

# MESSENGER

NOVEMBER 2021

## Top Ten

by Dr. Jody Bowser, Senior Pastor



**“His mercies are brand new every morning. Simply put—God carries us.”**

One of the things that we do in our weekly staff meetings here at the church is to take turns giving what we call our “Top Ten.” It’s a unique way for us to talk about our lives ... to tell our story. The assignment is to look back over our lives and identify ten events or significant circumstances that have uniquely shaped us into the people we are today. Think of them as turning points. They aren’t necessarily “highlights.” In fact, quite often the things that most uniquely shape us fall more into the category of “lowlights.”

This past week, one of our staff shared her top ten. She listed ten events that, looking back, have made her who she is today. After she was finished sharing these ten events, there was something that really stood out about her list. The majority of her top ten were various difficulties in her life. She described significant illnesses that threatened to take her life. She talked about various people who have died and the impact that their deaths made on her. She introduced one of her top ten by saying, “These three years were the most difficult in my life.” It was one trial after another.

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And yet.

On the surface, when we are living through life's very difficult times—the last thing we think is that what we're going through is actually a GOOD thing. Quite often, there is nothing seemingly good about the trials that we're experiencing. However, as we look back on these times, we see that it was during those times that God was doing his greatest work in our lives. Things that end up in our top ten.

It causes me to think about the poem entitled, "Footprints in the Sand." The premise of this poem is that as we look back over the span of our entire lives, there are times when there is only one set of footprints in the sand. Which causes the person to ask: "God, why was it that when I was going through the most difficult times in my life, you abandoned me?" To which God replies, "Oh no, my child. The reason there is only one set of footprints is because it was then that I was carrying you."

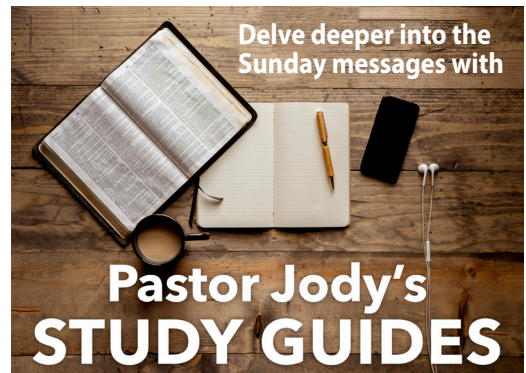
This simple poem is actually far more true than I think we even realize. God doesn't just walk WITH us in our difficulties. He carries us. He gives us the strength to get up in the morning. He enables us to function—even on auto-pilot. He protects our spirit even when we don't realize that He's doing it. He brings other people in our lives to help us. He provides resources when we need them. He surrounds us with angels who "keep our feet from slipping." He answers prayers that we don't even know to pray. He gives us a song in the night. His mercies are brand new every morning. Simply put—God carries us.

It's only in hindsight that we realize this. When things are going well, we tend to think that we can handle things on our own. We convince ourselves that it's because of our own strength or cleverness that we are experiencing success. But that simply isn't true. We really CAN'T handle things on our own. We're not nearly as strong or clever as we think we are. The fact is that we desperately need God.

This brings me back to the top ten list that

I heard this past week. Things that seemed at the time like absolute lowlights for the person sharing her list turned out to be life changing (in a good way). It reinforced what we read in James, chapter 1, where we're told to "consider it PURE JOY when we face trials of many kinds ... because it's this testing of our faith that produces perseverance and maturity."

I don't know what you're going through today. But, if what you're experiencing is a particularly difficult trial, I have some really good news for you. Your feet might not even be touching the ground. God might very well be carrying you and you don't even know it. There just might come a time when you'll look back on the struggles you face today and realize that, in some ways, these were some of the most important and life-changing days of your entire life.



Each week Pastor Jody writes questions and thoughts that aid in deeper study of the Sunday morning message. Download them for personal study or in your Sunday school class/small group. You can find the guides on our website, [www.kingstreetchurch.com](http://www.kingstreetchurch.com) under "Watch & Read." They are available every Friday afternoon. Paper copies are also available in the lobbies. (These were formerly called "Sermon Notes.")

## KING STREET CHURCH

Mission Statement: Engaging and blessing our community with the Gospel.

We believe that becoming a transformed disciple of Jesus involves three core values:

Spiritually Alive in Jesus

Relationally Connected by Jesus

Missionally Engaged for Jesus

Who are you worshipping? Who is your community?

Who are you serving?

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### December 2021 *Messenger* Deadline

Articles and information for the December 2021 issue should be submitted by November 17.

