

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sunday, July 28th**

**Sunday Live Worship, 10 am, Sanctuary**  
**<https://www.youtube.com/user/Piratesoft>**  
**heColumbia**

**(Click the "LIVE" link in the tool bar to see  
recent worship services, as well)**

**Sunday, July 28th**

**UMY Pool Party, 2-4 pm**

**Friday, August 23rd**

**Tim Anderson's Memorial Service**  
**1 pm, Sanctuary/Ida Payne Fellowship Hall**

**Sunday, September 8th (Homecoming  
Sunday)**

**Community Carnival, 11:30 am**  
**(See details below)**

Learning a new city, even a small city, can be both exciting and scary. Every drive is an opportunity to discover what is there to be discovered. Familiar chains of stores and restaurants, one-of-a-kind shops and eateries, attractive parks, beautiful neighborhoods, and worn-out buildings are all waiting to be found.

While GPS can be helpful with step-by-step instructions, to truly learn, one must be willing to risk getting lost. Recently I was carefully following the instructions on my phone's mapping function, only to realize that I had just passed by where I wanted to go. Turning around, however, was not really an option in that spot. Fortunately, the

mapping app gave me new step-by-step instruction to get back to where I wanted to be. The added blessing was that I saw the larger picture of the area and how things were connected. The next time I might not need the mapping app for that destination.

Finding our way in life can be challenging some days, but we have an app for that: our relationship with God. Sometimes we receive step-by-step instructions, and other times we are advised to head that-a way. It is still necessary to risk getting lost at times, but we can do so without fear. Our heavenly guide likes to travel beside us, while also leading out in front, and shepherding from behind. God also has the big picture, and sometimes we are even privileged with a glimpse of the larger picture.

What Joy!  
Pastor Shirley

## Worship Series: July 7-August 11

### The Tie That Binds

***Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. — Colossians 3: 14-15***

**Relationships form us. One of the most treasured hymns of Christianity in the last century was “Blest Be the Tie That Binds.” As we gather for worship in this series, we will be invited to consider how our relationship with the Holy and with each other form and transform us. And we will affirm the power of God’s presence in our worshiping community to inspire us to “go and do likewise” in relationship to the world.**

## July 21 — Lifted

### John 13:1-17

*"Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup> The devil had already decided that Judas son of Simon Iscariot would betray Jesus. And during supper <sup>3</sup> Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup> got up from supper, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup> Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup> Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup> Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup> Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup> Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." <sup>11</sup> For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."*

*<sup>12</sup> After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had reclined again, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup> You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup> Very truly, I tell you, slaves are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup> If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them."*

### **Needed: Air Hockey Table**

Do you have an Air Hockey table lying around, taking up space? Would you like to find it new life again and to bring fun and excitement to the children/youth of our church? The Sunday School Department is looking to add one to their space. They are looking for a medium sized table to add to one of their rooms. If you have one you would like to donate, please contact Starlite or Claressa through the church office at 509-582-2163 or email Starlite at [starlite@kennewickfirst.com](mailto:starlite@kennewickfirst.com). Thank you for your consideration.

### **Quilt Show**

Wow – please save the date of **September 21st from 10 am to 4 pm**. Our church and our museum are hosting a beautiful quilt show! More than 60 historical treasures will be on display in our Sanctuary. From 1800 to today, marvelous craftsmanship and love are stitched into fantastic pieces of art for you to enjoy. Come and share a colorful event of history with us. Hoping to meet and greet YOU!

### **Community Carnival**

September 8th is Homecoming Sunday, and the Children and Youth Programs are throwing a community carnival! Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us **from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm on September 8th**. Food will be provided.

## **ALERT!**

### **Impersonation Attempts**

This week, we've seen an increase in sophisticated impersonation and social engineering attempts. Be prepared to defend against these bad actors by staying informed and vigilant.

#### Overview

- Attack Methods: Emails, phone calls, and text messages are being used to attempt access to online accounts and sensitive information.
- Deceptive Techniques: Bad actors use Caller ID spoofing and voice generation to create a false sense of safety and familiarity.

#### Key Points

- No Personal Info Requests: We will never contact you by phone, email, or text to ask for personal information like your account number, verification codes, or online banking username.

#### Security Reminders

- Email Security
- Verify the sender's email address by hovering over the name.
  - Avoid opening suspicious links or attachments.
- Be wary of emails creating urgency or using scare tactics.
  - Phone Call Security
    - Do not trust caller ID; it can be spoofed.
- If asked for sensitive information or if something doesn't seem quite right, hang up and call the trusted number for your banker or branch.
  - Text Message Security
- Your bank will NEVER ask for personal information via text.
  - Do not click links from unknown senders.
- Verify the sender before taking any action and delete suspicious messages.

### Build Trust with Us

- Get to know your bank and our team better by visiting the branch. Familiarize yourself with our branch staff and get to know your banker. Building a personal relationship with us can help you better recognize legitimate communications and be more secure.

By recognizing these signs and staying vigilant, you can protect yourself and your family from potential scams and ensure your financial security.

For safety tips on fraud prevention, visit: <https://cfbhfg.com/security-and-fraud-prevention/>

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