

News from KCC March 8, 2017

NEW BAPTISM!

Congratulations to Dawn Taylor who was baptized Sunday, February 26th by Tim Severance. Please welcome her to the KCC family! Pray for Dawn as she strives to walk closer with Jesus Christ, her Lord & Savior.

The Bible says in Matthew 28:19-20 "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

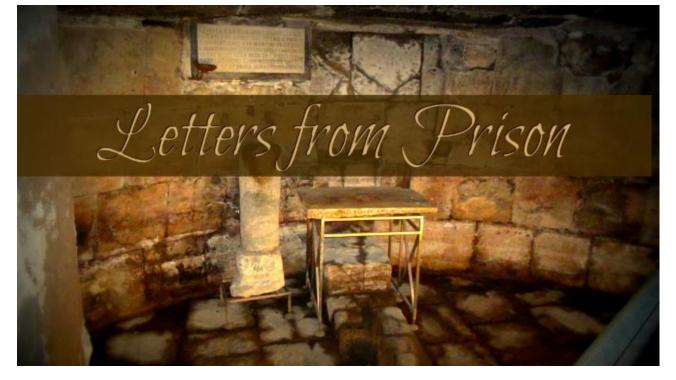


Dawn Taylor

Baptism is a step of salvation we encourage anyone to take if they haven't already.

Peter preached the first Gospel sermon on the day of Pentecost and once the people understood that they were responsible for nailing Jesus to the cross, they cried out, "what shall we do?" Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)

If you've been considering this step of salvation contact the <u>church office</u> to talk with one of the ministers or Elders about it.



THIS SUNDAY AT KCC!

Sunday we looked at the importance of being a church that gets along, rejoices in the Lord always, and thinks about good things. In doing so we are a body of Christ that reveals to the world around us that God is love. We are all part of this big puzzle called God's church. As we discover which piece we are of the puzzle, the God of peace will be with us and over us. When the puzzle is complete, we will reflect Jesus' image.

This Sunday we will look at one of the verses in the Bible taken the most out of context of any verse in the Bible. Bring a friend and come check it out. \sim Andy B.

Perseverence

By Sara Blasko, Children's Ministry Director

You know how sometimes there are things around us that are so familiar and constant that we don't even notice them? And then all of the sudden BAM! you notice them? I had this happen to me the other day. We had just received some fresh snow and I looked to the side of our garage and there in the snow was the bright red of my childhood 10 speed bike. I'm sure not many of you still own the bike you had in the 5th grade, but I do. That red 10 speed represents so much more to me than childhood bike rides with the neighbor kids. It was the beginning of a journey for me.

It was the first lesson that I can remember a b o u t perseverance, commitment, and staying the course. It all started on a grocery shopping trip with my mom to Glens. I saw the bike there and I knew I needed to have it. While all of the other kids were riding your typical kids bikes, this one was BIG. This one had gears, and being bright red probably added to the appeal. I looked at the price tag and decided right then and there that I would own that bike. My allowance was .75 a week. The bike was \$75 dollars. I



had a little bit of birthday money saved, but not nearly enough for this bike. I figured out how long it would take and I started saving. Every week we would get our allowance. I would watch my sisters spend time in the candy aisle using their allowance for a sweet treat, but I stayed steadfast in my goal. My mom collected the money and made a ledger of my savings. I will never forget the day when I had reached my goal, and got to go in to Glens and buy my bike. My Bike. I had earned it. It is a physical representation of a goal realized. This is why I still own this bike. As a reminder. But is it polished up and on display? No…its abandoned in the snow bank behind my garage.



Sometimes I think I treat Jesus like my precious bike. I know he's there. But I neglect my relationship with him. I take for granted that he's always there for me. And then I have days where BAM! I see him working in my life, and remember how thankful I am for his love. I look at my bike and am reminded that I need to stay the course. I need to strengthen my relationship with Jesus. I need to persevere through this life on this earth. Because I can only imagine what the reward in Heaven will

feel like. I can only imagine what it will feel like to have met the ultimate goal. The ultimate prize! <u>Hebrews 10:36</u> You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised. I imagine that feeling will be about a billion times better than buying a red bike!

