

# KCC Chronicle

KEIZER CHRISTIAN CHURCH

“Proclaiming Christ’s Love, Building Community,  
Meeting Human Need”

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

Worship Services are held in-person and live on YouTube at 10 am each Sunday. The YouTube link for each service will be sent out in the bulletin and also posted on Facebook and the KCC Website. You can always watch our services on our YouTube channel here:  **YouTube**



## KCC JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

**Administrative Assistant**— This is a 16-20 hour per week on-site role for an Administrative Assistant to support the pastor, music director, and council here at KCC. The Administrative Assistant distributes a variety of print and digital communications, professionally coordinates phone and email messages, maintains calendars, receives building-use requests, ensures office equipment is maintained, supplies are stocked and miscellaneous other duties.

### Qualifications:

- Phone etiquette and communication skills
- Administrative Assistant and clerical skills
- Proficiency with office equipment and computer software
- Strong organizational and time-management skills
- Attention to detail and ability to multitask
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Experience in a similar role is preferred
- An understanding of church organizational and administrative dynamics is preferred

**Pay:** \$15.05-\$20 per hour, depending upon experience.

**Expected hours:** 16-20 per week

**Full Position Description available** [<HERE>](#)

## NEWSLETTER

Previous editions are available on the website at:

[<NEWSLETTER>](#)

Look for the next newsletter on **November 20<sup>th</sup>**



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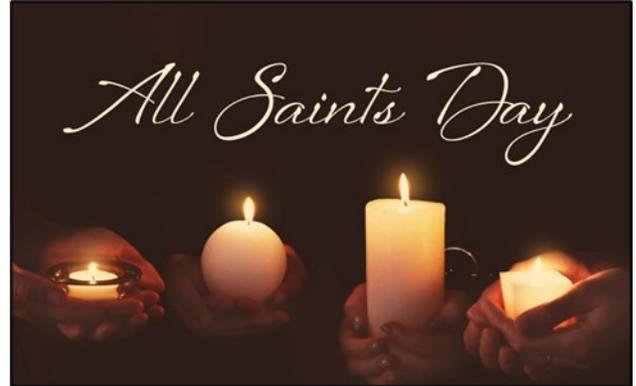
Tuesday – Friday

9 am to 1 pm

Afternoons by appointment

## PASTOR'S MOMENT

It is not difficult this morning, as I look out the window into an actual cloud of fog, to imagine being surrounded in like fashion by the great many



saints of our faith that have gone before us. While not traditionally an aspect of our Disciples tradition, the recognition and celebration of All Saints Day is one we have acknowledged the past few years here at Keizer Christian Church. During this time of year when the cooling weather and changing season gives us pause for reflection, we find

ourselves in good position to remember fondly and faithfully those saints and mentors of our faith that instructed us, supported our own growing faith, and encouraged us.

It is important for each generation of believers to remember that as they struggle to understand scripture, wrestle with God for ultimate control of their lives, and celebrate the many joys of a life of following Jesus that we do none of this without precedent; that we are part of the ongoing tide of witnesses that began long before us and will continue long after. The holy day of All Saints encourages us and gives us pause to do that remembering. It is a time to remember that we are not alone in our struggle for faith and faithfulness. Countless others have gone before us from whom we have learned and from whom we continue to receive spiritual support. These saints of our faith surround us; our loved ones in faith and family no longer with us in body, but certainly in spirit. Scripture tells us we are part of this body of witness and that doesn't change when our earthly vessels expire. This gives us hope and is a powerful reminder of the power of the spirit which God has given us.

Remember this November 1<sup>st</sup> as you raid your children's trick or treat bags or grab a peanut butter cup from the stash you held back the night before that amongst the simpler joys of this life God as well provides us with this everlasting hope and encouragement. We are not alone. Those who have passed on before us are with us still, surrounding us, loving us, encouraging us, faithing us into deeper commitment and strength of resolve regarding our faith in Christ. We are all a part of this great cloud of witnesses to our faith, spreading across this life and into the next. Let us continue to run the race together.

