

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sunday, June 19: Live Worship Service, 10 am  
(Father's Day)**

**Monday, June 20: Sr. UMY Mission Trip,  
Be at the church at 8 am**

Hi friends,

Summer is here (in theory anyway.) The last week has seen a lot of graduation celebrations and this Sunday is Father's Day. The universal symbol for Father's Day seems to be an outrageous tie. I will be wearing my most outrageous tie Sunday as a way of celebrating this summer-time celebration. If you have a favorite Father's Day tie, feel free to wear it to Sunday worship this week and join the celebration of the dad's that have meant so much to us! If you cannot attend our live worship, visit us online at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=965w48PJcdQ>.

Another summer-time tradition is coming up this week! Our Sr. Youth Group will be heading out for their annual Mission Trip. This is the first one we have been able to do since the pandemic threw a wrench in previous year's plans. Please join me in praying for a wonderful and safe experience for our kids and leaders as they spend a week bonding with each other, growing in their faith, and being in service on behalf of the God who loves us!

Read through the other announcements below to see what else is happening in the weeks ahead at church.

Happy Father's Day Friends!

- Pastor Mark

## **Applications Open for Youth Director**

Do you know someone with high energy, loves to help kids/youth, has a deep Christian faith and would be a good fit to direct the Youth Ministries as part of our Church Staff at Kennewick First? Point them to our church's web page to get a job description and application instructions (The application and description is under the "Contact Us" page or follow this link: (<https://www.kennewickfirst.com/employment/>)

Rachel Loomis, our current Youth Director is continuing her education and pursuing a career in Student Counseling. She will be with us throughout the Summer and make the transition in the Fall. – If you have questions, please give Rick Kerkow (Staff/Parish Ministry Team Chair) a call at 509 440-2462 or give Pastor Mark a call at the church office.

## **Looking ahead to August and our yearly Camp-Out**

This year we will have our camp-out at Plymouth Campground in Plymouth, WA from August 12th through August 14th. The sign-up sheet is on the website under Links and Forms, or you may call the office and have a sign-up sheet sent to you. Come to our yearly camp-out and have a wonderful time of worship and fun!

## **Worship Planning Group Looking for Volunteers**

Would you like to be part of a group that creates and plans innovative and creative worship services? We are looking for people who would like to work with a group to plan and implement new worship services and special worship experiences. If you would like to help Kennewick First by being part of a group like this, give Pastor Mark a call at the church office or shoot him an email at [Mark@kennewickfirst.com](mailto:Mark@kennewickfirst.com).

## **Quarterly all church potlucks returning.**

Breaking bread together is one of the best ways to get to know one another, build friendships and become a community. In scripture some of the most meaningful interactions with Jesus happened at shared meals. There is something about sharing food together that breaks down

barriers and opens doors to friendships. With that in mind, and with the easing in restrictions, we will be starting our quarterly all church meals together. ***On July 17th after worship we will have a summer BBQ.*** The Leadership Council will be grilling burgers and hot dogs for us to share together. Feel free to bring a salad, dessert, or bag of chips to share with each other and join us for a time of food and fun! The Leadership council will be giving us a brief update on the things they are discussing and the direction they see our church moving into in the future. We hope you can join us for this special fellowship event!

## **Would You Like to Help With The Church Grounds?**

Darryl Lamberd and his crew have been gathering each Friday to spend some time mowing (and relaxing in the church garage just talking) to keep our facilities looking nice and welcoming to our community! If you would like to volunteer a few hours a month on Friday or Saturday Mornings to mow, edge and help maintain the landscape, feel free to join this group each week or as part of a rotation. All the equipment is supplied, we just need the elbow grease to put it into action. Give Darryl a call at 509-735-4691, if you would like to help!