



KINGSTON CHRONICLES

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From Pastor Robert's desk...

Dear Kingston Family,

One of the most challenging aspects of life is when our expectations don't unfold as we had hoped. We hope for all sorts of things: birthday and Christmas presents, job promotions, financial peace, love and security in our homes, trustworthy friendships — the list could go on and on. When things don't go our way, it can be sad, disappointing, and frustrating. Sometimes we even ask God, "Why is this happening?"

Unmet expectations often prompt us to reassess our plans, make necessary adjustments, and trust that God is still at work. That trust matters because many circumstances in life are outside of our control. Yet even when life feels out of control, our faith reminds us that God is not.

Proverbs 19:21 tells us, "Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." Scripture doesn't tell us not to make plans — that would be irresponsible. Instead, it reminds us that our plans don't always align with God's purposes.

I had to remind myself of that truth this past weekend. I was really looking forward to Dr. Yoo being with us to bless our congregation with his knowledge and wisdom. Due to the snow, that didn't happen. While we can point to the weather, theologically it seems that God simply had other plans — and that Dr. Yoo is meant to be with us in March.

As a result, our church had to shift gears rather quickly. I want to commend our Session for coming together on short notice to rethink our plans, and our Fellowship Committee for ensuring that dinner could still move forward, even though the weekend didn't unfold as we had hoped.

After regrouping and consulting with the Fellowship Committee, Dr. Yoo, and with the blessing of Session, here are a few important updates for the coming months:

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CHURCH STAFF

Rev. J. Robert Bannan, Jr. **Pastor**
Holly Bannan **Director of Discipleship and Communications**
Bradley Hardee **Music Director**
Mary Alwine **Administrative Assistant**
Kenneth Demming **Sexton** | Kira & Emma Hamilton **Nursery**



FEB 2026



February Volunteers

Ushers

HEAD USHER

Bill Marsh

USHERS

Dustin Conklin

Erin Conklin

William Marsh

Counters

Cathy Beverly

Teresa Hardee

(Robert's front page letter continued)

1) The covered dish luncheon originally scheduled for last weekend has been rescheduled for **Sunday, February 22, following worship.**

2) **The Wall Renewal Weekend** is still happening on **March 20–22**, following the same schedule originally planned.

3) There will be a dinner on Friday evening of the Wall Renewal Weekend, provided by the Fellowship Committee.

4) There will be a **covered dish luncheon after worship on March 22**, followed by a Q&A with Dr. Yoo.

5) There will be no covered dish luncheon in April.

6) Covered dish luncheons will resume on May 3 and continue on the first Sunday of each month for the remainder of the year.

Sometimes life doesn't turn out the way we hope — whether it's a church event or something far more serious in our personal lives. Whatever may be going on in your life, in our church, in our country, or in the world, remember this: **God is in control.**

Blessings,

Robert

Ash Wednesday



**Wednesday, Feb. 18th
6 pm**

Join us for this special service that concludes with the imposition of ashes on our foreheads. Ash Wednesday reminds us of our need for repentance and prepares us for the season of Lent. Lent is actually 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter, commemorating the gospels recounting Jesus fasting for 40 days in the wilderness while being tempted by Satan.



We need Counters for the following dates:

Wednesday, February 4th
Wednesday, February 11th
Tuesday, February 17th (Fat Tuesday) – Collection
Wednesday, March 4th
Wednesday, March 11th
Wednesday, March 18th
Wednesday, March 25th

If you can help, please text Kira Hamilton
at 843-254-8090.





Fellowship and Family Life

February

- 4 Frances Dennis
- 7 David Jakubowski
- 9 Jacob Bannan
Carmin Eicher
- 10 Gerry Wallace
- 15 Jeannie Abbott
- 16 Kira Hamilton
John Ramp
- 19 Kitty Gillis
- 21 Dash Minford
- 24 Wayne Staton
- 25 Dennis Esandrio



Give online Here!



GIVE HERE!

Sunday Covered Dish

Sunday, February 22nd, immediately following worship. Fellowship and Family Life provides the meat. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share to feed 6-8 people.

Wednesday Supper + Programming

FEBRUARY 4 | 6:00PM

Cook: Paul and Chris Reed

Menu: TBD

Program: Presbyterian vs Baptist Tradition
Guest speaker Rev. Lamar Helms

FEBRUARY 11 | 6:00PM

Cook: Kingston Presbyterian Women

Menu: TBD

Program: KPW "Birthday Offering"

FEBRUARY 17 | 6:00PM



FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER



FEBRUARY 25

NO WEDNESDAY SUPPER



2026 Chili
Cook-Off
Winners

- 1st Place Bradley Hardee
- 2nd Place Teresa Hardee
- 3rd Place PJ Brown

February

SU ND AY	MON D AY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	F RID AY	SATURDAY
Feb 1 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship	2	3	4 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper (Fellowship Hall)	5 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Gore House)	6 7:00am Youth Breakfast	7 NHPW Spiritual Retreat
8 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship w/ Communion 11:30am Confirmation Class (Gore House) 3:00pm KPW Valentine Boxes 4:00pm KPW Circle Group	9	10 6:00pm Deacons Meeting (Kingston Building)	11 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper (Fellowship Hall) 7:15pm Choir Practice	12 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Gore House)	13 7:00am Youth Breakfast	14 Happy Valentine's Day 
15 8:30am Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall) 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:30am Confirmation Class (Gore House)	16	17 6:00pm Pancake Supper (Fellowship Hall)	18 6:00pm Ash Wednesday Service 7:15pm Choir Practice 	19 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Gore House) 6:00pm Prayer Shawl	20 7:00am Youth Breakfast	21
22 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT Covered Dish 9:30am Sunday School 9:45am Pray-n-Play (Preschool) (Children's) 10:30am Worship 11:30am Confirmation Class (Gore House)	23	24 6:00pm Session Meeting (Kingston Building)	25 6:00pm Choir Practice	26 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Gore House) 12:00pm Lent Lunch (Kingston)	27 7:00am Youth Breakfast	28



