

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 1: Live Worship Service, 10 am

**Sunday, May 1: Livestream Worship on
Youtube Channel, 10 am**

**Wednesday, May 4: Pastor Mark's Bible Study on
Zoom, 11 am**

**Friday, May 6: Barbara Stone's Memorial Service, 10 am
(with a memorial reception following in Ida Payne)**

Saturday, May 7: Holly Daze Workshop, 9 am in SWR

**Sunday, May 8: Mother's Day
(Hats on for Faithful Ladies)**

Sunday, May 15: Youth Sunday, 10 am

Sunday, May 15: New Member Class, 11 am in SWR

Hi friends,

Here are some things happening this week at Kennewick First UMC for you to be aware of.

A few words about Communion this Sunday at worship

Whether you join us in person or online, we want to encourage you to join us as we share in celebrating and worshipping together. This week is the first Sunday of the month so we will be serving communion. If you participate in our worship service via the online stream, make sure to have bread and juice available.

For the last several months we have been receiving communion in individual cups and precut pieces of bread. This Sunday we will be returning to the “intinction” method, meaning... as you come forward you will receive a piece of bread from

the loaf and dip it into a chalice. As always, we will have gluten-free bread available if you need it. If you are uncomfortable sharing communion from a common loaf and chalice, we will have pre-sealed communion cups and wafers available, if that makes it easier for you to receive the elements. If walking to the front of the Sanctuary to receive the elements is difficult, please let us know. Pastor Mark and Jennifer are happy to serve you the elements at your seat. It is a firm belief of our congregation that “the table” is open to anyone wanting to come and receive communion, and we want to make that as easy and safe as possible for all to come!

If you come to the decision that meeting in person is not the best choice for you right now, know that you can tune in on Sunday mornings (or at any other time for that matter) and participate in our times of worship via our YouTube Live Stream. You can find the live stream at <https://www.youtube.com/PiratesoftheColumbia> Sunday mornings at 10 am.

Prayer Available After Worship

We will be continuing the practice of having someone available in the chapel just off of the sanctuary to pray with you after worship on Sundays. If you would like someone to pray with you for a need or to celebrate or for any reason, please stop by the chapel after worship.

Rock-a-Thon Pledges

Thank you so much for your love and support for the Rock-a-thon! We raised over \$6,000 through pledges and donations and are feeling beyond grateful and blessed. If you have not paid your pledge or donation or would still like to give a pledge or donation, you may by cash, check, or online.

By check

Make your check payable to:

KFUMC

In the memo line write:

“Rock-a-Thon” and the name of the youth you are pledging or donating to:

And mail the check to the church office:

421 W. Kennewick Ave

Kennewick, WA 99336

Online

Go to the Kennewick First UMC webpage at:

www.kennewickfirst.com and press the “give” button

Select “Rock-a-Thon” and type the youth’s name into the memo line.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

The Wednesday Morning Bible Study will be meeting this Wednesday. We will be continuing our study of the Book of Romans and looking at chapter 7 together. Feel free to join us on the zoom platform Wednesday at 11am. Here is the link. <https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/96778398043> Meeting ID: 967 7839 8043.

Memorial for Barbara Stone

Barbara Stone, a beloved member of Kennewick First, entered life eternal on April 20th surrounded by her loving family. A service celebrating her life will be held on May 6th at 10 am in our church.

New Members Class

Since the pandemic we have not been able to hold a “new Members Class” Pastor Mark will be having a class after Worship next month on Sunday, May 15th at 11 am in the Susanna Wesley Room. If you just want to familiarize yourself with our church, would like to join the membership roles of the church or transfer your membership from a church you used to attend, please make plans to attend. Please RSVP to the church office if attending. If you cannot make this class and want to, please call the church office at 509-582-2163 so other arrangements can be made. Childcare can be provided during the class if that is a need for you.

Hats On for Faithful Ladies

Please join me, along with Clair and Paige Phillips, my young friends who helped to dream and inspire up this event, by wearing a hat to worship on **Mother’s Day, May 8th**, to honor all faithful ladies, past and present, who have inspired us and our faith!

Daughter, Sister, Aunt, Wife, Mother or Grandmother... No matter what hat we are wearing, being faithful is something for which we should strive. So, on Mother’s Day we honor faithful ladies who have nurtured, sacrificed for, taught, and loved us by worshipping the Lord, while crowning our head with a hat.
– Cynthia Bement

Youth Sunday May 15th

Come support the United Methodist Youth Group on Sunday, May 15th. They will host the whole hour of worship from Prelude to Postlude. Our kids will be leading us in the time of worship, letting us know how our congregation has been

an important part of their lives and how we can continue to support this wonderful ministry in the days and years ahead! We will also be taking a special offering that Sunday to help provide Camp Scholarships for our children, youth and families heading to United Methodist Summer Camps.