

WEEKLY UPDATE

KOST CHURCH



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LOVE GOD | LOVE PEOPLE | MAKE DISCIPLES

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

If this is your first time worshipping with us, thanks for visiting! Please fill out a contact card (in the pew rack or online) and let us know a little about yourself.

We have nursery service available for your little one if you are interested. Our nursery is down the hall from the sanctuary.

Did you miss a service? Past sermons are available to watch or re-watch on Kost's YouTube page (youtube.com/@kostchurch/streams), at kostchurch.org, and on Facebook as well.

You're my place
of *quiet*
retreat.
I wait for you
to *renew*
me.

Psalms 119:114

Thank you to everyone who helped out with the triathlon this morning!

There is **NO** nursery today. Please feel free to sit with your child in the nursery if necessary.



Carina Phillips, the daughter of Carmen Phillips whom some of you met last week, and a personal friend of the Jensens, **is with us this morning**. Carina is currently raising support to go onto the mission field next spring. She will share briefly this morning and will be available following the service if you would like to pursue supporting her work overseas.

THIS WEEK AT KOST

Sunday	7:30-9:45 am Chisago Lakes Triathlon
	9:30 am Worship Service
	10:45 am Fellowship Time
Wednesday	7:00 am Men's Bible Study
Thursday	6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
Sunday	9:30 am Worship Service
	10:45 am Fellowship Time

Pastor Josh & Jen are leaving for Alaska to celebrate their 30th anniversary on Wednesday. The church office will be closed from Wednesday on. Pastor Josh **will not** be checking emails or responding to texts while he is gone. If you are in need of anything church related or are seeking spiritual care, please reach out to one of our elders (Lowell Nelson, Mike Preisler, Mark Schoess) or Stephen Ministers (Debbie Cottrell, Gary Cottrell, Louis James, Carol Nelson).

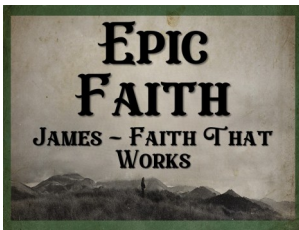
Thank you for your faithful financial support of Kost Church.

Gifts can be dropped off in the offering plate or through direct payment from your bank.

YOU ARE LOVED!

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An Epic Restraint

James 3:1-12

- The church needs solid, Biblically sound _____ who understand and accept the weight of responsibility that comes with _____ [3:1]
- Spiritual maturity requires a _____ [3:2]
- I must never underestimate the _____ of my words – to others and to myself
 - The tongue is _____ [3:3-5]
 - The tongue is _____ [3:6-8] – an uncontrolled fire, an untamed beast
 - The tongue is _____ [3:9-12]
- To tame my tongue: admit the reality...seek the Holy Spirit's help...praise God for the Gospel... submit to God's Word...submit to the Spirit's control...confess and repent when I sin with my words...get help from a friend...practice being quick to listen and slow to speak... practice speaking words that line up with how I'm thinking [Philippians 4:8]...become an expert at _____
- Speak _____ words: words of regret, words of responsibility, words of hope, words of commitment, words of affection, words of reconciliation, words of vision, words of security

Next week's passage: PHILEMON 1-7

July 26, 2026 | JOSHUA JENSEN

THE MEATING
 August 21st - 5:00pm - @KOST CHURCH
JOIN US FOR ALL YOU CAN EAT MEAT!
 GAMES - FOOD - FELLOWSHIP
BRING A FRIEND!
 KOST MENS MINISTRY RESPA: N



Need to talk? Need prayer? Our Stephen Ministers provide free confidential emotional and spiritual support. Just speak with an individual with a blue and white nametag.

FINANCES

Yearly Income as of 7/1: \$80,084	LAST WEEK'S OFFERING:	\$5,480
Yearly Spending as of 7/1: \$86,599	Weekly need to cover budget:	\$3,458
Yearly Shortfall as of 7/1: \$6,515		

PLEASE PRAY

- ✚ For those who are ill or recovering
- ✚ For Libby (Nelson) Albing
- ✚ Thanksgiving for new grandchildren
- ✚ For peace in the Middle East and no more loss of life
- ✚ For wisdom and prudence for those leading our country
- ✚ For the rescheduled The MEATING—both for the preparations and for the actual event
- ✚ For us as a church—that we intentionally and boldly live out gospel truth in our families, our communities, our workplaces/schools, and our church

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EXISTS TO GLORIFY GOD BY REACHING OTHERS, SO ALL CAN GROW TO MATURITY IN FAITH AND BEAR FRUIT IN CHRIST'S LOVE

BECAUSE SCRIPTURE TEACHES US TO
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