NEEDS:

travel size hygiene products

- Can Sweet Peas
- Can Ravioli
- Can Spaghetti
- Bag of sugar - 2&5 lb.
- Grape jelly in plastic jar
- Can Meat (tuna, chicken, or ham)
- White Rice - 2, 3, or 5 lb.
- Can Pineapple
- Can Peaches
- Bottle Juice (Apple, Grape, Cranberry)
- Box Juice (8 or 10 pack)
- * for our Tiny Tot Daycare Program

KPW Valentine Boxes

Calling **ALL** Kingston women and Kingston Lassies:



Join us on Sunday, February 8th at 3:00PM in the Kingston building. We will be packing Valentine Goodie Boxes for our College students.

Please bring 20 individually wrapped goodies to fill the boxes and share some love with these students!

The KPW Circle Meetings that were cancelled on Monday, February 2nd will be rescheduled to 4:00pm on Sunday, February 8th right after packing the Valentine boxes. This Bible study will be for all Circles from both morning and evening. We will be studying Lesson #6 The Samaritan Woman.



**WACCAMAW
YOUTH CENTER
BIRTHDAYS**

If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact
Cathy Beverly.

Kingston Music Ministry

Seeking New Choir Members

The adult choir is looking for new members to join us. We rehearse every Wednesday at 7:15pm in the Choir Room. It is open to anyone in high school and up. If you are interested, please contact Bradley Hardee.

February 4 - NO CHOIR
February 11 - 7:15pm
February 18 - 7:15pm
February 25 - 6:00pm



Men of the Church



Men's Breakfast | 8:30am

All men of the church are invited to our Men's Breakfast. Bring a friend and enjoy great food and fellowship with your brother in Christ. We look forward to gathering on the third Sunday of the month, which this month is February 15th.

Lenten Lunches

Thursdays | 12:00PM



Feb.
26

Host: Kingston Presbyterian Church
800 3 rd Avenue, Conway
Speaker: Rev. Emily Kirby



Mar.
5

Host: First United Methodist Church
1001 5 th Avenue, Conway
Speaker: Rev. J. Robert Bannan, Jr.



Mar.
12

Host: Trinity United Methodist Church
198 Long Avenue, Conway
Speaker: Rev. Kyle Randle



Mar.
19

Host: Saint Anne's Episcopal Church
(at First United Methodist Church)
1001 5 th Avenue, Conway
Speaker: Rev. Bill McCown



Mar.
26

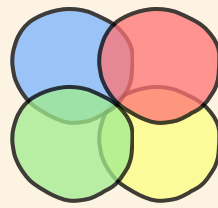
Host: First United Methodist Church
1001 5 th Avenue, Conway
Speaker: Rev. J. Robert Bannan, Jr.

New
Sermon
Series

Modern
Day
Miracles

begins
Sunday,
February 8

Confirmation Class 2026



Big God Big Questions

Class Dates

11:30 - 1:30 PM | Gore House

February 8

March 1

April 12

February 15*

March 15

*until 2PM

February 22

March 29

April 19: Confirmation Examination with Session (after worship)

April 26: Confirmation Sunday

Session 1 – “What is confirmation?” and “How do we know and trust God?”

Session 2 – “What is sin and how do we turn from it?” and “What is the Trinity?”

Session 3 – “How can you believe the Bible is true?” and “Does God care when we hurt?”

Youth Prayer Breakfast

7:00am | Fridays

Middle and High Schoolers, join us for youth prayer breakfast. Make sure you're on Holly's text thread to get the location each week. Transportation to Conway Middle and Conway High is available!



Preschool Sunday School “Pray-n-Play”

9:45AM | Children's building

Pray-n-Play is back! Parents and preschoolers, join Mrs. Holly as we sing, make crafts, and learn about Moses and the Ten Commandments. Our February date is February 22.



Children's Worship Bags

We are missing some of our Children's worship bags. If you have taken one home by mistake, please return it to the church narthex so we can restock, fill, and prep them for the following Sunday. Thank you!



Children and Youth Ministry

FAITH, POLITICS, AND THE PURSUIT OF A MORE PERFECT UNION

**New
Date**

March 20 - 22, 2026

Friday
6 - 8 PM | Session 1

Saturday
9 - 11 AM | Session 2

9 - 10:15 AM	<i>Sunday</i> 10:30AM	12 PM
Session 3	Worship	Q&A at lunch

GUEST SPEAKER

Rev. Dr. William Yoo

Dr. William Yoo is Associate Professor of American Religious and Cultural History and Lead Faculty of the MDiv Program at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. An ordained Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), he integrates Reformed practices of confession and illumination into his teaching, writing, and preaching. He lives in Decatur with his spouse, Sarah, their two children, and two cats.



*Coming
Soon!*



*Lent
Devotional*

If you would like to receive a daily Lent devotional during Lent, please email or contact Holly. This will be emailed to you each morning.

VBS 2026



Preschoolers and Elementary families, get ready for our Snowball Mountain Challenge VBS this summer where you will learn how to be use your strength with God! More info coming soon!