



KEMPTON NEW CHURCH NEWSLETTER – May 2024

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SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Matthew 6:19-21, 31-33

Treasure not up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust spoil, and where thieves dig through and steal; but treasure up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust spoils, and where thieves do not dig through nor steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. . .

Be not therefore anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, With what shall we be arrayed?

For all these things do the nations seek; for your Heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His justice, and all these things shall be added to you.

Heaven and Hell 489

Those that have loved Divine truths and the Word from an interior affection, or from an affection for truth itself, dwell in the other life in light, in elevated places that appear like mountains, where they are continually in the light of heaven. They do not know what darkness is, like that of night in the world; they live also in a spring-like temperature; there are presented to their view fields filled with grain and vine-yards; in their houses everything glows as if from precious stones; and looking through the windows is like looking through pure crystal.... Those that have loved knowledges and have thereby cultivated their rational faculty and acquired intelligence, and at the same time have acknowledged the Divine-these in the other life have their pleasure in knowledges, and their rational delight changed into spiritual delight, which is delight in knowing good and truth. They dwell in gardens where flower beds and grass plots are seen beautifully arranged, with rows of trees round about, and arbors and walks, the trees and flowers changing from day to day. The entire view imparts delight to their minds in a general way, and the variations in detail continually renew the delight;

and as everything there corresponds to something Divine.

PASTOR'S NOTES

Knowing what makes us happy helps us see what we treasure the most. When we reflect on what gives us the most delight, we can see where we might be making things that we cannot take with us to heaven more important than the things we can. When this happens, if we ask the Lord to help us re-order our priorities, He will.

When we let the Lord help us make the things of heaven the most important, we will then know that the Lord will give those things to us forever. Having this kind of confidence and trust in the Lord can then help us get through the day-to-day worries of life. If we really acknowledge and believe that the Lord will provide everything we need forever in heaven, no matter what happens here, we will more fully understand what the Lord means we He says, “seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His justice, and all these things shall be added to you” (Matt. 6:33).

HOLY SUPPER will be offered this month during church on Sunday, May 5th and on Friday, May 17th, at 4:30 p.m. at OSV.

And Jesus said to them, I am the Bread of Life; he who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst. John 6:35

Pastor's Council met on Tuesday, April 9. Our discussion focused on possible topics for the Winter Study next year, feedback on the Easter service, as well as possible first steps in a process for renovating the sanctuary or building a new one. This last topic continued from the last meeting and will be the subject of several future Pastor's Council meetings so please feel free to let us know your thoughts about a good process as we take all the time we need to address this question in a clear, open and orderly way. I hope to have made good

progress on figuring out the right process for this question, based on your input, by the time that the West End renovations are complete.

The Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, April 30.

We adopted a budget which assumes a 4.0% payout from the endowment and an increase to annual giving over our last budget, but consistent with the income from contributions in FY 23. The salary and benefit costs are the biggest increase in the budget; the payout from endowed funds, however, is projected to cover most of those costs. The budget will be presented to the Society at the May meeting.

We also decided to continue to pursue the possibility of becoming more self-sufficient through paying for the cost of payroll and benefit administration.

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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, May 5, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Service, with Holy Supper. Usher/Setup: Kenan Smith

Sunday, May 12, 10:00 a.m. Family Service. Usher/Setup: Derrick Lumsden

Friday, May 17, 4:30 p.m. Holy Supper Service at OSV.

*Sunday, May 19
9:00 a.m. Young Children's Service.
Setup: Matt and Daelen Saltzer
10:00 a.m. Sermon Service. Usher/Setup: George Cauffman*

Sunday, May 26, 10:00 a.m. Family Service. Usher/Setup: Dandridge Cole

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.

Wednesday, May 1, 7:30 p.m. Men's Divine Providence Class at OSV.

Friday, May 3, 11:00 a.m. Heaven and Hell class at OSV. Read numbers 284-290, on The Peace of Heaven.

Wednesday, May 8, 10:00 a.m. Mom's Morning class at OSV

Wednesday, May 8, 7:30 p.m. Men's Divine Providence Class at OSV.

Tuesday, May 14, 7:30 p.m. Arcana Class. The readings for the Arcana Class on May 14th will be about the plan for the laver and the composition of the anointing oil, Exodus 30 verses 17 - 25, AC 10233 - 10267. Hosted by: Calvin and Maggie Odhner.

Wednesday, May 15, 7:30 p.m. Men's Divine Providence Class at OSV.

