



CIRCLE CHURCH OF CHRIST  
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UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CENTER  
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## FAMILY NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS Monday through Friday 9 AM to 1 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.

## EDUCATION NEWS

There is a **CRITICAL** meeting today at 3 PM in the basement for all parents who have children 18 and under. We also want everyone else who loves education and our children to attend as well. As you know the Jensen's have stepped down from education leadership.

Casey and Darla have agreed to serve as interim Education Administrators. The Longs are committed to helping make the education ministry stronger.

**We need you at our meeting!** Nothing is more important than the education of our own children! We will line up child care for the meeting.

Questions? See Casey or Darla. Thanks!



Sign up today: \$50/couple, includes lunch on Saturday.

Registration closes next Sunday.

## 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

As the high tide rolls out, a fresh collection of stones is exposed. A dozen people or so stroll and stare. There are apt to be agates in there somewhere. Sure enough, a searcher scores success. That rock goes in the bag to be treasured and later pulled out to show off the fun day at the beach.

Meanwhile, half a dozen people stand at the top of the cliff. While jaws drop in recognition

and arms point in the same direction, these treasure hunters have struck it rich in another way. The hot breath of a whale shows itself as vapor. And those who stay fixed on the sight are rewarded with a massive head coming up and out of the water to dazzle their eyes. Laughter and gasps of their own breath overcome the onlookers.

Of interest to me, is the fact that the folks with eyes fixated on the stones, staring down, are oblivious to the treasure appearing but at sea. And the whale watchers won't be the ones to grasp the next agate.

Perspective. I recently heard a lecturer say something like, "We tend to see what we are looking to see."

Most of us have to devote a sizable aspect of our lives walking through the day to day, attending to and staring at the essential tasks. But even in the midst of it, making a moment to gaze up at God and appreciate his grandeur is valuable as well.

Actually, if I make the moments to hang out with God, I'm quicker to see the treasures and tasks he has in mind for me in the "looking down" life. But I shouldn't be too surprised at that. I'm the guy who wants to see the whales *and* the rocks. They're both wondrous in their own ways.



**PM Preview TONIGHT: Video, "The Story" begins at 5:00 pm**

## YOUTH FIELD TRIP

On February 28th the teens are planning a trip to War Paint International in Salem. If you would like to spend time with our teens and you like paintball you are invited to join! The cost is \$35 per person, but if more than 10 attend there will be a \$5 per person discount. Please contact Lorena Childress if you plan to attend. There are often discounts on Groupon.

## SCHEDULE OF FAMILY EVENTS

**Feb 15th - Education Meeting, 3 PM basement**

Feb 17th - Women's Bible Study, at Circle, 10:30 AM

Feb 17th - Dinner & Discussion, UCC 7 PM hosted by Corliss & Leslie

Feb 18-25 - Church Office closed

Feb 22nd - Dessert Auction benefiting the UCC Mission Trip at Circle 5 PM

Feb 26th - Empty Nester's, No host dinner at Izzy's, 6:30 PM

Mar 6-7 - The Art of Marriage, registration ends Feb 22nd

Mar 8th - Deacon & Minister meeting 3:30 PM

Mar 15th - Special teacher for Adult Bible Class, Jeff Walling, 9:30 AM

## CASA Quilting

If you would like to create something beautiful and help a child at the same time contact Cathy Brooks. All the supplies are available including sewing machines and fabric. The more the merrier!



Cathy will work with your schedule, call to set up a time to meet and find out if it is something you like to do.



Jesus gives us an example of what we should do when we see a lost sheep, "go after the lost sheep until [you] find it." (Luke 15:4). Then he describes the result of what happens when we do take the chance to find, talk to, and bring someone to Jesus. "There will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent." (Luke 15:7).

Do you want be part of a great celebration in heaven? Do you want to experience Jesus in a deeper way? Then look for opportunities this week to step out of your comfort zone and share Jesus with those that don't know him. This is the role of a Jesus follower.

This week we did this at the UCC simply by sitting at a booth and telling people about the UCC and prayer. Inviting them into what we do. When we are faithful, God walks with us.

