankin (Hambel), Paul Piedmont (Piedmont), Kristi Johnson, Cyndie Heath, Jami Harris, Jac Schlagle, Lexi Westfall (Hitchcock), Senka Gambino, Jean Behanna, Rick & Sharon Ellis (Lundy), Terry Ford & Carl Ford (Rehder), Arlo Bond (Jordan), Joey (Palamara), Pat Addington (Hearne), Julian, Jason & baby Jackson (Full), Mary Adobato (Vecchio), Megan Manley (Cox), Beverly Lynn (Kure), Richard White (Prevatte), Arden Buckley & Erin O'Brien (Buckley), Brad Cook & Hugh Brady (Shearin), Kari Craig, (Palamara), Bridges family (Lundy), Larry Gilbert (Wrenn), Anne C., Claire Houston, Tammy V., Dave Stultz, Matt Stultz, Pastor Tom Schutt, Belle Hunt, Steve Siferd, Janet Kassor, (Keck), Barbara Gavigan (Gavigan), Robin Stoehr (Gourville) Meghan O'Brien (Campbell), Kent Parker (Shearin).

*Please pray for the caregivers as they care for those who are ill.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MISSIONS OF OUR CHURCH

Federal Point Help Center / Coupons to Service men's families / KMLC Preschool / Girl Scout Troops #867, #901 and #155 / Good Shepherd (food & supplies) / Trinity Grove / KMLC Youth Group / Katie B Hines Senior Center lunch program / The Lutheran Church of Costa Rica/ Casa Abierta-La Carpio / Seamen's Center

### STUDENTS ATTENDING COLLEGE / SEMINARY

Emily Graff-Luther Seminary / Tommy Ullring-Cape Fear Community College / Katelyn Copenhaver-Santa Fe College / Jordan Pivik- East Carolina University / Rachel Pivik-ECU / Katie Elkin-Duke Divinity School / Andro Keck- University of South Carolina / Vegas Vecchio- University of Washington, Seattle / Heather Keck- Medical University of South Carolina / Mackenzie Clark-Hood College, Maryland / Nick Schwenker-Appalachian State / Matthew Shuttleworth-Cape Fear Community College / Mia Shoffner-East Carolina University / Sydney Maguire-College of Charleston / Preston Gourville-Vanderbilt / Kelsey Bloch-Wake Tech / Kari Bloch-Wake Tech.

### MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING

Col Wayne Lett in Frankfort, Germany; John Brandon in Wayton, Utah; Steven Blum at Fort Bragg; Christopher Bennett in San Diego, CA; Marley Von Cannon at a Naval Base in Walton County Florida; Brandon Muehl at Fort Bragg, NC; Jacob Clinton at Fort Geiger, NC; Thomas Stafford at Ft. Bragg, NC.

### COSTA RICA MICRO LOAN RECIPIENTS

Rosa Marin, Aida Marin, Raquel Marin: Village of Guatuso / Zoraida Hernandez, Raul Perez: Village of Quitirrisi / Ana Yensi Rivera: La Carpi / Alexa Araya: San Jose / Marta Dodero.

# Thanking Kure Memorial Lutheran Church



*We are so grateful  
to you all —  
Thank you!  
Katrina*

July 20, 2020

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*Please remember  
Good Shepherd  
Center  
in your will and  
estate plans.*

Kure Memorial Lutheran Church Attn: Pastor Dan Keck  
PO Box 1  
Kure Beach, NC 28449

Dear Pastor Dan,

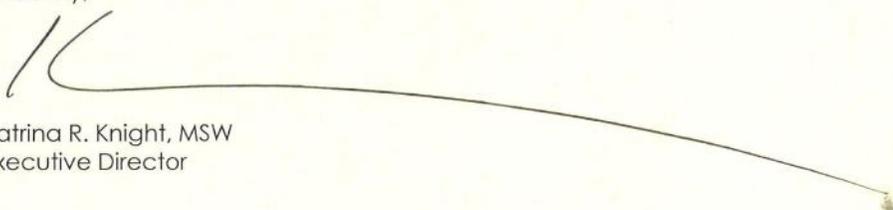
Thank you for your gift of \$100.00 in support of Good Shepherd and our programs and services for the hungry and homeless. As you can imagine, your gift is more critical now than ever.

These are challenging and unprecedented times for all of us. Through it all, however, Good Shepherd is committed to continuing to respond to the needs of our hungry and homeless neighbors. We are taking every measure to keep our guests, staff and limited volunteers safe. Your friendship and support means so much to us now.

We are proud to share the news that we have rehoused a record number of people this year, well over 300 men, women and families with children. We thank you for being a part of this great success. Like you, we are uncertain of what the immediate future holds but we are truly honored to have your support.

Please visit our website at [www.goodshepherdwilmington.org](http://www.goodshepherdwilmington.org) to stay up to date on our programs and services and the impact of COVID-19. We also hope you'll follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Our wish for you and yours is to stay healthy and safe.

Sincerely,

  
Katrina R. Knight, MSW  
Executive Director

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## Thanking KMLC continued..



In everything we do, we will act in a caring, compassionate, and determined manner to improve the lives of the hungry and homeless.

Your gift supports our vision.

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Your tax receipt is enclosed.

## KMLC STAFF

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<b>Interim Coordinator of Youth &amp; Family Ministry</b>	Tammy Ebersole

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