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# Worship TIMES

## In-Person Services:

8 a.m. — Sanctuary (Traditional)

9:30 a.m. — Baker Center and Sanctuary (Contemporary)

11 a.m. — Sanctuary (United Worship Service)

11 a.m. — Baker Center (Contemporary)



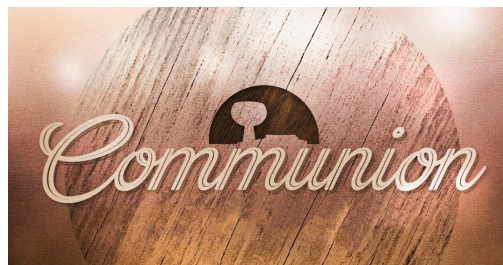
## Online Options:

Each Sunday we stream the following worship services LIVE:

8 a.m. — Traditional Worship

9:30 a.m. — Contemporary Worship

11 a.m. — United Worship



## Sunday, November 14

Communion offerings will be given to the KSC Orphan and Adoption Care Fund, which provides support for KSC families seeking adoption.

# September 2021 Board of Administration Meeting Highlights

The Board of Administration met on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 in the KSC Choir Room. Chairman Glenn Watson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Brad Etchberger opened the meeting with devotions and prayer. Following are highlights from that meeting.

## Senior Pastor's Update:

Pastor Jody handed out copies of a staff organizational chart and discussed the changes that have occurred recently. Pastor Jody shared his thoughts about King Street's structure stating that we are unique in that we have both a strong co-mission structure and a strong staff. Rob Gunkelman has jumped right into his new role as Pastor of Middle School Student Ministries. Pastor Steve will continue to lead the traditional service.

## Executive Pastor's Update:

Pastor Steve Flint shared that he believes that God is calling him to serve as a pastor to the pastors. He feels called to pastor, nurture and coach and hopes to accomplish these things by using the four C's: Caring Presence, Collaboration, Chemistry and Covenant. There will be four baptisms on Sunday, September 12. Three people are signed up for the next series of partnership classes.

## Elder Team Update:

Greg West shared that the Elder Team met in August and spent time in prayer for the staff and the congregation. A line item under "Capital" will be added to track board approved disaster relief donations.

## Co-Mission Reports:

• **Adult Ministries** – Mark Willson shared that the AMC hosted the second bi-annual adult

ministry leaders' meeting. ConnectAbility is celebrating a new location for hosting those with special needs in the LR Rife Room. ConnectAbility will be hosting an open house on September 19 to raise awareness of this important ministry. Men to Mend reports that they've had fewer projects this year. The Pottery Ministry continues to experience significant interest from our church and the community and it has expanded the numbers of classes it hosts. Grief Share has become part of RESET's group sessions on Monday evenings. The Porch has a goal of retaining young adults in the church and providing connection points for this demographic. The group meets on the first and third Thursdays of every month.

• **Children's Ministry** – Alexander Rosenbaum shared that the Children's Ministry Co-Mission will be meeting in October. A pre-school farm-to-table event will be held at the Goldfish Barn. Interviews were held last Thursday for the Kidztown Elementary Coordinator position. Michaela Olsen is vacating the position on September 30.

• **Finance** – Brad Etchberger shared that the Finance Co-Mission will be meeting on October 25. Dan Gehris shared that August was a phenomenal month financially. Year-to-date undesignated income is over budget by \$138,312 and operating expenses are under budget by \$112,049. Praise God for His infinite blessings! Future discussions will be held to discuss ways that we can continue to be good stewards of the financial blessings that God has bestowed upon us.

• **Local Outreach** – Tamy Cook shared that Camp Joy El had an outstanding season. Once More Ministries will be having a distribution on September 11. Tamy thanked the BOA for their many acts of kindness following the recent passing of her son, Ryan.

• **Missions** – Alyssa Heberlig shared that a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for Emily Schoenleber will be held on September 25. Roger

and Marilyn Reeck are retiring. Karli Frelin is returning to the US. A motion to recommend that KSC take a special offering for Haiti disaster relief with the money going to the Haiti UB Conference and that KSC would match that offering passed unanimously. The disbursement of the funds will be at the discretion of the Missions Co-Mission.

• **Personnel Relations** – Kim Shatzer shared appreciation for Susanna Allen for putting together our month of “Come and See” communications. Pastor Steve and Kim are collaborating on putting together manager training sessions. Kim shared appreciation to Pastor Jody and Pastor Steve for their efforts in embracing the changes that are occurring in our organizational structure and how it has become beneficial to the office setting.

• **Property** – Dale Forney shared that there is still an urgent need for ushers. New trees will be planted on Main Street as weather permits per the agreement with the borough. John Little will oversee the installation of flooring by Sam’s Flooring for the CMC renovation. There is a request from a Sunday school class to memorialize an on-site tree.

• **Student Ministry** – Penny Poorman shared that Sunday morning GPS has seen a spike in attendance with Move Up Sunday behind us. There is still a need for small group leaders, especially male. September 8 is the first Wednesday back for both middle school and high school students; these two groups will remain combined for the remainder of September using the theme of “Uncommon.” October 6 is Small Group Night. October 29 is the All-Nighter event.

• **Worship Arts** – Andrea Mowen shared that five people responded to “Come & See” for Worship Arts. Tyler Roberts has received three proposals for the Baker Center audio-visual contracts; they are up 10-15% from earlier this year.

