

Elders



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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:

Troy, Gregg's brother, who is beginning radiation to treat his cancer.

Gail McCaughan's nephew, Terry, with a stomach aneurism and possibly leukemia. He is out of the medically induced coma and improving. Pray for the doctors to treat his blood infection.

Alex Fieldhouse's dad, recently diagnosed with cancer. The biopsy showed the cancer has spread to some spots on his liver, and he started chemo last Wednesday. His white blood cell count is low, so please pray for him to stay healthy!

Lois Munson, as she recovers from shoulder surgery.

Joe Hammar's brother Jerry, in a care facility but not making expected progress.

Ed Calcote to have a quick, complete recovery from a scrape on his arm.

We pray for Renee's dad, dealing with health problems and challenges, and for Renee as she navigates her parents' health challenges.

Don Krebbs, and his upcoming kidney transplant. We pray the operation will be smooth, and he will make a quick, full recovery.

Physical:

**Jean Woods, Ron Eastridge, Linda Holland, Hallas Family**

We pray for everyone affected by the recent hurricane, fires, and smoke and that God will comfort them.

We pray for Philomath and Corvallis schools as they reopen, that they will be safe.

We pray for everyone in our community who is dealing with isolation, loneliness and addictions at this time.

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 Veik, Alicia Gollakner, Naomi Smith, Summer Shore, Shima Kanani

Praise:

The McCaughans praise God for Lance's new job, in his field, at Tinker Air Force base.

Praise God for Don Krebbs being matched with a kidney!

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

**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



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September 13, 2020

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

As you know Oregon is facing unprecedented wildfires this side of the Cascades. Church leadership has been monitoring the air quality index for Corvallis. Initially the forecast was that it would improve Thursday night but now the expectation is that it will not be better until Monday or later. So, reluctantly, we need to cancel our outside worship planned at Cloverland this Sunday (9-13).

As stated, our plan is to return to the building in October, but we initially considered using the building this Sunday. However, that would also require people getting out in the bad air which is counter intuitive. So, this Sunday we are back to a virtual service. Please know that our plans remain intact, which means we are scheduled to meet at Cloverland Park at 10:30 AM for worship on 9-20 and 9-27.

We are also looking into using the building for those dates if weather/smoke/alien invasion issues, etc., occur. Apparently, you need to stay flexible in 2020. On a more serious note, **if any of our members need special assistance during this smoke event please make it known by calling the church building and/or the elders.** We love you all and appreciate all that you do for the Lord!

The Elders

**"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**

**September 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am:** Casey Long kicks off a new series on "Encouragement For Today"

**September 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am:** Livestream Worship on our website, Facebook & YouTube; In person meeting at Cloverland Park

**September 16<sup>th</sup>, 7pm:** Churchwide Zoom Group



## Thomas' Takeaways

### The Next Day...

As of this writing, just over 900,000 acres (over 800 square miles) of Oregon land has been burned by wildfires. Thousands of residents are under various levels of evacuation alert with many of those thousands indeed having left their homes and belongings, hoping it will be there when they can return. Several have died.

I'm proud that many people in the congregation have been active in helping, through donations of materials and finances, offering help to move and store things, shelter for those displaced, and constantly asking what you can do. These are good things, but allow me to offer an extended perspective.

There will be a day when these fires are not foremost on our minds—when they are out, when we get used to the changes the fire has wrought on the landscape, and the memory of hearing of the evacuations will be one of many from 2020. For the people who actually had to leave, who lost something or someone, and the responders on the front lines, these experiences will take longer to become memory. The people most directly affected by these fires will be dealing with the consequences in their lives for months or even years while the rest of the world gets along. I don't say this to condemn anyone, it's simply how things work, for better or worse.

I say this to remind us all that addressing real-life issues, like addressing real-life in general, is not just about the immediate response, but about the continuing effort long after the initial event which continues to matter. We hopefully understand this in that while baptism is highly emphasized and yes, an incredibly important step, it's but the first day of the rest of a lifetime of choices, dealing with sin, mercy, failure and grace. Too often, people have been "dunked and forgotten" (a direct quote from someone lamenting their church experience), and discipleship has been reduced to Bible Study. Christ is faithful to us everyday, and renews His work in our lives every day, as I pray we do for Him. The world in its problems and emergency needs a "next day church" as well, one that doesn't just respond now, but is looking and willing to walk alongside people every next-day after events like these, no matter how long after the event it is. It's harder, but the church was never called to do what was easy, it's called to do what is Christ-like. My challenge today, let's consider what we can do beyond this week or this year to help those affected by, well, 2020 in general, and of course beyond. Grace to you.

## Thoughts, Questions, Notes

A big thanks to José Reyes for his uplifting series. Well done! Our new class, entitled Encouragement For Today, kicks off this Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. The goal of this class, as you might surmise, is to encourage and build up all of us. Teachers will include Frank Cloutier, Jordan Strawn, Gregg Strawn, and Casey Long. Please join us at 9:30 AM on Sundays, or at any time after that which works better for you. Thanks!

~Casey, for Adult Ed



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International students are arriving next week, September 14<sup>th</sup>! American students are arriving September 23<sup>rd</sup>! Here are some ways you can help:

\*Sign up to cook a Tuesday Night Dinner (6:30pm, 10-15 people). Sign up on Google Docs:

(<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lhwoXdJ2STR0ibae6EKtNO44dPN6Jk8WQk8FEzHjlkw/edit?usp=sharing>) or call me at 503-866-9117 to sign up.

\*Volunteer to be a Friendspeak Tutor (Call me to sign up)

\*Volunteer to be a Bible Tutor with an American student (Call me to sign up)

\*Help get the UCC ready by staining the decks (Call me if you want to volunteer)

Thank you for helping me make this a great year at UCC!

~Josh Stutzman

**Contact Numbers:**

541-753-4310 UCC

503-866-9117 cell



## 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

<b>Last Week's Contribution</b>	<b>\$4,687.82</b>
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**Year to Date Weekly Average**    \$4,421.84

<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$4,705.29</b>
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### Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved!

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