UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Sunday, October 16: Sunday School, 9 am

Sunday, October 16: Adult Sunday School, 9 am in SWR

Sunday, October 16: Celebration Service, 9 am in the Youth Chapel

Sunday, October 16: Live Worship Service, 10 am in the Sanctuary Live stream available at:

https://www.youtube.com/PiratesoftheColumbia

Sunday, October 16: Holly Daze Encore, SWR, 11 am

Sunday, October 16: UMY/Children Family Pumpkin Festival at the Buchholz Home, 4 pm

Wednesday, October 19: Pastor Mark's Bible Study In Person or on Zoom, 11 am

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

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

As I sit down to write this week's update the church is buzzing with vendors setting up their booths for the yearly "Holly Daze" event at the church. It's been a couple years since we have been able to host this event. As you may remember due to Covid-19 restrictions our local group of United Women of Faith group (Previously known as United Methodist Women) did a wonderful job of doing the hard work to make the event virtual with online sales and systems for picking up your items. **This year we are back to being in person!** (HOORAYYYY!) There is more information about Saturday's event below, But if you are in the mood for shopping for holiday items or baked goods, or want to join us for the baked potato lunch, stop by the church for a wonderful tradition and help support the great work the United Women of Faith, do to provide local national and worldwide ministries to specifically help women and children!

See you there!

Pastor Mark

Holly Daze Bazaar - Saturday, October 15th, 9 am - 3 pm

For the last two years Holly Daze was limited to on-line orders because of the pandemic. Now the full array of creative treasures and fun items will be available again, including a bake shop, farm store, raffle, fall decor, Pep's Famous 11 1/2 Bean Soup, vendors, and, of course, the special baked-potato lunch.

It's a double-good day for attendees. Not only are crafts available at terrific prices, but proceeds will also support many missions worldwide, local non-profit agencies and services for families.

The bazaar will be wide -- knitted, crocheted, or quilted accessories and home items, wreaths, cards, wood crafts, ceramics, and holiday adornments for Halloween through Christmas.

PLEASE COME AND SHOP!!!!

It's Butter Braid Time!!

The Butter Braid fundraiser helps the UMY group raise funds that help offset the cost of the UMY program activities and to help with future retreats and trips. The church members and community look forward to purchasing this pastry to enjoy during the holiday season. So, let's give them an opportunity to purchase a yummy treat for Thanksgiving, Christmas or whenever! Please note that the youth group is selling the Butter Braids for \$15.00 each, NOT \$17.00, which is the suggested retail price. If people choose to order online, they will be charged \$17.00 per Butter Braid and a \$1.50 handling fee.

The last day to order these delicious pastries is on **Sunday, October 16th or by calling the church office at 509-582-2163 by Monday, October 17th.** The Butter Braids will be delivered to the office on November 10th. Our group makes approximately \$5.00 for each pastry sold...that is approximately 1/3 of a pizza, a small burger and fries, or a game of bowling...it truly helps a lot! Thanks for supporting the Youth in this yearly tradition

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 4 pm. 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!

Wednesday Bible Study

This Wednesday 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/)