



# News from KCC

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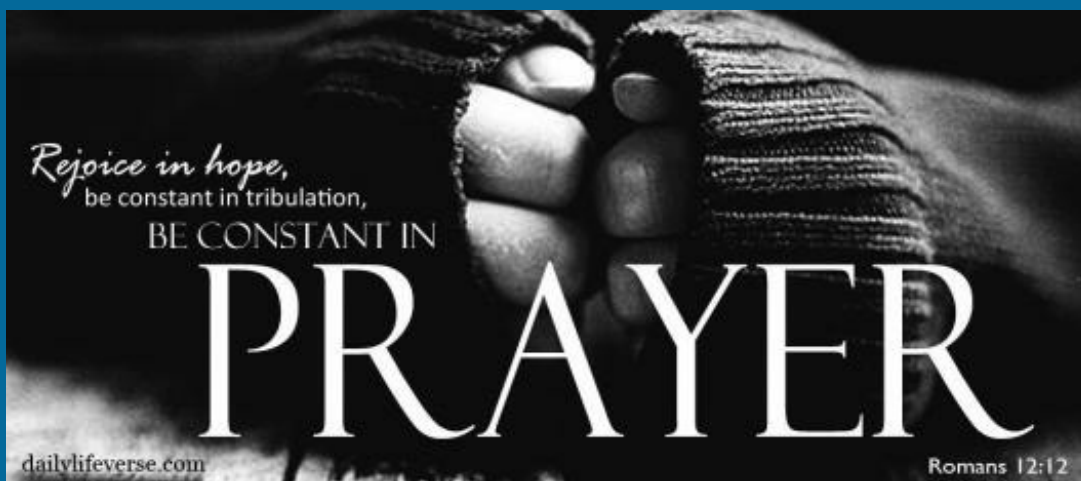
## Sunday Morning Sermon Series!

Join us this Sunday as we continue our Sermon Series titled "Really!?!". We'll see that sin brought irreparable human pain into the world but "Really", sometimes there is a reason.

### Constant In Prayer

*By Tim Severance, Associate Minister*

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Prayer can be an intimidating word to some people. To some it may be thought of as only something the paid clergy or staff can do. Other people may be put off by the traditional folding of hands, closing of eyes and bowing of the head. Yet prayer in its simplest form is just talking or directing your thoughts to the one who created us. Here are three thoughts that may change your perspective when it come to prayer.

### *1. Prayer is a mindset and not a formal speech.*

Scripture exhorts us to "pray without ceasing." In other words, to live with the continual awareness of God's presence and that He is listening to not only our words but our thoughts as well. In my parent's home to this day, there is always a radio on. It's not loud, but it's on. It's a foundational audio track that lies underneath any and all conversations in the house. Music, news, and weather continuously permeate the area. This radio connection is rarely severed. Prayer is similar; the channel to speak to God is always open. It's on ongoing transcendent dialog.

### *2. Function trumps form when it comes to prayer.*

The function or purpose of prayer is to communicate with God. There is nowhere in the Bible that sets forth the form or position by which to pray. In fact, you might be surprised to learn the Bible only gives examples of a prayer posture. In John 17:1 we find Jesus looking up to heaven as He prayed; Luke 22:41 finds Jesus kneeling as he prayed; and in Matthew 26:38 Jesus is laying prostrate as He prayed. So there is no perfect prayer posture to assume while we speak with God. In other words, you can't do it wrong. When people fold their hands and close their eyes to pray, they are doing so to help them focus on God and what they are saying.

### *3. God desires our conversation.*

What dad doesn't enjoy talking to their children? God, Abba Father, likewise wants to dialog with us, His children. God cares deeply about each one of us. In fact, he cares about the smallest details of our lives. The end result of a fruitful prayer life is a healthy relationship between Father and child.

