

(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 stock up on non-perishable supplies to bring for the children's home collection which takes place near the end of March each year. Keep this work in your prayers. A list of needed items is on the box

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.

April 9, 2017

Welcome to the Kennewick Church of Christ

Those Who Belong to Jesus

If those of us who belong to Jesus would show decision for the truth, we must not only do so by our tone and manner, but by our daily actions. A man's life is always more forcible than his speech; when men take stock of him, they reckon his deeds as pounds and his words as ounces. If his life and his doctrine disagree, the mass of onlookers accept his practice and reject his preaching. We must show our decision for the truth by the sacrifices we are ready to make.

Those of us who belong to Jesus have a rather difficult set of decisions to make. We must choose to make our lives one of consistency. What a man is on the inside usually is reflected by his actions on the outside. Likewise, what he is on the outside shows what he is on the inside. Those of us who belong to Christ must choose to let the world see this by living a life of consistency. Living a sermon is better than preaching one any day. Some preach a sermon that is out of context with what they supposedly advocate that they believe. Those of us who belong to Jesus must begin to speak what we believe! (There are many ways to speak.) Like one fellow said, "What you are speaks so loud I can't hear what you say."

Those of us who belong to Jesus must bring together those things in our lives which show that Jesus is there. Joy and peace, courage and boldness, patience and contentment are sure signs that something special is influencing your life. If these things are present, people are going to take notice. If they are not present, then you will fit very well into the surroundings, for most of the world will not have any signs of Christ.

Those of us who belong to Jesus have a great challenge and a greater responsibility. "Yours must be a very responsible position," said a traveler to a switchman who had charge of the switches where five lines converged. "Yes," was the reply, "but it is nothing compared to yours as a Christian." We are responsible for being like Christ. Sowing the world Jesus: what He likes, what He dislikes, how He feels, how HE LIVES, is the task that belongs to "those of us who belong to Jesus."

I love the sense of belonging that I have in Christ, I stand in awe of the great responsibility that I have in showing others that I belong. I can tell them or I can show them. One is effective only if the proof is there. To those of us who belong to Jesus the acceptance of the task is our passion. If you belong to Jesus, accept the task and live the life.
– Jack Love, Spokane Bulletin

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith." (Rom. 1:16,17)

Attendance 04/02 A.M. Worship: 86 / Budget: \$2000.00 / Contribution 04/02: \$2463.62

Keep these Dates in Minds:

- 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 in Walla Walla
- 5/07 First Sunday Potluck
- 5/13 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship
- 5/14 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
- 5/17 Soup Night 6:00p before Wed Bible Study
- 5/27 Game Night 6:00p
- 5/28 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; from the end of the earth I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I, for you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy. (Ps. 61:1-3)

O sometimes the shadows are deep, and rough seems the path to the goal. And sorrows, how often they sweep like tempests down over the soul. O then to the rock let me fly, to the rock that is higher than I; O then to the Rock let me fly, To the Rock that is higher than I.

The Rock

It seemed to be the perfect day to be on the beach looking for shells and special rocks. It would be fun to spend time exploring the tide pools. The tide was out further than we'd ever seen it, giving us the perfect opportunity to explore where others hadn't already picked the sand clean before us.

We'd often seen the signs on the beaches that warned of rogue waves. We'd seen them so often that we didn't pay attention to them anymore. In all the years that we'd been coming here, we'd never had a problem with out-of-control waves.

The first sign of trouble was when someone in our group began to yell, telling us to run for higher ground. I turned around to see what could possibly be wrong. There facing us was a wall of water moving toward us. Grabbing the hands of the nearest children, I began to run, knowing that there was almost no chance we could outrun the wave that was moving relentlessly toward us.

But there in front of us, was a tall rock, that climbed nearly a hundred feet into the air. I had been up that rock before. I knew the way to the top. Urging the children up, we began to climb as the water began to crash around the bottom of the rock. The water kept rising and we kept climbing. All the while I was praying that the wave would abate before the water level reached the top.

We reached the pinnacle and I watched with tears in my eyes as the others in our group struggled to find their own places of safety. As the water was swirling just below us, destroying everything in its path, I sat there, cold and afraid, but safe. I thanked God for giving me a place of refuge, a rock that was higher than I.

—Author Unknown

Bible Studies:

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

Birthdays and Anniversaries for April

- Bill Henniger 3/31
- Avi Botts 4/3
- John Hopkins 4/8
- Al & Pat Lindsay 4/12
- Laverne & Sammie Engelke 4/18
- Kirsten Merrick 4/18
- Eunice Petross 4/25



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

In the Military: Levi Toombs

This Week:

Amanda McCrickard secondary reports came back and it was discovered that she has an Atrial Septal Defect (a hole in her heart). Please keep her and the family in your prayers as they decide on the best course of action to take to repair the defect.

Logan Johnson's sister **Savannah** is now beginning to exhibit signs of epilepsy. The mother **Christina** has requested prayers as she struggles with the loss of her son and now her daughter beginning to show signs of the same debilitating condition. If you would like to send cards the address is: Christina Johnson, 13300 E 44th Terrace s, Independence MO 64055

Vern Engelke lent a couple of picture books, with pictures of the Tri-Cities over the years, to someone and has lost track of them. If you have them or know who has them could you please return them to Vern or inform him where they are presently.

Content With God

Paul could overcome temptation and hardship because of his great faith in God. His love for God allowed him to be content in whatsoever state he was. He suffered many hardships but used all of them as bridges to greater service in God's kingdom.

The pearl is produced only when the oyster turns a thing of trouble into a thing of beauty. Our sorrows can become great blessings as we use them as a means of becoming more beautiful in the service of God. James reminds us that we should count it a blessing when trials come.

The Christian prepares himself for his eternal home where no sorrow will be found by living in sorrow and trouble now. What a contrast it will be when we live with God eternally! There is great benefit in the experiences that bring us sorrow for they teach us to depend on God in time and to look forward to God in eternity.

So as we meet the temptations of life, let us be content with God's promises that He will lead us home if we will walk in His steps.

—Power For Today (1967)

(25) Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? (26) Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? (27) And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? (28) And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, (29) yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. (30) But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you. O you of little faith (Matt 6:25-30).