



CIRCLE CHURCH OF CHRIST
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UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CENTER
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FAMILY NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS Sunday 8 am - 9:30 am and Noon - 2 pm
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8 am - 1pm and 3pm to 5 pm

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"THE MAIN THING"

1. To **love the Lord** our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our mind and with all our strength.
2. To **love our neighbors** as ourselves.
3. To **go and make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything Christ has commanded us.

Let us all count our blessings and praise God for each one today and every one for each day of 2013. May we all be poised to draw nearer to God and Christ in 2014. Reading God's Word daily is a great way to draw closer and to perhaps more clearly recognize our many blessings.

PLEASE FILL OUT A FELLOWSHIP CARD

Everyone is asked to fill out a Fellowship Card, which you will find in the song book rack. If you have questions or comments, feel free to write them on the back of the Fellowship Card, or talk to any member. The cards are picked up at the start of our service or can be placed in an offering plate.

For visitors, more general information is available on bookmarks in the Bibles located in the song book rack.



Gregg's Good News

Jesus said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35)

For some people: The busyness, the need to buy the perfect present for a list far too long on a budget of too few dollars, travel to too many places when the weather won't cooperate, ensuring the house is perfectly decorated, etc., etc., etc., is enough to make them want to hide out for all of December and re-emerge in January.

For others, having lots of things to do on the calendar, seeking out that just right gift for a multitude of friends and family, jumping in

the car to see lots of people (even if it means putting the chains on and off twice), pulling out the annual treasures for the mantel, etc., etc., etc., is enough to make them wish they could go through the December ritual every other month.

What's the difference? I don't really know. But clearly, some people really dislike the whole "Christmas machine." They engage in it all out of an internal "have to" drive while others experience glad tidings of comfort and joy as they meet each December day.

Jesus said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35) Is it possible he had more in mind than the Dec. 23 dash to cross every name off a list?

I hope I'm not being a "Scrooge" by opting out of the "Christmas machine" compulsion in order to pursue a practice that offers me more joy. But one thing I've been discovering is that I certainly feel more blessed in giving when I sense the recipient is receiving something that feels to that person like more than a forgettable trinket. For example, writing a school tuition check for an orphan adds to my blessing more than a gift card for the girl who will file it among the rest of the day's loot and quickly forget who it came from.

I don't plan to stop giving to the forgetful girl, but maybe I'll budget better so I don't have to scrimp on the gift that is a true blessing to me and the recipient. I don't think I'm inviting anyone to the "Bah, Humbug" lifestyle. Rather, I hope I'm inviting you to a season of feeling blessed as you bless others.

Thanks to all who worked on purchasing food, made donations for food, packed food and to those who gave referrals for food boxes. We were blessed to served 34 families with food and God's love.

SCHEDULE OF FAMILY EVENTS

Dec. 29th - 5th Sunday Singing at Veneta 2 PM - see kiosk poster

Dec. 29th - 5 PM the "Bible" video and discussion

Jan. 2nd - Empty Nesters' Night Out - Family 6:30 -8 PM at Izzy's on N. 9th in Corvallis - No Host

Jan. 3-5 - Women's Retreat weekend in Lincoln City

Jan. 13th - Women's Monday nights Beth Moore Bible Study

Jan. 20th- Women's Monday nights' Exercise Class begins at 7 PM at Circle.

PM Preview TONIGHT
5:00 pm "The Bible" Video

Health Alert for Angie Womack

Doctors are regulating Angie's blood pressure and want to limit visitations and any outside disturbances.

Angie is limited visitors to only Saturday and Sunday. Please call first to insure it is convenient for Angie, Raven and their family.