## Administration Report:

Dan Gehris requested that co-mission chairs review their co-mission rosters and let him know at the next board meeting how many spots they need filled for the upcoming year.

## New Business:

Glenn Watson requested that anticipated co-mission capital projects be submitted to him by September 30.

Brad Etchberger closed the meeting with prayer at 9:10 p.m.



### September 26

Offering (General Fund): \$38,684.94

### October 3

Offering (General Fund): \$50,233.93

### October 10

Offering (General Fund): \$47,591.63

### October 17

Offering (General Fund): \$55,790.46

# Meet Kristi Davis, Our New Elementary Coordinator

by Susanna Allen  
Communications Coordinator

We are excited to announce that Kristi Davis has been hired as our new Elementary Coordinator. We caught up with Kristi to find out a little bit more about her and we learned that Kristi grew up in a Christian home where church was always a priority.

“My dad was in the military and we moved around a lot,” Kristi says. “Whenever we got to a new town, one of the first things we did was find a church home.”



Kristi Davis

Kristi said her family attended Sunday school and church regularly and the Bible stories she heard at church were reinforced by her parents.

Kristi pauses here in the story to emphasize, “This is one of the reasons I believe the bridge between church and home is so important.”

One night when she was six years old there was a terrible storm outside her home. Kristi remembered how Jesus calmed the storm in the Bible. She went to her mother and told her, “I want to ask Jesus into my heart.” She explains that this moment represented the fruit of seeds planted in her heart throughout her childhood.

As she grew in the Lord, Kristi had a desire to serve children from a young age.

“Children’s ministry has always been a passion of mine,” she says. “I started helping in kids ministry as soon as I was old enough to serve on Wednesday nights when I was in middle school.” She goes on to explain that she was a counselor in high school at Camp Joy El and she went through their leadership training. “From there it’s always been something that God has always placed on my heart.”

Camp Joy El would become an important landmark in her life for another reason—it’s where she met her husband of 17 years, Ricky.

“I was late to chapel one evening. Normally I sat in the front, but this night I slid into the back row right next to him, and he asked, ‘You want to get snacks together later?’” She laughs when she describes that Ricky was concerned there wasn’t a big chance for them to make a strong connection because she was wearing a hoodie from an out-of-state college. He tried to play it cool when he suggested she put her information into his new Palm Pilot. When he saw that she was a local girl, he had renewed hope. The rest is history!

Kristi and Ricky have three children. Their oldest, a daughter, is Madison. Their sons are Brandon and Justin. She and Ricky also have a passion for being foster parents. She said they were first impacted by hearing stories from others and their hearts became tender to the needs of at-risk kids. The next step was to ask their children how they felt about the idea. They recognized that it would need to be a family undertaking because it would impact their lives in a major way. All three kids wanted to do it.

They invested in foster care about 2 ½ years

ago, and it's been a challenging but rewarding season of family ministry.

"It's our family mission field," Kristi says. "It isn't easy but God has taught us so much."

She says they have been able to see some of the pain that goes on in the foster community and the hurt that many of the children experience. "It has been very eye-opening to us, the things that go unnoticed in the lives of these kiddos and also very difficult to face. These families need a community to come around them and support them."

For children's ministry, Kristi says the elementary age has always been where her heart is most in-tune. "Kids absorb so much; they are like little sponges. The great thing about working with elementary kids is you have a big connection with the parents as well."

She goes on to share, "With kids ministry, you are starting to set up the building blocks of faith—that has always been a big focus of mine, to consider how can we start to make a strong foundation for them? It's really fun! I love working with small groups too; you can build on what they're learning and then that prepares them for middle school and high school ministry."

Kristi is excited to start her job here at King Street Church and her coworkers are thrilled as well. Becky Hann, Director of Children's Ministries, says, "I'm looking forward to partnering with Kristi in ministry to kids. She is going to be a great addition to our team. She loves God and has a humble spirit about her. I'm looking forward to seeing how she will use her gifts and talents to help draw kids closer to Jesus!"

Kristi previously served for 12 years at another United Brethren in Christ congregation and is glad to be connected back into a UB church. Earlier in the year Kristi felt that the Lord was calling her into a new adventure, but she had no idea where or what that might be. After hearing about the opportunity at King Street Church, she felt several prompts from the Lord nudging her in this direction. She

applied and says, "It was just amazing to see how quickly things lined up. God's timing was perfect for us."

Kristi, we couldn't agree more about God's perfect timing!

Please be praying for Kristi, Ricky and their children as Kristi transitions into her new role. As you see them, welcome the Davis family to KSC and let them know how grateful we are that God has called them to our church!



## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 24

No Street Meeting

DECEMBER 1

Student Christmas Party



This faith-based support group is for those suffering the loss of a loved one. It is led by those who have also experienced loss. The group will run on Monday nights until December 6. They meet at 7 p.m. in the Choir Room (M7).

