

Kenai Christian Church

news

November

104 MCKINLEY ST. KENAI, AK 99611

*Congregational
Thanksgiving Dinner*

*November 27th
at 5:45pm*

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What's Missing?

I've been convicted lately about something in my personal life. In fact, I've been convicted about my leadership at Kenai Christian Church. For years I've been walking around chasing a thought inside my head that kept screaming, "Something's missing!" Without exaggeration, I've contemplated that thought often coming up empty. Many times, I've gone to God in prayer hoping to figure out what the hollowness is all about and many times I've said amen with no solution. Until recently...

Done with Mundane.

Have you ever caught yourself going through a motion that was once satisfying or even exciting only now for it to be lacking? I remember when Karlene and I first drove Turnagain Arm over 16 years ago and I could barely keep the truck between the lines because of the sheer beauty of it all. I said to her in that moment, "I hope this never becomes normal to me." What I meant was that I never wanted to look at the mountains and beauty of Alaska and be numb to its majesty. And still today I marvel at the Alaskan sights as if I'm seeing them for the first time. Somehow my appreciation of God has teetered on the mundane over the past few years, and honestly, I'm done with that.



Celebrate Big!

Open a Bible app or web browser and search how many times you will find the words celebrate, rejoice, joyful, and praise. What you will find is all throughout history we have been celebrating God, His redemptive work, and the salvation of lost souls. A perfect example is the parable of the prodigal son found in Luke 15. After the sinful son returns home to his father, they have a huge party!! You also find in that same chapter that there is great rejoicing by the angels in heaven when one sinner repents. So, I'm ready to trade in my somber and mundane attitude for one that reflects the character of God. An attitude of joy, excitement, and celebration. With the holidays upon us, it is the perfect time to begin practicing celebrating big. And that is just what I plan on doing more openly now...in my personal life...and in my leadership at Kenai Christian Church. Are you ready to join me?

Let's party,

Adam





YOUTH

Celebrations:

- To wrap up our “IDENTITY” series on Wednesday night, we discussed how when we give our lives to Christ, not only do we become children of God, but we become a part of the Church. To represent that, we had all the students and adults dip their hands in paint, and place their handprint on one of the walls in the youth room. This shows that we have our own identities, shown by our handprints. But that we also are a part of the Church, God’s family. This went extremely well and everyone seemed to enjoy being a part of it!
- Some students in youth group have been open lately about how much youth group has meant to them. One specifically said that they love having a second family...and really looks at everyone in Youth Group as a brother or sister. It has been encouraging to hear students say that they feel welcomed, loved, accepted, cared for, and encouraged when they come to Youth Group

Upcoming Stuff:

- There will be a Nerf War on Friday, November 15th, from 6-9PM, for all Middle School and High Schoolers. The event will take place here at Kenai Christian Church. Make sure to bring your own weapons, ammo, and eye-wear. Like last year, we’ll have the youth group from Calvary Baptist joining us for the event!
- It’s November, meaning that it’s time for College boxes again! College boxes will be packaged and given out to ship on Wednesday, November 13th. This is a great time to show love to our college students who can’t come home for Thanksgiving! So please consider not only donating items so we can fill those boxes up, but also mailing one out so that the box can get to the student before Thanksgiving happens.

NEWS



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PRAYER NEEDS:

- *A mission in Myanmar helping flood victims by supplying medicine, food, & building materials
- *Jamacia Christian Services purchasing cleaning & building supplies, medicines, non-perishable food & water to provide help in the Bahamas.
- *Ed Sanow as he leads a Safe Worship workshop at Lake Mount Christian Church in Rogers, OH
- *North India Christian Mission, purchasing 25 water purification kits, bedding, & clothes for children to be distributed at a leper colony.
- *Harvest for Christ Foundation, Philippines, providing accessible water for a needy community of 98 families whose nearest source is an hour away.

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N **11.3** **Daylight Savings Ends**

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V **11.10** **Congregational Packets**

E **11.13** **College Boxes are mailed out**

M **11.24** **Elders Workshop**

B **11.27** **Church Thanksgiving Dinner**

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R **11.28** **Thanksgiving**

Regular Services

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Soul Café 5:45pm
Bible Study 6:30pm

Monday

Women's Bible Study 6:00pm

Thursday

Women's Bible Study 6:00pm



Be sure to download our “KCC App”

OR

You can text “KENAICC APP” to 77977

Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner

You are invited to join us on Wednesday, November 27th for our annual Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner. This meal will take place in lieu of our regularly scheduled services and will feature a Thanksgiving meal with all the fixings.

In order to successfully pull off a meal of this magnitude, we need your help. Located in the foyer you will find a bulletin board which contains several envelopes representing various facets of the meal (turkey, mash potatoes, gravy, etc.) Inside each of the envelopes are a specific number of cards that corresponds to the number of each item needed for the meal.

If you are willing to prepare one of the items listed, you are encouraged to remove a card from the corresponding envelope. This card will not only serve as your reminder, but it will indicate to the staff that the item has been committed to. If there are no cards in an envelope, then the need for that item has been met. The goal is to empty every envelope prior to the meal so we can fill every stomach the night of the meal. With a willing spirit and a thankful heart, this is easily accomplished!

Please have your dish prepared and ready to serve by 5:30pm. Dinner service will begin at 5:45pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!

