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2020 Circle Family Times

Sunday: 9:30AM Bible Classes for all ages
10:30AM Worship
Wednesday: Various Life Groups
Office Hours: S: 2-5; M-R: 8-4; F: 8-12

Family Newsletter

Please Pray For Our Family

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

Les Brooks (malignant leukemia); **Renee Gunselman's parents**; **Gregg's cousin Susan**, serious cancer

Please continue to pray for:

Keith Cornell, **Phil & Linda Weimer**, **Paul & Donna Johnson**, **Jean Woods**, **Betty Carter**, **Al Hendrickson**,
Renee's mom, **Linda Holland**, **Charlotte Bibb**, **Les & Joyce Brooks**, **Bill Perry**

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

We rejoice with the Gunselmans that Renee's mom was able to come home last week! We pray she will have continued recovery, and that this situation will be better than her previous one.

We are thankful Laurie Eastridge had a successful hip replacement surgery, and we pray her recovery will be smooth and complete.

We pray for Caylee Gollakner, to recover completely from her broken arm, and for her to have no lasting effects from this surgery.

We pray for Bill Perry to have a complete recovery from the symptoms he has been experiencing, and for his strength to return.

Pray for Virgil's aunt Joy, dealing with heart issues.

Pray for Virgil's father, Bill, with a bladder infection.

Physical:

Jean Woods, **Ron Eastridge**, **Linda Holland**, **Tami Brown**

We ask God to be with Zach Maynard's family in Sweet Home. 6 year old Zach was critically injured in a jet ski accident while protecting other children around him, and he later lost his life. Please lift this family up in your prayers.

Military: **Jordan Paul**, stationed in N Carolina in extensive training; **John**, **Betty Carter's grandson**, Navy

Engaged Couples: **Cody Parsons** and **Michelle Maeda**

Expecting Mothers: **Marissa (Strawn) Veik**, **Alicia Gollakner**

Praise:

We are so thankful that Ed Calcote celebrated his 97th birthday last week!!!

Please make sure to submit your prayer requests by phone (541-758-4456) or email (2020circle@gmail.com) by Saturday at 12pm to have them included in our Worship Service.

Join us at Cloverland Park Sunday 8/2 at 5pm!

Bring your own seating, water bottles and face masks. You will have to wear your mask while you sign in and get your temperature taken, but once you are seated, you may take it off.

Communion will be available to all at this meeting!

"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.

Upcoming Events

August 2nd, 9:30am: Ecclesiastes Bible Class

August 2nd, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website, Facebook & YouTube

August 2nd, 5pm: Fellowship in Cloverland Park

In Progress: Zoom Relationship Enrichment Class, Sundays

August 5th, 7pm: Churchwide Zoom Group

Deacons: Eric Bracht, Adam Goddard, Ed Gunselman, Rolland House, Eric Jensen, Ryan McPartlin, Bob Parsons, Jose Reyes, Jake Shore, Jordan Strawn, Josh Wise

Outreach Programs: Bay Area Rescue Mission, Christian Relief Fund, Clothing Drive, East Asian Missions, Food Boxes, Mountain States Children's Home, Orphan Sunday, Quilts for CASA, Special Situations, University Christian Center



Thomas' Takeaways

“Knit Together”

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. -1st Cor. 1:10

As if the pandemic, toilet paper shortages, murder hornets (whatever happened to those?), and everything else isn't enough, it's an election year. On the street I take into the church building, within a ½ mile of each other, are signs supporting a Republican candidate and one supporting a Democrat candidate—I always wonder what would happen if they sat down at the same dinner table together.

This year has been fraught with things that threaten to divide people—politics, health, safety, family—in addition to the things that ‘normally’ threaten to divide us—opinions, doctrine, interpretation, life in general. I don’t know of anyone who would disagree that the church ought to be different, but I also wonder in truth just how different we are or aren’t.

I've been dwelling on the verse above, particularly upon the word translated *united*. It's a neat word (many Greek words are) in that it is often translated "mend" or "completed", as in a project being worked upon. It comes from base words which mean to "adjust properly to be in good working order". If we take what this word means to heart, it tells us that unity isn't everyone agreeing upon one thing or another, but adjusting ourselves to work together to fully function according to our purpose. This is what the church should be—a group of people willing to adjust their mindsets, hearts, opinions, politics, whatever for the sake of working together with each other for the Kingdom.

