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Pastor Dr. Kelly Krone Musician/Music Director Paula Fitts Financial Secretary Megan Kirkland Custodian Darrell Heath

SUNDAY

9:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 6:00 p.m. Sunday School Worship Choir Practice 4th Sunday



Línden Líght

"Bringing the Light of Jesus Christ to the Linden Community for 168 years"

AUGUST 2021



July Memorials

Stella Ellington Buster Kurtz

Please remember to pray for the upcoming Linden-Kildare CISD 2021-2022 school year.



President Biden and U.S.A. Gabe Anderson **Beth Belford** Randy Brock Mike Carpenter **Roger Carpenter** Paul and Mary Jane Ellinger **Mickey Fears Evelyn Georges** Red Hamilton Marian Hatton Hennens Linda Higgins Sue Hill Don and Polly Holt Littlejohns Kaylin Kluge Sherry Lowery Ellington family L-KCISD **Corey Pate** Linda Smith Mike Mahan Sandra May



Desiree McDuffie **Buz Rountree** Jimmie and Martha Sheridan Jim and Sandye Templeman Louise Burson Robert and Toni Turk Sandy Wells Herman Temple Paula Hultsman Loy Dale Grubbs Marie Knight Keesee family Curtis Whatley Kay Hunter **Connie Rachal** Mary Jane Hayes





Rev. Jill Daniel, a member of the Congregational Excellence Staff of the Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, is the Director of the We Love All God's Children initiative.

Methodist Children's Center, a ministry of Linden United Methodist Church, will open for the 2021-2022 school year at Linden Elementary campus. Volunteers have been busy with floor work and remodel jobs. Currently, the arrival of equipment and supplies is anticipated so that final preparations can be made for the Center's

opening in August-September.

The director is Tanetra Blaylock of Linden.







Christus St. Michael nurses Barbara and Kristin were available to give covid-19 vaccinations at the July food pantry om July 21.

In July, ground was broken and work started on the activities building provided by the Laniers. Be sure to see the progress as the workers now have the structural

workers now have the structural steel erected and good weather prevails.







LUMC July food pantry volunteers were Laura Penny, Nancy Belford, and Sue Hill. They were joined by Pastor Kelly Krone and



How did it get so late so soon? Its night before its afternoon. December is here before its June. My goodness how the time has flewn. How did it get so late so soon? **Dr. Seuss**

The older I get the more I understand what Dr. Seuss said. It seems only yesterday that we moved into your community and yet it now stands at one year. This past year was marked by the challenges that COVID brought, online meetings, no fellowship time, masking for our safety. But even during this time, the church was faithful and continued to minister to it's members and the community as well. Time continues to march on and it seems to be speeding up. Summer plans are quickly ending and the new school year is approaching. Time to begin new things.

The beginning of the school year will mark the beginning of our new ministry, Methodist Children's Center. As we work in conjunction with the Texas Annual Conference, we will bring quality Christian education to our youngest of the community. We have hired a director, Tanetra Blaylock, of Linden and are excited for the future. Thank you to the Fisherman's Class who came and painted the interior of the facility. We are in the process of staffing for the facility.

If you have driven by, you will see the new Lanier Pavilion is being constructed. What an exciting opportunity to serve our community. It is a testament to the love that the church has to reach the community with the love of Christ.

We also are experiencing new starts in the church office. Megan Kirkland resigned as our secretary and yours truly is working to fill her shoes. She will still remain as our financial secretary. We wish her luck with her new position with the Economic Development Board. Thank you for your ministry with us.

Our Abide team is continuing working with Ascending Leaders to learn more about developing an atmosphere of developing disciples in our congregation. Part of our task was to define what a disciple is and we crafted, "a disciple is on a journey to love God and love others." Simple yet so complete. You may see that often in the life of our church.

So, join us as we celebrate new starts, let us never slow down "loving God and loving others" to bring the love of Christ to our community.

In His Grace,

Kelly

Happy Birthday

- Aug. 4 David Morse Chris Smoak
 - 6 Chad Belford
 - 13 Sue Lazara
 - 14 Max Belford
 - 15 Elizabeth Ross Kelly Krone
 - 16 Joe Pat Early Judy Grubbs
 - 19 Emily Gilbert
 - Brett Pixley 21 Allen Watson
 - Ethan Whatley
 - 23 Lauren Lanier
 - 24 Lisa Trammell
 - 27 Melinda Ellinger
 - 29 Joe deNatale
 - 30 Donna Berry
 - 31 Megan Kirkland Kay Stephens



Happy Anniversary

Aug. 27 Glenn and Melissa Lanier Charles and Sue Snowden







August 18 FOOD PANTRY 9:00-11:00 a.m.



August 21 FUN BUNCH 12:00 p.m.



Please remember to bring school supplies for Linden Elementary. Leave in narthex or church office.



