



Kure Memorial Lutheran Church

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Statement of Welcome

Accepting those whom 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.

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.

KMLC Core Values

✠ *Communion Centered*

Worship

✠ *Caring*

✠ *Service to Others*

Pastor Dan Keck

Worship 10:00

KMLC Office Hours:
Varies due to COVID-19.

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

10AM ✠ October 18, 2020



Welcome to Worship! We are glad to be worshipping with you today.

May you sense the Spirit's presence here!

If you live in the area and don't have a church home, we invite you to consider becoming part of our community of faith! The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered for all who believe Jesus suffered and died, that we might be forgiven, strengthened in spirit and have everlasting life. We celebrate and receive the meal at an Open Table. Children are welcome to receive at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive are invited to come to the altar for a blessing.

Prelude

P. This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Alleluia!

Call to worship: *By grace we have been saved* Purple Book 25

1 By grace we have been saved through faith and not by keeping law.
God's saints believed by what they heard and not by what they saw.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening prayer:

A: Gracious and life-giving God. You created us in your image, to be caring, loving and forgiving. Help us to treat others with the same love and care we receive from you. This we pray through Jesus, our Lord. **Amen.**

Gathering Song: *God Is Here!* Red Book 526

1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Greeting:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

WORD

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Most likely this letter is the first written by Paul. Paul gives pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so

that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm of Praise:

Oh Sing to the Lord

Red Book 822

- 1 Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.
Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.
Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.
Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

Psalm 96:1-9

- 1: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- 2: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 3: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.
- 4: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.
- 5: For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.
- 6: Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- 7: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 8: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.
- 9: Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.

Psalm of Praise:

Oh Sing to the Lord

Red Book 822

- 2 For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders.
For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders.
For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders.
Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

Psalm 96:10-13

- 10: Say among the nations, "The Lord is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- 12: let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
- 13: before the Lord; for he is coming, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

Psalm of Praise:

Oh Sing to the Lord

Red Book 822

- 5 For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!
Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

The Holy Gospel:**Matthew 22:15-22****C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

After Jesus begins teaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ

Children's Time: *For the health and safety of all at this time, the children are asked to stay with their families during the children's time...which is harder than you can imagine for Pastor Dan!*

Message:**Hymn of the Day:***Take My Life, That I May Be*

Red Book 583

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

1 Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain*

Statement of faith Apostle's Creed**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers:**Sharing the Peace of the Lord...***without physically sharing the peace!*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

Prayer:

A: Let us pray. Gracious God, we give you thanks for the offerings given this morning, as a sign of your gracious love for us. Use these gifts and the abilities you give us to make a difference in the world around us. This we pray through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Lord's Supper:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In the night he was betrayed...Our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat it, this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Guidance for Communion Distribution: *You are asked to come forward, one family unit at a time to the distribution table where the communion elements are located. Please take a cup with a piece of bread in it. You may then take a cup with wine or white grape juice. Gluten free wafers are available for those with that preference. Once you receive communion, please move to where the cup disposal basket is and receive a blessing. You may then pull your mask down and consume the bread and wine/grape juice. Place your empty cups in the basket and return to your seats. Thank you!*

Communion songs:

Thy Holy Wings

Red Book 613

- 1 Thy holy wings, O Savior, spread gently over me,
and let me rest securely through good and ill in thee.
Oh, be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place,
and let my ev'ry moment be lived within thy grace.
- 2 Oh, let me nestle near thee, within thy downy breast
where I will find sweet comfort and peace within thy nest.
Oh, close thy wings around me and keep me safely there,
for I am but a newborn and need thy tender care.
- 3 Oh, wash me in the waters of Noah's cleansing flood.
Give me a willing spirit, a heart both clean and good.
Oh, take into thy keeping thy children great and small,
and while we sweetly slumber, enfold us one and all.

Refrain

Broken for me, broken for you; the body of Jesus broken for you.

1 He offered his body, he poured out his soul; Jesus was broken that we might be whole.

Refrain

2 Come to my table and with me dine; eat of my bread and drink of my wine. *Refrain*

3 This is my body given for you; eat it, rememb'ring I died for you. *Refrain*

4 This is my blood I shed for you; for your forgiveness, making you new. *Refrain*

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.

When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Blessing/Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song:

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"

let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"

let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks!

Sending:

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. And have fun doing it!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Schedule for Sunday:

‡ Word & Sacrament Worship 10AM ‡

Serving Today

Assisting Minister

Keith Graff

Reader

Chris Keck

Ushers

Marion Wyman, Gary Bianchi

Offerings: *Thank you for empowering us to live out our mission! KMLC's general offerings for last week were \$1,114.33. (Our Mission Plan this year is relying on weekly offerings of \$4,368.50.) Let us continue to grow in responding to God's amazing grace!*

Attendance Last Week: Approximately 102! Through Zoom, Facebook Live, worship leaders and a few in person!

✠ REMEMBER IN PRAYER ✠

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, Megan Peoplis, Vaughn & Cathy Schweitzer, Andra Ciparis, Clifford Johnson, Beth Deaton, Jennifer Von Cannon, Don Bowman, Carol Tonneson, John Vrba, Karen Matthews, Marge McClosky, Richard Laudati.

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) Barbara Murtha (Hambel/Lundy).

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.