

Hi friends,

There is a bit of a brisk feel to the air, after this summer's heat wave. I wasn't sure if we were ever going to feel a fall breeze again! We kicked off our Fall programming season last Sunday with kids heading back to Sunday School, an adult book study lead by Jim Deatherage and Bob Kelly, and some of us sat in the fellowship hall and made simple no sew tie blankets and had great conversations and solved all the worlds problems! (Just kidding). Please feel free to come at 9 am this Sunday and participate in the book study, or sit and share a conversation and make friends, as we make tie blankets to hand out as the cold weather begins to set in.

Also, I am so pleased to remind you that our Saturday Night Life Program will be kicking off again this Saturday (September 18th) at 6 pm on the lawn behind the Church. Join us for worship... outside, even if it's a bit damp! Bring your lawn chairs, blanket, and umbrella, if necessary, for a joy filled night, with a special message by Jim Deatherage and music by Sherry, Kurt, Dave & Melanie.

And don't forget if you ride a motorcycle or know someone that does, "Ridin' with the Rev" will leave from the church parking lot at 3:30 pm on Sunday afternoon (we are bumping it back 30 minutes because of the Seahawks game) for a short ride (about an hour or so) to get some two-wheel-therapy and spend some time with friends.

Could you donate fleece for our Sunday morning blanket project?

Beginning on Sunday September 19, at 9 am, while our kids are in their Sunday School programs, there will be an opportunity for adults to gather together and make some simple "Tie Blankets" from fleece material. At this time of year many fabric stores are putting fleece material on sale. Would you be willing to purchase and donate a yard or two of fleece to help us make these blankets to donate to individuals and organizations as the weather begins to cool down? If you would like to donate pieces of fleece you can either drop it by the church office or bring it with you on Sunday mornings when you come to Worship.

IMPORTANT REQUEST!!! **Would you serve as a “Worship Host?”**

THANK YOU! To all of you who have signed up to be “Worship Hosts” on Sunday Mornings. We still could use a couple more willing to help out with this very important need. And know that participating in one of the Adult Sunday Education classes will not interfere with serving as a “Worship Host.”

As we move into the Fall worship schedule, one of the changes that we have made during the pandemic is having us sign in as we enter the building for worship as a way of having a way to contact you if there is a need to give information regarding health and safety to those in attendance, hand out masks, if you are like me and you forgot yours, or the wind blew it out of your hand as you were putting it on and it is now in Umatilla (the voice of experience talking here) and walk down the aisle of the sanctuary with a disinfectant fogger after church. Right now, our Church Safety Team has been filling that need for us, but we need to have individuals (or couples, or families) who would be willing to serve in a rotation to help us continue these best practices and allow us to continue to worship in person. If you would be willing to help people sign in, hand out masks, if needed, and walk through the sanctuary with a small fogger after church, please give the church office a call at 582-2163 or email office@kennewickfirst.com and let us know, so we can add you to the rotation. Thank you for helping with this very important need!

Fall Worship Schedule is Underway

Just a reminder that we have begun our Fall schedule on Sunday Mornings. That means that we have Sunday School classes for kids and youth as well as adult classes available to participate in at 9 am. Then we will gather in the sanctuary at 10 am for a time of celebration and worship! I hope you can join us!