

KANSA CoNEXtION

Staying Connected No Matter What Happens Next

Mothers Are Super-Sheroes

Who is that masked woman? It's SuperMOM! Parenting is tough enough, but add a pandemic, and it takes a shero.

We are honoring our 'Sheroes' on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9, with a special video tribute.

Here's how you can participate:

Whether your mom is living on earth or in heaven, take a brief selfie video and answer the question:

"What makes my Mom a Shero?"

KEEP IT BRIEF. Videos cannot be longer than 10 seconds to be included in the presentation.

Send your video to Pastor Ray at pastor.kansa@gmail.com no later than Sunday, May 2.

We'll put the videos together to create a great tribute for all our KANSA moms.



We Rose Up in 2020; We Will Rise Up for the Next Challenge!

It's been thirteen months since the start of the COVID Pandemic. But despite the lockdowns, quarantines and remote-everything, we rose to the challenge and fed families, helped cover housing costs, vaccinated vulnerable members, developed new partnerships, and advocated for just policies. Now, we are ready to rise up with new vitality and renewed purpose to meet new challenges.

To equip us for reaching the next level, we have been offered a \$15,000 matching gift that will double every dollar we raise through the 2021 "Rise Up" Challenge.

This is a 'God-sized' challenge, and we know we cannot raise \$15,000 on our own. And God has led several people to give. We already have received over \$1500 toward our goal! We are confident that with God's help and the generosity of God's people, we will "Rise Up" to meet the full challenge.

We need your help by making a personal donation to the Challenge, and by using your time, skills and social connections to invite others to Rise Up with us. Prayerfully consider your participation. We will be asking for your commitments during the month of May.

If you are ready to make a contribution, your gifts to the 2021 "Rise Up" Challenge can be made online or given directly to the church. Make sure you designate your gift for "2021 Challenge."

Together, Let's Rise Up!

Planting Seeds of Hope Together

Carrots, green beans, kale, radishes, and more! We're having a planting party to make sure that we have lots of great veggies to share with the community. Come to the Oasis on Sunday, May 2, at 2 pm, and let's plant together and harvest community.

It's Dinner Time

On Thursday, April 29, Community Dinner's Chef Matt will be serving Cochinita Pibil, a Yucantan delicacy, and we are helping to make it by providing the ingredients. There is still time to sign up for specific items on our shopping list or you can make a financial donation. Bring ingredients to the church office on Monday evening, April 26. Thank you!

Monday, April 26	Tuesday, April 27	Wednesday, April 28	Thursday, April 29	Friday, April 30	Saturday, May 1	Sunday, May 2
			10 am 'Stay Alive'			10:30 am Online Worship
			12 pm Lunch Take-out *			11:45 am Fellowship Time
	4 pm KANSA Staff Mtg	4 pm ZOOM-ba 4 pm Dinner Take-out *	4 pm Dinner Take-out *			2 pm Community Garden Planting
Meal Ingredient Deadline						

Monday, May 3	Tuesday, May 4	Wednesday, May 5	Thursday, May 6	Friday, May 7	Saturday, May 8	Sunday, May 9
		¡Cinco de Mayo!	10 am 'Stay Alive'			Mother's Day! 10:30 am Worship Online
			12 pm Lunch Take-out *			11:45 am Fellowship Time
	4 pm KANSA Staff Mtg	4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *	4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *			

* Weekly Lunch and Community Dinners are served "Take-Out" at St. Nicolai UCC, 3000 N. Kedzie Ave. For more information about upcoming events, go to the church website: <https://kimballavenuechurch.org>