# Once More Ministries Report

from the OMM Leadership Team

Preparations for Once More Ministries' next quarterly distribution on Saturday, December 11, are in full swing! We are excited to see how the Lord works through the hands and hearts of our people to reach our community!



In this month of Thanksgiving, we would like to take a moment to express our most sincere gratitude to so many individuals, groups and businesses who have given time, money, supplies and labor that have blessed and helped OMM throughout the year, and in turn, our community family. The Lord always ensures we have all we need and we are so thankful! In no particular order:

- OMM volunteers
- KSC deacons
- Maranatha Ministries and Craig Newcomer
- Bender's Potato Farm (Dave Bender)
- David H. Martin (Jeryl Martin)
- Gene and Fern Diller
- Weis Markets
- Ruthie Ludwig
- Dollar Tree
- Benedict's Produce
- Sunday school classes
- KSC congregation

The Lord has amply provided everything we need in order, not only to function, but also to thrive and grow as more and more of our community friends need a little extra food and toiletries to help make ends meet. We are so thankful that KSC and OMM can be a source of those physical needs, but we're even more thankful that we have had the opportunity to be Christ's hands and feet in the hope of reaching others for Him!

## We Need Your Help!

As we approach Christmas, we want to add a small item to each box and bag for the December distribution—toothbrushes. We are still in **need of approximately 500 toothbrushes** to meet our goal of 1000. We are in need of singles and 2- to 4-packs. Please consider adding toothbrushes to your grocery list to bless families with this extra item.

If you would like to donate supplies for the upcoming distribution, below is a list of items we collect. Bins are located in the foyer of the Baker Center, the Rotz Foyer and the Sanctuary Narthex.

- Toothbrushes (single and 2- to 4-packs)
- Laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Bar soap
- Men's and women's deodorant
- Individually-wrapped paper towels
- Small 4- to 6-packs of toilet paper
- Feminine hygiene products

If the Lord is calling you to serve, OMM is in need of additional hands to serve in a few different capacities, whether it be in the days leading up to or on distribution day as well as after distribution day. No experience is needed. The one requirement? *A love for people!*

If you would like more information about OMM or opportunities to serve, please contact us at [omm@kschurch.org](mailto:omm@kschurch.org). We monitor this email weekly, so don't be discouraged if we don't respond immediately. Rest assured we will reach out to you soon!

*And on that day you will say, "Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name. Make known His deeds among the peoples; make them remember that His name is exalted." Praise the LORD in song, for He has done glorious things; let this be known throughout the earth.*

~Isaiah 12:4-5 (NASB)

# IN MEMORIAM

*Remembering those from our King Street Church  
family who have gone on before us.*

NOVEMBER 2020–OCTOBER 2021

Robert J. Monn, Jr.	<i>November 1, 2020</i>	Evelyn M. Gayman	<i>June 7, 2021</i>
D. Eugene Gayman	<i>November 21, 2020</i>	John H. Shadle, Jr.	<i>June 11, 2021</i>
Jay W. Stoner	<i>December 16, 2020</i>	Doris Eshelman	<i>June 14, 2021</i>
Bernice Irene "Rene" Etter	<i>December 21, 2020</i>	Frank L. Shatzer	<i>June 15, 2021</i>
Alan R. Kohler	<i>December 24, 2020</i>	Samuel E. Miller	<i>June 15, 2021</i>
Amelia M. Martin	<i>December 30, 2020</i>	Betty L. Barnhart	<i>June 18, 2021</i>
Orville G. Cooper, Jr.	<i>January 5, 2021</i>	Ralph F. Kline	<i>June 22, 2021</i>
Ralph H. "Jim" Johnston, Jr.	<i>January 11, 2021</i>	Ernest D. Turner, Jr.	<i>June 24, 2021</i>
Mary Virginia Worrell	<i>January 12, 2021</i>	Jean M. Dice	<i>July 10, 2021</i>
Marlene E. Mohn	<i>January 30, 2021</i>	Voneda L. "Vonnie" Mansberger	<i>August 4, 2021</i>
Allen S. Jimick	<i>February 1, 2021</i>	Almeta L. McClain	<i>August 9, 2021</i>
Glenn W. Golden	<i>February 3, 2021</i>	Earl L. McClain	<i>August 11, 2021</i>
Chester R. Yeager	<i>February 13, 2021</i>	Ryan S. Schoenleber	<i>August 11, 2021</i>
Earl D. Peters	<i>February 18, 2021</i>	Willis E. "Bill" Mansberger, Jr.	<i>August 12, 2021</i>
Garrett A. Hultin	<i>March 1, 2021</i>	John P. Martz	<i>August 15, 2021</i>
Cindy Barnes Coons	<i>March 9, 2021</i>	Peggy J. Welker	<i>September 1, 2021</i>
Paul B. Baker	<i>March 10, 2021</i>	Joanne K. Shira	<i>October 3, 2021</i>
Shirley F. Wolfgang	<i>April 6, 2021</i>	Harold L. Lehman	<i>October 6, 2021</i>
Richard D. Leedy	<i>April 27, 2021</i>	Edwin J. Morley	<i>October 7, 2021</i>
Larry E. Spielman	<i>May 14, 2021</i>	Susan Daugherty	<i>October 11, 2021</i>
Gerald E. Hamilton	<i>May 24, 2021</i>	Arnold G. Barnes	<i>October 11, 2021</i>
Alice E. Alpaugh	<i>June 4, 2021</i>	Brenda J. Greenawalt	<i>October 12, 2021</i>
Gary G. Cummings	<i>June 6, 2021</i>		

