

News from KCC

April 27, 2016



NEW Sunday Morning Sermon Series!

Blood is thicker than sin and we thank God for that. Sunday we looked at David's family and the mess it became because of the desires of the flesh and what it led Amnon, David, and Absalom to do. Because blood is thicker than sin, David still loved his family.

Because Jesus' blood is thicker than our sin, we can live in eternity with God the Father. Our solution to managing through life with a messy family comes from 1 Corinthians 16:13-14. I would encourage you to memorize it from the NIV, "Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in

This Sunday we start a new series alongside five area churches on raising children called, "iContact." I'll see you Sunday. Bring a friend. ~ Andy B.

Volunteer Opportunities

Click on link to Volunteer!

Home Communion Server

Looking for men who will take communion Sunday mornings to a few people who are unable to make it to church. See Dave Babcock for more information.



• Tiny Tots Volunteer

Serve a Sunday of each month in the Preschool area.

• 1st Impressions Greeter

Joyful faces wanted! Serve at KCC by greeting people at the door, sharing a smile, and being being willing to know Christ accepts them as they are!

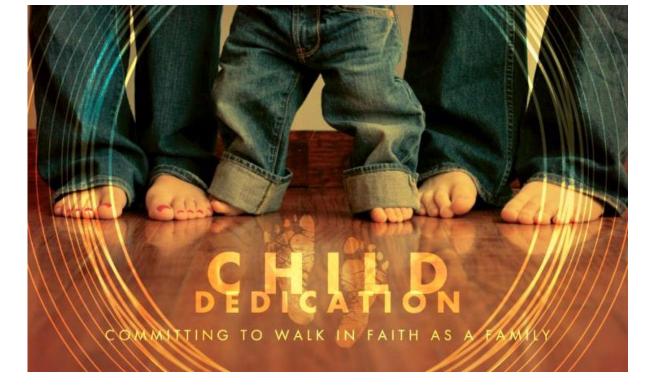
Computer Check-In

Volunteers needed to check children in on Sunday mornings & Wednesday evenings. Minimal computer skills required. Training provided.

Video Camera Operator

The church is in the process of purchasing a video package to allow us to capture Sunday morning worship and special events on video. We're looking for people interested in joining this exciting, new ministry of video production. Training will be provided.

If you are interest in volunteering in any of these areas, you can volunteer online, contact the church office or mark your Connection Card on Sunday.



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.

We are altering the program slightly to include 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 <u>Sunday, May 8th</u>, please contact the church office at 258-9441 or <u>email the office</u>. We will need the names of the parents dedicating the child/children, name & picture of the child, & their birth date. We plan to do this both services to accommodate people who attend both services.

Volunteer of the Week

RON & JAN WOOD!

Congratulations to Ron and Jan Wood for

being selected as our KCC Volunteers of the Week! Ron & Jan are a part of our First Impressions Team greeting people on Sunday mornings as they come to worship. The couple are also part of our weekly cleaning team keeping the building tidy and pristine. In addition, Jan serves at the Information Booth. We appreciate the Wood's contribution to the Body here at KCC!



Ron & Jan Wood

FAMILY STUFF is <u>THIS SUNDAY at 11:00am</u> in the Lower Level for all kids Kindergarten through 5th Grade & their parents!



This month, we want to explain something to kids about contentment. It is deciding to be happy with what you've got. In other words, you can choose to be happy because of what God has actually given you. You can choose to shift your focus away from what you don't have and toward what God desires to do with the life you have. When you trust Him with your life, you become more

focused on being grateful for everything He's already given to you.

The Bible has a lot to say about contentment. This month, we're going to unpack several of those moments where people learned something about contentment as well as some key principles about how we can live our lives focused on trusting God no matter what.

See, when it comes right down to it, contentment is a heart issue. It can't be solved by getting the thing that's off-limits, the thing that someone else has, or even more of a good thing you already have. In other words, contentment happens when we place our trust in the One who is able to meet our needs each day.

When you teach kids to see their life as a gift from God it sets them up for a life of contentment and fulfillment. There will be no reason to be distracted by what others have, or what's off limits, or what we had in the past. And when all of us really trust God, we will be content with exactly what He has put in our box for today and won't worry about the future.



