

MINNEHAHA CHURCH OF CHRIST

SERVING WITH LOVE

Sermon Today:
**"Saul: A Character Study -
Part 1"**
Mike Kennedy
1 Samuel 9



LORD'S DAY OCTOBER 18TH 2026

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Date: October 18, 2026

9:30 BIBLE STUDY TEAM



TODAY:
2 Cor. 12-13
Mark Williams



Next Week:
Galatians 1
Dave Kubow

10:45 MAIN ASSEMBLY SINGING LEADERS



Jimmy Kennedy



Lauren Priest



Stephanie Kennedy



Ken Smithline

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



Today – Mike Kennedy

"Saul: A Character Study – Part 1" – 1 Samuel 9

Next Week: Mike Kennedy

"Saul: A Character Study – Part 2" – 1 Samuel 10

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:

-- **Ken Bowcutt** – Please keep Ken in your prayers.

-- **Joyce Ryan, Marlo Chapman** – Please be in prayer for these fellow saints and their various struggles.

-- **Matt Shively** – Please keep Matt in your prayers as he deals with the passing of Cynthia.

-- **Stormie Priest** – Be in prayer for our dear sister as she struggles with cancer issues.

-- **Carl Fich** – Be in prayer for our brother as he deals with cancer throughout his body.

-- **Jenn Robinett** – Jenn passed from this life on Thursday and is now with Jesus. Please be in prayer for Russ Robinett, their 2 boys and other family members during this most difficult time.

BIRTHDAYS

TODAY – BONNIE HUGHES

Useful Numbers

(Data as of: 10/16/26 11:18 AM)

Facebook Viewers	Class	75
	Sermon	94
YouTube Viewers	Hispanic	157
	Class	34
Rumble Viewers	Sermon	37
	Hispanic	41
	Class	17
	Sermon	20
	Hispanic	32

Weekly also on our own app.

Last Sunday Attendance:	
English	40
Hispanic	5

2026 Weekly Budget:	\$ 1,843
Last week	\$ 833
13-week average:	\$ 1,260
26-week average:	\$ 1,477

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Word of God, speak! – The LORD Determines Our Steps.

⁹ “We can make our plans, but the LORD determines our steps”. – Proverbs 16:9 [NLT]

THIS MONTH AND LATER

Every Tuesday, Noon – Senior Saints Bible Study

Every Wednesday, 6:30 pm - Evening Prayer Meeting

Every Thursday, 6:30 pm – Adult Bible Study

Nov. 7, Saturday, 8:30 am – Staff Meeting

Nov. 11-15 – Mike and Jimmy at ICOM

Nov. 14, Saturday, 9:00 am – Women’s Bible Study

Finding Purpose in Life's Detours

The early life of King Saul reminds us that God is intimately involved in the details of our daily lives. Before he ever wore a crown, Saul's journey in **1 Samuel 9** offers critical lessons for our walk with Christ today:

God Guides Your Detours. Saul's journey began with a mundane, frustrating chore: hunting for lost donkeys. Yet, what felt like a waste of time was actually God's invisible hand directing him toward his true calling. Our sudden setbacks are often divine appointments in disguise.

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Listen to Godly Counsel. When Saul grew discouraged and wanted to quit, his servant pointed him toward the man of God. Saul was humble enough to listen. To survive life's wilderness, we must surround ourselves with people who direct our attention back to God's wisdom.

"Plans go wrong for lack of advice; many advisers bring success." – **Proverbs 15:22**

Guard Your Humility. When first told of his great destiny, Saul genuinely questioned why he was chosen from the least of Israel's tribes. He started little in his own eyes. True honor belongs to those who keep a posture of lowliness and continuous dependence on the Lord.

"Pride leads to disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom." – **Proverbs 11:2**

Weekly Challenge: Refuse to complain about a current frustration or delay. Ask God what He is trying to teach you through this unexpected detour.