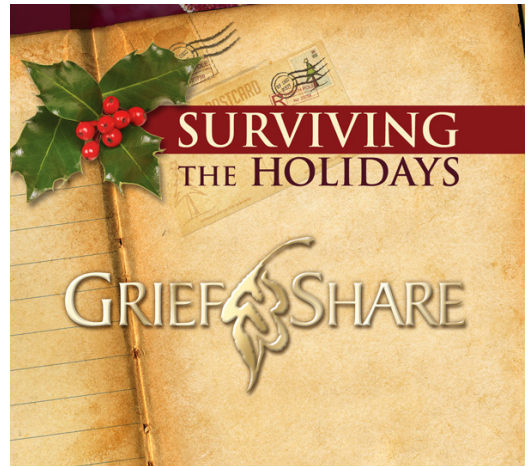


In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, the KSC office will be closed Thursday and Friday, **November 25 and 26.**

**NEW PARTNERS**



We welcome **Patricia (Trish) Orwig** and **Beth and Robert Mertz** who joined as King Street Church partners on October 24. KSC partners walk with Christ and pledge to join our church community by embracing its mission, engaging in its ministry, contributing to its finances and submitting to its authority.



**Sunday, November 14**  
**2 – 4 p.m.**

Wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years can't be recreated? Our Surviving the Holidays seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death. You'll learn:

- How to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays
- What to do about traditions and other coming changes
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to discover hope for your future

The event will be held in the Choir Room (M5/7). To register, email Molly Shull ([msull@kschurch.org](mailto:msull@kschurch.org)) or call 717-264-4651. Surviving the Holidays is a ministry of GriefShare. You can learn more information about the program at [griefshare.org/holidays](http://griefshare.org/holidays).



Did you know that you can get the weekly Digital Worship Folder automatically sent to your smart device each week? Text TODAY to 717-401-7777 to subscribe.

## The church library is now open!



Beginning November 1, the church library will begin reopening on a limited basis. We will offer FICTION books here at the start. Please return any books that you have had during the time that the library has been closed. At this time, we cannot handle any new book donations. Thank you!

# Table talk

**A monthly luncheon hosted by Pastor Jody.**

**Thursday, November 11  
KSC Student Ministry Center  
12:10 – 12:50 p.m.**

**Consider inviting someone to this casual discussion about faith in Christ and the Christian life.**

**NEW: We are asking that *\*everyone\** pre-register by the link on our website homepage or by email to Molly Shull ([mshull@kschurch.org](mailto:mshull@kschurch.org)).**

**You can bring your own lunch or you can request a sandwich (\$5) or salad (\$10) if you register before noon on Tuesday, November 9.**

# NOVEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<p>The Church Library reopens 6:30 p.m. RESET (Baker Center) 7:00 p.m. GriefShare (Choir Room, M7)</p>		
<p><b>Child Dedications, Daylight-Saving Time ends</b> <b>7</b></p> <p>8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary) 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Services (Baker Center &amp; Sanctuary), Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service (Baker Center), Sunday School 11:00 a.m. United Worship Service (Sanctuary)</p>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<p>6:30 p.m. RESET (Baker Center) 7:00 p.m. GriefShare (Choir Room, M7)</p>		
<b>Communion</b> <b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<p>Deadline for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary) 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Services (Baker Center &amp; Sanctuary), Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service (Baker Center), Sunday School 11:00 a.m. United Worship Service (Sanctuary) 2:00 p.m. Surviving the Holidays (Choir Room, M5/7)</p>	<p>6:30 p.m. RESET (Baker Center) 7:00 p.m. GriefShare (Choir Room, M7)</p>	
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<b>First Sunday of Advent</b> <b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
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WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>3</b> 7:00 p.m. KidzConnect (CMC) 7:00 p.m. Street Meeting (SMC)	<b>4</b> 7:00 p.m. The Porch Meeting (SMC)	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>10</b> 7:00 p.m. KidzConnect (CMC) 7:00 p.m. Street Meeting (SMC)	<b>Veterans Day 11</b> 12:10 p.m. Table Talk (SMC)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>17</b> 7:00 p.m. KidzConnect (CMC) 7:00 p.m. Street Meeting (SMC)	<b>18</b> 7:00 p.m. The Porch Meeting (SMC)	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Deadline to build a virtual Operation Christmas Child shoebox
<b>24</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day 25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>

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DECEMBER 2021						
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# Good News! Great Joy!