Pastor Erik

*"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses . . ."*

*~ Hebrews 12:1*

## BLESSINGS AND CONCERNS



To include Blessings and Concerns on the weekly email sent out on Tuesday, please send us an email at [1963kcc@gmail.com](mailto:1963kcc@gmail.com) or call in your information to the office by Sunday evening. If you would like a printed copy of Blessings and Concerns, please contact the office.

- ♥ We received a message from Adam James: Don James, a long time member of KCC for many years, passed away on Monday October 20th. His Celebration of Life Service will be held on Monday, October 27th at 1 PM at the address below. Daniels~Knopp Funeral Cremation & Life Celebration Center  
1502 7th St  
La Grande, OR

## COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME

We are in need of Coffee Hour Treat Providers in November and December. Thank you to those who have signed up to bring treats for Coffee Fellowship Time. We have tried to make it easier for setup and have the Secretary prepare the coffee, drink table items, silverware, plates, and napkins.

The treat provider is responsible for bringing treats, setting them out on the tables, starting the coffee pot and hot water, and cleanup of the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen when done. Please sign up on the sheet on the Fellowship Hall door. If you have any questions, feel free to call the office.

## GIVING TOTALS

The September total giving was \$7,750.90 of our \$12,115.00 monthly budget. Just a reminder. Our monthly offering is covering our payroll and utility bills. With good financial stewardship over the past few years, KCC does have a savings account that we are using to make all of our obligations at this time. Without additional giving, the savings account will continue to dwindle.

If you are unable to attend service, you can give online through the secure giving portal [<HERE>](#) or mail a check to the office "Attention: Financial Secretary."

October to date	
<u>General Fund Offering</u>	
1 <sup>st</sup> week	\$ 787.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> week	2,997.95
3 <sup>rd</sup> week	2744.95
4 <sup>th</sup> week	
Total for Month	\$ 6,529.90
Mo Budget	\$ 12,115.00

*"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7*

## MEN'S GROUP

Men's Group will be meeting at Route 99 at 8 am for our next meetings on **October 25<sup>th</sup>** and **November 6<sup>th</sup>**. Men's Group continues to meet every other Saturday for a no-host breakfast. All men are welcome!



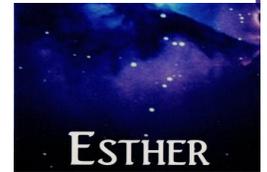
## UNSUNG HERO



If you want to give a shout out to someone you think is doing an amazing job for the church, email the office and let us know!

## BIBLE STUDY

We have resumed meeting on Thursdays at 11 am, in the church library for our weekly Bible study. Everyone is welcome! All curriculum is provided. Join us for a lively discussion as we dig deeper into God's word.



## RECYCLING—BOTTLES, CANS, INK, TONER



Thank you to everyone for bringing in your bottles and cans. This is a year-round fundraiser and all funds go towards Children's Summer Camp scholarships. If you have any questions, please see Laurie Costales.

**NOTE: Please make sure that all items have OR 10¢ on them and that they are rinsed out. We don't get credit for crushed items or those missing their bar codes.**

We are still turning in used ink cartridges and toners. The funds for those are used to buy craft and office supplies for special children's events like Fun in the Field.

## TRUNK OR TREAT

Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-6 pm Trunk or Treat is coming up soon! We would like 10 to 12 stations (cars or chairs and tables) to hand out candy. Decorating and costumes are optional. We would ask that you bring enough candy for 400 children for your station. If you are supplying small candies, keep in mind that you will probably give out more than one. We will be here at 4:30 pm to set up.

If you aren't able to host a car or table, we are looking for donations of actual candy or money towards purchasing candy. Please bring all candy or donations to church by **October 26<sup>th</sup>**. For questions, please see Kim Free, Outreach Committee chair.



