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UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CENTER 541-753-4310

## 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.

PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS WHO ARE TRAVELLING FOR THE UCC THAT THEY WILL TOUCH MANY LIVES AND SEE GOD AT WORK.



# MISSION TRIP

# MARCH 21 - MARCH 28

## 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

Today, the NCAA Basketball
Tournament started. March
Madness is the nickname. I don't
know if that describes all the angry
people after their team loses or the
frenzy that the tournament
engenders. I think it is the latter.

It's the season when conversations in many corners concern the best pick for my bracket. Explanations for choosing this underdog and moans when that dog doesn't catch up are heard. Live games are on TV for 12 hours, followed by commen-

tators on the other channels explaining the upsets.

I was thinking this morning. How could Sunday morning at church engender the same kind of focus? How could the gathering and actions together be anticipated with the same heart pounding devotion? My initial answer is "It couldn't."

Before you accuse me of sacrilege, let me describe one major difference between March Madness and Sunday morning: Novelty.

On Sunday, we operate within a range of possibilities that lobby for similarity week after week. And we participate in the event every week for decades.

What's different? Two unique teams meet for 40 minutes, and then it is over. 68 teams engage in the tournament for essentially 3

weeks, and then it is over. We are freed to transfer all our attention and excitement to the next ultimately essential and impossibly exciting event. Novelty.

OK, now that I've apparently taken a shot at Sunday church, let me backtrack. Even if our gathering is less novel, it can have deeper meaning. And when I bring a week of active life with God—life which is "new every morning," even Sunday assembly is a long way from "same old same old." The novel week that I have lived with God means I come to the assembly as a novel/different person. And I come as a participant rather than only as a spectator glued to the screen.



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



Pick up a flyer in the lobby to see the schedule.

Thank you for all your prayers for our youth rally. Please continue to pray for the teens and adults as they plan, that they will have all the resources they need for a fun rally!

Register today: 2020circle.com/rally-in-the-valley

## SCHEDULE OF FAMILY EVENTS

Mar 21-28 - UCC Mission Trip to Richmond, CA

Mar 24th - Women's Bible Study, Circle 10:30 AM

Mar 26th - Empty Nesters, no host dinner at Izzy's 6:30 PM

Mar 29th - 5th Sunday Singing, Veneta Church of Christ, 2 PM

Apr 3rd - Widow's Date Night at Circle hosted by the UCC 6 PM

Apr 4th - Fundraiser for WEI in Portland at 5:30 PM

Apr 10-12 - Rally in the Valley

Apr 12th - Congregation Potluck following services, Circle Basement

May 2nd - Women's Luncheon, Circle Basement, 12 PM

May 7th - National Day of Prayer, Benton County Courthouse Noon.

## Stocking the Pantry

Our pantry is getting bare. Can you help us? We need food available to assist families in need today as well as have some on hand for the holiday season.

Let's start with canned goods. Please watch the 'pull date' we need them to be good well into 2016.

Tomato Soup Fruit

Spaghetti Sauce Hearty Soup

Donations can be left beside the long table in the lobby.



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**UCC Office Hours** 

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



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

Spring Break is here and what a great weekend to spend in San Francisco. It looks like we will be enjoying almost 70 degrees & sunny for most of our time. It is great weather to serve and work with kids.

Please be praying for our team this week. Pray that we show the love of Jesus in practical ways and bring joy into the lives of the people at the Bay Area Rescue Mission. Pray also that our team is transformed through the building of relationships. Thank you for watching out for my family while I am gone also.

## 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

Pray for the family of Vella, Cathy Brooks friend who passed this week.

Jim Knutson asks for prayers for Steven Aldridge of Siletz who is having chronic back pain.

Pray for Arline McDonald from the Bend Church of Christ for recovery and wellness, who was visiting in the area and had open heart surgery this week.

Pray for Les & Joyce Brooks' friend, Paul Russell, who will have shoulder surgery tomorrow.

Please continue your prayers for Debbie Smith (granddaughter of Florence Purvis), who will have her next CT scan on 4/1.

Please pray for Mark Masters' mom, experiencing a great deal of pain. Please pray for her comfort and peace.

### Physical:

Please pray for Jocelyn and Trent Powell and the other college students, who had finals this week.

Pray for comfort for Barb Hammar's supervisor, Micky Reynolds, and all her family in the passing of her father last Thurs.

Pray for the U.S. to return to the God of the Bible.

## Pray for our Moms-to-Be:

Melody and Nate Otta, due April 28, 2015

Jenny and Eric Eastridge, due in July.

## Pray for our engaged couples:

Kimberly Perry and Morgan Reywas, August 29, 2015



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

#### Travel:

Pray for safe travels for the Parkers returning from Portland today.

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## MONTHLY SERVANTS

Eldership Leader: Mark Johnson

Deacon/Minister Leader: José Reyes

Emergency Needs: Chilly Thayer

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Communion Prep: Dale & Tami Brown

PA Attendant: Michael Sorah

Service Monitor: Eric Jensen

## **WEEKLY SERVANTS**

	Mar 22nd	Mar 29th
MORNING		
Greeters:	P McPartlin	M Woods
	P McPartlin	J Woods
	L Leslie	M Gomes
Ushers:	D Brown	J Parker
	J Wise	R Parsons
Attendance:	N Franklund	R Bracht
Communion:	B Sorah	N Franklund
Counting Aide:	R Bracht	J Paul
	J Emmerich	K McPartlin
Nursery:	L Rugh	P Ireland
	S Childress	L Sorah
Notes / Cards:	N Eastridge	S Childress
	O Childress E	Er Gunselman
Song Leader:	J Reyes	R Holland
Kids' Time:	Strawn/Li	Gunselman
Speaker:	G Strawn	G Strawn
Lord's Table:	M Johnson	E Bracht
Servers:	J Thayer	J Calkin
	R McPartlin	N Acidera
	B McCaughai	n J Bracht
Opening Prayer:	G Brown	R McPartlin
Pastoral Prayer:	P McPartlin	C Long
Closing Prayer:	P McPartlin	C Long

5:00 PM EVENING SCHEDULE

Song Leader: E Bracht R House

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

Sunday Morning Attendance 166
March 15th Contribution \$5,361
Year to Date Weekly Average \$4,946
Weekly Budget \$4,400

# www.2020Circle.com www.0SUCC.com

## Want to get involved?

Assembly Ministry	. Gregg Strawn, Mike Sorah
Building/Grounds (Church	<b>n &amp; UCC)</b> Greg Brown
Josh Wise, Peter Mo	cPartlin, 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	
	Bob and Cody Parsons
Visitor Experience Ministry	/ See Elders
Vision Ministry Elde	ers, Deacons, Ministers and
	their wives
	Peter and Pam McPartlin
	Laurie Eastridge
Youth Ministry	. Mike and Shannon Sorah
	and Eric and Jann Bracht

## Good News section:

Jaron Swick is 16 months seizure free!

God is good and always faithful!

Kimberly Perry is engaged! Congratulations on your engagement!

Praise God that Jeff Walling spoke last Sunday!

Cathy Brooks thanks God for helping hands in the shape of Christian brothers. Much thanks!

Jim & Linda Calkin are grandparents again! Praise for a healthy baby and mama!



# 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