



# Welcome to Skykomish Community Church



a Word  
preaching,  
people loving  
community



What a friend We have in Jesus,  
All our sins And griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer.  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged.  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness,  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our Refuge-  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee.  
Thou wilt find a solace there.



I come to the garden alone,  
While the dew  
Is still on the roses;  
And the voice I hear,  
Falling on my ear,  
The Son of God discloses.

And He walks with me,  
And He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own;  
And the joy we share  
As we tarry there  
None other has ever known.

He speaks, and the sound  
Of His voice  
Is so sweet the birds  
Hush their singing;  
And the melody  
That He gave to me  
Within my heart is ringing.

And He walks with me,  
And He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own;  
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I'd stay in  
The garden with Him,  
Though the night  
Around me be falling;  
But He bids me go—  
Thru the voice of woe,  
His voice to me is calling.

And He walks with me,  
And He talks with me,  
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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Skykomish Community Church

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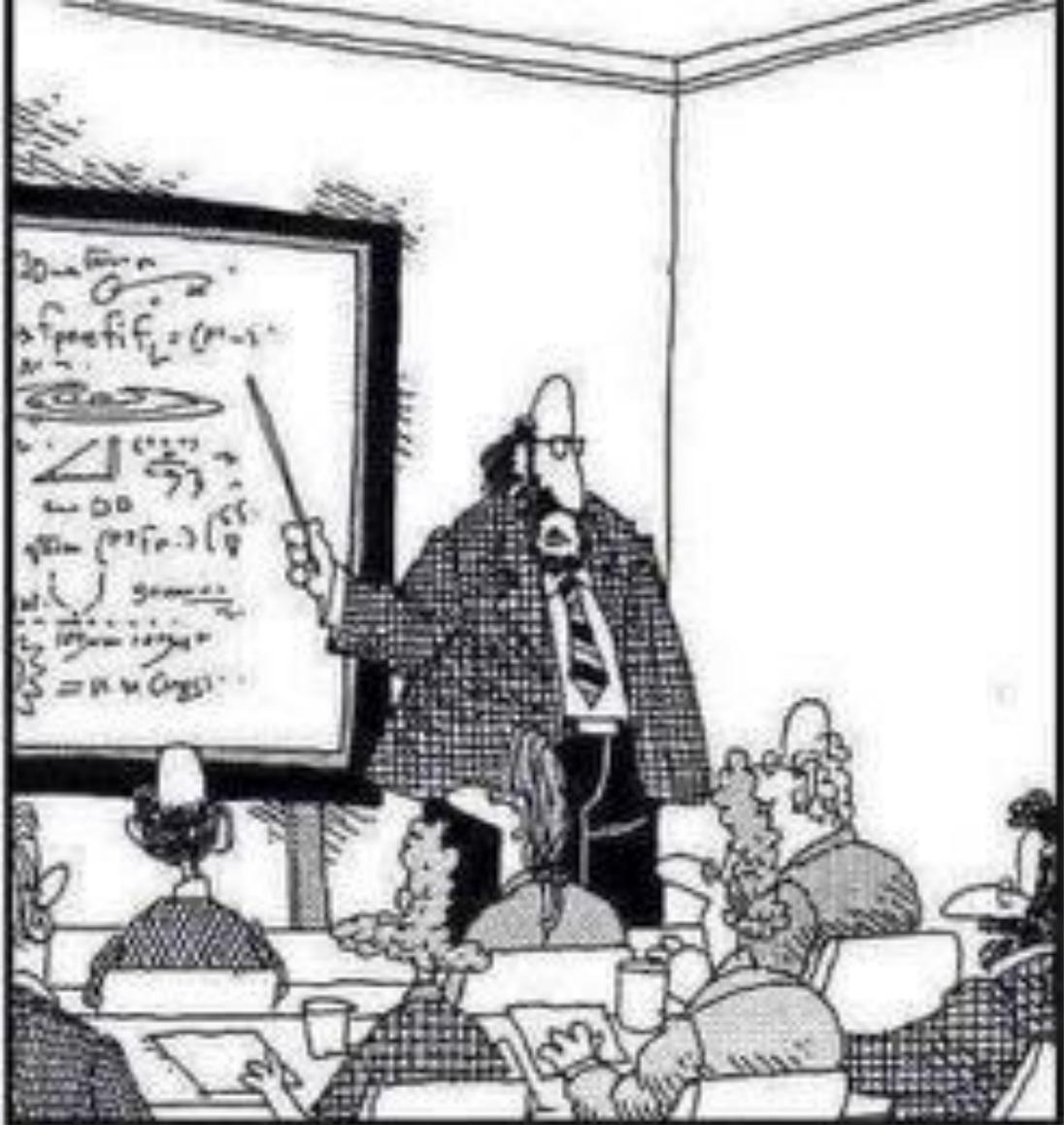
Skykomish, WA 98288

