

Our Ministries

Mountain States Children's Home (Next Collection is at the end of August)

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. Some of the personal/ non-perishable items could be collected early and stored in the room next to the teachers room.

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| Peru Ministry<br>Oscar and Anna Maria in Peru.  | Harvesting the Scriptures<br>Kennewick Spring Lectureship April 11-15 |
| <sup>18b</sup> All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. (Matt. 28:18-20) |   |

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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome. (See Schedule inside for changes.)

Attendance 04/15: 96 | Budget \$2400.33 | Contribution 04/15: \$ 3030.25

April 22, 2018



Welcome to the  
Kennewick Church of Christ

If We Love the Lord Then. . .

**We are HIS FRIENDS.** – In John 15:14 Jesus said, “Ye are my friends, if ye do whatever I command you.” Scores of people claim to be friends of Jesus but they are not obeying his word – at least not all of it. They pick and choose and only obey the parts they like. You can’t be a friend of the Lord and only do part of what he said.

**We are BRETHREN** – We’re in the family of God, united by the common bond of affection. (See 2 Peter 1:1; Acts 11:1; Acts 11:29; Acts 15:3; 21:17.)

**We are SAINTS** – Romans 1:7, “To all that be in Rome, beloved of God called [to be] saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (See Romans 16:15; Corinthians 1:2; 1 Cor. 14:33; 2 Cor. 1:1; 2 Cor. 13:13; Eph. 1:1; Eph. 2:19; Col. 1:2.) Men have perverted the Bible’s teaching that all Christians are saints. They seek to venerate only certain individuals who meet their man-made set of criteria, totally perverting the standard (word) of God.

**We are FAITHFUL**– 1 Cor. 4:2, “Moreover it is required to stewards, that a man be found faithful.” (See 1 Cor. 4:17; Eph. 1:1; Eph. 6:21; Col. 1:2; Col. 4:9; 3 John 1:5; Rev. 2:10.)

**We are EVANGELISTIC** – Matt. 28:19-20, “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo I am with you always, [even] unto the end of the world. Amen. (See Mark 16:15-16; Luke 14:23; John 3:5; Acts 8:4.)

**We CONTEND FOR THE FAITH** – Jude 1:3, “Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you and exhort [you] that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.” (See Phil. 1:7; Phil. 1:17.)

**We MARK AND FOLLOW** – The word “mark” means to observe, look toward, pay attention to, etc. The idea to “mark and follow” is pointing to the fact that we look at others and seek to imitate them in regards to their good example. For instance, in Phil. 3:17 we read, “Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.” (See John 13:15; 1 Tim. 4:12; James 5:10 1 Pet. 2:21.)

**We MARK AND AVOID** – “Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.” (See Matt. 7:15; Luke 17:1; Gal. 2:4-5; Col. 2:8;)

**We SUPPORT AND UPHOLD THE TRUTH, THE GOSPEL** – “Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine” (2 Tim. 4:2). (See Gal 4:16; 1Thess. 2:13.)

-Taken from article by Garland M. Robinson

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,  
(1 Timothy 2:5)

Keep these Dates in Mind:

04/01 First Sunday Potluck  
04/08 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p  
04/11 Spring Lectureship in Kennewick 6:00p  
04/22 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p  
04/29 Fifth Sunday Singing 3:00p (Here)  
05/06 First Sunday Potluck  
05/14 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship  
05/15 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p  
05/21 Game Night 5:00p (\$5 donation requested)  
05/22 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

Birthdays and Anniversaries for April

Bill Henniger 3/31  
Avi Botts 4/3  
Betty VanVorst 4/6  
John Hopkins 4/8  
Al & Pat Lindsay 4/12  
LaVern & Sammie Engelke 4/18  
Eunice Petross 4/25

Bible Studies:

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| Adult Class - Fellowship Hall<br>(S) – Mark<br>(W) – Romans | Youth Classes -Classroom Wing<br>Teen Classes – Teen Room | Ladies Class – Fellowship Hall<br>Thursdays 10:00a |
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Health Issues (ongoing): Karen McBurney, Bob Childers, Shirley Childers, Amanda McCrickard, Kaleb McCrickard, Savannah and Christian Johnson (friends of the McCrickards, daughter suffering from mitochondrial disease), Christy Hickman, Joshua Hickman, Vern Mast, Sue Aldrich, Lupe Mendoza, Marji Lindholm, Bill and Fran Henniger

