

Kenai Christian Church

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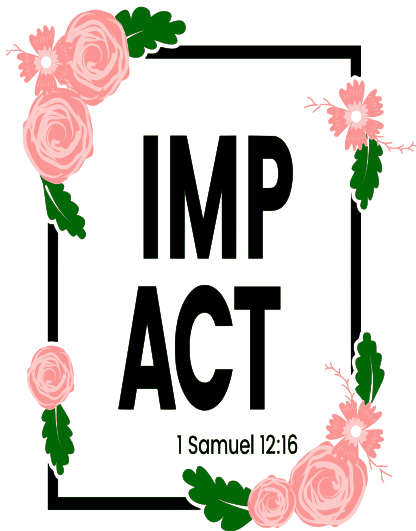


104 MCKINLEY ST. KENAI, AK 99611

October 2019

Women's Retreat October 3rd-5th

Hosted by Kenai Christian Church



Friday Night Banquet

Friday 4th @ 6pm

"A Night at the Museum"

Laura Dingman
Guest Speaker



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Putting Faith into Action

Homework?!

In my last couple of sermons, I have tried to give out “homework” for everyone (including myself) to do for the week. It has been fun as some have picked up on this challenge and engaged the community around us. The first challenge was to ask someone that you don’t know if you could pray for them. The second challenge was to be praying to God, asking the Holy Spirit to lead you to someone who needs comfort in their life and to offer them comfort. So, why have homework like this at the end of a sermon? Honestly, I need a constant reminder to not just have faith, but to put my faith into action. In other words, when I gave my life to Jesus, it wasn’t just a gift for me to hold onto but a gift to share with others.

The Social Justice Gospel

The caution with this type of action is that I don’t want it to be labeled a “social justice gospel.” Those who are critics of a social justice gospel don’t believe that Christians should be taking care of everyone’s needs. The most important need for humanity is eternal salvation, to which I agree. However, as the number of “nones” (those having no religious affiliation) continues to rise, one of the reasons given for their disengagement from Christianity is that they hear plenty about faith in action but don’t see it lived out. This simply cannot be. It is crucial that our church buildings never become a social gathering of people who have all life figured out. I, personally, never want to feel as if I have arrived in my faith but want to continue to grow in it and be challenged. Meeting hurts and needs in our community and offering the hope of Jesus is what I want to be pursuing. Why???

For the Least of These

Jesus told His disciples a parable in Matthew 25:31-46 that points out that those who follow Him must put their faith into action. Sit down tonight by yourself or with your family and read these verses aloud and think about them. If you have children present, don’t lead them, but simply ask them what they think Jesus is telling his followers to do in this parable. I’d love to hear their response. The evidence is overwhelming in this parable that we cannot just worship God and ignore the hurts and needs of the community around us. We can have excellent Bible studies, times of singing, sermons, prayers, but if we become complacent in our walk then we are in danger of missing the point. So, I continue to challenge myself, and you, to take the words of Jesus seriously and live them out. It will be difficult at times, it will be scary, and it will definitely be inconvenient, but it will all be worth it!