24.4% of Washington Residents have received the first dose of vaccine as of March 20th; 14% are fully vaccinated.

## COVID-19 Update

New phase 3 for Washington State begins March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Phases will rise and fall by county again, instead of by region. Indoor gatherings will be adjusted up to 50% capacity.

# COVID-19 Update



"Along with 'Antimatter,' and 'Dark Matter,' we've recently discovered the existence of 'Doesn't Matter,' which appears to have no effect on the universe whatsoever."



## Prayer Spotlight

Aaron & Suzanne McNally; Valleyford, WA  
Valleyford Community Church

Valleyford Community Church is located in Spokane County along the scenic Palouse Highway which travels through agricultural and cattle farmland. People in the area move here to live and raise their families in



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a rural setting with a smaller school district and commute to work.

Valleyford is a close-knit community where residents like to support and help one another.



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**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please pray for health and safety as the Covid-19 numbers continue to rise in Spokane County. Prayer for families who received Bite 2 Go meal kits and Thanksgiving baskets from the



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church. Prayer for the church leadership for how to plan and prepare for the coming year with restrictions due to Covid-19.



# Open Field Spotlight Blowers Chapel Sebeka, MN

Please pray for this body of believers as they wait for a Village Missionary family.

Also pray for the 22 churches in the U.S. & Canada that are waiting for their Village Missionary family.



**Create in me a clean heart**

**O God**

**And renew a right spirit within me**

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**Cast me not away from  
Thy presence, O Lord, and take  
not Thy Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore unto me the joy of  
Thy salvation, and renew a right  
spirit within me.**



Review: Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist,



Review: Stand firm then, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,



- The breastplate protects the heart and vital organs
- It was custom made to fit each man with metal and rings and could move easily
- It protected the soldier from arrows, knives, spears and swords

Review: Stand firm then, with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel.

## Shoes of the Gospel of Peace



- The shoes protected the soldier's feet
- The shoes were made from leather
- There were nails on the bottom
- It was hard to walk backward

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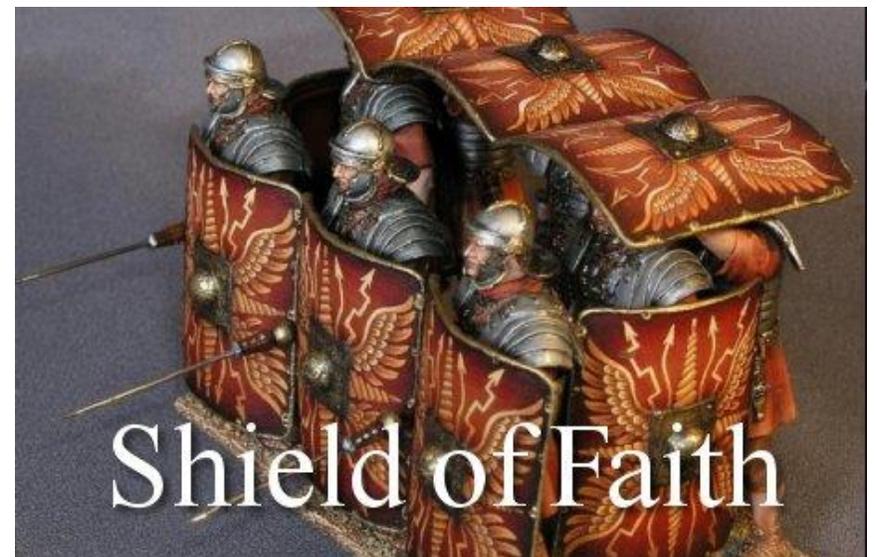
In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith...

