

# MINNEHAHA CHURCH OF CHRIST

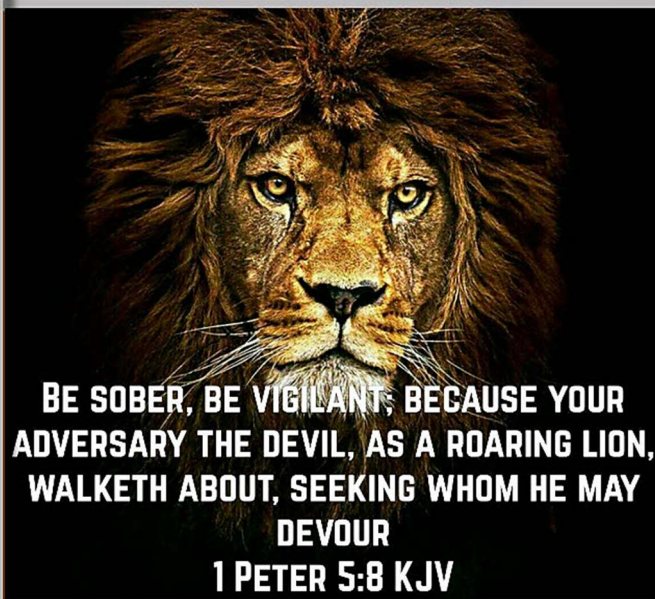
SERVING WITH LOVE

Sermon Today:

**"Defeating the Devil"**

**1 Peter 5:8-14**

Mike Kennedy



**LORD'S DAY NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> 2025**

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**Date: November 16, 2025**

## 9:30 BIBLE STUDY TEAM



**Mark Williams**  
TODAY  
**Matthew 25**



**Dave Kubow**  
Next Week  
**Matthew 26**

## 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  
**"Defeating the Devil" – 1 Peter 5:8-14**

Next Week: Dave Kubow  
**"Thy Word is Truth" – John 17:1-3**

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:

-- **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** – Please be in prayer for these brothers and sisters and their various struggles.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

THURSDAY – LAUREN PRIEST

### Useful Numbers

(Data as of: 11/15/25 3:53 PM)

<b>Facebook</b> Viewers	Class	85
	Sermon	106
	Hispanic	N/A
<b>YouTube</b> Viewers	Class	13
	Sermon	25
	Hispanic	N/A
<b>Rumble</b> Viewers	Class	20
	Sermon	26
	Hispanic	N/A

Weekly also on our own app.

Last Sunday Attendance:	
English	42
Hispanic	N/A

2024 Weekly Budget:	\$2,085
Last week	\$1,861
13-week average:	\$1,400
26-week average:	\$1,477

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## Word of God Speak! – Stay Alert!

*“Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.”* – **1 Peter 5:8 [NLT]**

## THIS MONTH AND LATER

November 16 – Last day to contribute to Thanksgiving Baskets

November 19-23 – Mike and Jimmy ICOM

November 23, 12:15 – Sunday - Thanksgiving Potluck here at MCC

December 6, 8:30 am – Staff Meeting

December 13, 9:30 am – Elders’ Meeting

December 14 – Last day to contribute to Christmas Baskets

# Staying alert and sober minded -

As **1 Peter 5:8** advises.

Christians can adopt several practical, ongoing spiritual disciplines. This involves maintaining mental clarity and a state of readiness against the subtle schemes of the devil.

Key practices for staying alert include:

- **Consistent Prayer:** Prayer is a vital tool for spiritual vigilance, allowing a direct line of communication with God for guidance, protection, and strength to resist temptation. Jesus himself instructed His disciples to *"watch and pray so that you will not enter into temptation"* (**Matthew 26:41**).
- **Daily Scripture Study:** Regularly reading, studying, and meditating on God's Word keeps the mind grounded in His truth. A deep understanding of Scripture helps in discerning truth from error and recognizing the devil's lies.
- **Guarding Your Heart and Mind:** Be mindful of the influences you allow into your life, including media, ideas, and company. Actively filter inputs through a biblical lens, focusing on *"whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right,"* as encouraged in **Philippians 4:8**.
- **Active Fellowship:** Staying connected with a community of believers provides mutual accountability, encouragement, and support. Being isolated makes a person more vulnerable to the devil's attacks, much like a solitary animal is to a lion.
- **Cultivating Self-Control:** *"Sober-minded"* refers to being self-controlled, calm, and having a clear, disciplined mindset, unencumbered by worldly desires and distractions. This involves managing emotions and impulses to align with God's will.
- **Resisting the Devil:** The call to be alert is linked with the command to actively resist the devil. According to **James 4:7**, if you submit to God and resist the devil, he will flee.