

DEC. 23RD, 2013

UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CENTER 541-753-4310

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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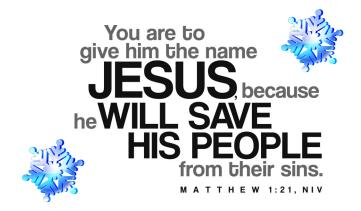
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OPPORTUNITIES

MINISTRY

Christmas Food Boxes go out in TODAY!

Today's delivery will begin AFTER MORNING SERVICES. Get a ticket from Becky Miller at the top of the foyer stairs and then go to the basement and see Charlene Franklund or Laurie Corliss to pick up your food box. Boxes will be loaded out the East end of the basement. 30 boxes designated for 30 families. SIX boxes still available or will be put in pantry for 2014 needs.





"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.

Kids' Time volunteers needed

Chris Jensen is asking for volunteers to lead Kids' Time for Dec. 29th and Jan. 5th (Sunday after Christmas and the Sunday of Ladies' retreat). Anyone interested can contact Chris Jensen, <u>541-929-5885</u>

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

There was a time when churches of Christ seemed a little embarrassed about the fact that we sang a cappella in our gatherings. The absence of an organ, piano, or later—a worship band, left some people wanting to hide our music from others.

Now people tune in weekly to the television show "The Sing Off." It's a competition between several a cappella singing groups. Who would have known that our "weird" music was going to become cool?

Last Saturday night, we hosted another "Community Christmas

Sing-A-Long." Rather than complaining about the missing guitars, people compliment the inclusive nature of our musical style.

An acquaintance of mine, who happens to be involved with quite a few Memorial services, offered this insight to the gathering in honor of my Mom. "I remain very impressed with your congregational singing. Everyone sings parts with vigor and vim, a treat for me to hear."

For the past several years, I've believed that "The best argument for a cappella music in a church gathering is a cappella music done well." I think the comments from guests are proving that thought true.

That raises an interesting point. Just as our musical style is

becoming acceptable, will we begin to lose our ability to sing in 4 part harmony? Will the generation coming up assimilate and appreciate the value in being able to read the music in our hymn books and sing? Will the musical style we have pursued for several decades continue to be used for both older and new church music?

I think the answer is strongly dependent on whether the older people who are adept at singing parts mentor younger people to develop the ability.

PM Preview TONIGHT 5:00 pm "Carols and Play-Doh"





It's the season for Gregg to bring his tarps into the Auditorium for a special Sunday night. It's time for Christmas Carols and Play-Doh!!! Everyone is invited to sing and hear the Scripture read while children use Play-Doh to fashion various items that fit the reading. This is an excellent event for small children.



SCHEDULE OF FAMILY EVENTS

Dec. 22nd - Food box delivery day

Dec. 22nd - 5 PM Christmas carols and play-doh

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

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.



Special thanks to three of our "retired' Elders for identifying the open and malfunctioning foyer door and staying late into a cold Wednesday night to make sure the building was secure.

Servant hearts were extended to care for this church family. They may be retired but are still tireless servants of God.



"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

(Isaiah 9:6)

Pray for safe travels for all the college students and may God use their time away from Circle to share their joy and faith with family, friends and those they may encounter on in their travels.

Contact Numbers:

541-753-4310 UCC 541-207-2777 cell

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
- John Rowland, Kristi Fox's brother
- Greg, Jensens' neighbor
- Karen Bose, Betty Carter's daughter
- John McPartlin, eye cancer
- Kevin Roth (Eric Jensen's relative)
- Lorena Childress' uncle

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 the hospital with bacterial pneumonia
- Zane Rogers (Brooks' grandson)
- LaVera Crownover
- Cathy Bussard
- Ezra Parker Pray that he doesn't have to start chemo again.
- Alex Bracht
- Elizabeth Emmerich and family

Pray for Mark Masters and his family health. His mother Pat, had second back surgery

Please pray for Karla Kent. She is sick and needs to get better emotionally and physically.

Pray for Bobbie Cook who had a pace-maker put in recently.

Pray for the President, government, and world leaders.

Pray for families at Circle in crisis.

Pray for Pam McCaughan who had surgery on Friday.

Bob Porter, husband of Nora Cloutier and Tim Emmerich's cousin, passed away suddenly in MO. Pray for his wife, Darlene.

Good News:

Praise for the recent grant that was awarded to NuScale. Thanks also for continued prayers for Ezra.

Gregg gives thanks to God for all the care during his mom's illness and at her memorial service.

Kathi Redick is thankful that her 16 yr old grandson is only sore after losing control of his vehicle on the ice and going down a bank.

The Calcotes give thanks to our Lord for the light snow, although it was a mess. They didn't have one power outage.

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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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. 22nd, 2013 Dec. 29th, 2013

MORNING SCHEDULE

Greeters: J Woods K McPartlin
M Woods P McPartlin
J House P McPartlin
Ushers: Ed Gunselman J Calkin
P McPartlin B Fields

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Attendance: J R Bracht L Sorah
Communion: N Franklund Jacob H

Counting Aides: K McPartlin J Paul

J B Leslie Jacob H

Nursery: L Childress Lindsay Wise S Childress A Hammar

Notes / Cards; D Eastridge Emily Jensen

N Eastridge

Song Leader: J Swick
Speaker: G Strawn
Lord's Table: E Bracht
Servers: J Strawn
R McPartlin

J Parker P McPartlin

R Parsons R Eastridge

L House

Opening Prayer: F Womack Ed Gunselman
Pastoral Prayer M Johnson C Long
Closing Prayer: M Johnson C Long

5:00 PM EVENING SCHEDULE

Song Leader: B McCaughan R House
Opening Prayer: J Shore M Johnson
Closing Prayer: E Jensen N Acidera
Lord's Table: E Bracht Eric Jensen
SECOND SUNDAY EVENING of the MONTH
Singing at Park Place Assisted Living,*
2595 NE Jack London, at 5:45 PM

Sunday Morning Attendance 155

Dec. 15th Contribution \$4,922

Year to Date Weekly Average \$3,950

Weekly Budget \$4,517

Strawn Adoption Fund \$8,570

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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 Widows Ministry Peter and Pam McPartlin Women's Ministry Laurie Eastridge Youth Ministry Mike and Shannon Sorah and Eric and Jann Bracht



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

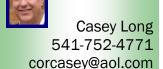
Women will be meeting at Circle every 2nd and 4th Monday night each month for a nine week study of the Beth Moore series, The Inheritance. Please sign up on the kiosk in the foyer so we can order the \$5,00 guidebooks.

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!

Circle Leaders Elders





Deacons

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

Ministers

All the members of the Congregation (I 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