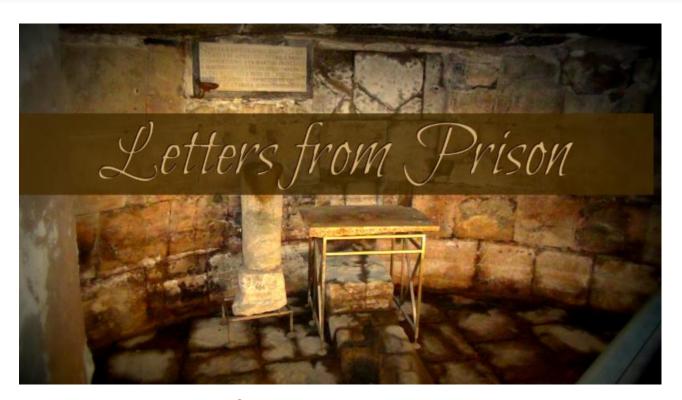


News from KCC

January 4, 2017



New Sunday Morning Sermon Series!

We had two awesome Sundays; one to end the year <u>and one to start it out</u>. We have a busy week this week so please check out <u>kccwired.com</u> or your bulletin for all the happenings with the church.

This is a great time to start a Bible reading plan. I posted on my facebook page a link (click here) that will take you to a place with several different plans to choose from. If we are going to be called Christians, we ought to be able to say that we read the book in which we find our name.

This Sunday we kick off a new series taking us through the letters Paul wrote from prison. The first one we are going to study is the book of Philippians. Get the full experience by

coming on Sunday to hear the sermons and then plugging into a <u>Life Group</u> to discuss it further. See you Sunday! \sim Andy B.

Made Fresh Every Morning

By Tim Severance, Associate Minister

Every morning I like to begin the day with a pot of freshly brewed Starbucks coffee. We buy the whole beans by the bag at Sams Club and grind them ourselves - a habit taught me by a special someone 16 years ago when we first wed. Call me a coffee snob, but nothing compares to the freshly ground smell and taste of grinding your own Starbucks! That steaming, caffeinated, tasty beverage is just what I need to clear the dirty cobwebs of the night's slumber from my mind.



Now is the time of year for fresh starts and new beginnings. And while the world celebrates a new beginning every 365 days, I'm reminded of a passage from Lamentations that is more relevant to my need for restarts:

"The faithful love of the LORD never ends!
His mercies never cease.
Great is his faithfulness;
his mercies begin
afresh each morning."

Lamentations 3:22,23

Let's take a closer look at that last phase, "his mercies begin afresh each morning." First of all, who are we talking about? God, right? The creator, sustainer, and our all-powerful Father. He is the one

who holds life and death in the palm of His hands. His "mercies" are available to each one of us. Mercy means compassion or forgiveness and I know I need it. Regardless of how hard I try to live within God's will, I know I still fail. I need his mercy! Without it, I would feel lost. I would be hopeless. When do God's mercies begin? "Each morning!" Every day you can start with a fresh beginning. Erase your past. It's a new day! You've made mistakes. You've messed up. You've failed your closest friend. But God is making it alright…every day! Every morning! Here's what you can know:

Because "his mercies begin afresh each morning" you can reject any thoughts of failure, depression, and inadequacy.

Because "his mercies begin afresh each morning" you can begin each day with a new, positive attitude. Your past is behind you. It's a new day!

Because "his mercies begin afresh each morning" you can know that the night

thoughts in your head are not based on truth nor God's plan for your life. You can start your day knowing you are a child of God.

Because "his mercies begin afresh each morning" you can begin your day with renewed strength and energy provided by God's love and grace.

So while I desire that fresh cup of Starbucks coffee every day, even more so God's mercies are needed by me each morning. I am comforted in knowing God accepts me. His compassion is renewed daily. And His love never ends!



ALL WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES (WASP, YOUTH GROUP, & GROUNDED COFFEE SHOPPE) ARE CANCELLED DUE TO THE WEATHER!



In case you missed it! KCC's Family Stuff Crew at KCC last Sunday

Upcoming Events



This life-changing class taught by Lisle & Jan Pickford will help you achieve your financial goals by showing you how to eliminate debt, save for the future, and give like never before. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for your money and change your family tree forever. FPU meets on **Saturdays at 10:00am starting January 7th!**Click here to register or for more information.



Sign up for a Winter Life Group!

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. Life Groups begin meeting the week of January 8th. Click here to sign up for a Life Group!



Join the Girls Quilting Club this <u>Sunday</u>, <u>Jan. 8th at 2:00pm</u>. Please meet in the Green Room for information & to sign up.

The Girls Quilting Club will meet every other Sunday from 2-4pm & is for any girl ages 9-16 that want to learn to sew or have been in the club in the past. For more information, please call Jan Aten at 231-384-3729.



Everyone is encouraged to join KCC for our Annual Meeting <u>Sunday</u>, <u>January 15th at 10:00am</u> during the Faith Training hour in the Worship Center. Members will be affirming the 2017 budget & new Elders.

TODAY - Wednesday, January 4, 2017

ALL WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES (WASP, YOUTH GROUP, ETC.)
ARE CANCELLED DUE TO THE WEATHER!

This Sunday - January 8, 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!



Click Here!

Kalkaska Church of Christ, 1725 W. Kalkaska Rd. NW, PO Box 757, Kalkaska, MI 49646, 231-258-9441