If prayer isn't already a regular part of your life, begin today knowing there's nothing mystical or formal about it. Just simply talk to your Father. "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, constant in prayer!" Romans 12:12



## Fall Life Group sign up begins **THIS Sunday, August 21st!**

New to KCC or not sure what a Life Group is? Life Groups are small group Bible studies meeting in people's homes centered around Sunday Sermons from KCC. Taking a cue from Acts 2:42-47, Life Groups enjoy a meal together, fellowship, study, & prayer. Fall Life Groups sign up begins Sunday, August 21st. Life Groups begin meeting the week of Sept. 11th.

## Volunteer of the Week

### Mark & Sue Wolschon!

Mark & Sue Wolschom have been chosen as the KCC Volunteers of the Week!



Mark is part of our Tech Team operating the computer Sunday mornings and leading us in singing and following along with sermon notes.

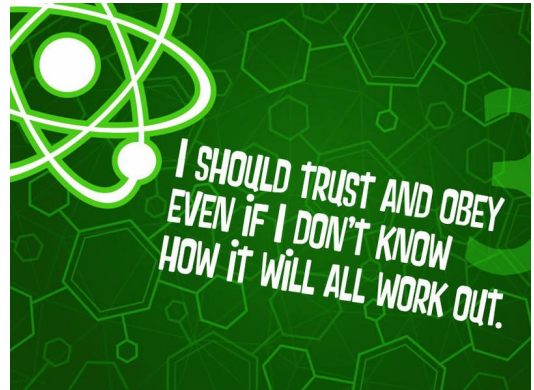
Sue is one of our Sunday Secretaries volunteering her time during worship to answer phones, work the bookstore, process Connection Cards, and more.

Thanks you, Mark and Sue, for your commitment to Christ and KCC!

**KidStuf** is **THIS SUNDAY at 11:00am** in the Lower Level

For week three, we continue our journey through God's One Big Story with Abram. As we track along with His story throughout passages in Genesis 12, 13, and 15, we'll see how Abram dropped everything to follow God. God gave Abram a clear promise to establish a great nation from Abram's family, but God didn't offer a clear picture of the journey it would take for that to happen. Abram obeyed God in spite of the unknowns.

Bottom Line: **I should trust and obey even if I don't know how it will all work out.** Often the big moments of obedience, like the one that happened to Abram, happen to parents or leaders and are out of kids' control. However, we pray that kids will learn they can trust and obey with how they respond and the attitude they demonstrate throughout the situation.



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## Upcoming Events



Discover KCC is for those wanting to know more about what we believe as a church & for those who want to find out what it means to become a member of KCC. The next "Discover KCC" class is **Saturday, August 27th from 5:00 - 8:00pm.** We will provide dinner & all the needed materials. You can sign up [online](#) or at the Welcome Center in the Lobby.

# Wilderness Christian Assembly

## Upcoming Events at WCA!

- **Archery Weekend - August 19th & 20th!** Look forward to: archery course, novelty shoot, devotions, campfire, time for practice, tuning, shooting, watching videos and fellowship. Bring your traditional, compound, or cross bow. Cost: \$25 for weekend or \$20 for Saturday only. Cabins and meals provided. Youth under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.
- **Family Camp - August 25th - 28th!**
  - Thursday, Aug. 25th - The Meltons Concert
  - Friday, Aug. 26th - Canoe Day Trip; 7pm Ron Risley, speaker
  - Saturday, Aug. 27th - 10am David Watkins, speaker; 12pm Pig Roast/Pot Luck; 2pm IDES Food Packing event; 7pm - Mark McCool speaker
  - Sunday, Aug. 28th - Services with Arv Sias, speaker

Please call 258-0080 or 231-384-7553 for more information or to register.



## Community Work Day!

KCC is starting a new Community Outreach Program called *2:14* based on

the scripture in James. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month, we will meet at KCC at 2:14pm to go into the community to work on various service projects. Watch for more info on the next service day **Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:14pm!**

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## This Sunday - August 21, 2016

- **8:30 AM** - Worship
- **10:00 AM** - Faith Training for Preschool through Adults
- **11:00 AM** - Worship
- **11:00 AM** - KidStuf in the Lower Level for kids Kindergarten - 5th grade



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

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