For the least of these,
Adam

Y O U T H H E N E W S

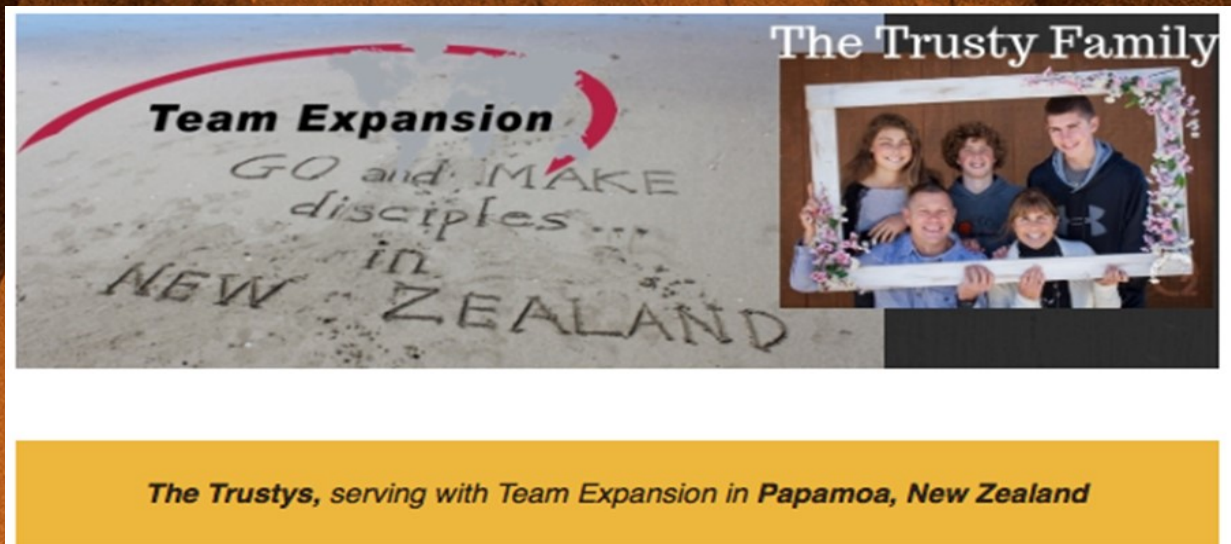
CELEBRATIONS

- ⇒ We've officially promoted the new students! It has been a blast having the new 6th graders as a part of the family!
- ⇒ Now that school has officially started, we've consistently had about 40+ students come to group on Wednesday nights!
- ⇒ We've also had a handful of new students come to youth group these past couple weeks. It's been great seeing the students take steps in getting to know them and include them into youth group.



COMING UP

- ⇒ This October, we're kicking off a series called "Unshakeable faith" where we'll dive into our faith and what we believe, but how to defend our faith
- ⇒ It's October! Which means the Hay Maze is happening soon! This year, the annual Hay Maze event will be happening Friday, Oct. 18, from 6-8PM. The cost is \$6 and it's at Solid Rock Bible Camp in Soldotna. In order to go, you MUST fill out a release form and bring it with your money. If you have any questions about the event, just contact Caleb at caleb@kenaichristianchurch.org



The Trustys are church planters in Papamoa, New Zealand. Michael is a basketball-loving Hoosier and Rosalind is a rugby-loving Kiwi who met at St. Louis Christian College, St. Louis, MO. We have been in full-time ministry since 1993. In early 2016 we moved to Papamoa, the fastest growing suburb in New Zealand. Papamoa is a multi-cultural and highly secular area where only approx 2% of the population attend any kind of church.

We are a community-minded church and have a strong outreach to children and youth. God has opened up doors for us to be involved in the local schools through basketball. Our aim is to establish a New Zealand-led and self-sustaining church in Papamoa. We also want to train New Zealanders for ministry and believe New Zealand is a field that is ripe for harvesting kingdom workers. We are excited to partner with Team Expansion in establishing a sending base in New Zealand.

Michael will be visiting Alaska and we can look forward to him preaching to us and bringing us up to date about his family and the Current Church in New Zealand.



Missions

OCTOBER

10.3-10.5 Women's Retreat

10.5 Night of Worship (6:30pm-7:30pm)

10.13 Above and Beyond Offering

10.18 Youth Group Hay Maze (6pm-8pm)

10.31 Trunk or Treat (5pm-6:30pm)

Regular Services

Sunday

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

Monday

Women's Bible Study 6:00pm

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

Praising God for the growth of His Kingdom!

Jeoff and Kris Lanfear were baptized on 9/2/2019 in the Kenai River!

Join us for a

NIGHT OF WORSHIP

with Emily Rodewald
from
Parallel Worship

Kenai Christian Church
Saturday, October 5th @ 6:30pm

YOUTH GROUP HAY MAZE

OCTOBER 18TH, 6-8PM

6.00\$

(ONLY FOR MS AND HS STUDENTS)

Trunk or Treat

October 31st 5pm-6:30pm

Candy donations are greatly appreciated!

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