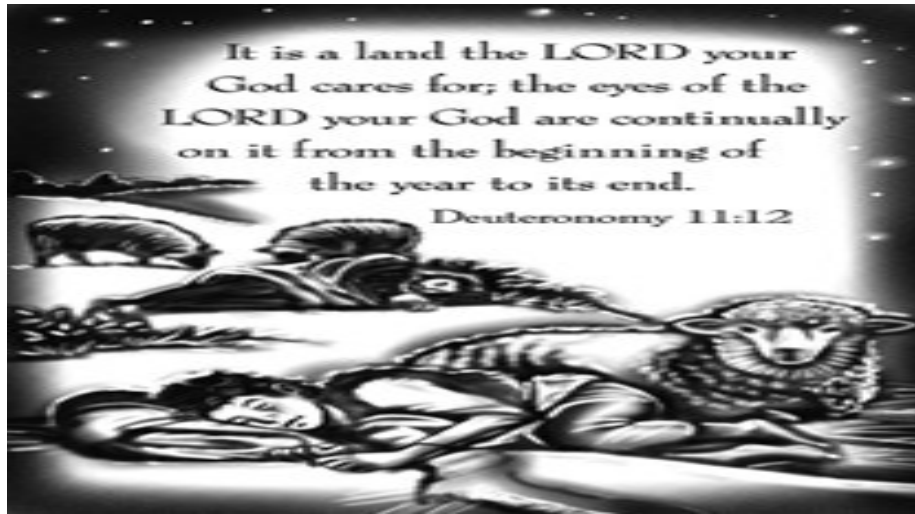


Contact Numbers:

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UCC Office Hours

T 2pm-10pm
TH 9am-3pm
F 9am-3pm



Campus Minister and Family
Jason, Amanda Josiah and
Jaron Swick

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE FAMILY NEEDS

Please pray for God's healing hand to be upon those with cancer:

- Rob Hartley, Renee Gunselman's brother
- Greg, Jensens' neighbor
- Karen Bose, Betty Carter's daughter
- John McPartlin, eye cancer
- Kevin Roth (Eric Jensen's relative)
- Lorena Childress' uncle
- Ezra Parker

Please continue to pray for the health of

- Katy Pyron
- Phil and Linda Weimer
- Patsy Linder
- Donna and Paul Johnson
- JoAnne and Debra Million
- Goldie Campbell in hospital
- Zane Rogers (Brooks' grandson)
- LaVera Crownover
- Cathy Bussard
- Alex Bracht
- Elizabeth Emmerich and family

Pray for BJ (nephew of Paul and Donna Johnson) who was admitted to Vanderbilt Children's hospital last night.

Pray for Hannah Verzosa in her last days of pregnancy.

Pray for Terry, daughter of Ed Calcote, who had surgery for breast cancer last Friday. Pray for full recovery.

Pray for complete healing for Pam McCaughan whose surgery was successful.

Pray for Laurie Eastridge with severe vertigo.

Pray for Pat Masters, Mark's mom, recovering from second back surgery.

Pray for Nora Cloutier, not feeling well Sunday.

Pray for the President, government, and world leaders to know Jesus.

Kellie Strawn requests prayer for God to repair the marriage of her neighbors going through a separation. Pray that it's not too late for her and Jordan to reach out to them. Pray also for the family.

Good News section:

Jaron Swick is 39 days seizure free.

Heidi Powell thanks God for her husband and her children and the good health of family members including her and Tom's parents.

Thanks for blessing Jim with family (Longs).

Thanks for how you have blessed Circle (Longs).

Tim Eastridge thanks God for Evelyn.

Pray for our Mom-to-be

Hannah and Jeremy Verzosa, baby girl due January 2, 2014.

Holly and Ryan McPartlin, baby McRib due 05/20/2014

Pray for engaged:

Ashley Parsons and Ryan King are engaged to be married on July 26th, 2014, in Corvallis.



Pray for Our Military

- Laci Hill, Navy in the Mediterranean Fleet
- Pray for the military families and all those serving.
- Pray for our leaders to make the best decisions that so dramatically affect our military.

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Want to get involved?

