## Dear Families and KCC Congregants,

#### **Growing together through loss**

In January we lost our warrior, Kimi Schroder. As the Youth Group so wisely shared, Kimi lived so fully. They were amazed by the experiences she packed into her life and admired her for achieving and experiencing so many new things. They wondered whether they could pack in as many accomplishments as Kimi, even if they lived a long, long life? Their discussion reminded me of the impact that just one life can have on us. How can we continue her story and her legacy? Kimi has changed us forever, whether we knew her well or were blessed to know of her.



I feel challenged to do my best to begin each day with loving kindness and a serious dose of laughter—both of which are in the true Kimi spirit. I'm trying to follow her lead. She teaches me how to live, love and to keep laughing through it all.

As in her life, Kimi still teaches us to find ways to live into our dreams, wishes, and to start accomplishing those bucket list items (you know the ones on a piece of paper in the back of a desk drawer?). I hope you will join me in trying to accomplish even a little of what she accomplished in her rich life. What better teacher is there than Kimi? I feel her presence and I hope you do as well. I know that she is still ministering to us. She is with us. We can continue her work and be a part of her legacy.

#### You are LOVE posters

Speaking of love, in February, you will start to see posters in the Youth Group Room, and in Sunday School classrooms and hallways that say:

"You are LOVE. You are quite literally made out of love. You are imperfectly perfect, whole and complete. Your emotions are sacred. There is wisdom in your listening and every time you choose love, you invite love. We are generation mindful: Playing to learn and teaching by example. Being ENOUGH and living in the little moments. Holding our hearts higher than our heads and nurturing the human spirit."-From Generation Mindful.

The poster sets the tone for me, Enrique, and the teachers. It states our values for every interaction with the children and youth at KCC.

#### Give us your feedback!

As we set goals for the summer and the next school year, please let us know how we are doing. Complete the online survey

(https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8333MHK), or complete one from your bulletin this month. Please place completed surveys in the basket in Lander Hall. You may also print and send the identical survey below.

Thank you in advance for your feedback, ideas and especially the ways we can improve! I will share the results with you in April.

#### **Looking Ahead**

This is a good time to take stock of the gifts and talents you would like to share with:

#### • The Sunday School Classes

Sometimes we need a crafty person, musician, speaker (playing a role), cooking assistant, summer assistant/teacher, and maybe even another teacher.

### • The OWL (Our Whole Lives) Program

We need at least one extra teacher for the 2019-2020 School Year.

Please consider what you have to offer and look for my <u>volunteer questionnaire in March</u>. Please keep in mind that as an adult in the church, you play an important role in the lives of the children and youth of KCC. Perhaps this is your chance to give them some of your time and to be the model of a continually developing child of God.

Happy Valentine's Day!

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# Let us know how we are doing in Faith Formation at KCC

All are welcome to complete this survey. We welcome your thoughts and ideas.

1.	What were <u>your impressions</u> of the <b>Christmas Program</b> ? Would you <u>prefer</u> a similar program next year?
2.	What is <u>your impression</u> of the <u>nursery and Sunday School classrooms</u> ? <u>How do you feel</u> when you visit the nursery, classrooms and walk through the Sunday School hallway?
3.	How can Barbara and the Sunday School teachers <u>improve communication and spiritual</u> <u>education</u> for children, youth, families and the church community?
4.	What are the strengths of the Sunday School Program?
5.	What needs improvement in the Sunday School Program?

Please add additional comments regarding your vision of Sunday School at KCC. (Optional)
MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!
On behalf of the Sunday School and nursery team, thank you for sharing your heartfelt thoughts and ideas with us. We will be sure to share the results in April.
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