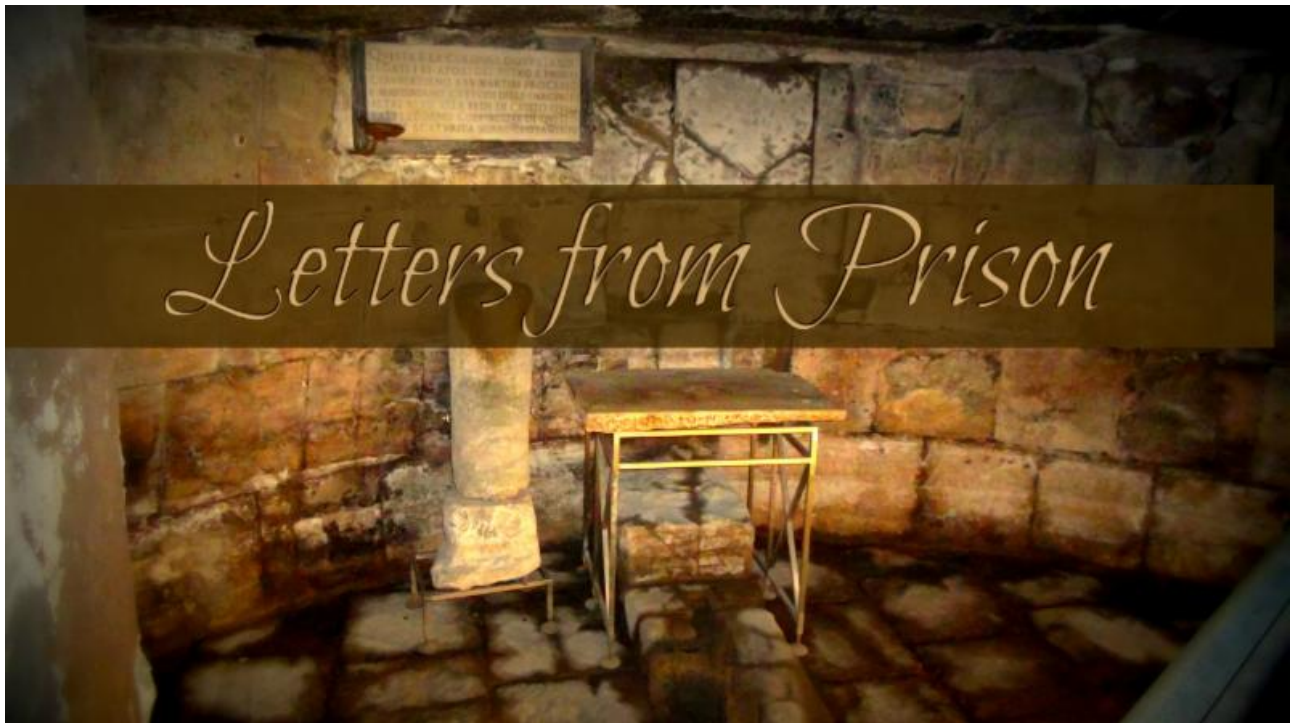




News from KCC

April 26, 2017



This Sunday at KCC!

We had a lot of fun on Sunday with Tommy and John Thomas Oaks. Morning worship was full and we had a great turn out Sunday night for their presentation of "The Legend of Wiley Jake." I hope you all enjoyed the words and music they had to share with us.

This Sunday we jump back into Colossians, chapter 3 specifically. It seems that in life we only have so much room. What do you make space for in your life? Bring a friend and let's see what the Bible has to say about it Sunday. ~ Andy B.

Walking through the Valley



Prior to my father passing away from a lengthy battle with pain and internal bleeding from an aortic aneurism, God put this verse in my path:

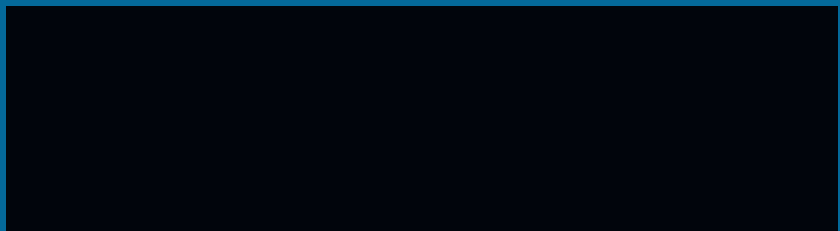
"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for you are with me."