*Pack a box. Impact a life.*

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Many folks look forward to our annual partnership with Operation Christmas Child, providing filled shoeboxes to children in need around the world. Not only do the children receive school supplies, personal care items and toys, but they are given a booklet which introduces them to the Good News of the Gospel in their own language. This year you have a variety of ways in which to participate in this project:

1. You can pick up pre-wrapped, empty shoeboxes from one of our lobbies. Fill the boxes according to the guidelines listed inside and **return your boxes to the lobbies by November 14.**

2. Visit the Shoebox Supply House located at 709 Marden Avenue in Shippensburg. They offer a variety of discounted items that are OCC-approved. You can either purchase items to supplement your boxes or can fill boxes right there at the warehouse. They are open limited hours; visit their Facebook page for details.

3. Build a Shoebox ONLINE option: King Street Church now has our own page for keeping track of how many folks in our church use the Build a Shoebox option. The address is: [kingstreetchurch.com/occ](http://kingstreetchurch.com/occ). **The deadline to build a virtual shoebox online is November 20.**



## NOVEMBER 2021 SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Visit <https://serve.kingstreetchurch.com> for more information.

### **CROSS | Cumberland Vista**

Cards of Encouragement  
10 Openings

### **CROSS | Grace Home**

Cards of Encouragement  
9 Openings

### **CROSS | Griffith House**

Cards of Encouragement  
10 Openings

### **DiscipleMakers**

Pray for College Ministry at  
Shippensburg University  
246 Openings

### **Pregnancy Ministries, Inc.**

Cleaning Team  
1 Opening

### **Pregnancy Ministries, Inc.**

Two Men (and a Truck)  
2 Needed

### **Shook Home Retirement Community**

Cards of Encouragement  
7 Openings

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### **King Street Church**

#### **Crosswalk Elementary**

Elementary Volunteers  
15 Openings

### **Crosswalk Nursery**

Nursery Volunteers  
14 Openings

### **Crosswalk Pre-School**

Pre-School Volunteers  
13 Openings

### **Media and Lyrics Operator**

5 Openings

### **Once More Ministries**

Supplies for Community  
Giveaway  
98 Openings

### **Once More Ministries**

Community Giveaway Thank  
You Cards  
47 Openings

### **Online Service Host**

8 Openings

### **RESET**

Childcare  
4 Openings

### **RESET**

Meal Team  
13 Needed

### **RESET**

Support Group Facilitator  
4 Openings

### **RESET**

Leadership Team  
3 Openings

### **RESET**

Support Crew  
3 Openings

### **THE STREET**

Child Care for The Street  
Youth Meetings  
4 Openings

### **Video Camera Operator**

5 Openings

### **Welcome Team— 8:00 Service**

4 Needed

### **Welcome Team— 9:30 Services**

27 Needed

### **Welcome Team— 11:00 Services**

34 Needed

### **Worship Team**

Worship Team Audition  
16 Openings

## CHAMBERSBURG Cold Weather Drop-In Shelter

The Chambersburg Cold Weather Drop-in Shelter operates from 7 p.m. in the evening to 8 a.m. the following morning from December 1 to April 1. In past years King Street Church has supplied volunteers and food each Wednesday evening during the stated time period. If you feel the Lord is leading you to this type of ministry, please call John Comerer at 717-372-3725. Volunteers usually serve from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. or 9:30 p.m. to midnight.



AT KING STREET CHURCH

This month The Porch meets on Thursdays **November 4 and 18** in the Student Ministry Center. The Porch exists to gather young adults to connect, support and challenge one another. All young adults are welcome, whether or not you attend King Street. For more info, [kingstreetchurch.com/youngadult](http://kingstreetchurch.com/youngadult).



## NOVEMBER 2021 BIBLE READING PLAN

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## Thank You Note

Our hearts are filled to overflowing with gratitude for the tremendous amounts of love, nearly innumerable acts of kindness shown to our family and the PRAYERS offered to our Lord Jesus on our behalf since the death of our son, Ryan Schoenleber. Knowing He is with Jesus gives us great comfort. KNOWING Jesus gets us through these very difficult days. KNOWING Jesus as our Lord and Savior also gives us the HOPE of seeing Ryan again one day! Thank you so much.

Vaughn and Tamy Cook  
and Emily Schoenleber



**TIME CHANGE**  
Sunday, November 7  
Don't forget to set your  
clocks back one hour!



## Advent DEVOTIONAL

Advent begins on November 28 and King Street Church is pleased to offer a special devotional booklet to help our church family in preparing their hearts for Christmas.

*"Season's Greetings – Welcoming Christ through the Traditions of Christmas" walks alongside your family as you drive around looking at the neighborhood light displays or sit at home drinking cocoa. Let's read about the inspiration of Christmas worship and the struggle of too many things to do. Gather together as a family to spend a few minutes each day reading a Bible verse, listening to a short devotion, then discussing and praying about it. Optional family activities are included on each page. Be encouraged as you continue to welcome Christ through your family's Christmas traditions.*

Printed copies will be available in the lobbies later in November or you can stop by the Church Office to pick one up. We will also be offering email and texted versions. Watch for more information.



