

(15)And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. (16)Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved. Mark 15:15, 16

Christ's Closet

Free Clothing for anyone in need. Open Wednesdays 9:00 – Noon.

Mountain States Children's Home

Remember to bring supplies for the children's home box. Bring Non-Perishable Items. The collection is at the end of April.

Food Pantry

The pantry is located in the room left of the library. There are sacks in the pantry room if you or someone you know is in need of any of these items. Feel free to take what you need. If you have a donation for the pantry please put it on the table in the pantry room.

Peru Ministry

Support Oscar, Anna Maria, Queca and Tony Woods in their outreach in Peru.

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.

March 19, 2017

Welcome to the Kennewick Church of Christ

Choosing Goals

When it comes to choosing life-goals we have some wonderful examples. When Jesus stood before Pilate, the Roman governor, he answered one of Pilate's questions with the statement, "To this end I was born, and for this cause came I into the world" (John 18:37). It is very obvious that Jesus had a clear sense of purpose. He never did or said anything that did not fit exactly into the purpose for which he came into the world. Later, in his own adulthood he spoke of himself, saying, "The Son of man came to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10). He knew why he came and he never forgot it for a moment.

The apostle Paul is another outstanding example of a goal-directed life. His book of Philippians, one of my favorites in the New Testament, was written from a Roman prison where he faced the very real possibility of death. Yet, in that book he wrote, "I have learned, in whatever state I am, to be content." He went on to explain, "I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound; in any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and want" (Philippians 4:11, 12).

In an earlier chapter in that same book he stated the reason why he could be content under any circumstances. He wrote, "Indeed I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as refuse, in order that I may gain Christ...Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brethren, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:8, 12-14). There is no question but that Paul knew where he want to go and was dedicated totally to going there.

Goals, when they are concrete and real, especially when they are high-purposed, can lift a life from being ordinary to being great.

When someone is thinking about the ultimate purposes of life, the best advice that I know to give is that he center his life in Jesus Christ. As he makes a deep commitment to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, his life begins to move upward to the limits of meaningfulness. The need for such a commitment is urgent and must not be delayed. Life is fleeting and until it is centered in Christ it is without its highest purpose and destiny.

-Batsell Barrett Baxter, Something More Meeting Life's Deeper Needs

Attendance 03/12 A.M. Worship: 74 / Budget: \$2000.00 / Contribution 03/12: \$2660.41

Keep these Dates in Minds:

- 3/05 First Sunday Potluck
- 3/11 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship
- 3/12 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
- 3/15 Soup Night 6:00p before Wed Bible Study
- 3/24 Game Night 6:00p
- 3/26 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
- 4/02 First Sunday Potluck
- 4/08 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship
- 4/09 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
- 4/19 Soup Night 6:00p before Wed Bible Study
- 4/28 Game Night 6:00p
- 4/30 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
- 4/30 Fifth Sunday Singing

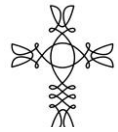
**You keep him in perfect peace
whose mind is stayed on you,
because he trusts in you.
(Isaiah 26:3)**

Bible Studies:

- Adult Class (S) – Hebrews; (W) – Romans - Fellowship Hall
- Young Adults (S, W) – Acts - Spanish Room
- Youth Classes – Classroom Wing
- Ladies Class (Thurs. 10am) - Acts

Birthdays and Anniversaries for March

- Sammie Engelke 3/7
- Gloria Moore 3/9
- Doris Pennington 3/15
- Faye Henry 3/17
- Pansy Caywood 3/20
- Amanda McCrickard 3/22
- Lucy Larsen 3/23
- Bill Henniger 3/31



Savior, grant me rest and peace, Let my troubled dreamings cease; With the chiming midnight bell, Teach my heart that "all is well."

Perfect Peace

There once was a King who offered a prize to the artist who would paint the best picture of peace. Many artists tried. The King looked at all the pictures, but there were only two he really liked and he had to choose between them.

One picture was of a calm lake. The lake was a perfect mirror for peaceful towering mountains were all around it. Overhead was a blue sky with fluffy white clouds. All who saw this picture thought that it was a perfect picture of peace. The other picture had mountains too. But these were rugged and bare. Above was an angry sky from which rain fell, in which lightening played. Down the side of the mountain tumbled a foaming waterfall. This did not look peaceful at all.

But when the King looked, he saw behind the waterfall a tiny bush growing in a crack in the rock. In the bush a mother bird had built her nest. There, in the midst of the rush of angry water, sat the mother bird on her nest ... perfect peace.

Which picture do you think won the prize?

The King chose the second picture. Do you know why?

"Because," explained the King, "peace does not mean to be in a place where there is no noise, trouble, or hard work. Peace means to be in the midst of all those things and still be calm in your heart. That is the real meaning of peace."
- Author Unknown



In our
Thoughts
and Prayers

Health Issues: Pam Fox's grandson, Canaco & Eli , Abigail Jones, Karen McBurney, Dustin Stecker, Doris Pennington, Betty VanVoorst, Bob Childers, Eddie Petros, Gayle Caldwell, Darlena Moon, Jackson Hickman

In the Military: Levi Toombs

This Week:

Jack Pinckert Jr. (Dustin's Preacher friend) esophageal cancer stage 2.

Logan Johnson (Amanda McCrickard's friend's son) lost his battle with epilepsy and cancer on March 9, 2017. Keep his family in your prayers

A Book That Endures

One of the unique aspects of the Bible is its endurance, its ability to survive the attacks of those who seek to destroy its message and influence. It has survived through time because it's God's Word. Because it is God's Word we should expect it to survive no matter how often its claims are ridiculed or its demands ignored.

Kathryn Koob, an American diplomat who spent 444 days as a hostage in Iran, told her guards, "We may be here for the next fifteen years! And my job is to sit here and wait."

Before the eyes of individuals hostile to the faith common in the land of her fathers, Kathryn Koob set out to establish a meaningful system of morning disciplines – Bible study, prayer and meditation, and reading.

"They couldn't believe I could take that attitude," she said. Despite screams outside that would continue until two in the morning, then begin again at six a.m., an American political prisoner found peace in the midst of mob hatred – courage and peace, from the Bible!

The Bible has withstood violent attacks from its enemies. It has been banned, burned, and outlawed at various times by various individuals and groups of people.

Voltaire, the famous French atheist who died in 1778, said the Bible and Christian faith would not be believed in one hundred years. On the 100th anniversary of his statement, the Geneva Bible Society purchased Voltaire's printing press and house and started to print Bibles from there. Voltaire is dead but the Bible continues to make its impact on the world: "The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever" (Isaiah 40:8).

-Power for Living, Arthur S. DeMoss Foundation

(22) Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, (23) since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; (24) for all flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower fails, (25) but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you. (1Peter 1:22-25)