Roger Elliott	11-2
Elsie Haverland	11-10
Mike Ryan	11-13
Sue Day	11-16
LeRoy Bogue	11-27
Kady Rodriguez	11-27
Van Moore	11-30



happy anniversary

John & Vicki Zielinski	11-4
Ed & Dena Query	11-8
Don & Marsha Kaehler	11-14
Van & Kathee Moore	11-23



## KEIZER COMMUNITY DINNER

The next Keizer Community Dinner will be held on **Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>** from 4:30-6:30 pm at St. Edward's Catholic Church.



### FOOD BANK—Core Foods Needed:

- ◆ Cold Cereal
- ◆ Mac & Cheese
- ◆ Canned fruits
- ◆ Peanut Butter—16-18 ounce
- ◆ Tomato Products—can/jar
- ◆ Soup
- ◆ Pasta
- ◆ Canned Meats

*Be sure to check expiration dates!  
Fresh Produce is always welcome!*

**Editor's Note:** Monetary donations to KCC for support of the Food Bank allowed us to provide 144 jars of peanut butter and 144 cans of tuna this month. *Thank you for your generosity!*

**Save those cardboard boxes** — Medium size cardboard boxes (8" up to about 24") are best. Please remove your name and address from the boxes and bring them to the office. **Thank you!**

## THANKSGIVING DINNER

We are hosting our annual Thanksgiving Dinner on **Sunday November 16<sup>th</sup>** at 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We are coordinating this event with our sister congregation from Jehova Nisi to attend as well. Please sign up on the sheets in the Narthex. There are three sheets: One is for bringing food, one for how many people are attending, and a third one for signing up to help.



## KEIZER COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

What a perfect fall day for working together to help feed those in our community who need help feeding their families. We served 158 families and were all very tired by the time we finished.

I am so grateful to all of those in our church family who help and for the others outside our church family who come to serve with us. I don't know how we could do it without them.

KCFB has been blessed in the past with a few large monetary gifts. We have been good stewards and have been able to supplement our shipments for MPFS. We find now that monthly expenses are exceeding the monthly donations. You must remember that we are helping over 300 families each week. Your monetary gifts are greatly needed and a blessing to KCFB.

Our food needs are cereal, peanut butter, canned meats, tomato produces, soup and chili, mac and cheese, and canned fruit. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated.

*Pam Elliot*



## THOSE SERVING NEXT MONTH

The following people will be serving next month. If you would like to serve, please let the office know, there are many possibilities!

	PRAYER PRESIDER	USHER	DEACONS	
11/2	Pam Elliott	Vicki Zielinski	Evelyn H.	Christa R.
11/9	Ed Query	Dena Query	Troy C./Kim F.	Peggy Y.
11/16	Mike Ryan	Christa Ryan	Vicki Z.	Laurie C.
11/23	Troy Costales	Peggy Young	Evelyn H.	Christa R.
11/30	Nancy Dalrymple	Don Kaehler	Troy C./Kim F.	Peggy Y.

## 2026 OFFICERS NEEDED

At this time, we also have specific needs for the life of our congregation. We are seeking to fill four positions on our Council, and we invite you to consider how your gifts might serve the church in this way. Thank you for all the ways you serve and share. Please prayerfully consider your pledge for 2026, which we will receive and dedicate on November 16.



### Council Moderator (Chairperson) –

Approximately 4 hours a month. Primary duties are the creation of the monthly Council agenda, facilitating the monthly Council meeting, leading any Congregational Business meetings, and appointing special committees as needed.

### Council Vice-Moderator (Vice-Chairperson) –

Approximately 4-5 hours a month. Primary duties are to step in for the Moderator in their absence, serving as the point person for any personnel items, and attending monthly Council meetings.

### Education Chairperson –

Approximately 4 hours a month. Primary duties are leading the Education Committee (includes children's church and youth programs), attending the monthly Council meeting, and recruiting individuals to assist in Education programs.

