Kingman United Methodist Church



Gross Connection

Spring 2018

Ponderings from Pastor Patrick

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Saying "good-bye" is never easy. It's also much harder when there's no bad feelings involved. As I announced at the end of the Palm Sunday service, Abby and I will be leaving Kingman County in mid-June. We have accepted the opportunity to move to Colby and pastor there. At the time of this writing, Abby's appointment is not finalized, but we know that we will serve together. That was why we were willing to say "yes" to leaving a place we have loved in order to fulfill our prayer of working together.

First, I want to thank you for the opportunity to be your pastor. It is an honor and privilege to get to know the many families and people that make up Kingman United Methodist Church. I have had the pleasure of presiding over baptisms, confirmations, weddings, and funerals. At some point, I have been in every single patient room at the Kingman hospital and visited just about every hospital in the region. I have been blessed to be invited into your most intimate moments, such as families gathering around a loved one taking a last breath, and welcoming babies as they take a first. I have enjoyed being an active part of the Kingman community and pray that, as I leave, Kingman is more like the Kingdom because of the work, prayer, and faith we have done together.

Second, I want to thank you for accepting my family. It's not easy being pastor's kids, much less double pastors' kids. Even though it is tough to get to know the non-appointed spouse of a clergy couple, Abby has always felt welcomed and just a part of the church family at all the things she could attend. Her kids, particularly Matthew, enjoyed the welcome each time he visited. About as close to a ringing endorsement a teenage boy can give, Matthew once told me, "this church doesn't suck!"

My children have especially liked being a part of the youth group and just being able to be themselves. Our years in Kingman will always be remembered for Nate's high school years. We are especially grateful for the caring teachers and supportive administration. In some ways, we feel we came to Kingman so that Nate would have his life's direction. Even this past month, a church member was opening up a door for him into a possible career opening.

Most of all, thank you all for putting up with me. Kingman has taught me about the importance of leading the church, and all the weight that carries. You have been a forgiving church when a sermon rambled on, or a prayer stopped in mid-sentence for no apparent reason. You've allowed me to experiment with different ideas and concepts for worship and community missions. I have a whimsical and light-hearted personality, and I thank you for at least rolling your eyes at my bad jokes. (Poor Colby doesn't know what cheesy jokes are about to come their way.)

If I didn't do something I should have, I ask for your forgiveness. If I upset you, I ask that you let that go. If you have stopped attending church because of something I have said, or didn't say, I would invite you to return. The church needs "all hands on deck" to build the Kingdom God has envisioned for Kingman.

My continued prayers for the church, for the sanctuary remodel, for the missions, and for the future

Pastor Patrick

Balance Sheet

GENERAL FUND

MISSION SHARES

General Fund January-March 2018

Opening Balance \$ 19,175.64

Total Receipts \$ 33,551.45

Total Expenses \$ 46,436.34

Current Balance \$ 6,290.75

Building Fund \$ 61,747.48

Every United Methodist Church in the world participates in local, national, and global mission projects as well as supports educational projects, disaster assistance, and benevolence.

2018 Total Amount Balance
Paid
\$23,737 \$6,136 \$17,601

Giving Options

Cash
Check
ACH
E-Commerce
Text Message

To give through ACH, a form authorizing the transfer of funds from your savings/ checking account to the church's account must be completed. To begin, or to change the amount being transferred, see Lance Dixon, church treasurer. To contact Lance, email him at lancesdixon@gmail.com or call him at 620-532-4357.

To give through the e-commerce app, go to the church's website. On the home page, about halfway down there is a red rectangle with the word "DONATE" in it. Click on that. You will be sent to the website of the service the church is using to complete the transaction. You can do a "one-time" donation or set-up for a recurring donation.

Welcome the Kirk family to Kingman UMC



Rev. Brad Kirk, along with his wife Diana and son Tobin, will be our new pastoral family. Pastor Brad is currently serving in Leoti, in the Dodge City District. The Kirks are also expecting their second child this fall. Having a baby in the current parsonage will be a first for the church.

The Kirks will be moving to Kingman in late June and Brad begins his appointment on July 1st.

My heart has heard you say, *Come and talk with me. And my heart responds, "Lord, I am coming."

Psalms 27:8

Coffee Talk about Jesus.



SUNDAYS @ JERI'S DINER 6:00-7:30PM AMELIAWO MEN WELCOME

7 Discussions on YOUR Identity IN Christ:

- Labels
- An outfit for you Righteousness Wrong attire Molding Clay No condemnation Because

May 6th May 20th June 3rd June10th June 24th July 1st July 8th

2018 Directories Now Available



Updated phone directories are now available on the table in the basket at the back of the church. The information reflects updated addresses and phone numbers from the recently completed capital campaign. The campaign revealed a lot of old information. With a new pastor coming it would be nice to have everyone's contact information as accurate as possible. Please take a directory for yourself and help to fill in the blanks.

A note from Susie Graber

Pastor Broz will have his last Sunday service on June 17th. We will have a potluck meal and reception directly after service. Please plan to attend the service and reception to offer your blessings to the Broz-Caseman family as they start their new journey to Colby, Kansas. There will be a public invitation through the *Leader Courier* newspaper so the community can also participate.

Transition Sunday is June 24th while we are between pastors. Our service will be filled with scripture and songs. All are welcome to praise God and "Make A Joyful Noise."

Our new pastor's first Sunday is July 1st. Watch for more details about a celebration to welcome him.

I want to personally thank all of our leaders and volunteers who helped to kick off the "For A Fruitful Future" Capital Campaign. Continued prayers are needed and appreciated for the project and that it will bear fruit for the community in the years to come.

