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## BRIEFS

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 155 will honor Girls State Citizens and their families at a dinner Thursday at 6 p.m., American Legion Building.

EAST GOLD STREET WESLEYAN CHURCH - will hold the annual Hanging of the Greens service Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. The public is invited to experience this beautiful candlelight service ushering in the Christmas season.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, King St., will hold several December events. Christmas Sampler and Hanging of the Greens will be held Dec. 1 at 6 p.m.; Keyboards at Christmas will be held Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. Christmas Musical will be presented Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.



that when you received Lutheran Church the word of God that you

"We also

heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers." 1 Thessalonians 2:13

We continue our meditation focus on ways God calls us to give thanks in scripture as we near the Thanksgiving holiday. This is a time of the year when many pause each and every day to give thanks for something in

their lives. The holiday season gives us great opportunity to be with friends and family and to focus on what is important in our lives; we focus on the blessings God has provided us with. We have so much to be thankful for and at the top of that list, may we be thankful for a relationship with our savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

We are called to give thanks

In this passage from 1 Thessalonians, the author is giving thanks for the word of God. I wonder how often in our thanksgivings do we give thanks for the word of God. God communicates with us through the Holy Scriptures. We read the inspired word of God and we read a message of hope, of salvation and of

love. We read the narrative that is found in the Bible and we can relate to stories that happened so long ago. We can experience through the scriptures how God continually reaches out, as he desires a relationship with us. We see the power of redemption as sin, the devil and death have been defeated and God's love wins. Today, let us give thanks for the word of God.

But, the author of 1 Thessalonians says more in this passage that is important as we give thanks for God's word. The author gives thanks that the people had received the word of God and that it was accepted as God's word. And, even more than that, the author gives thanks

in this passage that the word of God is at work in God's people who have accepted it as truth. When God's word is at work in us, we are answering his call for us to go out and make disciples of all nations. When God's word is at work in us, we are his hands and feet in this world as we share his love with others. When God's word is at work in us, we praise God that we know the truth and the truth will set us free.

We give thanks this Thanksgiving holiday that we have the gift of God's word. We give thanks that we have received and accepted his word as truth. And we give thanks that the word of God is at work in us. Amen.

## Fellowship & Faith

Church Service Directory

## **KINGS MOUNTAIN**

Advent Lutheran Church, NALC Member **KM Senior Center** 909 E. Kings St.

**Anew Beginning Baptist** Church 415 Dixon School Rd. 704-473-1372

Ardent Life Church 420 Branch Street 704-739-7700

Arise Church **Kings Mountain YMCA** 211 Cleveland Ave.

**Bethlehem Baptist Church** 1017 Bethlehem Road 704-739-7487

**Boyce Memorial ARP Church Edgemont Drive** 704-739-4917

**Burning Bush House of God** 310 Long Branch Rd (KM) 704-739-2877

**Calvary Way Holiness Church** 1017 Second Street Pastor Clifton Morgan

Carson Memorial Baptist

**Christian Freedom Southern Baptist Church** 246 Range Road 704-739-4152

**Christ The King Catholic** Church 714 Stone Street 704-487-7697

**Church at Kings Mountain** 108 E. Mountain St. (KM Women's Club Bldg.) 704-739-1323

**Cornerstone Church Of God** 202 Margrace Road 704-739-3773

**Cornerstone Independent Baptist** 107 Range Road 704-737-0477

**Crowders Mountain Baptist** 125 Mayberry Lane 704-739-0310

**David Baptist Church** 2300 David Baptist Church Road 704-739-4555

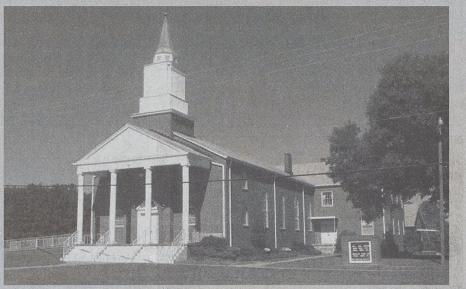
**Dixon Presbyterian Church** 602 Dixon School Road dixonpresbyterian.com

**El Bethel United Methodist** Church 122 El-bethel Road 704-739-9174

**Emmanuel Independent Baptist Church** 602 Canterbury Road 704-739-9939

Faith Ablaze Church 1128 S. York Road 704-739-8496

Faith Baptist Church 1009 Linwood Road



## Featured Church of the Week: David Baptist Church

First Baptist Church 605 W. King Street 704-739-3651

First Church of the Nazarene 121 Countryside Road 704-734-1143

First Presbyterian Church 111 E. King Street 704-739-8072

**First Wesleyan Church** 505 N. Piedmont Avenue 704-739-4266

Galilee United Methodist

**Grace Fellowship** 144 West Mountain Street 704-481-8888

Grace United Methodist Church 830 Church Street 704-739-6000

Harvest Baptist Church 144 Ware Road 704-734-0714

**Kings Mountain Baptist** Church 101 W. Mountain Street

Church 262 Sparrow Springs Road 704-739-2247

**Central United Methodist** Church 113 S. Piedmont Avenue 704-739-2471

**Cherokee St. Baptist Church** 421 S. Cherokee Street 704-739-7697

**Chestnut Ridge Baptist** Church 618 Chestnut Ridge Road 704-739-4015

East Gold Street Wesleyan Church 701 E. Gold Street 704-739-3215

**East Kings Mountain Church** of God Hwy 161, Bessemer City/KM Hwy. 704-739-7367

Eastside Baptist Church 308 York Road 704-739-8055

**Ebenezer Baptist Church** 1621 County Line Road 704-739-8331

704-739-8396

**Faith Holiness Church** Hwy. 161/Bessemer City Rd. 704-739-1997

**Family Worship Center** 1818 Shelby Road 704-739-7206

117 Galilee Church Road 704-739-7011

**Gospel Assembly Church** 202 S. Railroad Avenue 704-739-5351

Good Hope **Presbyterian Church** 105 N. Cansler Street 704-739-1062

704-739-2516

Life of Worship Ministries 405 S. Cherokee St. 704-777-2927

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