### Financial Secretary –

Approximately 10 hours a month. Primary duties are collecting, depositing, keeping a record of all income. This person must be able to keep financial information secure and confidential.

## LAP QUILTS ARE BACK!



Each fall, the quilts are washed and put out for people to use if you feel a chill during the service. These beautiful quilts were made quite a few years ago by a group of ladies that called themselves “Scissors and Needles in Action.” We fondly remember: Ardith McIntyre, Kay Taylor, and Betty Bartlett who are now quilting with the angels; Eleanor Alt who donated material and the red, white and blue crocheted afghan; If you use a lap quilt, please remember to fold it up and replace it on the back of the pew. Thank you!

## EMERGENCY BIBLE NUMBERS

<b>UPSET.....</b>	<b>JOHN 14</b>
<b>WEAK?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 18:1-29</b>
<b>LONELY?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 23</b>
<b>SINNED?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 51</b>
<b>WORRIED?.....</b>	<b>MATTHEW 8:19-23</b>
<b>ANXIOUS?.....</b>	<b>PHIL 4:4-9</b>
<b>UNHAPPY?.....</b>	<b>COL. 3:12-17</b>
<b>IN DANGER?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 91</b>
<b>DEPRESSED?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 27</b>
<b>LACK OF FAITH?.....</b>	<b>EXODUS 14</b>
<b>OTHERS UNKIND?.....</b>	<b>JOHN 15</b>
<b>NEED COURAGE?.....</b>	<b>JOSHUA 1</b>
<b>NEED DIRECTION?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 73:21-26</b>
<b>SEEKING PEACE?.....</b>	<b>MATTHEW 11:25-30</b>
<b>LEAVING ON A TRIP?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 121</b>
<b>LABELLED OUTCAST?.....</b>	<b>ROMANS 8:31-39</b>
<b>STRUGGLING WITH LOSS?.....</b>	<b>LUKE 15</b>
<b>STRUGGLING FINANCIALLY?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 37</b>
<b>DISCOURAGE WITH WORK?.....</b>	<b>PSALM 126</b>

## INDOOR PARK

KCC Indoor Park was created provide an indoor play facility for parents and caregivers and their pre-Kindergarten age children where they can practice large motor skills and socialization.

We were excited to re-open Indoor Park in Spring of 2023 and are enjoying seeing families use our space. The format has changed since COVID-19 so please click [HERE](#) to be directed to our page for more information.

**Available by appointment only.** You can reserve by emailing or calling the office.

The fee is \$5 per group, per day for use of KCC toys and cleaning supplies. Play time for your group is between 9 am and noon on the reserved day with up to ½ hour afterwards allotted for cleanup. Each group must clean and sanitize all toys, equipment, and tables used during their play time.





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## SERMON SERIES

### *Fall Series: What Disciples Do*

*Christ's followers are known not as much by what they believe as what they do. Although Christians are often identified by what they believe, Jesus seemed to care more about what his followers did. Faith practices, along with theological beliefs, are crucial to Christianity. These twelve weeks of Ordinary Time offer an excellent opportunity to explore what disciples do: practice generosity, wrestle with God, and take their faith public, to name a few.*

- October 26—Sermon: "Disciples Don't Judge"** Luke 18:9-14  
*Leave judgement to God.*
- November 02—Sermon: "Disciples Affirm Resurrection Hope"** Ephesians 1:11-23  
*Celebrate All Saints' Day*
- November 09—Sermon: "Disciples Live by Faith"** Job 18:23-27a  
*Practice faith in difficult times*
- November 16—Sermon: "Disciples Take Their Faith Public"** Isaiah 65:17-25  
*Faith impacts both the personal realm and the public realm*
- November 23—Sermon: "Disciples Give Ultimate Allegiance to Christ"** Colossians 1:11-20  
*Make Christ the center of everything*