After a restless night, I woke up in the morning with the desire to watch a sermon online. It was Sunday morning, but I couldn't bring myself to go to church right now. There were too many unanswered questions. I couldn't hold it together surrounded by my spiritual family. They cared too deeply. So, I turned on the computer and began to seek who to listen to. There were many to choose from, but for some reason I chose Rick Warren of Saddleback church. I don't usually listen to Rick although I enjoy his teaching.

I pulled up Saddleback and found a [worship service from the week before](#). I thought I might find something live, but it didn't matter. The service began with announcements. The host said, "This morning we are going to recognize and appreciate all those people who work in the health care field." Wow, I thought. Those are the very people I feel so indebted to right now. And I've never seen a church service recognize them.

A couple worship songs and then Rick began to speak. He said we're in a sermon series taken from the 23rd Psalm. Huh, that's a chapter in the Bible I might read to someone in the hospital to comfort them. Maybe this was from God for me today?

Rick continued by saying we're looking at verse 4 today, "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no



evil for you are with me." Tears swelled up in my eyes as I thought of my father and the chance of losing him.

The message was that a shadow is nothing to fear. "Have you ever been run over by the shadow of a truck?" It didn't hurt, did it? It was harmless. The shadow of death cannot hurt us, if we are Christians. Don't fear the shadow. In fact, if you see a shadow, that indicates something else-there is a light! Shadows don't exist without a light! Rick said, look to the light. Jesus is the light.



Tim with Bill during one of three stays at Munson Hospital

This is a valley most of us will walk through. Either with a friend or a loved one, we'll be faced with this deep, dark, lonely valley. It comes upon us quickly without warning nor time for preparation. Words like "hospice" and "palliative care" are spoken in hushed tones. The tears come in waves unexpectedly as the reality of a loved ones absence sets in.

We can take comfort knowing the following:

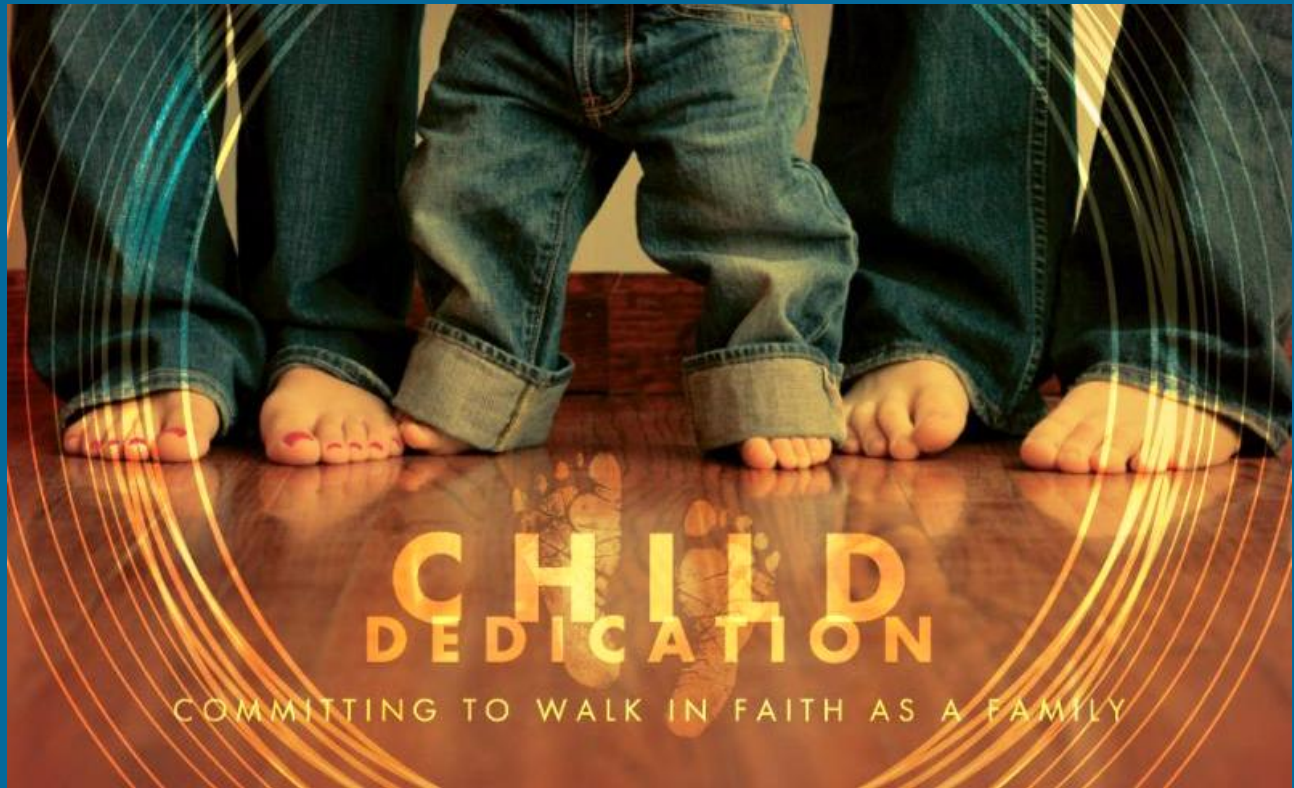
1. The valley is temporary.
2. The shadow is harmless.
3. The shadow indicates the presence of light.
4. Look to the light! He is with you.