Friday, May 17, 11:00 a.m. Heaven and Hell class at OSV. Read numbers 291-302, on the Conjunction of Heaven with Man.

Wednesday, May 22, 7:30 p.m. Men's Divine Providence Class at OSV.

Friday, May 24, 7:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Youth Group Conjugal Love class. See notice under Events.

Wednesday, May 29, 7:30 p.m. Young Adult's class at Adele Jungé's

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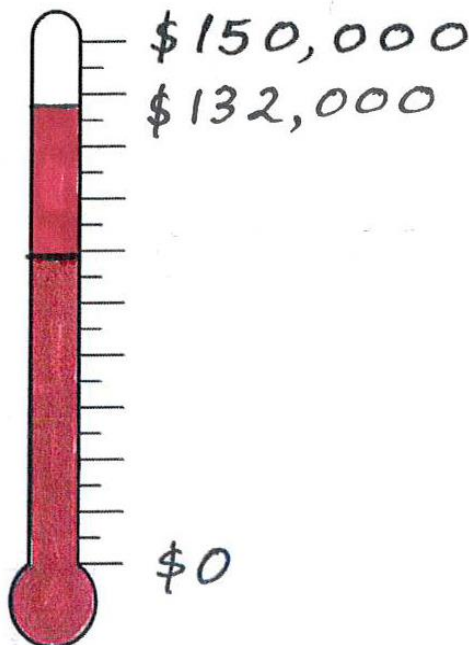
Friday, May 31, 11:00 a.m. Heaven and Hell class at OSV. Read numbers 303-310 on Conjunction with Heaven by the Word.

MEETINGS

Thursday, May 23, 7:30 p.m. Semi-Annual Meeting of the Kempton New Church

CONTRIBUTIONS COMMITTEE

Friends, 60 days or so to hit our local fundraising goal of \$150 K for our west end renovation. Every buck helps. And thanks to our staff and volunteers for keeping our costs in line.



EVENTS

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

Feast of Charity: Friday, May 10th. 6:30 p.m. Supper. 7:30 talk: *Building a New Church in Missouri* by Calvin Heinrichs.

Dance Steps Studio Recital: Saturday, May 18th, at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the Kempton Community Center (outdoor pavilion).

Dance Night Saturday, May 25, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for high school age and up. There will be a lesson followed by a social dance. Feel free to bring a snack to share.

This will be our last dance night before we break for the summer.

Youth Group BBQ and Class at OSV on Friday, May 24th, hosted by Calvin and Liza Heinrichs. Come any time 5:00 p.m. or later; supper will be served at 6:00 p.m. There will be volleyball, cornhole, bocce ball as well as Giant Jenga. There will also be a fire and s'more makings. In order to avoid conflict with those who would like to have dinner with their families, the class portion will start at 7:15 p.m. as usual. Class will wrap up around 8:30 p.m. *Please note that any incoming 9th grader (currently in 8th grade) is welcome to join the Youth Group for this event!*

NOTICES / ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Church Craft Sale:

We're planning to have a New Church Day Craft sale in the Society Room on Saturday, June 8th. It seems like a good time of year to encourage creative types to make beautiful and useful things that reflect the doctrines of the New Church to share with others. Whether it's traditional artwork, household items, or adornments, it would be really neat to have an increased offering of New Church crafts inspired by stories or concepts from the Word or the Heavenly Doctrines, and we'd like to involve all ages in the endeavor. So start thinking about and creating items to share!

Contact Ayisha (215-407-3001)

Ayisha.Synnestvedt@gmail.com) if you or your kids are interested in having a table.

Kempton Lions Club Golf Outing: Sunday, June 1st at 1:30 p.m. If you want to play, talk to any Lion to register with your foursome. It's a very fun day and all the proceeds help your Kempton neighbors in need. Kempton Lions Club includes members Steve Hendricks, Jeremy Synnestvedt, Tom Kerr, Mark Wyncoll, John Walker, Cedric Lumsden and Curtis McQueen.

Caleb's Café: Summer hours will begin June 14th. Summer hours will be Fridays 8 a.m. – 3 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

NOTE—The cafe will be closed the first week of June (6th, 7th, 8th). If you have any questions please call or text Roxanne at 610-662-3902.

SCHOOL NEWS

Wednesday, May 1, 7:00 p.m. 8th grade parent meeting, in the high school commons.

Friday, May 3, 10:30 a.m. Boys and Girls Day.

Thursday, May 9, 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. KNCS High School presents *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*

Thursday, May 16, 7:00 p.m. Senior Project Presentations. Join us for an informative and fun evening, as our 7 seniors present their projects.

