<u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u>

Sunday, October 2: Sunday School, 9 am

Sunday, October 2: Adult Sunday School, 9 am in SWR

Sunday, October 2: Celebration Service, 9 am in the Youth Chapel

Sunday, October 2: Live Worship Service, 10 am in the Sanctuary Live stream available at:

https://www.youtube.com/PiratesoftheColumbia

Sunday, October 2: Funday, 11: 15 am in 4th & 5th Grade Rooms

Sunday, October 2: UMY Photo Scavenger Hunt, 4 pm

Wednesday, October 5: Pastor Mark's Bible Study In Person or on Zoom , 11 am

https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/96778398043

Saturday, October 15: Holly Daze Workshop, 9 am - 3 pm

Sunday, October 30: Tailgate Trunk or Treat Event, 4 - 6:30 pm

There is an old preacher's story that goes something like this... A Sunday school teacher was reminiscing about her experiences teaching bible stories to children. One Sunday morning she was telling the kids the story about Lot and his family and that Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt... to which Heather a young student replied "my mom looked back once while driving me to school and turned into a telephone pole!"

I am continually amazed at how people can hear the same story and have it connect with them is so many different ways. One of the wonderful things about being part of a community of faith is that we can learn from each other's experience, view our world and God from a vantage point that we may have never seen before. In that holy connection, in the diversity and breadth of our lives and experiences we can experience life that renews us and our faith and leads us on a journey to new and fruitful laces.

I hope as you look through the events and programs listed below you will find a pace to connect to this community of faith to worship together, serve out of love, grow in your faith and make friendships!

Pastor Mark

Tie-ing Fleece Blankets

For those of you who would like a more "hands-on" activity during the 9 am Sunday School hour, there will be fleeces blankets to be tied in Ida Payne to give to the needy. If you have any questions, please contact Phyllis Merrill at 509-586-3784.

Ridin' With The Rev'

There are a few weeks left in the riding season so if you want to join us for one of the few remaining Sunday afternoon rides we will be meeting at the church parking lot at 4pm. It's getting darker earlier so we have bumped up our departure time an hour to 4pm. If you ride a motorcycle of any kind feel free to join us at the church parking lot on Sunday at 4 pm for a short (Usually an hour or so) ride with friends. This Sunday, weather permitting, we will be heading out through the Snake River basin before heading back to Kennewick. Feel free to join us and remember "Kick Stands Up" at 4 pm.

Thursday Evening Music Gatherings

Do you play an instrument? Do you like to sing? Beginning next Thursday evening at 6:30 pm in the Youth Chapel we will be once again inviting anyone that wants to come and learn some new songs (or play some familiar ones) to play together in a fun light hearted time of music and fun. Feel free to bring your guitar, bass or Kazu, and join us for a fun time together!

Choir and Bell Choir

We at Kennewick First have the wonderful opportunity to participate in two great music programs. Our Choir is rehearsing Sundays at 11 am (after the 10 am worship service) and will be singing Anthems and special music on a monthly basis. Feel free and join this fun group and lift your voices high in worship and add to the service of worship at Kennewick First!

The hand bell choir has started and is open to anyone who wants to learn how to play hand bells – 4th grade and up. No experience is required – we will learn about the handbells, ringing techniques, some basic music reading skills, and will plan to learn one or two songs to play during the Christmas season! **We practice every Thursday evening at 6 pm.** If you are interested, please contact Amberley at (509) 947-5488 or email her at amberley@kennewickfirst.com. If you have never played before, that is okay. Come check it out! All are welcome!

Wednesday Bible Study Starting Again.

This Wednesday (Sept 28th) at 11 am we will be continuing our Wednesday Bible Study. We will pick up our Study of the Book of Romans. Pastor Mark will be giving us an overview this week of the next section of Romans before we look more closely, chapter by chapter, in the weeks ahead. If you would like to participate you can either join us in person in the Conference Room here at the church or we will also be able to have you "Zoom in" via the Zoom platform and participate remotely if that works best for you. If you want to join us via Zoom here is the link - Topic: Wednesday Morning Bible Study

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Meeting ID: 967 7839 8043

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 churches 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/)