RESET is our Monday night ministry which includes a worship service at 6:30 p.m. and support groups at 7:30 p.m. This vibrant community has been growing and evolving since its beginning and today we're excited to fill you in on their latest news!

It's been three years since we began to meet on Monday nights and our mission hasn't wavered: to build a community of authentic people, to be real about our issues and struggles, to seek Jesus for our healing and to support one another in that journey.

On any given night, RESET is filled with a wide variety of participants:

- Those who are hurting and need encouragement
- Those who feel stuck and need to be pulled out of the rut
- Those seeking to be energized in their walk with Christ
- Those who are experiencing an addictive behavior and need brothers or sisters who understand the journey to come alongside them
- Those looking for Christian friendship

## LARGE GROUP WORSHIP

Our worship at 6:30 p.m. looks very much like a Sunday worship service, but there is definitely a RESET twist. We enjoy many traditional "church" elements as well as aspects that are unique to our healing culture. We share in worship with a live band, communion, baptisms and prayer. Often we hear practical teaching from the Word of God from Adam Keath, Pastor of Restoration and Recovery, or Camaryn Ellis, our gifted ministry intern.

We sometimes watch video testimonies from believers in other churches and occasionally we hear dynamic stories of faith from our own participants in a special interview segment we call "Two Scoops with Camaryn." We also hand out "God Tag" reminders to those who share short testimonies of faith and victory.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

At 7:30 we break out into small groups which always include a men's and a women's group. While those who attend the groups may be of different ages, backgrounds and dealing with different struggles, we have found that a rare closeness has grown around the time of confidential sharing. It's been amazing to see how often participants will understand the same emotions and challenges. God has truly blessed these times together.

## NEW: MEALS!

One of the things that makes our RESET gatherings so special is our family-style environment which helps us to build trust and friendship. We will soon begin to share in a meal each week to foster even deeper community. We are looking for people or classes to be willing to assist our meal team by providing a simple dinner for the group. Learn more about this opportunity at our Service Central website: RESET Meals or email Molly at [mshull@kschurch.org](mailto:mshull@kschurch.org).

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# Quotes of the Week

"Jesus is coming back. The banner of God—the flag of God's Kingdom—will fly over all the earth."

**Pastor Jody Bowser**  
**September 26, 2021**



"We have victory in JESUS because of the freedom that He gives to us through the New Birth and a transformed Life. Thus, we can live as a new creation by the power of the Holy Spirit with the New Nature that overcomes the old sinful nature. As the Apostle Paul says, 'If by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live' Romans 8:13b."

**Pastor Ron Cook**  
**October 3, 2021**



"We can't truly appreciate the gift of salvation that we have without going through difficult times."

**Pastor Rob Gunkelman**  
**October 10, 2021**



"No matter what is happening in this world, we have hope. Because God is in complete control—and He is always with us."

**Pastor Jody Bowser**  
**October 17, 2021**

## *With Gratitude*

Thank you so very much to this WONDERFUL KING STREET CHURCH FAMILY for your love and support of Emily Schoenleber throughout the year, but especially at her 8th Annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser! Thanks to at least 76 people who helped in some way from baking to serving to video to sound to washing dishes to prep work to cooking and cleaning and set up and tear down and thanks to all who attended and donated! What a celebration of God's work this is each year! We thank God for you!

Emily Schoenleber and family



If you are in the hospital or would like to request a visit or prayer, please call the church office at (717) 264-4651 or email Molly Shull at [mshull@kschurch.org](mailto:mshull@kschurch.org).



## NIGHT TO SHINE: SAVE THE DATE

Night to Shine will take place on Friday, February 11, 2022 and will be an unforgettable worldwide Shine-Thru Parade and Virtual Celebration!

What is a Shine-Thru Parade? Shine-Thru Parades are drive-thru adaptations of Night to Shine where guests can enjoy the royal treatment and many of the favorite elements of Night to Shine from the safety of their vehicle. A drive down the red carpet, cheering paparazzi, photography opportunities, music, dancing, lights, decorations, special guests or characters—these are just a few of the ways churches can shine the spotlight on their honored guests!

Following the Shine-Thru Parade, the party will continue with an unforgettable worldwide Night to Shine Virtual Celebration! This pre-recorded virtual event, pro-



vided by the Tim Tebow Foundation, will include a virtual walk down the red carpet, karaoke, dancing, special guests and more, all leading up to the moment when every single honored guest will be crowned as a king or queen of the prom.

