



KEMPTON NEW CHURCH NEWSLETTER – March 2024

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*There will be no Note Home published next week.
The next Note Home will be published March 14th.*

FATHER, FORGIVE THEM

Luke 23:34

And Jesus said, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.

True Christian Religion 539

There is no need for man to enumerate his sins before the Lord, nor to supplicate forgiveness of them. He need not enumerate them, because he has searched them out and seen them in himself, and consequently they are present to the Lord because they are present to himself. Moreover, the Lord led him to search them out, disclosed them, and inspired grief for them, and together with this an effort to refrain from them and begin a new life. Supplication need not be made to the Lord for forgiveness of sins, for the following reasons: First, because sins are not abolished, but removed; and they are removed so far as man continues to refrain from them and enters upon a new life; for there are innumerable lusts inherent, coiled up as it were, in every evil, and they cannot be put away instantly, but only gradually, as man permits himself to be reformed and regenerated. The second reason is, that as the Lord is mercy itself, He forgives all men their sins, nor does He impute a single sin to anyone, for He says, "They know not what they do."

Pastor's Notes

"And Jesus said, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34).

This single statement by the Lord, Jesus Christ, as He hung upon the cross, teaches us so much about the nature of His Divine mercy. And it teaches us what it really means for us to forgive others too.

As we enter the Easter season, if we can see this Divine expression of forgiveness in its context, it

becomes even more amazing. Only the Lord could experience what He did and still be able to perfectly overcome the temptations to bear ill-will against those who persecuted Him.

The better we understand the Lord's example the better He can help us turn to Him as the only one who can really lead us to forgive.

HOLY SUPPER will be offered this month on Thursday, March 28th, at 7:30 p.m.

*And as they ate, Jesus, taking bread, having blessed it, broke it and gave to them and said,
Take, eat; this is My body.*

And taking the cup, when He had given thanks, He gave it to them; and they all drank out of it.

And He said to them,

This is My blood of the New Covenant, which is poured out for many. (Mark 14:22-24).

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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, March 3, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Service. Usher/Setup: Anders Smith

Sunday, March 10, 10:00 a.m. Family Service. Usher/Setup: Jonah Heiter

*Sunday, March 17
9:00 a.m. Young Children's Marionette Service.
Setup: Dale and Tovah Smith
10:00 a.m. Sermon Service. Usher/Setup: Alex Walbert*

Sunday, March 24, 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Family Service. Usher/Setup: Gavin Stewart

Friday, March 28, 7:30 p.m. Holy Supper
Service. Usher: Thos Powell

Sunday, March 31, 10:00 a.m. Easter Family
Service. Ushers/Setup: Dag Boyesen, Doug
Robertson

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, March 1, 11:00 a.m. Heaven and Hell class
at OSV. Read numbers 228-245

Wednesday, March 6, 7:30 p.m. Men's Class on
Divine Providence at OSV.

Tuesday, March 12, 7:30 p.m. Arcana Class. Hosted
by Joan Tuccio at OSV. We will take up the subject
of the altar of incense Exodus 30:1-10, as well as
the Doctrine of Charity and Faith concerning
Conjugal Love. The readings from the Arcana
Coelestia will be: AC 10167-10213. I will be
sending out a zoom link prior to the class. If you
haven't been receiving these in the past, and would
like to get it, please contact me. Andy

Wednesday, March 13, 10:00 a.m. Mom's Morning
class at OSV

Wednesday, March 13, 7:30 p.m. Men's Class on
Divine Providence at OSV.

Friday, March 15, 11:00 a.m. Heaven and Hell
class at OSV. Read numbers 246-257

Wednesday, March 20, 7:30 p.m. Men's Class on
Divine Providence at OSV.

Wednesday, March 20, 7:30 p.m. Young Adult's
class at Adele Jungé's

Friday, March 22, 11:00 a.m. Heaven and Hell
class at OSV. Read numbers 258-270

Wednesday, March 27, 7:30 p.m. Men's Class on
Divine Providence at OSV.

