

Kenai Christian Church *news*

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Fall Brings
NEW
Beginnings



The Fields are Ripe for Harvest

The Need

Jesus was with the disciples when He gave them an incredible object lesson that rings true for us today. They were returning from town when they noticed Jesus talking to a Samaritan woman at a well. When they brought the supplies to Jesus, the disciples were concerned that He had spent time talking with her. After all, it was culturally unacceptable for a man to be speaking to an unknown woman in public. Even more concerning to them was that Jesus was stopping in “enemy” territory and engaging the unclean people in conversation. As Jesus was explaining His actions, he had the disciples look up at the results of his controversial encounter. The whole town had come out to meet Jesus! It was clear that this unnatural experience opened up something in that town that had been missing: a desire for humanity to reconnect to God.

Based on Testimony

This encounter can be read in its entirety in John’s account of Jesus’ life in chapter 4. What we can find here is that Jesus stripped away all the societal norms of the day to simply talk to someone in need. As he spoke to the Samaritan woman, she understood that her lifestyle needed to change. However; her time with Jesus was seasoned with grace and truth in love. If this were not true, I doubt that the woman would have ever sought out Jesus again. I’m sure in her own town, she had already been talked down to and labeled. That’s why she’s drawing water in the hottest part of the day. She’s tired of living a life of shame, ridicule, and scorn. Ironically, when she meets Jesus, she is motivated to go back to the people who have been tearing her down and share with them hope, love, and forgiveness. What happens next? Based on her testimony, the town stops what they are doing to come investigate who this woman is calling Savior.

Ask for Workers

Jesus noticed often that people were harassed and helpless. Town after town in which He ministered, this was a common theme. Jesus obviously could not do the work alone but needs people who would be willing to take this message of compassion to them. In Matthew 9:37-38 Jesus says, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.” Are we still asking for workers to engage the lost world around us? An even better question is: am I willing to become one of those workers? Our community needs compassion, truth in love, hope, and more importantly they need Jesus. May we use our lives as living testimonies of what the Savior has already done for us so that we can engage the field that is ripe for harvest!

A Willing Servant,
Adam

Celebrations

- ⇒ Kiera Duby and Allie Knudsen have been singing their hearts out with the worship band on Sunday mornings. It's been so cool seeing more and more students stepping up, and using their talents for God.
- ⇒ I've also been extremely proud of our recent graduates, who have been getting involved in areas of the church since they have decided to stay close to home after graduation.
- ⇒ Promotion has officially happened! It has been great having the new 6th graders join our group.
- ⇒ Speaking of promotion, it's been great seeing the older students interacting with and including the new kiddos. We're all just real excited to see what God has in store for the youth throughout the next school year!

Coming Up

- ⇒ We're kicking off the new school year with a series called "Identity." Throughout the month of September, we'll dive into discussions of who we are in Christ and how each of us are uniquely made by God.
- ⇒ Sunday Evening Services start back up again on 9/8/2019 6:30pm-7:30pm

Youth
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ABC Life Choices has been newly added to the roster of KCC Supported Missions. Several of our church members are active volunteers at ABC and many have participated in their various fundraisers.



What is ABC Life Choices?

From their Mission Statement: "ABC Life Choices is a Christ-Centered organization dedicated to providing accurate information, services, and support to facilitate informed, life-affirming decisions about pregnancy, sexual integrity, parenting, and post-abortion recovery."

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What services are offered at ABC Life Choices?

- (1) Lab Services including Pregnancy Testing, Ultrasound, and STI Testing.*
- (2) Parenting and Life Skills Classes*
- (3) Abortion Recovery Support*

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How do I make an appointment with ABC Life Choices?

You may call or walk-in from noon until 4 pm on Monday through Thursdays.

What is the Cost?

There is no cost to clients due to the generosity of many donors.

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What types of small group classes are offered to Women and Men?

For Women - Boundaries with Kids, Steps to Sexual Health, Blueprint for Sexual Integrity, Ladies First - Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening, & others. (Sept. 24 only)

For Men - Stepping Up, Financial Peace University, and others.

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September

- 9.1 Evening Services dismissed
- 9.2 Labor Day
- 9.5 Women's Bible Study BEGINS
- 9.23 First day of Fall
- 9.29 Family Sunday

Regular Services

Sunday

Bible Classes	9:45am
Worship	11:00am
Evening Service	6:30pm

Monday

Women's Bible Study	6:00pm
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Wednesday

Soul Café	5:45pm
Bible Study	6:30pm

Thursday

Women's Bible Study	9:30am
Men's Bible Study	12:00pm
Women's Bible Study	6:00pm

Announcements

Congratulations to the Nyboer Family!
Willamina Joy Nyboer was born on 8/23/2019



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