



St. John's

United Church of Christ

Ken Medema Concert March 17

On Sunday, March 17, at 4 PM we will welcome nationally-known musician, singer, and songwriter, Ken Medema.

Ken Medema has been playing the piano since he was five years old, and he has been touring all over the world for more than 40 years.

Ken became interested in our church last fall when he met Harry and Michele Wilson at a Convergence conference in Nashville. He asked about our church, and when the Wilsons gave him the list of mission work that happens here, he wanted to help. His foundation will pay the \$5,000 fee for his performance which allows St. John's to sell tickets and raise money to support our missions.

Invite friends and family! Let's have a full house for this concert. Tickets are \$15 each. Printed promotional materials will be available soon. (Find more information about Ken on Page 2.)



March Calendar

MAR 2 - GAME NIGHT 6 PM AT WPC - BRING SNACKS TO SHARE

MAR 3 - WORSHIP AT WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 10 AM

MAR 5 - ENNEAGRAM 4 PM; CENTERING PRAYER 5 PM

MAR 10,17,24 - WORSHIP 10:30 AM; LENT STUDY 12 NOON

MAR 6,13,20,27 - OH, FOR THE LOVE OF MUSIC! 2 PM

MAR 13 - COUNCIL MEETING 5:30 PM (NOTE NEW TIME)

MAR 17 - KEN MEDEMA CONCERT 4 PM

MAR 22 - FOOD PANTRY/BABY SPRINKLES/KIDS CLOSET 10AM-12 PM

MAR 26 - COMMUNITY DINNER 6 PM

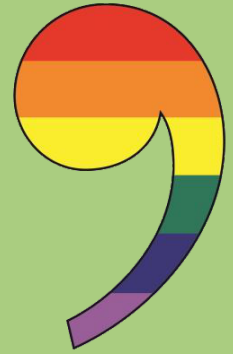
MAR 24 - PALM SUNDAY 10:30 AM

MAR 28 - MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE AT WPC 6 PM

MAR 30 - COMMUNITY SPECIAL NEEDS DANCE 7-9 PM

MAR 31 - EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 AM

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Easter lilies and spring flowers order form

Easter Lilies \$12 each

Tulips \$15 each

Name _____

Lily quantity _____ @ \$12 Total \$ _____

Tulip quantity _____ @ \$15 total \$ _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

He is not here; he has
risen, just as he said.

Matthew 28:6a

Be the Blessing

**SOMETHING FOR
EVERYONE!**

From the Pastor's Screen

Friends, by the time you receive this newsletter, Keith and I will be in Florida visiting our daughter and her family. Please enjoy worship with Pastor Karen and our blended family at WPC on March 3, and I'll see you again on March 10.

- Pastor Judy

KenMedema.com

Ken Medema is a singer, songwriter, pianist, synthesist, storyteller and performer. Using a piano, a keyboard, and percussion, his concerts are interactive, and he has been called a "participation artist."

His music encompasses styles all the way from his classical roots to jazz to contemporary and everything in between. Every concert includes audience participation by the telling of their stories on a selected theme for the occasion. Ken then improvises songs based on those stories for a totally unique and custom event—every time.

Ken's concerts run between 90 minutes and two hours. We would love to see everyone participate. Promote the concert, buy tickets, help with set up, greet attendees, clean up, serve refreshments, and of course, enjoy great music! Contact the office if you're interested in volunteering.



HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO
TO BE A BLESSING:

INVITE FRIENDS TO THE KEN
MEDEMA CONCERT

INVITE FRIENDS TO CHURCH

DONATE WARM HATS,
GLOVES, SOCKS

SING EACH WEDNESDAY

ATTEND THE COMMUNITY
DINNER - OR BRING DESSERT

HELP WITH THE NHL LIBRARY

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH

BRING DONATIONS FOR BABY
SPRINKLES AND KIDS' CLOSET

VOLUNTEER TO BE AN USHER

OFFER YOUR MUSICAL GIFTS

NOTICE WHO'S MISSING
FROM WORSHIP

... AND REACH OUT WITH
LOVE!

Lenten Study continues

Our Lenten book study is Adam Hamilton's **24 Hours That Changed the World**. "No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. In this book, Hamilton will help you experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death like never before. He retraces the day that changed human history in his usual straightforward yet easy, conversational style that speaks to both long-time Christians and those who are simply curious about the story of Christ's crucifixion." Hamilton is the senior pastor of the United Methodist Church of Leawood, Kansas.

Each Sunday we will have a discussion in person and on Zoom following worship for all who would like to participate. Our Westminster Presbyterian friends are also enjoying this same study. If Sunday doesn't work for you, Karen's WPC group meets each Thursday at 11 AM.

Contributed by Jan Janke and Judy Goodrow



Our clothesline is still in use. Spring is not yet here, so many folks need warm hats, gloves, and socks. Bring donations to the office for Bob and Gloria to distribute. Thank you!

In February, 7 individuals received emergency food and 20 people took showers. The Samaritan Fund provided assistance for 4 evictions and 2 utility payments.

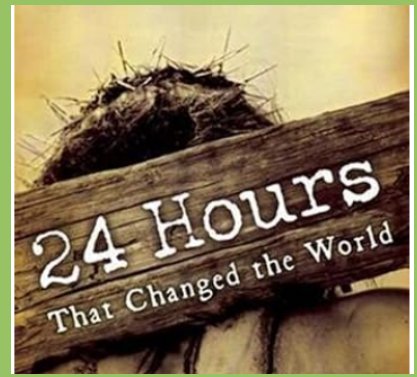
Contributed by Michele Wilson

Our February Baby Sprinkle and Kids' Closet was held on February 16 and served 35 families, representing 76 children.

Contributed by Donna Benedict

Our February food pantry served 142 persons. Two tons of food were distributed. Fifty persons were served at our Community Dinner on February 20.

Contributed by Carl Robinson



One Great Hour of Sharing



Our OGHHS Special Mission Offering will be collected on Sunday, March 10. This fund offers assistance during times of disaster for people in need all over the world. Your support provides food, clean water, medicine, shelter and much more.

Sunday, March 10



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