Assembly Ministry Deacons' Ministry Group
 Building/Grounds (Church & UCC) ..Greg Brown and
 Josh Wise
 Campus Ministry Jason Swick
 Education Ministry Eric and Chris Jensen
 Evangelism Ministry José Reyes
 Fellowship Ministry Ed and Renee' Gunselman
 Involvement Ministry See Elders
 Life Group Ministry Mark and Nancy Johnson
 Media Ministry Frank Cloutier and Webmaster
 Tim Emmerich
 Men of Iron Rolland House
 People Needs: Financial and Food Becky Miller,
 and Ryan McPartlin
 Publicity Ministry Becky Miller
 Van Ministry Bob and Cody Parsons
 Visitor Experience Ministry See Elders
 Vision Ministry Elders, Deacons, Ministers and
 their wives
 Widows Ministry Peter and Pam McPartlin
 Women's Ministry Laurie Eastridge
 Youth Ministry Mike and Shannon Sorah
 and Eric and Jann Bracht

MONTHLY SERVANTS

Eldership Leader: Casey Long
 Deacon/Minister Leader: Eric Jensen
 Emergency Needs: Pam Strawn,
 541-752-6590
 Communion Prep: Lorena Childress
 PA Attendant: Rolland House
 Kids' Time: Chris Jensen
 Service Monitor: Brian Fields
 541-936-4594

WEEKLY SERVANTS

Dec. 29th, 2013	Jan. 5th, 2014
MORNING K McPartlin	L Wise
P McPartlin	J Wise
P McPartlin	L Leslie
Ushers: J Calkin	Allen Rugh
B Fields	B Leslie
Attendance: L Sorah	J Emmerich
Communion: Jacob H	J Paul
Counting Aides: J Paul	B Leslie
Jacob H	J Emmerich
Nursery: Lindsay Wise	J Womack
A Hammar	N Franklund
Notes /Cards; Emily Jensen	A Hammar
L House	S Childress
Song Leader: J Swick	R Holland
Speaker: G Strawn	G Strawn
Lord's Table: Eric Jensen	J Reyes
Servers: R McPartlin	F Cloutier
P McPartlin	C Cloutier
R Eastridge	J Calkin
Opening Prayer: Gunselman	Gunselman
Pastoral Prayer C Long	M Johnson
Closing Prayer: C Long	M Johnson
5:00 PM EVENING SCHEDULE	
Song Leader: R House	T Wood
Opening Prayer: M Johnson	C Long
Closing Prayer: N Acidera	Joe Hammar
Lord's Table: Eric Jensen	J Reyes
SECOND SUNDAY EVENING of the MONTH	
Singing at Park Place Assisted Living,*	
2595 NE Jack London, at 5:45 PM	

Sunday Morning Attendance	139
Dec. 22nd Contribution	\$2,980
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$3,931
Weekly Budget	\$4,517
Strawn Adoption Fund	\$8,570

Circle Leaders Elders



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Deacons

Ed Gunselman,
 Rolland House, Eric
 Jensen, Peter
 McPartlin, Jose' Reyes

Ministers

All the members of
 the
 Congregation
 (1 Peter 2:9)

W. Gregg Strawn
 Minister of the Word
 Jason Swick
 Campus Minister

2020 Circle Family Times

Sunday
 9:30 AM Bible Classes
 for all ages
 10:30 AM Worship
 5:00 PM Assembly

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class
 10:30 am

Wednesday

7:00 PM Bible Study
 At Circle

Assorted Life Groups

Call 541-758-4456 for details

2014 Women's Events

Jan. 3 -5 Women's Retreat

Talk to Laurie Eastridge or Jasmine Womack if you would like to come for a day or for the weekend.

Jan. 13 Women's Bible Study

Women will be meeting at Circle every 2nd and 4th Monday night each month for a nine week study of the Beth Moore series, *The Inheritance*. Please sign up on the kiosk in the foyer so we can order the \$5,00 guidebooks.

Jan. 20th Women's Exercise

Women will meet at Circle every 1st and 3rd Monday night at 7 PM to be led by Lorena Childress, as she gets us physically moving through the new year!