Korena Sue England passed into the arms of Jesus on Sunday, April 23rd. Visitation is Thursday, April 27th from 1:00 - 4:00pm at the Kalkaska Church of Christ with a Memorial Service starting at 4:00pm. There will be a dinner in the Lower Level following

the service. Please keep the family of Kori Sue in your prayers.

[Click here](#) for Kori's obituary & to leave the family condolences.



Parent-Child Dedication Sunday

On Mother's Day each year we give parents an opportunity to dedicate their children, usually newborn children, to Jesus. This is NOT a salvation ceremony, but simply a ceremony in which parents can declare their intent to raise their child to know and love Jesus and the church can declare its intent to hold the parents accountable and to provide the environments that will help the parents be successful on their journey.

The Parent-Child Dedication includes not just children that have been born since last Mother's Day, but to include those parents with young children who may have never had the opportunity to dedicate their children to Jesus. It may be a family new to faith or new to church in general. We are also changing the name to "Parent Child Dedication," as opposed to "Baby Dedication." This is as much a ceremony for the parents as it is for the children.

If you would like to participate in this ceremony on **Sunday, May 14th**, please [register online](#). We will need the names of the parents dedicating the child/children, name & picture of the child, & their birth date. We plan

KIDSTUF is **THIS SUNDAY at 11:00am** in the Lower Level
for all kids Kindergarten through 5th Grade!

Finally, we'll take a closer look at the passage where we find our memory verse. In Philippians 2:3-8, Paul tells us how Jesus is the ultimate example of humility. He gave up everything to come to earth and save us.

Bottom Line: **Put others first.** We hope that when kids take a look at the people around them, that they will start to understand just how much Jesus loves them, it will change the way we treat them, and they'll make sure to put them first.