# Shield of Faith



- The shield was made from 6 layers of hide
- There were 2 types of shields
- The shield meant 'Door' in Greek
- It protected the body

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Shield of Faith

# Take the Helmet of Salvation



## Helmet of Salvation

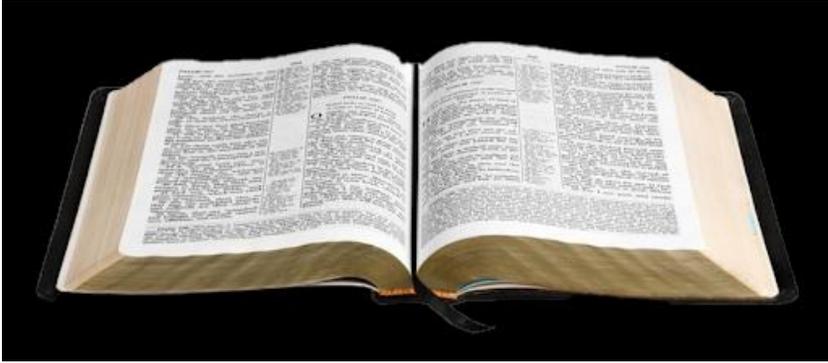


- The helmet protected the head
- It was made from thick leather inside and metal outside
- It protected the back of the neck
- It protected the face so the soldier could keep his eyes on the goal

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# And the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God



- The sword was short, lightweight, and well-balanced
- Used for close contact



# Jesus IS the Armor

- Belt of Truth; John 14:6 says Jesus is the truth.
- Breastplate of Righteousness; 2 Corinthians 5:21 says that “in him we might become the righteousness of God.”
- Gospel shoes fit with the Readiness which comes from the Gospel of peace; Ephesians 2:14 says Jesus himself is our peace. The Gospel is Jesus Christ with all the blessings contained in him.

# Jesus IS the Armor

- The Shield of Faith; His faithfulness makes possible our faith. Galatians 2:20 says “I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
- The Helmet of Salvation; In Luke 2:30, when Simeon saw Jesus in the temple he says that he has seen the Lord’s Salvation.
- The Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God; John 1:1, 14, states that Jesus is the Word.

Ephesians 6:18a

**Pray Prayers**

Today's Text: Ephesians 6:18a (NIV)

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

Philippians 4:6 (NIV)

Do not be anxious about anything,  
but in every situation, by prayer and  
petition, with thanksgiving, present  
your requests to God.

Romans 8:26-28 (NIV)

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people

Romans 8:26-28 (NIV)

in accordance with the will of God.  
And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Matthew 6:5-15 (NIV)

And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.

Matthew 6:5-15 (NIV)

But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Matthew 6:5-15 (NIV)

And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

Matthew 6:5-15 (NIV)

This, then, is how you should pray:  
"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be  
your name, your kingdom come, your  
will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us today our daily  
bread. And forgive us our debts, as  
we also have forgiven our debtors.

Matthew 6:5-15 (NIV)

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Colossians 4:2 (NIV)

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

Luke 21:36 (NIV)

Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.

Luke 18:1 (NIV)

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.

*(The Parable of the Persistent Widow)*

*"And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night?"*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV)

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Romans 12:12 (NIV)

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

1 Timothy 2:1-2 (NIV)

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

Today's Text: Ephesians 6:18a (NIV)

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.



Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.