

Kenai Christian Church NEWS

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*Please come join
us Christmas Eve
at 5:30pm for
Candlelight
Service*

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Immanuel: God with Us!

It is so Worth Reading Again

Isaiah 7:14 says, "Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive, have a son, and name him Immanuel." Then later Isaiah 9:2-7 says, "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; a light has dawned on those living in the land of darkness. You have enlarged the nation and increased its joy. The people have rejoiced before You as they rejoice at harvest time and as they rejoice when dividing spoils. For You have shattered their oppressive yoke and the rod on their shoulders, the staff of their oppressor, just as You did on the day of Midian. For the trampling boot of battle and the bloodied garments of war will be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child will be born for us, a son will be given to us, and the government will be on His shoulders. He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. The dominion will be vast, and its prosperity will never end. He will reign on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish and sustain it with justice and righteousness from now on and forever. The zeal of the LORD of Hosts will accomplish this."

The Gift that Keeps on Giving

Hundreds of years before the birth of Jesus Christ, the prophet Isaiah wrote with excited expectation that finally, FINALLY, the restoration of humanity to God would begin. It was a promise that would be wrapped not in paper, but in swaddling cloths. Of all ways that God was going to accomplish this, He chose to enter our lives in the form of a baby. It's not the grand entrance that you would expect from a King, yet that's how Immanuel, God with us, came. What a risk! What an amazing feat!! And so, God crams His eternal soul, eternal being, eternal wisdom into a lowly child. This child was not ordinary, because this child was a gift given to humanity to be delivered from their selfish plight. Humanity didn't deserve a gift but isn't that just how God works?! This gift that was given to restore humanity to God continues to alter history and change the lives of men and women who will accept the free gift.

Time to Re-Gift the Greatest Gift

When we "open" the gift of Jesus Christ, we are eternally changed. This is because we can finally be reunited with our Creator as in the days of His original design there in the garden of Eden. Walking, talking, and fellowshiping with God again is a reality because of Jesus Christ! But don't keep this Gift to yourself, that's not how it was designed. Now that you have tasted freedom and forgiveness of sin, let others experience it as well. This Gift was to be re-gifted, over and over again. That's how our favorite gifts work: we get something we love, and we show and tell everyone about it. So, this Christmas season, take the greatest Gift known to humanity and share it with someone who needs a message of hope and of peace. God is not distant. He is Immanuel: God with us!

*Merry Christmas,
Adam*

*In His
Word*





Youth News

UPCOMING STUFF

Cookie Theater is happening Sunday, December 16th, at 6:30PM. This is a great time to come and see the talent people have at Kenai Christian Church relax and eat cookies!

The **Christmas Party** is happening soon! More info on the event will be posted at a later date.



CELEBRATIONS

We had lots of boxes packaged and shipped to our college students who were away for Thanksgiving.

We received multiple thank you calls texts, and videos from students who give their thanks to all who donated food and supplies for college boxes this year!



MISSIONS



The Trusty's are church planters in Papamoa, New Zealand. Michael is a basketball-loving Hoosier and Rosalind is a rugby-loving Kiwi who met at St. Louis Christian College, St. Louis, MO. We have been in full-time ministry since 1993. In early 2016 we moved to Papamoa, the fastest growing suburb in New Zealand. Papamoa is a multicultural and highly secular area where only approximately 2% of the population attend any kind of church.

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The KCC Mission Team Champion for the Trusty's in New Zealand is Eric Braun. He should be able to answer most of your questions concerning the Trusty's

Current is an independent, non-denominational Christian Church that is Christ-centered and Bible focused. We are a community-minded church and have a strong outreach to children and youth. God has opened up doors for us to be involved in the local schools through basketball. Our aim is to establish a New Zealand-led and self-sustaining church in Papamoa. We also want to train New Zealanders for ministry and believe New Zealand is a field that is ripe for harvesting kingdom workers. We are excited to partner with Team Expansion in establishing a sending base in New Zealand.





December

- 12.2 Elders Workshop 5:30 pm
- 12.9 Christmas Tea
(Ages 2-Kindergarten)
- 12.16 Cookie Theater 6:30 pm
- 12.23 Evening Services Dismissed
- 12.24 Candlelight Service 5:30 pm
- 12.26 Evening Services Dismissed
- 12.30 Evening Services Dismissed

Regular Services and Classes

Sunday

- Bible Classes 9:45 am
- Worship 11:00 am
- Evening Service 6:30 pm

Wednesday

- Soul Café 5:45 pm
- Bible Study 6:30 pm



Announcements

Cookie Theater is on December 16th!

We are in need of some delicious, sweet treats. If you would like to help and provide some, please have them in the kitchen by the morning of the 16th.



Praising God for the growth of His Kingdom!

Recently baptized:

Brooklyn Knudsen on October 28th, 2018

Madelyn Ross on November 11th, 2018

Alex Yadao on November 14th, 2018

Josh Meyer on November 18th, 2018

Zac & Maggie Rohr
placed their
membership with us
10-28-2018