We will still need your help to make this an unforgettable evening for our registered guests. Here are some ways you can partner with us:

- We are collecting gowns and jewelry for a Ladies' Boutique – drop off in the lobbies or at the church office by January 10
- Helpers at the Ladies' Boutique or the Men's Shoppe on Saturday, January 15
- Seamstresses to alter attire as needed
- Helpers to decorate the Shine-Thru Parade area, making it festive and inviting for our guests
- Artists and creatives: create posters and signs for the Shine-Thru Parade
- Parking lot attendants and car escorts for the Shine-Thru Parade
- Paparazzi for the Shine-Thru Parade
- Kitchen crew – assemble meals for guests to pick up
- Registration and general administrative help

Guest and volunteer registration will open on November 15 at [nighthtoshine2022.com](http://nighthtoshine2022.com).





## Karli Frelin

October 8, 2021

(Just completed her mission term in Chiang Mai, Thailand with Campus Outreach International)

### Family & Friends

Thank you all so much for faithfully praying over the last few years for Thai people to know and love Jesus. Please continue to pray for the believing and non believing students that I have mentioned in the past! I want to also thank you for praying for me personally and



Emily (my sister-in-law) made Chiang Mai's famous Khao Soi and my family loved it! It was sweet to get to share a Thai meal together.

for giving financially. I am so thankful for your generosity and desire to see God's name known among the nations!

As I have shared with some of you, I have prayed and talked with others about the best way to leverage my life for the advancement of God's kingdom. He is leading me to continue

to work on staff with the Campus Outreach Charlotte Region at UNC-Chapel Hill. While working in the States, I plan to pursue a degree at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Christian Counseling. It is a privilege to continue to share the Gospel and make disciples with college students and continue schooling.

I am really excited about joining the staff team at UNC-Chapel Hill. UNC has 30,092 total students, and 2400 of them are international students! I am pumped to join this team and partner with Waypoint Church in Chapel Hill. Waypoint has a huge heart for the nations, and I can't wait to get plugged in there!



Seeing my Mema for the first time in two years!

### Medical Update

I have a few appointments scheduled in December. Please continue to pray for healing. I consistently have headaches but since I've been taking anti-seizure medicine, I haven't had any episodes where I have felt numbness. Praise God!

## HB

October 1, 2021

(On a short term mission trip to ■)

### Building Relationships and Routines

After several weeks of changing environments and schedules, this month has provided some form of normalcy as my teammates and I have gotten settled into our house in ■ and started to have a consistent work schedule. Early in September, we began homeschooling

children of families working for a like-minded organization here in ■ . Having a consistent work schedule has been very helpful in developing routines and making ■ feel more like home as we get settled in and familiarize ourselves with the city. There is still no word on when our school in the province will reopen. Given the unpredictability of Covid, we are fully trusting the Father with our plans for each day. We are hopeful that as more adults and now children are being vaccinated in ■ , the chances of our school opening soon will increase.

Homeschooling takes up the majority of our time these days, with myself and my team members homeschooling from 8:00–2:30 every weekday. Being able to pour into these families and serve them well in this season has been a blessing and a challenge. Shortly after Britta and I began homeschooling for one of the families, it was discovered that there are some very significant problems within the family that are impacting the children during their time homeschooling with us. Britta and I have been seeking out ways to love the children well while they are in our care and help the family in whatever ways we can. I ask each of you to be lifting up this family and that they would seek out help from the Father and the people around them and desire healing from the brokenness of their current situation. Please also be lifting for Britta and I as we navigate how to serve this family well during the complexity of their current situation. Despite the sadness Britta and I have felt on behalf of this family, we know the Father has us here for a reason and we desire to use each day with this family as an opportunity to be a blessing to them.

Outside of homeschooling my teammates and I have been able to meet many people in ■ and begin growing in friendship with them. One of our favorite places to visit is a small café right across the street from our house. The owner, Rock, and his family are such kind and welcoming people who are ready and willing to help my teammates and I in whatever way they

can. Rock is fluent in English (and many other languages!) and he has taught my team and I so much about the ■ language and culture. We also had the opportunity to explore ■ with some local college students earlier this week. This was a great opportunity to get to know these students and learn more about them and ■ traditions and culture. It was so much fun meeting these amazing people and I'm so excited to get to know them even more while in ■ .

I've been continually amazed by how kind and genuine ■ people are, especially when dealing with a clueless foreigner like me! They are so patient and eager to help. I hope all of you will join me in lifting for these sweet people, that they would know the love of the Father and choose to follow Him.

### Lifting Requests

- The family Britta and I are homeschooling: Lift for healing among all family members and wisdom for Britta and myself in our interactions with the family that we may love them well during this time.
- Opportunities to grow in friendship and share the good news with Rock, the college students and other ■ people we interact with from day to day and the boldness to share openly with them.
- A continual decline in Covid cases in ■ so that schools may reopen especially as we are approaching the holiday ■ in early October where many people will be participating in large festivals and celebrations.

Since the Messenger is online and available everywhere, precautions are necessary when sharing about missionaries serving in Muslim countries or other restricted areas. In order not to jeopardize our missionaries working in very challenging places, names and locations are excluded from some updates.



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The LORD hath done

*great things*  
for us; whereof

*We are glad.*

~PSALM 126:3, KJV~