



# Welcome to Skykomish Community Church

a Word preaching,  
people loving community

Songs

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Communion : August 7
- Potluck Today: July 10

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**Skykomish Community Church**

**PO Box 56**

**Skykomish, WA 98288**

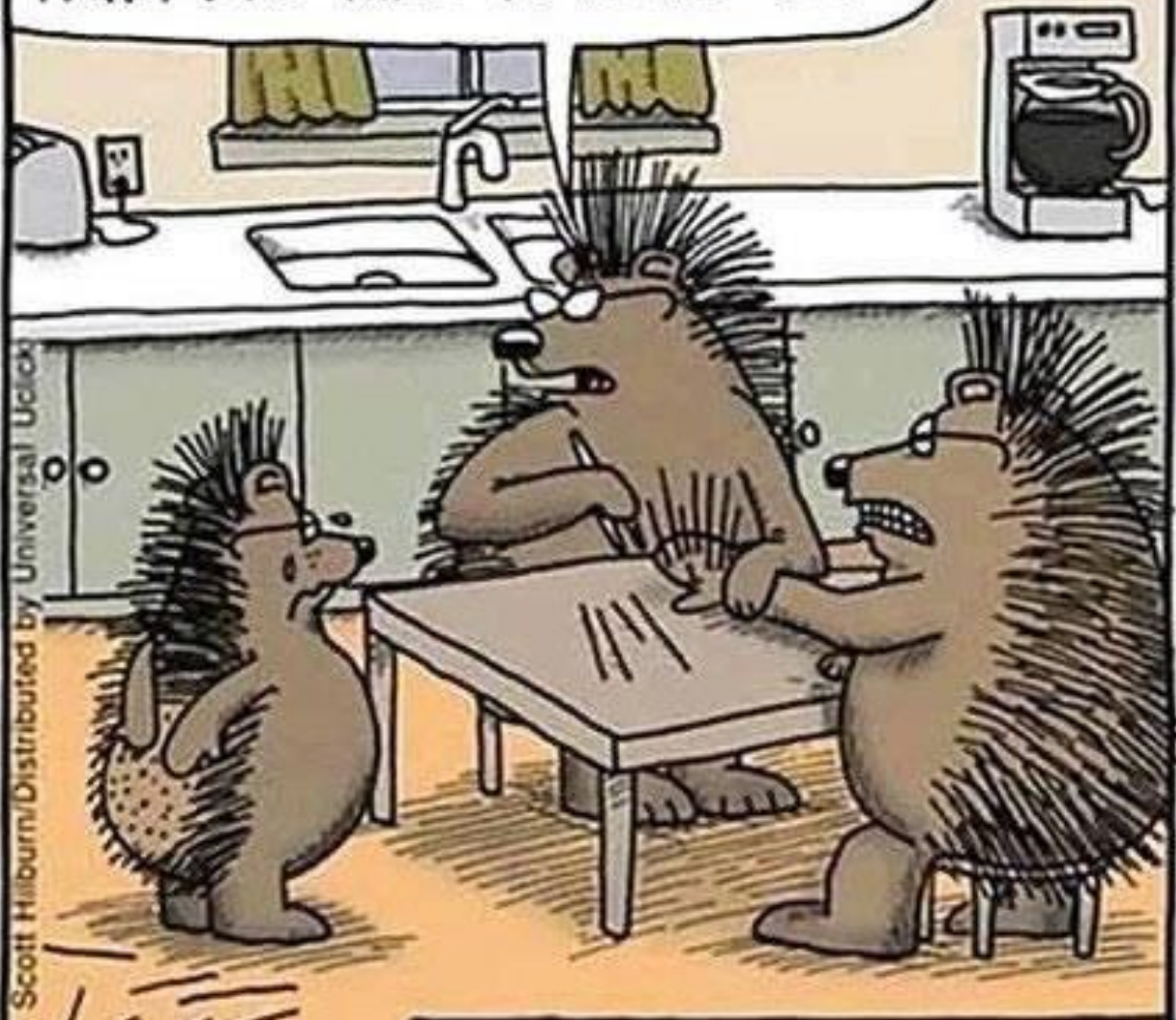
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He had snacks,  
so I gave him  
everything.



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TRUST ME, ALEX - YOUR FATHER DOESN'T  
LIKE TO GIVE SPANKINGS. IT HURTS HIM  
FAR MORE THAN IT HURTS YOU.



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**PICKED UP A HITCH-HIKER.  
SEEMED LIKE A NICE GUY.**

**AFTER A FEW MILES,  
HE ASKED ME IF I  
WASN'T AFRAID  
THAT HE MIGHT BE A  
SERIAL KILLER?**

**I TOLD HIM THAT THE  
ODDS OF TWO SERIAL  
KILLERS BEING IN  
THE SAME CAR WERE  
EXTREMELY UNLIKELY.**

**WHAT INFLATION?**



**A PACKAGE OF GROUND BEEF COSTS  
THE SAME AS IT DID LAST MONTH.**



# Prayer Spotlight

Joe & Ana Levesque; Elk Creek, CA

Elk Creek Community Bible Church; SW District

Elk Creek is nineteen miles west of Willows, CA, and sits at the eastern base of the Mendocino National Forest. As you drive in, you will cross a picturesque bridge across Elk Creek, fed by Stony Gorge Reservoir just south of town. Our town, a little foothill community, is raided nightly



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by mule deer, raccoons, wild pigs, and an occasional black bear. Stop by Nancy's Elkhorn Family Lodge and try "The Preach," a menu item named after Joe.