Upcoming Events



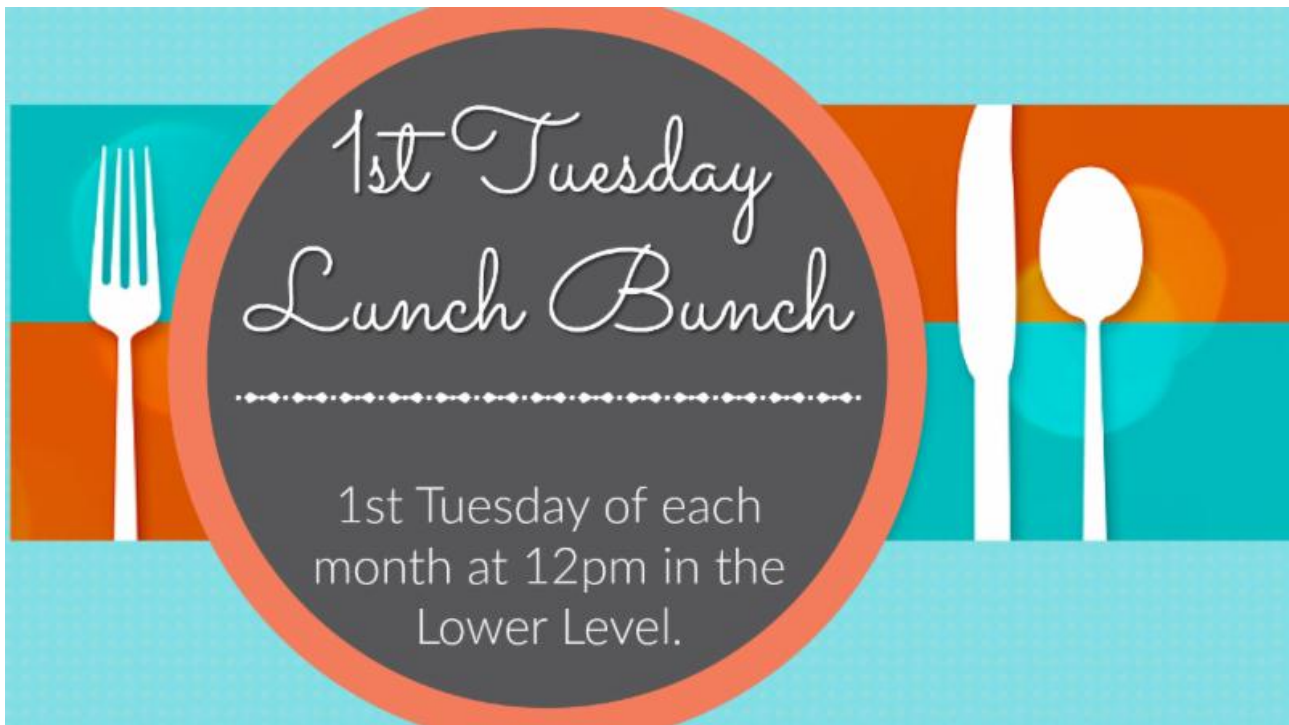
MEN'S BREAKFAST

This Sunday at 7:15am

The next Preacher's Prayer Partners Breakfast is **THIS Sunday, April 30th at 7:15am** in the Lower Level. All men in the church are invited!



You're invited to join us for the National Day of Prayer Breakfast **Thursday, May 4th from 6:30-8:00am** in the Lower Level here at KCC. Please sign up at the Welcome Center in the Lobby on Sunday or [contact](#) the church office to let us know you would like to attend.



First Tuesday Lunch Bunch meets at **12:00pm next Tuesday, May 2nd** at KCC in the Lower Level. Bring a dish to share and a friend or two. This is open to anyone available at noon. Hosted by Dan and Sherry Johnson.



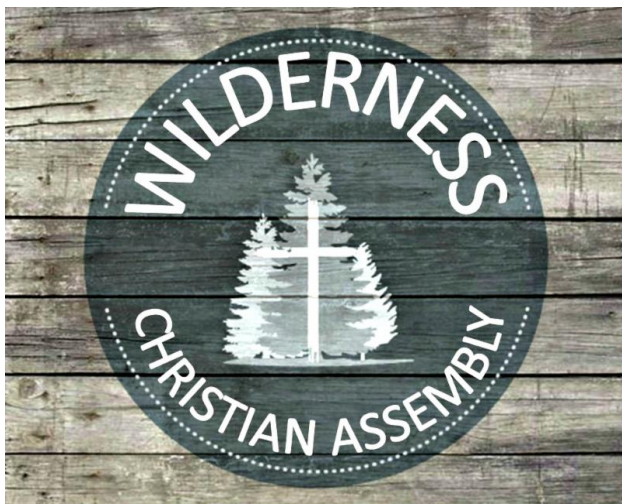
TAKING THE PLUNGE!

**Baptism Class
for kids 3rd
Grade & up!**

Wednesday May 17th & 24th from 3:15-5:00pm

Register online at kccwired.com

"Taking the Plunge" Baptism Class meets Wednesday, May 17th & 24th after school until 5:00pm for all kids 3rd grade & up. Parents are welcome to attend with their child. Your child must commit to both sessions. [Click here](#) to register online. Please contact Sara Blasko with questions.



Camp Work Day & Pie Auction!

The Wilderness Christian Assembly Camp work day and pie auction is **Saturday, May 20th** starting at 9:00am! We have lots of buildings and grounds to clean up & small repair projects. Let's get the camp ready to begin the summer of reaching kids for God!

The Pie Auction offsets the cost of food for the whole camp year. If you would like to donate a pie, other dessert, or donate money towards the food program, please call Heidi Peasley at 258-0080, 231-384-7553 or heidijeanpeasley@yahoo.com.



Register for the [Global Leadership Summit](#) that will be hosted right here at the Kalkaska Church of Christ on August 10th & 11th! The regular cost of attending the Summit is \$209, but since KCC is a host site, **Members and those who regularly attend KCC will receive a discount that drops the cost to only \$89!**

[Click to register online to attend!](#) Be sure to use the host site priority code PHS17TEAM.

Register on or before Tuesday, Jul 11, 2017 with priority code: \$89

Register after Tuesday, Jul 11, 2017 with priority code: \$119

TODAY - Wednesday, April 26, 2017

- **3:00 PM** - WASP - After school program for kids Kindergarten - 5th Grade
- **6:00 PM** - FUEL - Middle School Youth Group

This Sunday - April 30, 2017

- **8:30 AM** - Worship
- **10:00 AM** - Faith Training classes for all ages
- **11:00 AM** - Worship
- **11:00 AM** - KidStuf in the Lower Level for kids Kindergarten - 5th grade
- **6:30 PM** - FUEL - High School Youth Group



[Check out kccwired.com for a full list of upcoming events!](#)

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