

Elders



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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



Reconnect with Life Groups starting October 7th!

We want YOU to meet weekly with one or two households remotely or in-person to talk about life, joys, challenges, and how to stay faithful in this season of life. You can choose to meet via Zoom or in person, depending on the comfort level of the houses involved.

To sign up, send an email to strawn_kellie@yahoo.com and tell us who you have partnered with!

"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

October 4th, 9:30am: "Encouragement For Today" class continues online and in person
October 4th, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website, Facebook & YouTube; In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ
October 7th: Life Groups Start

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:

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 two weeks ago. His white blood cell count is low, so please pray for him to stay healthy!

Joe Hammar's brother Jerry, now in an adult care facility, where he will hopefully continue receiving the care and physical therapy he needs.

Gene Bibb. His loss of vision in his right eye was likely caused by an optic nerve ischemic event (a disruption in blood supply that likely caused permanent damage). Please pray for him as he has follow up appointments, and to adjust to his reduced vision.

Laurie Eastridge as she recovers from dislocating her newly replaced hip. She is now at home and taking things extremely easy.

Gene Erickson, Maria's grandfather, who fell last weekend.

Renee's sister and brother in law, Rick and Rhonda, facing a serious situation.

John Chafee, Barb's brother in law, facing undisclosed issues at this time.

Braelyn, a 7 year old girl with Noonan Syndrome, facing issues related to this condition.

Don Krebbs (Jennifer's dad) as he awaits his kidney transplant.

Physical:

Jean Woods, Ron Eastridge, Linda Holland, Hallas Family

We pray for all our Senior Saints, and ask that they have everything they need at this time.

We pray God will bring the fires under control, and that no more lives will be lost.

Ron Eastridge, facing COVID issues at his facility.

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

Engaged Couples: Cody Parsons and Michelle Maeda; Gabriel Gunselman & McKenzie Kemp

Expecting Mothers: Marissa Veik, Alicia Gollakner, Naomi Smith, Summer Shore, Shima Kanani

Praise:

We are grateful for the rain that has helped with our smoke situation.

Thank you Charlene and Alyssa for all of your hard work on the Clothing Give Away!

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.

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

Interruption

Out of morbid curiosity, I watched the last forty minutes of the presidential debate last Tuesday evening. I was supremely disappointed. Not solely by the politics, the issues, nor even the candidates themselves, but by the complete lack of decorum that was on display for the country and the world. And no—I'm not **JUST** talking about a particular person or the moderator—both candidates showed moments of uncivility, name-calling, and interrupting. My favorite summation of the evening was a tweet that said "[the moderator] is a perfect example of why kindergarten teachers are underpaid." Having subbed in kindergarten classrooms, the tweet's not wrong.

Read me well here—back your party. Defend your candidate. Be interested in policy. All that is fine and good.

But read me well here now—we as Christians must not succumb to the same cacophony and noise that we witnessed at the highest levels of our government on Tuesday evening. The church is constantly in danger of either being ignored by those who need her or judged harshly by those who see our own inevitable hypocrisy of forgiven yet still imperfect lives. We need not give the world more cause to write off Christians as those who are so intolerant that they do not listen, those so focused on conversion they miss their own transformation, those so intent on pointing out the speck of the world they miss the plank so obvious even to the least spiritual of the world. Now, brothers and sisters, is the time to show the world who Jesus truly is—loving, graceful, compassionate, present, caring, relational, righteous, just, and merciful.

Some of you may feel I'm attacking a candidate or a political position. I'm not—I'm an equal opportunity critiquer of both politics but also of how we who proclaim Christ as our King can be better. We must be better, fellow Christians, than what so many people have placed their ultimate trust and hope in. Caesar has taken what is 'his' and it will fail all who trust in it. We—you and I—must show the world what and who are God's. Grace to you.

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

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We are still preparing food boxes for Thanksgiving and Christmas 2020! However, due to COVID-19 precautions, we cannot accept food donations. At this time, we can only accept cash, checks, online donations, or gift cards to aid us in shopping for these boxes. Please contact Maria (541-758-4456) if you have questions or would like to help.



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“Don’t be selfish; don’t live to make a good impression on others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourself. Don’t think only about your own affairs, but be interested in others too, and what they are doing.” (Philippians 1:3, NLT)

Take a look at the first sentence. Paul writes a paradox here. Don’t be selfish, but also don’t care too much about what others think. The solution to both these problems is humility. This applies to my life this week as I am recruiting for UCC. If I’m selfish, I won’t go on campus at all. I’ll say to myself “I have better things to do.” If I care only about making an impression, I won’t ask for students’ contact information for fear of rejection. The correct balance is humility. I need to care about the students enough to ask them for their phone numbers so I can share Jesus with them. I need to place the eternal needs of students above my own feelings. I hope this Scripture gave you similar insights into what humility means in your life!

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Sunday Servants

- Elder of the Month: Mark Johnson
- Deacon of the Month: Jake Shore
- Service Monitor: Maria Zhang
- A/V: Caleb Jensen/Alex Bracht
- Opening Prayer: Jim Calkin
- Communion: Eric Bracht
- Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Mark Johnson
- Speaker: Thomas Pruett
- Ushers: Dave Franklund, Greg Brown

Sunday Morning Attendance

Last Week’s Contribution	\$3,292.20
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$4,609.29
Weekly Budget	\$4,705.29

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 Gungelman
Life Group Ministry.....	Jordan & Kellie Strawn
Marriage & Family Ministry.....	Adam & Erin Goddard
Media/Web Ministry.....	Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan
Men of Iron.....	Roland 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 Gollakner
Visitor Experience Ministry.....	See Elders
Vision Ministry.....	Elders, Deacons, Ministers, Ministry Leaders & Spouses
Widows Ministry.....	L Munson
Women’s Ministry.....	Lead: Laurie Eastridge
Support Team: T Brown, M Freeman, N Johnson, J Parsons, P Strawn, M Zhang, R Gungelman	
Worship Ministry.....	Thomas Pruett & The Worship Team
Youth Ministry.....	Eric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen