

UPCOMING EVENTS

Congregational Meeting

June 26th at 7:00 pm

Everyone is welcome!

Bibles For Portugal



During the month of June we will be collecting funds for **Bibles for Portugal** at a cost of **\$25 each**. Our goal is to raise enough funds for 25 Bibles so that the Janzen's can use them in their house church and community. It is so important that the people have the Word of God in their own language.

Put your coins or bills in the bottle in the foyer and be sure to take a copy of the Portuguese scripture verse—Matthew 28:19 as a reminder to pray for the people of Portugal. If you would like a tax receipt you can use an offering envelope and mark it “Bibles”.

THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed so far. We have raised enough money in two weeks to purchase 35 Bibles!

Baby Bottles for Hopewell Clinic & Pregnancy

Care Centre



Hopewell's Baby Bottle Campaign wraps up this weekend. Thank you for returning your bottles today. If you would like, you can still make a donation online:

www.hopewellkamloops.ca.

Volunteer Opportunities: If you would be interested in assisting vulnerable women and families in our community you can reach out to the Hopewell team to learn more about volunteering opportunities which include mentoring opportunities, reception roles, and boutique sorting. Whatever your gift and abilities, they have a place for you. Email:

Christ's Loving Purpose for the Church

Ephesians 5:25-27

Sunday, June 18, 2023



1132 - 8th Street, Kamloops, B.C. V2B 2Y2

Pastor: Mike DeJong

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Today's Sermon:

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Office Hours: 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Tuesday through Friday

Welcome!

- Announcements:** Please read the "Upcoming Events" of the bulletin to stay up-to-date on everything that's happening in our church & community.
- Prayer:** Take time this week to pray for a local church in our city, one of our missionaries, a college & university student and a family in our congregation.
- Nursery Care:** Nursery care is available upstairs after the offering is taken (0-36 months).
- Sunday School:** Children ages 5-12 will be dismissed for Sunday School after the Prayer & Offering portion of the Worship Service.
- Tithes & Offerings:** We are supported by the tithes & offerings of the people who call Christ Community their home church. If you are visiting with us, please feel no obligation to take part in this portion of our service. Donations can be made in the following ways:
- There will be an offering taken during the service
 - By putting an envelope in the offering box in the foyer
 - Online donations can be made by sending an E-Transfer to:
giving@christcommunitykamloops.com
- Scripture Reading:** Psalm
Ephesians 5
- Sunday Morning Message:** Mike DeJong

"Christ's Loving Purpose for the Church "
Ephesians 5:25-27

All sermons are posted to our website
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OUR MISSION: *Love God, Love Others & Make Disciples*

*What's Happening This Week at
Christ Community Church?*

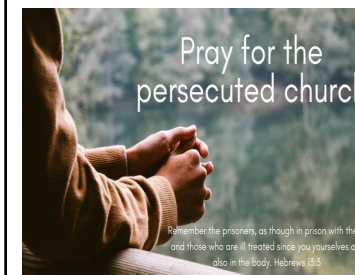
- Tuesday:**
6:45 pm **Singing Tuesday**
- Wednesday:**
6:45 pm **Prayer Meeting**
- Thursday:**
11:00 am **Prayer Meeting**

Oh sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!
Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all
the peoples!
For great is the LORD, and greatly to be
praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.

Psalms 96: 1-4

Pray This Week:

- Summit Drive Baptist Church — Kamloops
 - The Persecuted Church
- For our church family: Betty Harrison



The Persecuted Church

"Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body."

Hebrews 13:3

*"The group Open Doors USA figures that 360 million Christians last year (2021) lived in countries where persecution was "significant." Roughly 5,600 Christians were murdered, more than 6,000 were detained or imprisoned, and another 4,000-plus were kidnapped. In addition, more than 5,000 churches and other religious facilities were destroyed." **

* Quote from Action Institute

Following are a few ways that we can pray for our brothers and sisters in other countries.

1. Pray that their ministry activities will remain undetected by authorities or others who wish to silence them.
2. Pray that they will rejoice even in the midst of suffering. (Acts 5:41)
3. Pray that they will be refreshed through the study of God's Word, and thus encouraged to grow strong in their faith.
4. Pray for the boldness necessary to make Christ known, and for God's wisdom and direction as they endeavour to do so. (Ephesians 6:19; Philippians 1:14)
5. Pray that they will have the grace to love and forgive their persecutors. (Matthew 5:44)