

Our Ministries

Mountain States Children's Home

There is a list of supplies that the children's home would like to receive on the bulletin board at the top of the ramp. Next collection date to be announced

Peru Ministry - Oscar and Anna Maria in Peru.

Food Pantry

Our food pantry is located in the small room next to the library. Please bring your donations and leave them in this room. If you need help or know of anyone who is in need, ask one of the members to assist you. Feel free to take what you need.

Kennewick Church of Christ

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Meeting times:

Sunday:

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am
Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday:

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Open Congregational meeting – 2nd and 4th Sunday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome.

Attendance 09/30: 55 | Budget \$2400.33 | Contribution 09/30: \$3153.25

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Welcome to the Kennewick Church of Christ

Who Then is Jesus?

Ten days after Jesus' ascension to the Father, the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the apostles. On that day, the Day of Pentecost, Peter spoke to a large crowd which had gathered. He gave evidence which proves that Jesus is the Christ. As he reached the climax of his sermon, he asked his hearers to conclude that God had made Jesus both Lord and Christ" (Acts 2:36). Paul, after describing the way Jesus humbled Himself to become man and obeyed even to the point of death, wrote, "For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Philippians 2:9 - 11).

Paul also wrote of Jesus, "And he [God] put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all (Ephesians 1:22, 23).

What does the Lordship of Jesus mean to us, according to the New Testament? In practical terms, it means that we are to submit to Him. Jesus said, "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?" (Luke 6:46). He further said, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter" (Matthew 7:21). Are you willing to submit to the teachings of Christ? Second, it means that we must give Christ priority in our lives. We must give Him our loyalty and our love. He is the only Lord honored by heaven, and He must be the only Lord enthroned in our hearts.

Someone has said, In each heart, there is a cross and a throne. If I place myself on the throne, I must put Christ on the cross. If I put Christ on the throne, I must put myself on the cross." No one can have two Lords. If you say "yes" to the Lordship of Christ, you must say "no" to your own will and wishes. No one can have two masters; you will love one and hate the other (Matthew 6:24).

The New Testament says that Jesus is Lord. God has placed everything under His feet. He is King of kings and Lord of lords. (Truth for Today, World Mission School)

What is God's "family"?

- I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God ... (1 Timothy 3:15).
- Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are ... (Hebrews 3:6).

The family of God is the Church

- These are people who have been born into the family through the new birth (John 3:5).
- The church wears the name of Christ (Romans 16:16; Ephesians 3:14,15).
- Faithful children are obedient to the New Testament pattern and law (Revelation 2:10).
- Christians will be rewarded or punished, according to their life in Christ (Rev. 22:14).

Keep these Dates in Mind:

10/07 First Sunday Potluck
 10/13 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship
 10/14 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
 10/26 Game night 6:00p (Tentative)
 10/28 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
 11/07 First Sunday Potluck
 11/13 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship
 11/14 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
 11/26 Game Night 6:00p (\$5 donation if able)
 11/28 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

October Birthdays/Anniversaries

Kenneth Winstead 10/6
 LaVern Engelke 10/8
 Marlene Blankenship 10/9
 Mark & Sue Minor 10/9
 Bob Childers 10/15
 Clarence Botts 10/22
 Melinda Botts 10/25
 Harvey Jones 10/25

*I cannot brag
 about my love
 for God, because
 I fail him daily.
 But I can brag
 about his love
 for me because it
 never fails.*

Therefor be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Eph. 5:1-2)

Bible Studies

Fellowship Hall (S) – Mark (W) – Acts	Classroom Wing Teen Class - Teen Room	Begins September 6. 10:00a-11:30a. Studies will be in Hebrews.
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Issues (ongoing): Karen McBurney, Bob Childers, Shirley Childers, Amanda McCrickard, Kaleb McCrickard, Joshua Hickman, Vern Mast, Sue Aldrich, Lupe Mendoza, Marji Lindholm, Bill and Fran Henniger, The Johnson family, The Mendoza family, Helen Pierce, Sandi Gray, Norm Goldsmith, Brent Bryant, Marilyn Davis, Randy Hargus, Tami Pennington

Look to God and Ask for Strength

No rocket scientist is needed here to explain that we are living in challenging times. Many of us are not accustomed to adversity, at least not openly. Human nature, for the most part, is to prefer that things run smoothly, no hitches, no glitches. Roll with the flow, but some things are beyond our control. No, no one enjoys difficult times. Yet, ultimately, they can have some positive effect. By choice, that positive effect should be maximized for the greater good of the heavenly kingdom. God can help us through difficult times to become stronger and more effective in our service for him.

In times like these, may we remember to look to God for strength. While we at times may be weak, our heavenly Father is an awesome God of power. One of the wonderful things about our Creator is that He not only knows how to majestically utilize His power, but He has the capacity and willingness to share power with us. His cetera. Paul closes his prayer in Ephesians Chapter 3 with an expression that glory might be "...unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think according to the power of God. God's power transcends all other power in the universe.

The familiar lyrics, "...the arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own," penned by George Duffield in the mid-nineteenth century, admonish us against relying on our own personal strength as we often seek to do. Let's make a stronger connection to the source of the greatest power. (Tim Childs)

The Love of God and Brotherly Love

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love. In this is manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us." (1 John 4:7-12)

Love is the divine link between God and man- "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whomsoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

If man had to make God love him, then salvation would be competitive, merited, and beyond the reach of fallen humanity. It is an indisputable fact that God does love us, even in our unworthiness. It is this great love of God which gives us hope of salvation.

Mark Guy Pearse stated that one of his boys said to the other, in his hearing, and in a threatening tone, "You must be good you know, or father won't love you." The father who was listening, called the son who had spoken, and said to him, gravely and affectionately, "Son, do you know what you have said? It is not true, my boy, not a bit true. You never made a bigger mistake, my son. I don't love you just because you are good. There are lots of boys - good boys, but I love because you are my own little son. If you grow up to become the worst man, I shall love you with a love that will break my heart, but I shall love you still. I don't love you only when you are good, I love you because I can not help loving you. When you are good, I love you with a love that makes me glad. When you are bad, I love you with a love that makes me sad."

"Is that it?" said the son. "Then I will be good, Father."

"Yes, beloved, God loves all men. Nothing can ever be done that would cause God not to love, for God is love. If only all men could fully realize this sublime fact and hold this truth in our hearts, it would banish all real loneliness from our hearts and make us walk in closer fellowship with God and with each other. God's word is abundant with illustrations of the tenderness of God's love.

The prophet of God declared, "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you," Isaiah 66:13. Oh yes, my friends, how many of us would love to go back even today, just for a while, and revel in our memories of those wonderful days of childhood that live only in our memories. The center of every reasonable and true picture, which memory and imagination paints of those rare, unforgettable days, is the loving figure of mother and mother's love.

Yes, I remember, in times of trouble, as a child, how natural it was to go to mother for comfort - and I never went in vain. And even now, since we are men and women, with children and grandchildren of our own, there may be days of trying circumstances, cruel disappointments and wounded hearts, when we find ourselves wishing we could go back - back just for a little while to mother, as we did when we were children, and put an aching head and sobbing heart in her tender embrace and feel her caressing hand upon our cheek. But those days will never come back to us. In many cases mothers are separated from us, by perhaps thousands of miles and maybe the river of death itself. The only comfort is that which memory holds. But my friends, hear me! Are you listening? I can tell you there is one who is the same yesterday, today, and forever, God, who is the very essence of love, and as the prophet declared, "whose comfort is that of a mother's." God is love!
 (V.E. Howard)

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? (Psalm 27:1)