# Kenai Christian Church News

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## Happy Easter

April 2019

Sunrise Service

April 21st at 8:00 am This will be held at the Daniel Residence (See inside for directions)

KCC building: Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11:00 am

Evening Service Dismissed

## Jesus is Alive

This month we will celebrate the most important historical event since the creation of the world: Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Sure, Christmas gets most of the attention in our culture, but that is probably because we give each other gifts. Easter; however, should be the most celebrated holiday due to the implications for each individual. Without Jesus coming back from the dead, there would be no reason for hope in the world today. Paul said it like this in 1 Corinthians 15:17, "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins." To be "in our sins" means that the possibility of being reunited in fellowship with God the Father doesn't exist. Still, I have news for you... Jesus is alive!

## We can have Courage

Consider this for a moment: the disciples did not overcome their fear while Jesus was dead in a tomb. These men were scared for their lives! Their leader was publicly humiliated and killed as a criminal. Notice that none of the 11 disciples came to bury Jesus after He was crucified, not even one of His "inner three" (Peter, James, or John). Where were these devoted followers of Jesus after the Romans crucified Him and put a guard in front of His tomb? They were devastated, doubtful and hiding. Something significant happened though to boost their courage to a whole new level. After watching Jesus be killed and buried, they were physically reunited with Him three days later. Jesus came back from the dead, was fully alive in their presence, and encouraged them to go tell the world! Their courage should be our courage.

## The Guarantee

Jesus ís Rísen The disciples' new-found courage ignited such a bold faith that they told everyone they met about the saving grace of Jesus Christ. It wasn't their book smarts that pushed them to their daring evangelism, it was the event of seeing Jesus die and

come back to life. The disciples also informed the world about another guarantee: Jesus will return to earth one day. Matthew recorded Jesus' words in Matthew 25:31-32, "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, just as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats." John also reminds us what Jesus said in John 14:3, "If I go away and prepare a place for you, I will come back and receive you to Myself, so that where I am you may be also." Do you want to be with Jesus one day? Then place your faith and obedience in Him! Do you want others to be there as well? Then tell them about your risen Savior! -Adam

# YOUTH

## <u>Celebrations</u>

- Our Dinner & Dodgeball event went well! We had LOTS of help from adults who cooked, cleaned, and helped make this event happen. We had about 20 – 30 students all together and no serious injuries were caused during the event. All in all, it was a great time getting the students together for food, fellowship, and fun!
- There has been lot's of prayer happening amongst the youth lately. Since Gary Johnson was here recently and challenged us to be praying more, more students have stepped up to pray during group time. It's been really encouraging hearing their hearts as they pray in front of others.
- One of the things that has been huge to see lately are students asking great questions about life, faith, God, etc.
  Sunday evening service, students bring the BIG questions they struggle with and we discuss them as a group, all while looking through scripture to see what God's word has to say about it. Questions range from "Why do people speak in tongues?" to "Is hypnotism wrong?" It's amazing to see these students asking these tough questions and being comfortable and open to discussing these challenging questions.



## <u>Coming Up</u>

 It's never too early to start marking dates for summer camp! This year, camp for middle school and high schoolers, is happening from July 8<sup>th</sup> - July 12<sup>th</sup>. More information will come up later about sign-ups and cost. But be sure to start marking those calendars to send your kids to camp this year!



#### About PCM

We assist Polish Christians in becoming healthy, growing, self-supporting, and reproducing congregations. We do this by planting churches, providing resources and building friendships.



## Poland Quick Facts

- A democratic republic located in north central Europe.
- About the size of New Mexico
- Capital city Warsaw
- 38 million people
- 87% Catholic
- 0.4% Protestant (evangelical)
- EU member since 2004
- Official language: Polish
- Currency: "złoty"



## Please pray for ...

- David Smiley (PCM Board member) and his family as they grieve the loss of his wife and our dear friend, Peggy Smiley. During her three years of cancer treatment, Peggy's faith was a beautiful testimony to all who knew her. We will miss her so much.
- The Warsaw West church as they become an independent church on March 31
- The Plock church as they seek to raise \$320K for their new addition (250-seat sanctuary plus children/youth classrooms)
- The preparation and raising of funds for TWO UKRAINIAN CAMPS this summer (one for children ages 8-11; one for youth ages 12-15) -140 scholarships @\$150/each.

• Our tour of Polish churches with the signing of AOU's and leadership development sessions in nine cities.

#### **Contact Information:**



- 4.7 Easter Tea (In Activity Room for 1st-5th graders)
- 4.7 Sunday Sundae
- 4.11 Men's Bible Study @ 12pm (Last Bible study)
- 4.21 Easter
  - Sunrise Service (8am located @ Daniel Residence)
  - Evening Services Dismissed

## **Regular Services**

9:45am

11:00am

6:30pm

5:45pm

6:30pm

## Sunday

Bible Classes
Worship
Evening Service

## We<u>dnesday</u>

Soul Café	
Bible Study	

#### Thursday

Men's Bible Study

12:00pm

(Last Bible Study on April 11th)

## Announcements

Welcome to the family! Matthew and Alexandria Cozzini placed their membership with Kenai Christian Church on 3/21/2019

## Sunrise Service is on April 21st @ 8am

## This will be at the Daniel Residence 2335 Watergate Way, Kenai (Phone# 283.3990)

#### Directions:

#### From Soldotna:

Take K-Beach Rd to Bridge Access. At the light, continue on K-Beach Turn right on Pirate Ln. Turn left onto Watergate Way. Daniel Residence is on the right, first house after pavement ends.

#### From Kenai:

Take Bridge Access to the light. Turn right onto K-Beach Rd. Turn right on Pirate Ln. Turn left onto Watergate Way. Daniel Residence is on the right, first house after pavement ends.

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