CONTRIBUTIONS COMMITTEE

Look for your special capital improvement
fundraising letter for our west end accessible entry
and ADA bathroom upgrades. We'd love your help.
The Contributions Committee

EVENTS

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

Feast of Charity: Friday, March 22nd at 6:30 p.m.
supper. 7:30 p.m. class on the Glorification of the
Lord.

NOTICES / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Carl Hjalmar Asplundh IV
and Savanna Marie Smith on their betrothal, on
February 23, 2024.

*And I will betroth thee to Me for eternity; and I will
betroth thee to Me in justice and in judgement, and
in mercy and in compassions. And I will betroth
thee to Me in faithfulness; and thou shalt know
Jehovah. Hosea 2:19-20*

Congratulations to Carl H. Asplundh IV on his
confirmation, on February 23, 2024.

*The judgements of Jehovah are truth, they are just
altogether. More to be desired are they than gold,
and than much fine gold; And sweeter than honey
and the dropping of honeycombs. Psalm 19: 9-10*

Girls' Sunday School: March 3rd will be the last
Sunday for the girls to finish their Easter
Resurrection scenes. If any girls are unable to
attend, I will get their unfinished projects to them in
hopes that they can finish them at home. Shanon
Smith

Caleb's Café hours will continue to be Thursday
and Friday 7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and Saturday 9
a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Next week our hours may vary
slightly with it being Spring Break at KNCS.
Please feel free to text me anytime if you want to
double check whether we are open. Roxanne (610)
662-3902

Office Space: Old School Village has a space suitable for an office (or a studio, perhaps) that it is willing to rent to someone in the Kempton society. A renter would need to respect the residential location (not bring regular outside traffic to the spot). Please call with any questions or to view. Carla Kerr (610-756-4376) and/or Shanon Smith (610-756-0093)

2024 Jacob's Creek Family Retreat:
July 25 – July 28

Our retreat will be held at the Laurelville Retreat Center in Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania. This Year's Theme: "Charity: The First of the Church" We are capping attendance at 150 people, so don't wait to sign up. The registration this year is online at: <https://www.jacobscreekfamilyretreat.org/> Friend us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/JacobsCreekFamilyRetreat/> Please contact Julie Uber at 412-782-2710 (h) or julie.uber@gmail.com if you have any questions.

FREE - TV antenna, for free over-the-air TV stations and programs. Cut the cable, cut the cost! Thos Powell (610) 562-8506

Daylight Savings Time: Turn clocks ahead at bedtime on Saturday, March 9. DST begins March 10, 2024.

SCHOOL NEWS

KNCS Winter Break: March 4th – 8th. School resumes Monday, March 11th.

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Monday, March 18th – Friday, March 22nd.

NO SCHOOL for Grades 1 – 6 on Friday, March 22nd.

Good Friday and Easter Monday: NO SCHOOL on March 29th and April 1st.

Come see the 7th & 8th grade play, The Brave Little Tailor! Performances will be happening on March 21st in the Society Room at 12:00 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. Learn how a rumor catapults a meek

tailor from a dull life to one of adventure! Hope to see you there!

From the Librarians: If you would like to take a book out of the library on a day that is not Thursday, please leave the book on the librarian's desk with a note that has your name on it, asking for them to check it out next time they are in. Please do not take books out of the library without it being scanned by a librarian. Many books are simply lost from the library because there isn't a way to track them.

ANNIVERSARIES

The [newcomers] then asked the angel, "What then is heavenly joy?" And the angel replied briefly: "It is the delight of doing something which is of use to oneself and to others; and the delight of use derives its essence from love, and its existence from wisdom. The delight of use springing from love by means of wisdom is the soul and life of all heavenly joys."

Arcana Coelestia 2759

Congratulations and Best Wishes to:

Rob and Eloné Zimmerman

on the 3rd – 12 years

Ray and Eden Norfo

on the 4th – 6 years

Carl and Patricia Odhner

on the 22nd - 53 years

John and Erika Walker

on the 26th - 41 years

