

KANSA CoNEXTION

Staying Connected No Matter What Happens Next

Get 'Centered'

Now that we have resumed in-person worship, we are once again offering a pre-worship preparation time using the ancient practice of "Centering Prayer." Led by Kyle Gilbertson, the prayer time will be held inside the house at 3413 W. Medill, starting on Sunday, October 17, at 9:45 am. This will only be available in-person.

'Rise Up' Challenge: 3 Months to Go!

There is still time to celebrate Kimball's 120th Anniversary and help us reach our \$15,000 matching-gift goal through a donation to our 'Rise Up' Challenge.

While the word "Challenge" applies to our struggle to navigate the pandemic, the word also motivates us to rise above adversity. Together, we will rise up and thrive.

Gifts to the challenge can be made online or given directly to the church. **Use the QR code below for easy access to our online giving portal.** (Select 'Challenge' in the Giving Type)

Every gift counts and every gift—no matter the size will be matched dollar for dollar.



But Now It's a Reality!

In July, the Chicago City Council passed the "Empowering Communities for Public Safety Ordinance", creating a civilian oversight commission to create safer streets and build trust between communities and law enforcement. Now, the work begins—learning about ECPS and knowing how we can have a role in making sure the commission is successful.

This October, Community Renewal Society will be holding several **ECPS online Teach-Ins** to inform and empower people of faith to be part of the process. You can register for one of the following dates to learn more about ECPS: Tuesday, October 6 @ 6 pm; Saturday, October 9 @ 10:00 am, and Thursday, October 14 @ 6 pm. The sessions are 90 minutes long.

Then, on Saturday, October 23, @ 10:00 am, CRS will hold its **annual membership assembly**. KA/NSA are member churches.

The Saints Are Marching In!

It's that time of the year when we remember the saints who have gone before us and are part of the great cloud of witnesses that surround us on our spiritual journey (Hebrews 12:1). We will honor their faithful witness on **Sunday, October 31 - Día de los Muertos** - during our 10:30 am worship service.

Once again, we encourage you to create an 'ofrenda' in your home to remember a loved one or a special saint who has passed into eternity. For those who are able to join us in-person, we will create an 'ofrenda' at the Oasis during the service and say the names of our honored saints.

And Flu Shots are Coming, too!

A flu vaccination clinic for the community is coming to the Oasis in October thanks to a partnership with Walgreens! Most health insurance picks up the cost, but a limited number of vouchers will be available for anyone without insurance coverage. The date and time will be announced shortly.

Monday, October 4	Tuesday, October 5	Wednesday, October 6	Thursday, October 7	Friday, Oct. 8	Saturday, October 9	Sunday, October 10
	9 am KANSA Staff Mtg		10 am 'Stay Alive'			10:30 am Hybrid Worship
			12 pm Lunch Take-out *			
		4 pm Dinner Take-out *	4 pm Dinner Take-out *			

Monday, October 11	Tuesday, October 12	Wednesday, October 13	Thursday, October 14	Friday, Oct. 15	Saturday, October 16	Sunday, October 17
Indigenous People's Day	9 am KANSA Staff Mtg		10 am 'Stay Alive'		9 am House Clean-up	9:45 am Centering Prayer
Schools are Closed			12 pm Lunch Take-out *			10:30 am Hybrid Worship
		4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *	4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *			

Monday, October 18	Tuesday, October 19	Wednesday, October 20	Thursday, October 21	Friday, Oct. 22	Saturday, October 23	Sunday, October 24
	9 am KANSA Staff Mtg		10 am 'Stay Alive'		10 am CRS Assembly	9:45 am Centering Prayer
		1:30 pm Grocery Pop-Up *	12 pm Lunch Take-out *			10:30 am Hybrid Worship
		4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *	4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *			

Monday, October 25	Tuesday, October 26	Wednesday, October 27	Thursday, October 28	Friday, Oct. 29	Saturday, October 30	Sunday, October 31
	4 pm KANSA Staff Mtg		10 am 'Stay Alive'			9:45 am Centering Prayer
			12 pm Lunch Take-out *			10:30 am Hybrid Worship
		4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *	4:00 pm Dinner Take-out *			Día de los Muertos / All Saint's Day

* Monthly Grocery Pop-ups and 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>