In this season of much potential division, let us remember that by Christ's nails we've been knit together, and the responsibility to adjust to one another is our own. Let us keep that in mind as we navigate life's divisions to proclaim what true unity in diversity looks like, or what it at least could be like. What do you need to adjust to work best with your neighbor? Grace to you.

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

Due to restrictions and concerns surrounding COVID-19, the Camp Yamhill women's retreat scheduled for September 2020 has been cancelled. This retreat was going to be hosted by Circle Church of Christ. Thank you to everyone who has already worked on this retreat!



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"Also in Judah the hand of God was on the people to give them unity of mind to carry out what the king and his officials had ordered, following the word of the Lord" (2 Chronicles 30:12).

The story of Hezekiah delaying the Passover is very relevant in our time. For centuries, the Passover was celebrated on the 15th day of Nisan. However, due to national disasters (Assyria ransacking Jerusalem and King Ahaz's paganism) Hezekiah was not able to celebrate Passover on the traditional date. Not enough priests were purified and the country was in chaos. So they delayed Passover. Also, he sent out letters and heralds to everyone in North Israel imploring them to come to this late Passover feast. Many people came and it was the greatest Passover since the days of Solomon (2 Chronicles 30:26).

Sound familiar? We are also encountering a national disaster and learning to worship the Lord in new and unconventional ways. We've had to delay our large gatherings. Like Hezekiah, we are trying hard to connect with our brothers and sisters who have been separated from us due to a national disaster.

I have 2 prayers based on Hezekiah's Passover: 1) I pray God will give us unity of mind and help us to respect our leaders in this time. Satan wants to divide us in this time of crisis, but God wants to unite us. 2) I pray when the time is right to meet, we can return stronger than ever.



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We Are Here For You

We continue to appreciate the generosity in giving from church members. We are a family, and if you need help or know someone who needs help financially please do not hesitate to make this known to the Elders, Ministers, or Maria.

Sunday Morning Attendance

Last Week's Contribution	\$3,006.80
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Year to Date Weekly Average \$4,627.43

Weekly Budget	\$4,705.29
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Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved!

Circle Facilitator Inside.....	Eric Bracht
Outside Circle Facilitator.....	Jim Calkin
UCC Facilitator.....	Nathan Lopez, Bob Parsons
Overall Support.....	M Zhang, G Brown, J Wise
Campus Ministry.....	Josh Stutzman, Eric & Chris Jensen
Church Safety Ministry.....	Ryan McPartlin, Josh Wise
Discipleship Ministry.....	Jose Reyes
Education Ministry.....	Thomas Pruett (CR-8 th Grade)
High School.....	Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen
Adult.....	Casey Long
Coordinators.....	R & H McPartlin, J & S Shore, L Wise, E Womack
Fellowship Ministry.....	Ed, Renee & Joel Gunselman
Life Group Ministry.....	Jordan & Kellie Strawn
Marriage & Family Ministry.....	Adam & Erin Goddard
Media/Web Ministry.....	Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan
Men of Iron.....	Rolland House, Bob Parsons, Jake Shore
People Needs Facilitators.....	Tami Brown & Maria Zhang
Clothing Drive Lead.....	Charlene Franklund
Food Boxes Lead.....	Charlene Franklund
Publicity Ministry.....	Maria Zhang
Quilts for CASA.....	Cathy Brooks
Roster List.....	Maria Z, Casey L
Van Ministry.....	Bob Parsons, Chris Gollaker
Visitor Experience Ministry.....	See Elders
Vision Ministry.....	Elders, Deacons, Ministers, Ministry Leaders & Spouses
Widows Ministry.....	L Munson
Women's Ministry.....	Lead: Laurie Estridge
Support Team: T Brown, M Freeman, N Johnson, J Parsons, P Strawn, M Zhang, R Gunselman	
Worship Ministry.....	Thomas Pruett & The Worship Team
Youth Ministry.....	Eric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen