



KEMPTON NEW CHURCH NEWSLETTER – February 2024

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WHAT THE LORD TEACHES ABOUT HELL

Luke 16:19-31

And there was a certain rich man, and he wore crimson and fine linen, making merry splendidly every day. And there was a certain pauper named Lazarus, who was laid at his gate with sores, and longing to be satisfied from the crumbs which fell from the table of the rich man; but even the dogs came and licked his sores.

And it came to pass that the pauper died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom; and the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell, lifting up his eyes, being in torments, he sees Abraham from far off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And calling out he said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am grieved in this flame.

But Abraham said, Child, remember that thou didst receive thy good things in thy life, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted, but thou art grieved. And besides all these things, between us and you a great gulf is fixed, so that they who will to pass from hence to you cannot, neither can they cross over from thence to us.

And he said, I beseech thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

Abraham says to him, They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them. And he said, No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead went to them, they will repent.

And he said to him, If they hear not Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one should rise again from the dead.

Pastor's Notes

When Jesus told the story of the rich man and Lazarus, it ended with a plea from the rich man in hell on behalf of his brothers still on earth. The rich man said, "if someone from the dead went to them, they will repent" (Luke 16:30). The response from

Abraham in heaven was, "If they hear not Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one should rise again from the dead" (Luke 16:31).

This warning from Abraham (the Lord) is just as true today as it was when the Lord first said it in the Gospels. The Lord gives us all we need to know about hell in the Sacred Scripture and in the Heavenly Doctrine.

As we continue with our Winter Study this week the focus will be on Memorable Relations about hell. These passages are there to let us know what it is really like so that we can make a very informed choice against it. As we contemplate these passages together, it may help to keep this general description of heaven and hell in mind: "As love to the Lord and toward the neighbor, together with the joy and happiness thence derived constitute heaven, so hatred against the Lord and the neighbor, together with the consequent punishment and torment, constitute hell" (AC 693).

HOLY SUPPER will be offered this month on Friday, February 16th, at 6:30 p.m.

And when the hour had come, He reclined, and the twelve apostles with Him. And He said to them, With longing I have longed to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.

Luke 22:14-15

The Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, January 23 and discussed the status of the current budget as well as how to best allocate funds recently donated to the school. The board also heard reports on building maintenance and security.

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WORSHIP

- 10:00 AM services live streamed: kemptonnewchurch.org.
- Services can be heard in the library. Parents with babies or little ones are always welcome to be in there, where a basket of board books (not library books, please) is available. Please leave the room in orderly shape. Thanks!

Sunday, February 4, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Service. Usher/Setup: Dandridge Cole

Sunday, February 11, 10:00 a.m. Family Service. Usher/Setup: Kaspar Fritch

Friday, February 16, 6:30 p.m. Holy Supper Service. Usher: Roy Odhner

*Sunday, February 18
9:00 a.m. Young Children's Service. Setup: Jamen and Briana Schrock
10:00 a.m. Sermon Service. Usher/Setup: Mike Heiter*

Sunday, February 25, 10:00 a.m. Family Service. Usher/Setup: Mark Hendricks and Caleb Genzlinger

CLASSES

Please contact the minister leading the class if you would like to attend virtually. He will share a Zoom link with you (if the location has internet connection), which will let you join by phone or video.

Friday, February 2, 11:00 a.m. Winter Study at OSV (with Lawson Smith).

Friday, February 9, 11:00 a.m. Winter Study at OSV (with Lawson Smith)

Friday, February 9, 7:15 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Youth Group Conjugal Love class at Matthew and Eliza Genzlinger's

Wednesday, February 14, 10:00 a.m. Mom's Morning class at OSV

Wednesday, February 21, 7:30 p.m. Young Adult's class at Adele Jungé's

EVENTS

The Kempton Fools' Guild warmly welcomes you to our 2024 production of **East of the Sun, West of the Moon**, the Norwegian Fairy Tale as told by the KFG, Friday February 16th at 7 p.m. and Saturday February 17th at 2 p.m., at the Kempton Community Center. There are no ticket sales, but we are grateful for your donations. Snacks will be available for purchase during the intermission. Wear your sweaters and bring your knitting! The trolls have been causing mischief with the snow...

Ladies Handwork: Every Wednesday, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., at Old School Village.

Dance Night: Saturday, February 24, at 7:00 p.m., in the society room. All people high-school age and up are invited. Mr. Cade Cole will be teaching some basic Foxtrot steps, followed by an open social dance. If you already know the Foxtrot, then the lesson should be done by 7:45. Feel free to bring a snack to share.

An Evening of Whittling at Roger's Shop: Friday, February 2, 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. High school age and up are invited for an evening of whittling. If you have tools or a carving project, bring that along. If not, no worries - Roger has knives, patterns and projects. And lots of band-aids! Contact Roger Schrock with any questions at 484-390-1922.

Youth Group Events:

Conjugal Love Class on Friday, February 9, 7:15 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Hosted by Matthew and Eliza Genzlinger.

Florida Babysitting Fundraiser

Dear Parents,
Would you like to be a part of sending the Kempton New Church Youth Group and chaperones on their trip to Florida and at the same time getting a nice afternoon to yourselves? Well, we have another fundraiser coming up to help us raise the several thousand dollars we need for our trip! We are offering a Babysitting afternoon on the
3rd of February, 1:00-4:00.

Drop-off and pick-up will be inside the society room at the Kempton New Church.
 Pay at the door. The cost is **\$15** for the first child, **\$5** for every additional child, and only up to **\$35, max**, for a family. We will run many different activities for the kids including Dodgeball in the barn, soccer outside the society room, the parachute, books, and train tracks. We will also have a cozy book and toy corner for children who would rather be cozy than crazy.

Please contact Eleora Cole eleora.cole@kncs.org or Dara King dara.king@kncs.org if you think your child/ren can make it! If you aren't sure yet, you can also show up the day of the event.

Please let us know ahead of time if your child is allergic to anything in goldfish, popcorn, or juice.

Thank you all for your help!

The Kempton New Church Youth Group

Talent Show & Baked Goods Auction: Friday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

What do you need to do?

- 1) Sign up to showcase your talent
- 2) Sign up to provide a baked good (or other amazing auctionable item)
- 3) Show up on Friday, Feb 23rd at 7 p.m.

It's that easy! Concessions will be available! Please support the Youth Group and have a GREAT time doing it!

Use the attached forms to sign up. Forms are also available on the counter by Jen McQueen's desk at the school.

Contact Shane or Rafe with questions.

We can't wait!

Talent

https://docs.google.com/document/d/19rAaR3cgdvJ_1YZfgGzC9W86Jr4G8SIncasvklDwTos/edit?usp=drive_web

Baked Goods Form

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hQ6naRhVKVL2DX_p5B1sQpPTspF0jHyQ3vkCwi8_Pow/edit?usp=drive_web

NOTICES / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Engagement: Congratulations to Garrett Schorran and Erin Troxell on their engagement. May there be a blessing!

Care Packages: We will be sending Valentines Care Packages to students who are away at college. Please bring items for 13 care packages, to the large box in Jen McQueen's office at the school. They will be assembled, with cards from current KNCS students, on **Thursday, February 8. That's 1 week from today!** Some ideas for items to send: hot chocolate, tea, popcorn, dried fruit, instant oatmeal, granola bars, stamps, gum, candy, instant soups, school supplies (pencils, pens, post-it notes, etc.). Caution: Strong scents tend to permeate food items. Thanks for your support of this! We would also accept financial contributions to help with posting of these boxes.

Trumpet Lessons Available: Instruments provided at no charge. Call or text Curt McQueen at 484-763-8129.

Quotes and Designs:

Hey folks! For a while, I've been thinking about trying to put together an online store for New Church products and I want to start moving forward with the idea and making it a reality. This could potentially include handmade items that people make, but I think mostly to start I will be using a print-on-demand website that has a ton of products ranging from clothes to phone cases to purses. However, before anything can be done, I would love input as to what sort of quotes/designs people would like to see on the products. I am also not an artist by any means, so if anyone would be interested in creating designs, that would be amazing as well! So, if you have any questions, quotes (from the Heavenly Doctrine or the Sacred Scripture) that you love that you'd like to see, designs that you already have, interest in doing art and designs related to quotes, or have New Church related products you'd potentially be interested in selling in the future, please get in touch with me! You can reach me (Josiah Genzlinger) at 484-697-9497 or at

JosiahGenzlinger@gmail.com. You can also contact Laban Genzlinger at labangustav@gmail.com. Thank you!

Homemade Bread:

Hi friends,

I have gotten into making sourdough bread over the last several years. If you'd like a loaf, plain are \$6, flavors \$7, baguettes \$4 for one or \$6 for two. I need a day or two notice if you want some! I bake often, but sometimes need supplies! Email me at emgenz@gmail.com or text 781-879-7186. See Facebook page of "Kempton loaf" for pictures. I've done cherry chocolate, sesame, cherry pecan, cinnamon and some other flavors I can't remember! Thanks, Eliza

SCHOOL NEWS

Monday, February 19: NO SCHOOL for KNCS.

Wednesday, February 21: Patriotic Banquet.
Details to follow.

ANNIVERSARIES

The men of the Most Ancient Church, who were celestial and in the perception of good and truth, like the angels, had but one wife. They said that with one wife they perceived heavenly delights and happiness.

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Congratulations and Best Wishes to:

Legend and Anna Brown

on the 2nd – 11 years

Cornell and Jackie Creciun

on the 15th – 49 years

Gideon and Loretta Alden

on the 22nd - 43 years

Michael and Karen Heiter

on the 26th - 41 years

Ted and Kelly LaMastra

on the 26th – 26 years