Brahm Cole: *The Birth of Njord*

Josiah Genzlinger: *I, Robot*

Brynna King: *The Alpha and Omega in Glass*

Marcela Marcune-Brown: *An Outdoor Vision*

Rafe McQueen: *Have a Seat*

Hayden Muth: *Vroom*

Lauren Stewart: *Trials and Tribulations: Creating a Children's Book*

Monday, May 27th, Memorial Day. No School.

Library News: Thursday, May 16th is the last day to check out books from the library at KNCS, for school children as well as for homeschoolers and preschoolers from the community. And now is the time to start looking for and returning any library books you may have at your house!

Job Postings at KNCS:**Kempton New Church School
High School Math Teacher**

Kempton New Church School is seeking applicants for a part-time high school math teaching position for the 2024-25 academic school year. It is requested that applicants read through the KNCS handbook before applying. The handbook is available on the school's website www.kncs.org.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Responsibilities include teaching high school geometry. The successful applicant will engage students in learning about geometry from the light of the Sacred Scripture and Heavenly Doctrines, while staying up to date on current best practices for teaching. They will create a positive and orderly learning environment within the classroom. The

individual will be expected to work collaboratively with parents.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL
REQUIREMENTS:**

- Bachelor's degree, preferably with college level math coursework
- Ability to work collaboratively with other teachers
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Belief in marriage as defined in the Word and Heavenly Doctrines
- Baptized into the New Church
- Member of the General Church
- Ability to design, develop, implement and teach lesson plans to meet New Church religious learning objectives.
- Ability to perform religious duties, including the teaching of New Church theology, and participate in religious activities with the students including chapel, chapel discussions, reading of the Word and Heavenly Doctrine and prayer.

**PREFERRED EXPERIENCE AND
CAPABILITIES:**

- Experience teaching the math course listed above
- Experience working effectively with diverse populations of learners
- Good written and oral communication skills
- Strong classroom management and interpersonal skills
- Patience and flexibility
- Knowledge of special education practices
- Desire to engage in professional development

To apply:

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, and contact information for 2 references to dale.smith@kncs.org

Address the cover letter to:

Dale Smith

Assistant Principal, Kempton New Church School

583 Hawk Mountain Road

PO Box 140

Kempton, PA 19529

Kempton New Church School High School Science Teacher

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RESPONSIBILITIES:

Responsibilities include teaching 11th and 12th grade chemistry and human anatomy. As Kempton New Church school is organized into two grade classrooms, these sciences are taught in alternating years. The successful applicant will engage students in learning about the sciences from the light of the Sacred Scripture and Heavenly Doctrines, while staying up to date on current scientific research and best practices for teaching the courses listed above. They will create a positive and orderly learning environment within the classroom. The individual will be expected to work collaboratively with parents.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Bachelor's degree, preferably in one of the hard sciences
- Ability to work collaboratively with other teachers
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Belief in marriage as defined in the Word and Heavenly Doctrines
- Baptized into the New Church
- Member of the General Church
- Ability to design, develop, implement and teach lesson plans to meet New Church religious learning objectives.
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Dale Smith

Assistant Principal, Kempton New Church School

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Coming in June:

Friday, June 7, 10:00 a.m. School Closing

Friday, June 7, 7:00 p.m. Graduation Ceremony at the Kempton New Church School

Saturday, June 8, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. New Church Craft Sale, in the society room.

ANNIVERSARIES

Love truly conjugal is from heaven, and its first being is from the marriage of good and truth there. *Arcana Coelestia 10168*

Congratulations and Best Wishes to:

Tom and Sandie Capparell

on the 1st – 32 years

Cade and Caelwen Cole

on the 1st – 25 years

Peter and Roxanne Genzlinger

on the 6th – 23 years

Derek and Brittany Childs

on the 9th – 9 years

Paul and Nina Schorran

on the 9th – 37 years

Elijah and Amanda Heiter

on the 14th – 13 years

Penn and Leesa Cooper

on the 15th – 42 years

Jeff and Gayle Britland

on the 16th – 25 years

Arne and Emily Bau-Madsen

on the 17th – 54 years

Hugh and Janina Brown

on the 20th – 52 years

Roger and Kathy Schrock

on the 25th – 50 years

R.C. and Christine Storch

on the 25th – 22 years

Ariel and Erin Powell

on the 25th – 11 years

Tyler and Katrina Long

on the 30th – 15 years

