

United Christian Church, Yakima WA



Growing in Faith, Living in Hope, Serving with Love.

**SEP
2024**

From the Pastor's Desk :

Dear church family,

As we welcome the beautiful month of September, I am reminded of the importance of community and hospitality in our lives. This month, let us focus on reaching out to our neighbors and extending a warm welcome to any visitors who may come through our doors.

One of the core values of our faith is to be a beacon of love and support in our community. This September, let us take the opportunity to actively seek out ways to help those in need around us. Whether it's lending a hand to a neighbor in need, volunteering at a local shelter, or simply offering a kind word to someone who is struggling, let's make a conscious effort to spread love and kindness wherever we go.

In addition to reaching out to our community, let us also remember to extend a warm welcome to any visitors who join us for worship. Visiting a new church can be intimidating, and it is our responsibility to ensure that everyone who walks through our doors feels valued and accepted. Let's make an extra effort to greet newcomers, introduce ourselves, and make them feel at home in our congregation.

As we navigate the challenges and joys of life, let us always remember that we are stronger together. By coming together as a community, supporting one another, and embracing those who are new to our midst, we can create a more inclusive and loving environment for all.

May this September be a month filled with compassion, generosity, and unity as we continue to live out our calling to be a light in the world.

Blessings to you all,
Pastor Steve

Services : Sundays at 10am

Bible Study : 8:30am on Sundays

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Calendar Highlights :

Sep 14th (Sat) : 9am Workday and Finance Board Meeting

Sep 15th (Sun) : Council Meeting (after service)

Sep 15th (Sun) : 1940s-1970s Theme Potluck (after service)

Committee Reports :

Hands-On Ministry:

At our meeting on Aug. 11th, we discussed which projects to pick for the upcoming months. We choose to serve the youth in our community by working with the schools to collect school supplies in August; to provide gifts for some of the children in December; and to be in contact with the counselor throughout for times we might be able to be of help.

We will also have special projects spread out through the year for helping at a food bank, providing meals for Rod's House during the winter when they have an overnight shelter program and need an evening meal provided, making sandwiches for a service that provides them for the homeless, and help in November when Outreach supports the Veteran's program.

We may be a small congregation but we feel it is important to serve and support our community.

Marilyn Young, Brian and Linda Osborne, Sue Bennett and Pastor Steve

(Please share your suggestions and ideas with us!)

We are going to be making sandwiches for homeless shelters after worship service on **September 22**.

Please plan to stay after to help out.

Thanks to you all!

- Sue

Monthly Scriptures :

September 1st, 2024 : Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

- Song of Solomon [2:8-13](#)
- Psalm [45:1-2, 6-9](#)
- James [1:17-27](#)
- Mark [7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23](#)

September 8th, 2024 : Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

- Proverbs [22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23](#)
- Psalm [125](#)
- James [2:1-10, \(11-13\), 14-17](#)
- Mark [7:24-37](#)

September 15th, 2024 : Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

- Proverbs [1:20-33](#)
- Psalm [19](#)
- James [3:1-12](#)
- Mark [8:27-38](#)

September 22th, 2024 : Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

- Proverbs [31:10-31](#)
- Psalm [1](#)
- James [3:13 – 4:3, 7-8a](#)
- Mark [9:30-37](#)

September 29th, 2024 : Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

- Esther [7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22](#)
- Psalm [124](#)
- James [5:13-20](#)
- Mark [9:38-50](#)