### Contact Numbers:

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

### UCC Office Hours

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



Campus Minister and Family  
Jason, Amanda, Josiah and  
Jaron Swick

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE FAMILY NEEDS

### Health:

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

- Rob Hartley, Renee Gunselman's brother
- Greg, Jensens' neighbor
- Debbie Smith, Florence Purvis' granddaughter
- Lydia Perry, breast cancer
- Karen Solomenson, Evelyn Eastridge's friend
- Tina, Nora Cloutier's friend, brain cancer
- Elizabeth Black, Shirley Womack's sister, throat cancer
- Artie Emmerich, lung cancer
- Delia Cris, mother of Briar's friend

Please continue to pray for the health of:

- Katy Pyron
- Phil & Linda Weimer
- Patsy Linder
- Donna & Paul Johnson, daughter Heidi
- JoAnne Million
- Zane Rogers (Brooks' grandson)
- LaVera Crownover
- Alex Bracht, daily headaches
- Elizabeth Emmerich

- Joyce Brooks
- Ezra Parker
- Barb Hammar, concussion
- Joe Hammar, iron deficiency

Tim Eastridge prays that the women come back from retreat with new life & joy & friendships.

The Powell's ask for prayers for Corbin, Lydia Parker's 3 yr old cousin, who just started having seizures.

### Physical:

Dave Martin (an elder at Keizer church) died this week, please pray for his family.

*We always thank  
GOD for all of you  
and continually  
mention you in  
our prayers.*

I Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

### Pray for our Moms-to-Be:

Marissa and Aaron Veik, due April 6, 2015

Melody and Nate Otta, due April 28, 2015

Jenny and Eric Eastridge, due in July.



Jared Ireland, Corvallis  
Cory Murray, Afghanistan  
All active duty military around the world.





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## Want to get involved?

Assembly Ministry . . . . . Gregg Strawn, Mike Sorah  
Building/Grounds (Church & UCC) . . . . . Greg Brown  
Josh Wise, Peter McPartlin, and Ezra Childress  
Campus Ministry . . . . . Jason Swick  
Education Ministry . . . . . Casey and Darla Long  
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  
Webmaster Tim Emmerich  
Men of Iron . . . . . Rolland House  
People Needs Facilitator . . . . . Tami Brown  
Clothing Drive Lead . . . . . Linda Leslie  
Food Boxes Lead . . . . . Charlene Franklund  
Publicity Ministry . . . . . Tami Brown  
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

## Good News section:

The women's retreat was amazing, praise to God for the deepening of friendships, making of new friends and time to learn His word.

### Life Groups

Are you a part of a Life Group? It isn't too late to join one. There are two that meet at the building and many in different homes. Find the posters in the lobby, and on the kiosk explaining the different study materials being used in each group. Create a deeper relationship with your family here at Circle; sometimes there are Legos too!



## MONTHLY SERVANTS

Eldership Leader: Casey Long  
Deacon/Minister Leader: Josh Wise  
Emergency Needs: Pam Strawn & Ting Yang  
Communion Prep: Jennifer Boss  
PA Attendant: Eric Bracht  
Kids' Time: YES!!  
Service Monitor: Bryan Fields  
541-936-4594

## WEEKLY SERVANTS

	Feb 15	Feb 22
<b>MORNING</b>		
Greeters:	A Rugh L Rugh M Womack	T Eastridge E Eastridge J Parker
Ushers:	M Woods J Calkin	R Parsons P McPartlin
Attendance:	B Sorah	N Franklund
Communion:	L Sorah	B Sorah
Counting Aide:	K McPartlin J Paul	R Bracht J Emmerich
Nursery:	J House N Franklund	E Womack Er Gunsman
Notes /Cards:	Em Jensen N Eastridge	A Hammar O Childress
Song Leader:	C Long	C Cloutier
Speaker:	G Strawn	G Strawn
Lord's Table:	J Hammar	J Parker
Servers:	R Holland E Jensen P Johnson	P McPartlin E Gunselman M Woods
Opening Prayer:	C Cloutier	J Hammar
Pastoral Prayer:	P McPartlin	C Long
Closing Prayer:	P McPartlin	C Long
<b>5:00 PM EVENING SCHEDULE</b>		
Song Leader:	E Bracht	J Freeman

SECOND SUNDAY EVENING of the MONTH  
Singing at Park Place Assisted Living,\*  
2595 NE Jack London, at 5:45 PM

Sunday Morning Attendance	115
February 8th Contribution	\$2,990
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$5,004
Weekly Budget	\$4,400

### Circle Leaders Elders



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### Deacons

Ed Gunselman, Eric Jensen, Peter McPartlin, José Reyes, Michael Sorah, Josh Wise

### Ministers

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



W. Gregg Strawn  
Minister of the Word

Jason Swick  
Campus Minister



Tami Brown  
Office  
Administrator

### Outreach Programs:

Bay Area Rescue Mission  
Clothing Drive  
Food Boxes  
Mountain States Children Home  
Orphan Sunday  
Quilts for CASA  
Special Situations  
University Christian Center  
Wells in East Africa

### 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