

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 10th
Sunday Live Worship, 10 am, Sanctuary
<https://www.youtube.com/user/PiratesoftheColumbia>
(Click the "LIVE" link in the tool bar to see recent
worship services, as well)

Sunday, November 17th
Advent Decorating, 11 am
Please join us after worship to help with the Advent
Décor

Sunday, November 24th
All-Church Potluck, 11 am, Ida Payne
(See Details Below)

Sunday, November 24th
All-Church Conference, 12:30 pm, Youth Chapel
(See Details Below)

Tuesday, December 24th
Children's Christmas Pageant, 3 pm
(with Silent Night candles)

Tuesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Worship, 5 pm
(with Communion & Silent Night candles)

Friday News 11/8

This week many of us exercised our right to vote through the democracy that our country has in place. The right to have “a say” is not practiced throughout

the world, and it is an honor and a privilege to get to do so. Through a majority vote on Tuesday, Donald Trump will become our next President of the United States. As Mr. Amegashie said last Sunday, “some of our congregation will be pleased and the other half disappointed in whatever the election outcome will be.” But let us focus on what unifies us in Christ Jesus instead of what could easily divide us. Let us pray for a peaceful transfer of leadership for our country and that, as people of God, we set the example of what that looks like. I have a song that I sing—mostly to myself (you are welcome)—that is my centering song. My guess is that many of you have one, too. When things seem out of my control, or when I feel out of control, or when I believe I need to be in control...I sing this chorus of one of my favorite hymns.

***Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace.***

No matter the results of the election, we at Kennewick First will continue to turn to God, trusting in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior and in the Holy Spirit as our helper and guide. We will persevere in our commitment to the Christian life of worship and service as we witness to others in word and deed, sharing the good news of God in Christ!

The people of Kennewick First will continue to feed the community on Thursday nights, make burritos, and host Cereal Sunday (this Sunday at 8 a.m., please come). We will teach children, youth, and adults about the Lord. We will gather to worship and grow as a community of faith. We will focus together on our great unifier, Jesus Christ. “The things of this earth” are important, but not more important than God, and God put us here to tend the earth—but it is just a visit. Someday we will be called home, and I think we may better understand fully what it is to be in “His glory and grace”!

²⁰ “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their

message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— ²³ I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. John 17:20-23

Blessings in Christ,
Cynthia – See you in church!

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**The “Prodigal/Lavish” Love of God
Chaplain Bill Lotz**

**Scripture:
Luke 15:11-32**

Fall Grounds Clean-Up

The Facilities Team is asking for your help in our annual Fall Clean-Up! The date has been set for **Saturday, November 16th, from 9:00- Noon**. The focus will be raking leaves, trimming shrubs, and general tidying up of the exterior church grounds, around the office, and the parsonage.

Please dress warmly, bring your gloves, rakes, hoes, shears, and other gardening tools that may be helpful. Any able-bodied friends and family are welcome to join us. We will have hot coffee, cocoa, and pastry to sustain us through the morning.

Every clean-up participant will be entered into a drawing for a fantastic fall gift basket! Come, show your landscaping prowess and test your luck in the drawing.

Pep's Bean Soup for Sale

Pep's Bean Soup is for sale in the church office for \$9.00/bag.

Cereal Sunday

We will be offering a simple cereal breakfast on the second Sunday of each month to church and community members. We need donations of cereal or WinCo gift cards for milk. The next Cereal Sunday is on **Sunday, November 10 from 8 – 8:45 am.**

World Relief Collection

Items for **World Relief** will be collected during the month of November in the Welcome Area. There will be signage and laundry baskets for placing your items. Let's remember these refugees who are arriving from countries with political unrest, natural disasters, or persecution. World Relief's numbers are up, with 150 refugees expected to arrive between August and December. November is a month when we give thanks for our many blessings; let us help welcome these newest arrivals to our country.

Needed: Winter clothing (new or gently used)- winter coats of all sizes, scarfs, and hats.

Kitchen items (new) -glasses, bowls, cookware, eating utensils, and other utensils.

Bedding (new) – full or twin-sized sheets, comforters, and towels.

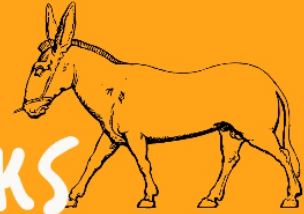
All-Church Conference

The All-Church Conference will occur on **Sunday, November 24th at Noon immediately following the All-Church Potluck starting at 11 am.** The Leadership Council will be providing turkey, ham, utensils, coffee, water, and lemonade for the potluck. **If your last name begins with A-F, bring a dessert; G-M Side dish; and N-Z salad.** All church members may vote at the conference; if you are not a member and wish to become one, or if you want to verify your membership, please contact the church office at 509-582-2163.

Church Office Staff Meetings

The Church Office meets for a Staff Meeting the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 10 am - Noon. The office is closed 10 am - 1:00 pm on those days.

KFUMG LIBRARY BURRO READING PICKS



EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY TOPIC SELECTION FROM OUR LIBRARY

170.4 SIM	FIFTY-TWO SIMPLE WAYS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE	SIMON, PAUL
177.1 CON	RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS	
223.8 STE	IS THIS ALL THERE IS TO LIFE?	STEDMAN, RAY C.
226.5 WIL	SECRETS OF THE VINE	WILKINSON, BRUCE
226.9 LUC	THE APPLAUSE OF HEAVEN	LUCADO, MAX
232.9 JON	JESUS IN BLUE JEANS	JONES, LAURIE BETH
234.13 BRI	THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT	BRISCOE, STUART
261.8 BEA	BEYOND HUNGER	BEA
267.23 MCC	SOLD OUT: BECOMING A MAN ENOUGH TO MAKE A D	MCCARTNEY, BILL
277.7 PER	SACRAMENTAL COCOA	PERRY
361.6 HAN	HANDS TO WORK	
FIC JAC	WHERE DO I GO?	JACKSON, NETA
254.8chr	Not Your Parents' Offering Plate: A New Vision for Financi	J. Clif Christopher

ALSO CONSIDER PURCHASING TO READ:

- Practicing Extravagant Generosity: Daily Readings on the Grace of Giving, by Robert Schnase
- A Spirituality of Fundraising, by Henri J. M. Nouwen and accompanying workbook by Nathan Ball
- Committed to Christ: Six Steps to a Generous Life (Living Your Commitment to Christ) by Bob Crossman

