

Kingston Chronicles

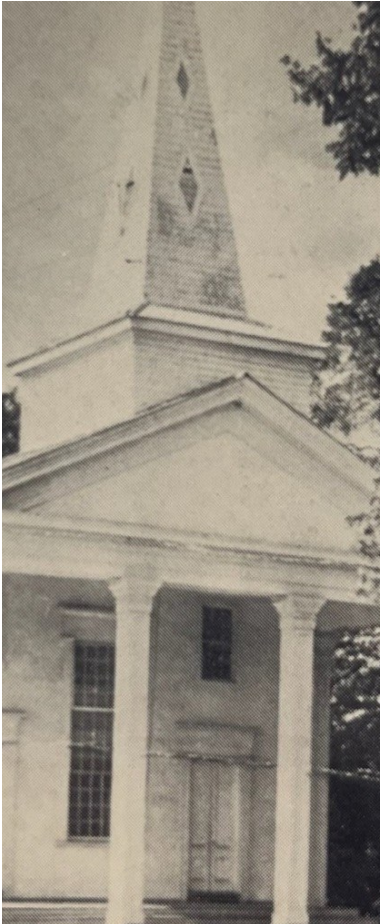
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MARCH 2023

Dear Kingston Family,

I will never forget back in August of 2021, I think it was about a week after the Bannans arrived. We were in the midst of the delta wave of COVID, so Holly and I set up a zoom with our youth to get to know them, have a short devotional and time of prayer. It was really special, I could tell immediately we had some really talented and faithful young people here. Near the end, Holly and I shared our cell phone numbers and they did the same with us. After the zoom meeting concluded, we took a few minutes to text all the students present. A few minutes later I received a text message back from one of our high school students and it read "It was great getting to know you, this is the most interaction I have ever had from a KPC minister." I shared that with Holly, and we vowed at that moment that every single person under the age of 18 would know the both of us on a personal level. Since then Holly regularly has breakfast meetings with our students, we had a special confirmation class last year, and it is why every Sunday when it's possible, I invite one of our youth to help me lead worship. It is no secret that church attendance in America is on the decline and the greatest decline is the "Gen Z" crowd. We cannot change that overnight and there are many theories as to why that is happening. I cannot help but wonder though if Gen Z is losing their interest because the church has communicated either explicitly or implicitly "we do not care about you." Holly and I both try as best as we can to let our young people at Kingston know they matter. That they are not just another person in the congregation, they are important, so important in fact that we want them to help us lead worship. This Sunday is youth Sunday! Our middle and high school students will be leading the worship service from start to finish. Holly has done a fantastic job getting and continuing to prepare them for this special Sunday in the life of our church. I hope you will join us this Sunday and show your support for our young people as they lead us in both word and song! Every small act of support we show our youth is a huge spiritual investment in how they feel towards the church later on in their adult years. Pray for all of our youth, but pray especially for Sophia Smith, one of our high school seniors as she prepares to preach God's word to us this Sunday. Y'all are a great congregation and it's my joy to be your pastor.

Blessings,

Pastor Robert

Rev. J. Robert Bannan, Jr.
Pastor

Holly Bannan
**Director of
Discipleship and
Communications**

Bradley Hardee
Music Director

Mary Alwine
**Administrative
Assistant**

David Moore
Sexton

Kira Hamilton
Emma Kurth
Nursery



MEMORIALS

Dr. John W. Wilson, III

November 26, 2022

Son of Dr. & Mrs. John Wilson, Jr.

*Gifts given by: Kingston Presbyterian Women of the Church,
Julie & Richard Reagor, Clinical Pathology Consultants, P.A.*

*"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord"
-Romans 8:38-39*



KPW Coordinating Team Meeting

The PWKPW Coordinating Team will meet on Sunday, March 5th at 3pm in the Kingston Building Library.

Monthly Bible Study

KPW Bible Study will be held on Monday, March 6th at 7pm in the Kingston Building. The Lesson will be Lesson 4 of Dispatches to God's Household. All ladies of Kingston are invited to join us!

Intensive Bible Study

Pastor Bannan will lead an Intensive Bible Study with dinner from 6-8pm in the Fellowship Hall on Monday, March 27th. Our women's intensive Bible study will be titled "the roles of women in the Bible and how that has shaped the church's views today." The cost is \$8.00. If you plan to attend, please contact the office so we get a count for the meal.

MARCH VOLUNTEERS

Head Usher:
Forrest Beverly

Ushers:
Randy Beverly
Rebecca Beverly
John Bittle

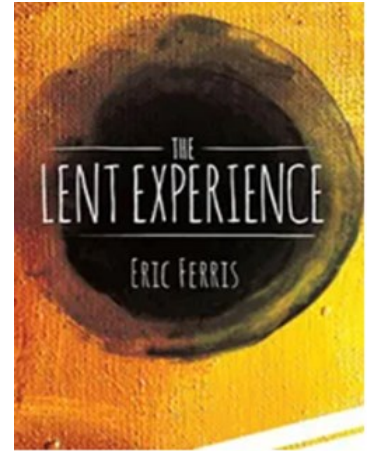
Counters:
Teresa Hardee
Cathy Beverly

VOLUNTEER

YOUTH BREAKFAST
FRIDAYS | 7:00AM | CHICK-FIL-A

Rightnow Media Spotlight

What happens when you take 2,000 years of a Christian tradition, capture the heart of it, and reimagine it? Whether you're a veteran of observing Lent or a rookie who is jumping in for the first time, you can join thousands of people for an experience that just may surprise you. It's simple. You watch a short video on Ash Wednesday that kicks the whole thing off. Then, each Sunday until Easter you will watch a short video that will give you your Lent Experience challenge for the week. The challenges are based on things that have been a part of Lent for centuries.



