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Kenai Christian Church

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#JesusStrong

Caring-Connecting-Communicating

A Reason to Hope

Life Hurts

If you were to assess our world today, what conclusions would you make regarding the overall state of it? Would you conclude that things are great and headed in a very positive direction? Would you struggle with putting into words the conflict between good and evil in the world? My overall assessment would be that in general, life hurts. There are so many things in our world that break my heart. There are so many causes fighting these difficulties that at times it seems overwhelming. Constantly the phone rings at the office of the church to address another hurt, cause, or need. It troubles me that people get sick. It troubles me that corruption is so thick at times it is hard to distinguish truth. It troubles me that injustice is “normal.” Sin and evil have left such a destructive trail of tears that it can be paralyzing at times.

Don't Forget Lazarus

An exercise like this can make you feel down on life, but I want to remind you of something of extreme importance: Lazarus. Go read John chapter 11 again and refresh your memory as to what happened in history. Jesus' friend Lazarus became ill to the point of death. Jesus was told about Lazarus' illness prior to his death, yet Jesus delayed in responding. The One who held the power over sickness waited until his friend experienced death to respond. Was Jesus cruel in this decision? Some may argue that He was, but may I suggest that Jesus knew exactly what His plan was. Lazarus dying was no accident of neglect by Jesus, but instead a life lesson to demonstrate why He came to earth. After being dead for four days, Jesus approached the tomb of Lazarus and spoke him back to life! In that act of compassion and love, Jesus showed that He came to restore the hurt and disfunction of this world.

A Reason to Hope

The story of what happened to Lazarus is included in scripture as a reminder to us that we have a reason to hope. When it appears that sin and evil are winning, know that Jesus has conquered sin and evil. When sickness and death feel final, know that Jesus has defeated sickness and death. By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus was giving us a taste of our future with Him. May the words He spoke to Martha echo in our hearts from John 11:25-26, “Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in Me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in Me will never die. Do you believe this?’” I believe this! And I am so grateful to have hope when life at times seems so desperate. Do you believe? It is my prayer that you do already, or someday will.

Placing my hope in Jesus,
Adam

Upcoming Stuff:

- ⇒ We are officially in our summer schedule! Over the summer, we change things up a bit by not meeting at the building every week. Instead, we meet at houses and other places around Kenai to get outside more and still connect with one another. If you're wondering where the youth will be meeting throughout the summer, be sure to check out our calendar! You can find it on our app or website. You can also find the summer schedule on the JesusStrongParents chat in our app, or our JesusStrongYouth page on Facebook!
- ⇒ Early bird registration for camp is coming to a close soon! Want your kiddo to go to camp this summer? Wanna save THIRTY BUCKS when signing your kiddo up for camp? Well make sure to get them signed up by June 12th. Camp is happening from Monday July 18th – Saturday July 23rd. You can grab a form by the main entrance or from Caleb's office. You can also sign up online at greatlandchristiancamp.org. Church camp is a great time where your kiddo can get away, connect with God and others, and take steps in becoming #JesusStrong.

Celebrations:

- ⇒ We officially did it! We made it through another school year. What an amazing year it's been for our kiddos. To see them take steps spiritually throughout the year and see many of them step up and lead in numerous ways.
- ⇒ On May 11th, we had Senior Night at Youth Group. It was nothing short of special to see/hear the kiddos encouraging their peers this night. While this night could have been disastrous, it turned out to be a great night for everyone where we got to celebrate and encourage our 2022 Graduates
- ⇒ Our Youth Talent Show was a blast! We had plenty of youth and kids sign up to be a part of this year's talent show. It was great to see many people be involved with the show, and to see everyone watching, support and encourage everyone who showed off a talent

#JesusStrongYouth

NEWS

June

6.13

PCM Mission Trip

6.19

Father's Day

Services

Sunday

Adult Bible Study: 10:00am

Worship: 11:00am

Classes available for ages infant to 5th grade.

Wednesday

#JesusStrongKids Grades 1st-5th:

6:30pm-7:30pm

#JesusStrongYouth Grades 6th-12th:

6:30pm-8pm

Online

Sunday Live and Online Services: 11:00am

Thursday Live Mid Day Prayer: (Noon)



Announcements

Praising God for the growth of His Kingdom!

*Brittney Hoffert was baptized on
May 15th, 2022*

*Angela Stauss was baptized on
May 22nd, 2022*

*Kai Kerrone was baptized on
May 22nd, 2022*

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Announcements

*Our deepest condolences to Caleb Beck and family.
His grandmother Sue Beck went home to the Lord on
May 15th, 2022*

*Our deepest condolences to Mike Carroll and family.
Our sister Lynnette Carroll passed away
May 24th, 2022*

*Our deepest condolences to the Hershberger family.
Pam's mother Virginia Hallmark passed away on
May 24th, 20022*

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