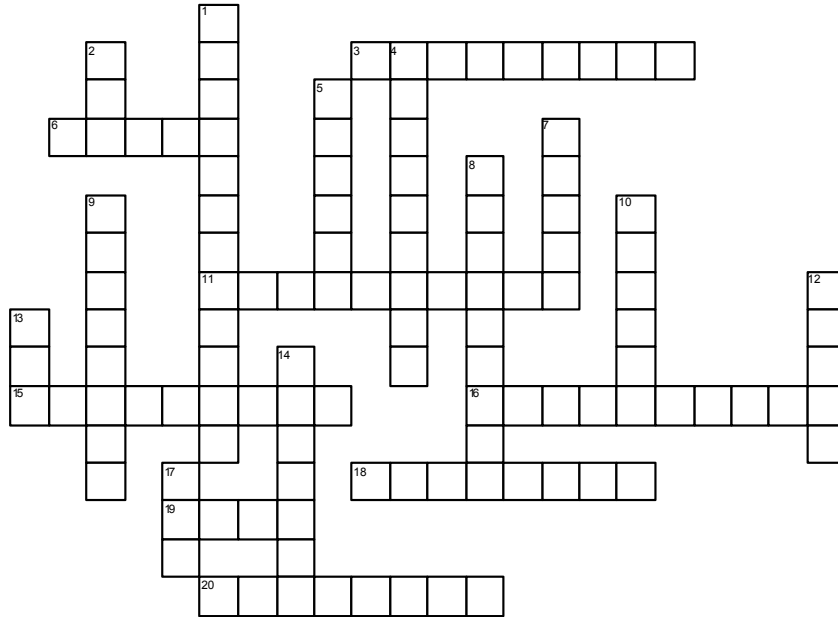
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THE TOWER OF BABEL

Genesis 11:1-9



ACROSS

- 3 They people did not want themselves to be _____ over the face of the whole earth. (Gn. 11:4)
- 6 God dispersed the people because of their rebellious _____. (Gn. 11:8)
- 11 What was God's instructions to Noah and his sons when they left the ark? (Gn. 9:1) two words
- 15 What was the God's punishment for the people's rebellious pride in making a tower that would reach into the heavens? (Gn. 11:8)
- 16 When God saw the city and the tower reaching upwards to heaven, He said that nothing will be _____ for them to accomplish. (Gn. 11:8)
- 18 The whole earth had one _____. (Gn. 11:1)
- 19 What was the people's reason for building this tower. They wanted to make a _____ for themselves. (Gn. 11:4)
- 20 When the people left the area of Mt. Ararat, they traveled _____ and settled in Shinar. (Gn. 11:2)

DOWN

- 1 This structure has become a symbol of man's pride and the ability to boast that their structure can reach the heavens. three words
- 2 What was used as mortar to made the bricks for the tower? (Gn. 11:3)
- 4 Using a Bible dictionary, what does "Babel" mean?
- 5 As the descendants of Noah journeyed from the east, where did they find a place in which to live? (Gn. 11:2)
- 7 Since God confused their language, what was this place called? (Gn. 11:9)
- 8 The Lord scattered the people over the face of the earth by _____ their language. (Gn. 11:7-8)
- 9 What was God's instructions to Noah and his sons when they left the ark? (Gn. 9:1)
- 10 What building material did the people use for their city and tower? (Gn. 11:3)
- 12 The people intended to reach heaven by building this structure. (Gn. 11:4)
- 13 When God instructed Noah and his sons to re-populate the earth, did the people obey these instructions? (Gn. 9:18-10:32)
- 14 The people wanted to build a tower to the _____. (Gn. 11:4)
- 17 After the Flood, how many languages existed? (Gn. 11:1)

Joseph forgives his brothers.

Genesis 42:1—45:28





Thoughts and Prayers

We humbly pray for those caught in the midst of conflict and strife. May your love and peace surround them, offering solace and guidance during these challenging times. Grant them strength, courage, and the wisdom to seek peaceful resolutions. Let your compassion and understanding fill their hearts, and may they find a path towards reconciliation and harmony.

Submit a Prayer Online! uccyakima.org/prayer

We encourage members to give as they feel led.

Your contributions enable us to continue our mission of service and love within our community and beyond. **Every donation, big or small, helps in nurturing the seeds of faith, hope, and togetherness.**

Whether it's supporting our local food banks, contributing to the maintenance of our sacred space, or funding community outreach programs, your generosity is the cornerstone of our growth and outreach.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service	2 Labor Day	3	4	5	6	7
8 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service	9	10 World Suicide Prevention Day	11	12	13	14 Holy Cross Day 9a: Work Day and Finance Board
15 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service ~11a : Council Mtg ~11a : Potluck	16	17	18	19	20	21 Zero Emissions Day
22 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service	30					Every 3 rd Sunday - Potluck

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