Even the most mature believers face dark nights of the soul. During those times God seems distant, his Word feels dry, and the vibrant intimacy we knew before seems absent leaving us wondering, "Where is the Lord in this?" In Psalm 119, Matt Chandler aims to introduce viewers to the words of King David who experienced similar seasons of life. Serving as the anchor for the study, Psalm 119 demonstrates the power of God's Word in the lives of believers and its ability to provide a warm blanket for the soul.

Sign up your child or grandchild today!

2/23

@ St. James Catholic Church
Speaker: Rev. Kyle Randle

3/2

@ Kingston Presbyterian Church
Speaker: Rev. Sandra Moyle

3/9

@ St. Anne's Episcopal Church
Speaker: Father Oscar Borda

3/16

@ First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Rev. Tresco Shannon

3/23

@ Trinity United Methodist Church
Speaker: Rev. Jason Collins

3/30

@ St. Paul's Anglican Church
Speaker: Rev. J. Robert Bannan, Jr.



Lenten Lunches

Thursdays · Noon

MARCH 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Wed Night Supper @ 6pm in FH	2 Lenten Luncheon @ Noon at KPC	3 Youth Breakfast @ 7am	4
5 Sunday School 9:30am Youth Sunday Worship Service@10:30am Covered Dish @ 11:45 In Fellowship Hall KPW Coord. Team Mtg @ 3pm in KB	6 KPW Bible Study @ 7pm in KB	7 CE Mtg @ 6pm in the Parlor Community Svc & Mission @ 6pm in KB	8 Wed Night Supper @ 6pm in FH	9 Lenten Luncheon @ Noon at St. Anne's Episcopal	10 Youth Breakfast @ 7am	11
12 Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Worship Service@10:30am w/Communion	13	14 Diaconate Mtg @ 5pm in KB	15 Wed Night Supper @ 6pm in FH	16 Lenten Luncheon @ Noon at FUMC	17 Youth Breakfast @ 7am	18
19 Men's Breakfast @ 8:30 in FH Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service@10:30am	20	21 Session Meeting @ 6pm in KB	22 Wed Night Supper @ 6pm in FH	23 Lenten Luncheon @ Noon at Trinity United Methodist	24 Youth Breakfast @ 7am	25
26 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service@10:30am	27 KPW Intensive Bible Study 6-8pm in FH	28 Cong. Care & Outreach Mtg @ 6pm by Beth Healy	29 Wed Night Supper @ 6pm in FH	30 Lenten Luncheon @ Noon at St. Paul's Anglican	31 Youth Breakfast @ 7am	

Kingston Announcements



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Erin Conklin
John Bittle
- 2 Jan Dieter
Mary Wilson
- 3 Forrest Beverly
Wilson Harry
- 6 Lawton Broughman
- 7 Carol Marie Gilroy
- 9 Theodosia Carter
- 22 Johnny Dennis
Paul Lawson
- 26 Susan McMillan
- 27 Ford Courtney
- 28 John Hammonds
Howell "Wells"
Sorensen
- 29 Joanne Delahaut



C.A.P. Pantry Needs

CAP has had an increase of food demand so far this year. The following are in immediate need as they can't get from their main source (Lowcountry Food Bank): **Canned peas, Canned carrots, Canned mixed veggies, Oatmeal, Grits, Cereal, Instant Potatoes, Dry Lima Beans, Spaghetti noodles and sauce, Canned ravioli, spaghetti o's, Canned Tuna, Vienna sausages, ham and potted meat.**



Flowers

Do you have a loved one that you would like to honor/remember or a special anniversary to recognize? Sign up for flowers in the Sanctuary! It is a beautiful recognition, and we love congregation participation throughout the year.

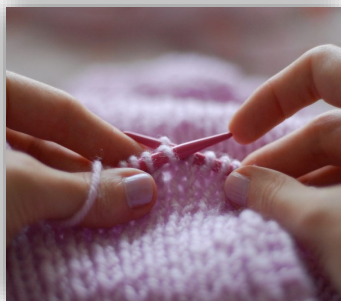
SANCTUARY GUILD MEMBERS NEEDED

The sanctuary Guild is in need of new members (**MEN AND YOUTH NEEDED**). We now have Communion every month and members are needed to help prepare and set up for it. If you can help, please contact the office or Lynda Courtney.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets monthly. There will be **NO** meeting in March but our next meeting will be April 20, 2023 and will meet every third Thursday of the month. We would love new members, so please consider joining our ministry. If you're not a knitter or crocheter, we'll teach you! Come join us for a gathering.



We still need a couple more door counters for Wednesday Night suppers! We have open: March 15 & 22 and April 12. Please call the church office if you can help!



Mark your
Calendars!

Join us next month for our 2023 Wall Lecture Series. Dr. Brennan Breed will be our speaker for the weekend. He will be diving into the book of Job and answering the question “Where is God in the Midst of Suffering?” More information about times/locations will be available in the coming weeks. Check the website for information.

Kingston Presbyterian Church
invites you to our 2023

WALL LECTURE SERIES

APRIL 21-23, 2023

Dr. Brennan W. Breed
Columbia Theological Seminary
Associate Professor of Old Testament

