

MINNEHAHA CHURCH OF CHRIST

SERVING WITH LOVE

Sermon Today:

"Enduring Unjust Suffering"

1 Peter 3:8-17

Mike Kennedy



1 Peter
Hope in Hard Times

**HOW DO I ENDURE
UNJUST SUFFERING?**

LORD'S DAY SEPTEMBER 28TH 2025

MINNEHAHA CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Date: September 28, 2025

9:30 BIBLE STUDY TEAM



Mark Williams
TODAY
Matthew 18



Dave Kubow
Next Week
Matthew 19

10:45 MAIN ASSEMBLY SINGING LEADERS



Jimmy Kennedy



Lauren Priest



Stephanie Kennedy

Lord's Supper Time – Each week we prioritize the Lord's Supper.



Today – Mike Kennedy
“Enduring Unjust Suffering” – 1 Peter 3:8-17

Next Week: Jimmy Kennedy

The mission of the Minnehaha Church of Christ is to worship God, equipping every member to serve and build up one another and to lead people into a saving and enriching relationship with Jesus Christ.

PRAYER LIST ITEMS:

- **Our Church** – As we select additional Elders to serve this congregation.
- **Judd Family** – Please keep the Judd family in your prayers.
- **Bethany Loucks** – Doing better. Please continue praying for her.
- **Ken Bowcutt** – Please keep Ken in your prayers as he continues to deal with the issues of his heart failure.
- **Roy Stewart** – Continue to be in prayer for Roy and his battle with cancer and vertigo issues.
- **Joyce Ryan, Jim & Marlo Chapman, Ken & Virginia Smithline, Charles Dailey** – Please be in prayer for these brothers and sisters and their various struggles.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

THURSDAY – REBECA ROMAN
FRIDAY – FILOMENA ANGUIANO

Useful Numbers

(Data as of: 9/27/25 3:15 PM)

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| Facebook Viewers | Class | 97 |
| | Sermon | 84 |
| | Hispanic | 186 |
| YouTube Viewers | Class | 11 |
| | Sermon | 14 |
| | Hispanic | 32 |
| Rumble Viewers | Class | 196 |
| | Sermon | 74 |
| | Hispanic | 73 |

Weekly also on our own app.

Last Sunday Attendance:

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| English | 43 |
| Hispanic | 6 |

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| 2024 Weekly Budget: | \$2,085 |
| Last week | \$1,889 |
| 13-week average: | \$1,539 |
| 26-week average: | \$1,675 |

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Word Of God Speak! – Give a Blessing Instead!

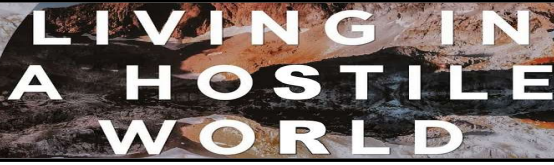
"To sum up, all of you be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing."

– **1 Peter 3:8-9** [NASB]

THIS MONTH AND LATER

- October 11, 8:30 am – Staff Meeting
October 11, 9:00 am – Women's Bible Study
October 18, 7:30 am – Men's Breakfast
October 18, 9:30 am – Elders' Meeting





LIVING IN A HOSTILE WORLD

“Being Always Prepared”

1 Peter 3:8-17 encourages Christians to live in unity, kindness, and compassion, to bless those who mistreat them instead of retaliating, and to always be prepared to explain their hope in Christ with gentleness and respect. The passage instructs believers to maintain a clear conscience and to recognize that suffering for doing good, especially if it is God's will, is better than suffering for evil.

Key Themes and Instructions

- **Unity and Love:** Be of one mind, love one another, and show compassion and humility in your relationships with others.
- **Do Not Retaliate:** Do not return evil for evil or insult for insult.
- **Bless Others:** Instead of repaying harm, respond with blessings, recognizing that you are called to do so to inherit a blessing.
- **Handle Suffering with Respect:** When you suffer for righteousness, do not fear or be troubled, but view it as an opportunity to show Christ.
- **Be Prepared to Explain Your Faith:** Maintain a clear conscience and always be ready to give a defense for the hope within you with gentleness and respect.
- **Christ as Lord:** Honor Christ the Lord as holy in your hearts.