

Hi friends,

There are a lot of things happening at Kennewick First! I want you to be aware of upcoming events.

Last week's "Drive-In" church was a wonderful experience for those of you that were able to participate in person and via our YouTube Livestream. Thank you to all of you who helped make it run so smoothly! We will be having another "Drive-In" Church service on October 11th at 10:30 am. The plan is much the same as last weeks. We have 35 parking spots available for you to participate in your car and 8 spots available for you and your household to bring your own chairs and sit in spots designated in the grassy area. If you would like to participate just follow this link: <https://reopen.church/r/yYVuCLI4>. and reserve either your parking spot, or your place on the lawn. Because of the way we are reserving spots, by either parking spot or household, when you register your spot, **type 1** when asked "How many will be attending?" Remember, we have very strict guidelines regarding how many we can place in our parking spots, and in the grass with social distancing, so when the spots are full we cannot let anymore in, and you will have to park on the street or somewhere off property. If you are showing symptoms of illness or getting out in public has put you at specific risks, please use your best judgment when deciding whether to sign up or not. The parking lot will open at 10 am and we are asking that you enter from the Everett Street side (West end) and we will exit out the Dayton Street side (East end) when worship is over.

Many of you know Ruth Anderson and are aware that for at least three decades she has served our congregation through our Finance teams. She has counted the offering and made deposits for us! She has decided it is time for her to hand that ministry off to someone else and we want to say thank you for her years of service. On Wednesday, October 21st from 6-7pm, we will have an opportunity to drive by the church and express our thanks, deliver cards, flowers or thank you gifts for her wonderful work. She will be at the church under the overhang by the church door and we can drive by and express our thanks in a socially distanced way. I hope you can swing by and let her know how much we appreciate her!

The Planning Team for this year's Holly Daze event have been posting items for sale, including Bean Soup on their Facebook page. : <https://www.facebook.com/mlarterwa>. Take a look at the items and make a purchase to help raise funds to support the wonderful things The United Methodist Women and the United Methodist church are doing! The pick-up time for those items you have purchased will be Saturday, October 17th from 11am-1pm, as a drive up pick up. Take a look at the FB page and see if there is anything you would like to purchase for the holidays or take care of that bean soup "fix" you have been waiting for!

Finally, remember that we will be having our "regular" (Is anything regular in the world today!?) worship service this Sunday. The service is on our YouTube channel at 10:30 am. (Here is the link for that livestream if you need it: <https://www.youtube.com/user/PiratesoftheColumbia> ) This Sunday we will be sharing communion together, so make sure you have bread and juice available so you can participate in that portion of the service at home!

There are lots of things happening at KFUMC. I hope you can find a way to participate whether it's in a virtual way online, or in person at a Drive-In service or in a Zoom Bible study or the other ways we are connecting with each other and our community.

See ya' Sunday. Now ... go wash your hands!

Pastor Mark