We will be hosting the fifth Sunday singing next week. It begins at 3:00p. Please bring finger food for after the singing.  
The Lectureship will be one of the topics of discussion at the open congregational meeting today at 5:00p

While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.—Luke 15:20  
One afternoon I spent two hours at an art exhibit—*The Father & His Two Sons: The Art of Forgiveness*—in which all of the pieces were focused on Jesus’s parable of the prodigal son (see Luke 15:11-31). I found Edward Riojas’s painting *The Prodigal Son* especially powerful. The painting portrays the once wayward son returning home, wearing rags and walking with his head down. With a land of death behind him, he steps onto a pathway where his father is already running toward him. At the bottom of the painting are Jesus’s words, “But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion” (v. 20 kjv).  
I was deeply moved by realizing once more how God’s unchanging love has altered my life. When I walked away from Him, He didn’t turn His back, but kept looking, watching, and waiting. His love is undeserved yet unchanging; often ignored yet never withdrawn.  
We all are guilty, yet our heavenly Father reaches out to welcome us, just as the father in this story embraced his wayward son. “Let’s have a feast and celebrate,” the father told the servants. “For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found” (vv. 23-24).  
The Lord still rejoices over those who return to Him today—and that’s worth celebrating!

Is the Account of the Creation True?

Those who hate the truth will always deny the truth. A case in point is a headline of the Nashville Tennessean newspaper (7/2/2011): “Were Adam and Eve real or just a story?”  
You may decide for yourself why such a false concept made front page headlines of this newspaper. Did the reporter do any research to see if the false teachers had any validity? Did the reporter care if creating doubt in the veracity of God’s Holy Word might affect some weak soul? So was he too busy to separate the facts from fiction? If so, I will do his work for him.  
The book of Luke records the genealogy of Jesus all the way back (on his mother’s side) to Adam. Read it for yourself in Luke 3:23-28. Why then would any rational and honest person give credence to a fairy tale that the account of Adam and Eve is just “a story about what it means to be human?” Based upon what evidence?  
The Apostle Paul was inspired to record “Never the less death reigned from Adam to Moses” (Rom. 5:14). If Moses was a real person, then so was Adam. Again we read, “For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive” (1 Cor. 15:22). Adam therefore was as real as Christ and not just a story about what it means to be human. “For Adam was first formed, then Eve” (1 Tim. 2:13). The record in Genesis states that Adam was “formed...of the dust of the ground” (Gen. 2:7). “Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression” (1 Tim. 2:14). “And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam” (Jude 14; cf Gen. 5:1-18). Was Enoch descended from “a story about what it means to be human” or a man named Adam?  
Is the account of creation true? Jesus believed it to be true and confirmed it to be so. The fact of the matter is, He was a participant in the creation. The record reads, “Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness” (Gen. 1:26). The personal pronouns “our” refer to the three members of the Godhead. Father, Word, and Holy Spirit. The book of John begins with these words, “in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not” (John 1:1-5). Then verse 14 of this same chapter tells us who the Word is, “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”  
Jesus endorsed the entire Old Testament in Luke 24:44. “These are the words which I spoke unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which are written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms concerning me.”  
According to Jewish usage, the law of Moses, the prophets and the psalms comprised the entire Old Testament.  
~Garland M. Robinson

40 authors wrote the Bible over a period of 1,500 years. These Bible writers wrote as they were inspired by the Holy Spirit (see 2 Timothy 3:16-17). [1] Moses was the first person to write portions of Scripture while John, the disciple of Jesus, was the last. Other famous people who wrote the Bible include: David, Daniel, Peter, Paul, Jonah, Isaiah, Solomon and David.  
When the Bible was first written, there were no chapters or verses as today. In fact, many of the early, handwritten manuscripts were written without spaces between the words! Stephen Langton divided the Bible into chapters about A.D. 1228. The Old Testament was divided into verses by R. Nathan in A.D. 1448, and Robert Stephanus divided the New Testament into verses in A.D. 1551. The first complete Bible with chapter and verse divisions was the Geneva Bible of A.D. 1560.