NOVEMBER 2026 NEWS

During the first four Sundays of November, I want to help us "rediscover" church so that we understand what a church is and appreciate the richness of living our lives in the family of God. I want all of us to experience the benefits and blessings of being part of the body of Christ, the holy dwelling of God on earth. Too often we mindlessly treat our church as little more than a club we belong to, or a building that we visit, and we miss the flood of support and blessing that God means to give us through the church.

We all know that heaven will not descend to earth through any nation on earth and it hasn't descended to earth among any nation since God tied his presence to the Temple in ancient Israel. Yet remarkably, amazingly, astoundingly, our church, the one I want us to rediscover, is the place where the Bible says heaven has already begun to descend to earth. Jesus says in Matthew 4:17 that "the kingdom of heaven has come near" and in Matthew 6:10 he wants us to pray that "[the Father's] will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Heaven touches planet earth through gathered communities of faith today and when this happens we can offer the citizens of our nation the hope of a better nation and the residents of our community the hope of a better community. No matter what challenges we face as individuals or as a community or as a nation, whether we're the ethnic minority or the majority, whether we're rich or poor, our hope for a just and peaceful society should not rest on the kingdoms of this world. It should rest on the King himself, on Jesus, who is establishing his heavenly Kingdom in every outpost we call the local church.

Come join us in service and worship at the outpost called Ken Mawr Church, where heaven touches earth!

In the infinite love of our Savior,

Pastor Karl

- Providing NEW sweatsuits for "in" patients at the Oakland Facility.
- **<u>Collecting now through Dec. 6th.</u>**
- Only MENS sizes: M, L, XL, XXL
- NO hoodies please

<u>Looking Ahead:</u>

- Congregational Mtg. Dec. 6th, 9:30am
- Advent Dinner: Dec. 6th, 5:00pm
- Poinsettia orders due Dec. 13th - $13each
- Christmas Fruit Delivery: Dec. 19th
- Mitten Tree donations due Dec. 20th
- Kids Christmas Program: Dec. 20th, 9:45am

<u>Connect with Us:</u>

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Office Hours: Tues. - Fri., 8:30am - 4:00pm
Sunday Services: 8:30am & 11:00am
Sunday School: 9:45am

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Communion	2	3 Election Day C&C 9:30-11am	4 Lords Lambs 1pm J.A.M. 6pm Choir 7pm	5 Food Pantry Staff 10am	6	7
8 New Member Luncheon & Seminar 12pm MSYN 5:45-7:15pm	9 Girl Scouts 6pm	10 C&C 9:30-11am GardenClub 10:30am EstherCircle 6:30pm	11 J.A.M. 6pm Choir 7pm	12 Staff 10am	13	14 Men's Brkfst 9am
15 Deacons 12pm	16 Operation Christmas Child Packing Party 6pm Finance 6pm	17 C&C 9:30-11am Christian Ed. 6pm Session 7pm	18 Jackie's LunchBunch 12:30pm J.A.M. 6pm Choir 7pm	19 Food Pantry Staff 10am HH 10am	20	21 Sharpe Hall Rental 5-8pm
22 MSYN 5:45-7:15pm	23 FoodPantry Bags 9am-11pm Girl Scouts 6pm	24 Sharpe Hall Rental 8am-4pm Rep. Com. 7pm	25	26 Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed	27 Office Closed	28 Deacons decorate for Christmas 9am
29 First Sunday in Advent	30					

NOTES:

**High School Youth Nights are TBD. Please check the kenmawrchurch.org website for information.

And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe.
(1 Thessalonians 2:13)