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

We continue our look at forgiveness with one of Jesus' most well known parables. In Luke 15:11-24, Jesus talks about a kid who thinks he's got it all together. He demands half of his dad's money and takes off to spend it on himself. It's only when the money is gone he realizes he's made a HUGE mistake and needs forgiveness. He's got just one hope: that his dad will let him come home and be a servant.

Bottom Line: Everyone needs to be forgiven, even me. Realizing one's need for forgiveness is a huge step for anyone. But through Jesus' story, we hope kids

realize that everyone needs forgiveness, even them.



MANY THANKS to KCC!

To the thoughtful believers at KCC - Believers in Christ whom you serve so willingly. Believers in Community to whom you touch with ministry and outreach. Believers in our Schools to whom you continue to bless and uplift. On behalf of myself & our entire staff, thank you for your prayers & your kindness! Our goodie bags were awesome! -MonicaMalbouef, Kalkaska Public Schools

Dear KCC - Thank you so much for your gift of food and service. You are all truly a blessing to any! - The Bontrager Family

KCC Family - Thank you for the warm dinner welcome you provided for our family after the funeral services for our mom. You continue to reach out to share the love of Christ, our Savior. You all made a difference for us on a very sad day. Thank you! - The family of Maxine Zolen

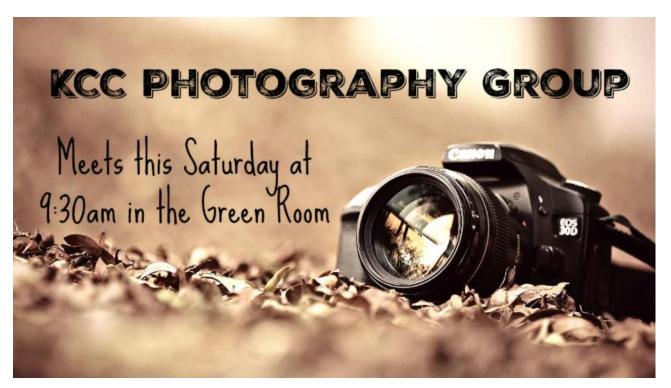
Dear Church Family - Thank you for the beautiful rose and carnation arrangement. They looked and smelled awesome! Andy, thank you for the presentation of the prayer towel honoring our christian Mother. Emily & guys, thank you for playing & singing for the service. Love our Church Family! - The Family of Geri Peck



Upcoming Events



Daylight Savings Time begins <u>THIS Sunday, March 12th</u>! Don't forget to set your clocks <u>AHEAD 1 HOUR</u> Saturday night.



Learn camera basics and take mini field trips together to improve your photography skills. Bring you camera to the Green Room this Saturday, March 11th from 9:30am - 12:00pm. For more information, call Alison Neihardt at 231-590-2320.



"A Higher Call" Men's Conference is <u>THIS Saturday</u>, <u>March 11th</u> at the Gaylord E-Free Church. This year's speakers are Joseph Stowell, Jason Hanson, Matt Bowman Sanj Kalra with Worship led by Brian Whitscell. Higher Call is for all men ages 12 & up.



For all ladies planning to attend the Hearts at Home Conference, your registration fee is <u>due by Sunday, March 26th</u>. Check out the <u>Hearts at Home website here</u>. See Emily Paulus for details!



This year KCC will be a satellite host for the Global Leadership Summit, a 2 day Christian Leadership Conference August 10th & 11th. Because we are one of the host sites our church family can attend for \$89/person. That is a \$50 discount per ticket if purchased before July 11th. The Summit will feature speakers such as Bill Hybels, Marcus Buckingham, and others.

Go to <u>willowcreek.com/events/leadership</u> for more details. We will need many volunteers. If you would like to volunteer please mark your connection card. This is a great opportunity for to invite business leaders, volunteer leaders, and community leaders to gain insight into Christian leadership.

TODAY - Wednesday, March 8, 2017

- 3:00 PM WASP Bowling Trip to Country Lanes
- 3:30 PM FUEL Middle School Youth Group

This Sunday - March 12, 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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