Prayer Requests: Praise the Lord for providing a new van for our family.



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Pray for the AWANA group to grow this coming fall. Pray for our Saturday morning men's group to grow and that these men would grow spiritually strong. Pray for the church to have a stronger outreach to the community. Please join us in praying for rain.





# Open Field Spotlight



Village Missions

Keeping Country Churches Alive

## Delia Christian Fellowship

### Delia, AB

Please pray for the people of Delia Christian Fellowship as they wait for their next full-time Village Missions pastor.

Also pray for the 23 other churches in the U.S. and Canada that are waiting for a Village Missions pastor.

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Do not be overly righteous, nor be overly wise: Why should you destroy yourself? Do not be overly wicked, nor be foolish: Why should you die before your time? It is good that you grasp this, and also not remove your hand from the other; For he who fears God will escape them all.

Ecclesiastes 7:16-18

Songs



Mark 2:13-17

Legalists

Mark 2:13-16 (NIV)

Once again Jesus went out beside the lake. A large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them. As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," Jesus told him, and Levi got up and followed him.

While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's

Mark 2:13-16 (NIV)

house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him.

When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: “Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

Matthew 3:7-9 (NIV)

But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham.



Matthew 5:17-20 (NIV)

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will

Matthew 5:17-20 (NIV)

be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Matthew 9:11 and 12:2 (NIV)

When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

When the Pharisees saw this, they said to him, “Look! Your disciples are doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath.”

Matthew 12:9-14 (NIV)

Going on from that place, he went into their synagogue, and a man with a shriveled hand was there. Looking for a reason to bring charges against Jesus, they asked him, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?” ...

Then he said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” so he stretched it out and it was completely restored, just as sound as the other. But the Pharisees went out and plotted how they might kill Jesus.

Matthew 19:3 and 22:15-17 (NIV)

Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?”

Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. “Teacher,” they said, “we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren’t swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?”

Matthew 27:62-64 (NIV)

The next day, the one after Preparation Day, the chief priests and the Pharisees went to Pilate. “Sir,” they said, “we remember that while he was still alive that deceiver said, ‘After three days I will rise again.’ So give the order for the tomb to be made secure until the third day. Otherwise, his disciples may come and steal the body and tell the people that he has been raised from the dead. This last deception will be worse than the first.”

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples: “The teachers of the law and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat. So you must be careful to do everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach. They tie up heavy, cumbersome loads and put them on other people’s shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to lift a finger to move them.

“Everything they do is done for people to see: They

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

make their phylacteries wide and the tassels on their garments long; they love the place of honor at banquets and the most important seats in the synagogues; they love to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces and to be called 'Rabbi' by others.

“But you are not to be called 'Rabbi,' for you have one Teacher, and you are all brothers. And do not call anyone on earth 'father,' for you have one



Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

Father, and he is in heaven. Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one Instructor, the Messiah. The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You shut the door of the kingdom of heaven in people’s faces. You yourselves do not

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to.

“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You travel over land and sea to win a single convert, and when you have succeeded, you make them twice as much a child of hell as you are.

“Woe to you, blind guides! You say, ‘If anyone swears by the temple, it means nothing; but

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

anyone who swears by the gold of the temple is bound by that oath.' You blind fools! Which is greater: the gold, or the temple that makes the gold sacred? You also say, 'If anyone swears by the altar, it means nothing; but anyone who swears by the gift on the altar is bound by that oath.' You blind men! Which is greater: the gift, or the altar that makes the gift sacred? Therefore, anyone who swears by the altar swears by it and by everything on it. And anyone who swears by the temple

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

swears by it and by the one who dwells in it. And anyone who swears by heaven swears by God's throne and by the one who sits on it.

“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former. You blind guides! You strain out a gnat but swallow a camel.

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean.

“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean. In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.

“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You build tombs for the prophets and decorate the graves of the righteous. And you say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our ancestors, we would not have taken part with them in

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

shedding the blood of the prophets.’ So you testify against yourselves that you are the descendants of those who murdered the prophets. Go ahead, then, and complete what your ancestors started!

“You snakes! You brood of vipers! How will you escape being condemned to hell? Therefore I am sending you prophets and sages and teachers. Some of them you will kill and crucify; others you will flog in your synagogues and pursue from town

Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

to town. And so upon you will come all the righteous blood that has been shed on earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah son of Berekiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar. Truly I tell you, all this will come on this generation.



Matthew 23:1-39 (NIV)

“Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing. Look, your house is left to you desolate. For I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

Luke 18:9-14 (NIV)

To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’

Luke 18:9-14 (NIV)

But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'

I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

## Nicodemus (NIV)

- John 3:1-21 Nicodemus comes to Jesus at night and converses with Jesus as a fellow Rabbi
- John 7:50-52 Nicodemus defends Jesus before the Sanhedrin
- John 19:38-42 Nicodemus assists Joseph of Arimathea with the proper burial of Jesus body taken from the cross

Mark 2:17 (NIV)

On hearing this, Jesus said to them, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”



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.





Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

The LORD bless you and keep you;  
the LORD make his face shine on  
you and be gracious to you; the  
LORD turn his face toward you and  
give you peace.