We kick off our month of contentment with a closer look at the context around our memory verse. In Philippians 4:11b-13, the Apostle Paul wrote about contentment to the church in Philippi. Paul wrote that he has learned to be content no matter what circumstance he was facing, which was a pretty amazing thing to say considering he was writing this while he was under house arrest.

May's Bottom Line: When you focus on God, He can help you be content.

No matter where you are in life, contentment is one of those things that is often difficult to find, even for kids! We pray that when kids focus on God and all that He's done for them, they'll find the strength they need to be content.



Our Memory Verse is Philippians 4:12b (NIrV), "I have learned the secret of being content no matter what happens. I am content whether I am well fed or hungry. I am content whether I have more than enough or not enough." There will be moments when we are only focused on getting more and more stuff. But we need to remember that we can be content with what we have because we can do

all things through God who gives us strength.

Don't Let the Sun Go Down on Your Anger

One of the best-known and oft-quoted pieces of relationship advice is found in Ephesians 4:26. That's where the apostle Paul wrote, "Don't get so angry that you sin. Don't go to bed angry." What's remarkable

about the verse, though, is not just what it says but also what it doesn't say. The apostle Paul did not say, "Don't get angry" or "Anger is a sin." Instead, he warned us not to let our anger cause us to sin. Anger is a healthy emotion, every bit as valuable to our well-being as joy and grief. Anger is a natural response to upsetting circumstances.



Neither does the verse say, "Don't get angry with someone you love." That's reasonable. When two people try to build a life together, conflict is inevitable. If they have problems resolving their conflicts, anger is practically a given. And that's okay. Anger is not the enemy of a committed relationship; indifference is. Healthy anger - the kind that is channeled and expressed properly - can produce positive results. At the very least, it signals a willingness to express your feelings to your loved one.

Ephesians 4:26 doesn't say, "Get rid of your anger immediately." That would be faulty advice. Like grief, anger needs to be processed. We need time to work through our feelings and then put words to them. Trying to resolve a conflict before we complete those steps will only lead to frustration and further anger.

What the apostle Paul suggested in Ephesians 4:26 is that we resolve our anger in a timely manner - ideally, within a day. Why?

One reason is that anger must not be allowed to fester. If it does, will mutate into something uglier. Turned outward, it will become hatred; turned inward, depression. Clearing the air during your waking hours will prevent both scenarios.

A second reason to work through your anger before sleep overtakes you is that it lets you get on with your life sooner. Anger - and the grudges that result from it - will occupy your thoughts until you do something about it. The more quickly you deal with it, the less your productivity will suffer.

A third reason to deal with anger today instead of tomorrow is that tomorrow is promised to no one. Too many people regret their last angry words to a loved one. Don't allow yourself to become one of them. Don't go to bed angry.

-The Bible: 50 New Ways it can Change Your Life from Time Home Entertainment

Upcoming Events



What is KCC all about?

Discover KCC is for those wanting to know more about what we believe as a church & what it means to become a member of



"Wake Up America!"

You're invited to the National Day of Prayer Breakfast at KCC next **Thursday**, **May 5th** from 7:00 -

KCC. The next "Discover KCC" class is **THIS Sunday**, **May 1st from 5:00 - 8:00pm.** We will provide dinner & all the needed materials. Please <u>sign up online</u> today!

8:00am.

Then join us at the county building (605 N. Birch St.) at 12:00pm for prayer.



Wilderness Christian Assembly Camp work day and pie auction is **Saturday, May 14th**! 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 or 231-384-7553.



Baccalaureate 2016

The Baccalaureate Service will be held at KCC on Sunday, May 22nd during our 11:00 am service. During the service we will offer a spiritual charge to our graduating seniors, recognize them, & send them off with prayer. Caps and gowns are not required. A light breakfast will be served before hand.

If you are a graduating senior please <u>click here</u> RSVP to the church office or call 258-9441.

Tonight, April 27, 2016

- 3:00 4:30 PM Octane 4th & 5th Grade Youth Group
- 6:30 PM JAM for all kids Kindergarten through 3rd Grade
- 6:30 PM FUEL Middle School Youth Group

This Sunday - May 1, 2016



- 8:30 AM Worship
- 10:00 AM Faith Training for Preschool through Adults
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 11:00 AM Family Stuff in the Lower Level for kids Kindergarten 5th grade & their parents
- 6:30 PM FUEL High School Youth Group

Check out kccwired.com for a full list of upcoming events!



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