Sincerest Blessings,

Susie Graber, Chair

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday: High School Youth Bible Study 6-7 pm in the youth room

Thursdays: Creative Worship Planning, hosted by Wheatlands and led by Pastor Patrick. Starts at 1:00 p.m.

Sunday Mornings: Two adult classes meet, one in the parlor and one in Room 7 upstairs led by Lance Dixon, 7 Men. Both classes meet at 9:30 am. Topics change, so just come and get started.

2018 CHURCH GOALS

- Conduct Capital Campaign—<u>Campaign Complete!</u>
- 2. Support Ways to Bring in Younger People
- 3. Create a Discipleship System

General Guidelines for Pastoral Transition in the United Methodist Church

- 1. Pray for both the departing and incoming pastor and their families.
- 2. Once Pastor Patrick leaves, he is not allowed to return to provide pastoral care, or other ministerial functions. The new pastor deserves every opportunity to earn the trust of the congregation.
- 3. Pastor Patrick will leave as a participant of all social media accounts that belong to the church.
- 4. Pastor Patrick will "unfriend" people in the church from his personal social media account. (Please contact him PRIOR to his departure about the general guidelines about remaining friends on social media while giving the new pastor space to become the trusted pastor of the church)
- 5. Any contact with Pastor Patrick following June 30th needs to be on a personal nature. Talking about the new pastor and/or family, or the church, undermines the new pastor's ability to have the start God wants for him and for the church.
- 6. Keep in mind that pastoral moves are a time of stress for both the outgoing and incoming pastors and their families. Be patient with both during the transition.
- 7. Be forgiving of the outgoing pastor if there's something unresolved in your relationship. Holding onto an issue only harms the incoming pastor and, more importantly, yourself.

Shawna Olson leads Little Lambs Sunday School Class every Sunday morning at 9:30-10:20am. This class meets upstairs in room 5. This class is for children aged 0-5 years old.

Parent participation is encouraged.

This class features lots of interactive songs to make it engaging and fun for the children while also teaching them about God's love. Each quarter has a new theme.



2018 Graduates and Promotees

2018 Promotees

Rylee Reid

Cheyenne Kewish

Ebanie Charles

Caleb Blaha

Jacob Clover

Chloe Naillieux

Marissa Talbot

Cole Watkins

McKinzie Patterson

Savannah Snyder

Aaron Siemens

2018 Graduates

Katie Branstetter

Nathanael Broz

Myah Munz

Alexandra Williams

Ridge Pinkston

Alyssa Graber

Abby Fairchild

Andrew Knudsen

Dalayne Naillieux

Alex Huhman



Birthday Wishes and Anniversary Congratulations

MAY				JULY	
Stacie Buss	5/2	Tucker Henning	6/08	Donna Gantz	7/01
Hayden Albri		Mary Blumanhourst	6/09	Becky Hegler	7/03
Brandi Reid	5/6	Tristen Holloway	6/09	Ruth Kerr	7/05
Lance Dixon	5/8	Patty Madison	6/10	F.L. Young	7/05
Justin Watkin	s 5/10	Carrie Henning	6/11	Leighton Reid	7/12
Dean Langley	5/11	Paulette Schlegel	6/11	Donielle Geesling	7/13
Betty Benson	5/11	Inge Luntsford	6/11	Clayton Bradley	7/15
Davis Conard		•		Kay Barker	7/14
Lilly Banium	5/17	Ruth White	6/13	John Barker	7/16
Don Hawkins		Juanita Gangwere	6/13	Kenneth Clark	7/19
Zach Anderse	•	Gabe Andersen	6/14	Ron Sawyer	7/23
Pam Pearson	5/23	Dennis Albright	6/14	Pat Taylor	7/24
Michael Grab		Emma Lou Vanlanding	gham 6/20	Liz Byers	7/26
Luke Banium	5/26	Skyler Olson	6/20	Tim Hegler	7/27
Julie Wollen	5/27	Marc Wiard	6/22	Gunnar Cornelius	7/27
Lincoln Nailli		Myrna Carson	6/23	Galene SanRomani	7/28
JUNE	0,00	Jake Schmitt	6/23	Marion Oller	7/31
Lynn Caywood	6/02	Mary Lou Taylor	6/25	Brittany Esposito	7/31
Karli Packard	6/02	Abby Caseman	6/25	Tim Woods	7/31
Danny Mark	6/04	Dean Louis Geesling	6/25	MAY ANNIVERSARIES	
Derek Buss	6/05	Ben Dixon	6/26	Ezra & Shawna Olson	5/15
Curt Watkins	6/06	Larry Mark	6/26	Gary & Jacque Hansen	5/29
Brenda Mark	6/06	•		Steve & Barb Witty	5/30
Jerome Hagema	an 6/07	Skyler Goyen	6/30		

If your birthday or anniversary is missing or wrong, please call the church office so it can be corrected.

JUNE <u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>		Patrick Broz & Abby Caseman	6/22
Marion & Verna Oller	6/01	<u>JULY ANNIVERSARIES</u>	
Jon & Brenda Sharp	6/01	Tim & Anna Woods	7/13
Ed & Pamela Pearson	6/02	Adam & York Conard	7/14
Bob & Kay Carlson	6/04	Don & Eileen Hawkins	7/19
Mason & Lynn Caywood	6/05	Jim & Myrna Carson	7/20
John & Kay Barker	6/05	Bryan & Sandra Brown	7/22
Jeff & Sarah Babson	6/18		,,
Lance & Pat Dixon	6/20		
Dick & Linda Davis	6/20		

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

3:15 pm-6:00 pm







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