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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, Reneé's mom, Linda Holland, Charlotte Bibb, Les & Joyce Brooks, Bill Perry, Ron Eastridge & his family, Glenn Hallas & his family, Gregg Strawn, **Hendrickson Family**

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Please continue to pray for Bill Perry and his heart condition, for healing for Bill and his situation. Barb Hammar to have peace while she waits for the results of a skin biopsy, and for those results to be good ones. Dan King, Joe & Barb Hammar's brother in law, to continue recovering from a serious surgery at home. Matt & Jamie, friends of a member, who need health and healing.

Dolly Turner, who has COVID. We pray it is a mild case and she recovers quickly. (This prayer request was submitted through Facebook.)

Reneé's friend's daughter, who is pregnant and just found out her baby could have serious mental or physical complications. We pray this diagnosis is incorrect.

Naomi Smith's brother and sister in law, who just suffered a miscarriage. We pray for them to heal physically and emotionally, and for them to keep their faith.

We lift up Gregg, Jordan & Kellie, Aaron & Marissa and their families, and the Hendrickson family at this time. We pray for them to have peace and comfort, and that God will help us surround them and show them love. Ron Eastridge, Glenn Hallas and Shaun Womack.

Continue praying for Kari Slater's son, Michael, that he will have patience and peace. Loren Paul to make a complete recovery from the back surgery and heart issues he had last week. Please also continue to pray for Angela, McKaya, and the Rugh family.

Jennifer House and everyone else working for schools in Philomath as they prepare to meet in person soon. Misty Freeman to feel less stress at her job, to lead with excellence and to be a light to everyone around her.

Military: John, Betty Carter's grandson, Navy

Engaged Couples: Cody Parsons and Michelle Maeda

Expecting Mothers: Naomi Smith, Summer Shore, Shima Kanani, Alanna Sullivan

We praise God that a member's daughter has opened her heart to Jesus! We pray their son will also open his heart to Jesus. We are so glad Lois Munson is back home safe.

We rejoice at the birth of Jameson Gollakner last week! He is healthy and doing well!

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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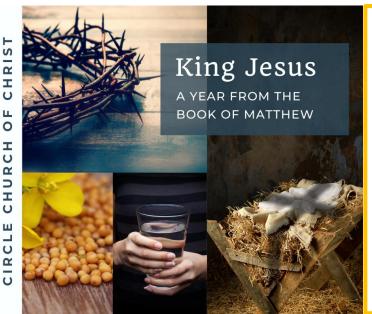
2020 Circle Family Times

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



Today's Reading: Matthew 2:13-23.

Reading for January 24th: Matthew 3:1-17.

Discussion guides for each sermon this year are available on our website. From the home page, click Ministries, then 2021 Life Groups. Life Groups can choose to work through these questions together, and individuals or families can also

work through them on their own.

"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

January 17th, 9:30am: Bible Class January 17th, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website. Facebook & YouTube: In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ January 31st, 3pm: Digital Baby Shower for Summer Shore

Contribution statements are in church mailboxes. Contact Maria if you would like yours to be mailed to your home address.



Thomas' **Takeaways**

Rights

Regardless of your personal beliefs about the subject, there are many in our country who believe their rights as a citizen have come under attack and indeed been infringed in recent months. Debate has been forged over whether social media space is protected by first amendment rights (it's currently legally not) and therefore what rights those who use it have to speak. We have seen the extraordinary lengths, recently as well in the last year, that people who feel unheard and in danger of losing that which they hold valuable – their way of life, their values themselves, their places in society will take to bring their issues to the forefront. We have seen loss of life, personal attacks to and from all 'sides,' and division increasing in the pursuit of our rights as American citizens.

Here's the thing: while all citizens are blessed to enjoy rights bequeathed and recognized by our government, Christians who are first beholden to King Jesus do not have a right to those rights.

We as Christians do not have a right to freedom of speech – we are restricted to speak only that which is wholesome and will build up those around us (Ephesians 4:29).

We as Christians do not have a right to assemble in ways which the fruit of the Spirit are not obvious.

We as Christians do not have a right to treat others however we would like them, whether they are digital or inperson, but to treat them how we would like them to treat us (Matthew 7:12).

Indeed, the only true right Christians have is to give up our rights for the sake of not hindering the Gospel. Paul says that explicitly in 1st Corinthians 9:12b, in which he lays out all the rights he has as an apostle to ask for the Corinthian church for support, but instead says he could put up with anything rather than hinder the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

As this country experiences another peaceful transition of power this week, I invite you to dwell upon the words of Ephesians 4:29, and to indeed take seriously the right we have to give up our rights to anything save what Christ would have us do - 'Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.' Grace to you.

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

Partnering with CRF to drill wells throughout Africa is a cause that was very important to Pam Strawn. A fund has been set up in her name to collect money for CRF to drill a well. Thanks to a matching fund, CRF needs only \$5,000 to drill a well, and already \$6,688.78 has been donated in Pam's name. Thank you for your generosity! We are accepting donations through January.

Sunday Morning Attendance 41 **Last Week's Contribution** \$9,582.07 **Year to Date Weekly Average** \$8,906.93 **Weekly Budget** \$4,705.29



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First, I'd like to give a shout out to the people who've helped me recently. Lindsay is planning a murder mystery party, Megan is teaching a UCC Art Class, Ruslan is leading a soccer tourney, James Freeman is cleaning UCC carpets, Emily H. and J are leading a ladies Bible discussion, and that's on top of all our Friendspeak volunteers. Thanks everyone, it is certainly a weird term, but I'm very pleased with our student/volunteer involvement.

On Tuesday night we are following Thomas' Matthew preaching outline, so we were talking about expectations people had of the messiah in Matthew 2. In this section, Matthew quotes Micah 5:2-5, "... out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times . . . and he will be their peace." However, the following section is a very violent prophecy about the destruction of Assyria, saying "[Israel] will rule the land of Assyria with the sword" (Micah 5:6). When you read Micah, it is very hard to tell if this is a new prophecy, or if it is connected to Micah 5:5 (a more peaceful, messianic prophecy). So it's easy to see why many first century Jews misunderstood the Messiah, expecting him to be a conquering, warlord king instead of a prince of peace, What Messiah are you expecting? Do we want to follow a messiah who will help us conquer the world, or one who will give his life to be our peace?

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Sunday Servants Jan 17

Elder of the Month: Casey Lona **Deacon of the Month:** José Reyes Service Monitor: Linda Chuinard

A/V: J Baxter/F Cloutier; A Bracht/Ca Jensen

Song Leader: Rolland House Opening Prayer: Bill McCaughan

Communion: Eric Jensen

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: José Reyes

Speaker: Thomas Pruett

Sunday Servants Jan 24

A/V: B McCaughan/F Cloutier; J

Baxter/J Gunselman

Song Leader: Casey Long

Opening Prayer: Dane McKinney

Communion: Josh Stutzman

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Mark Johnson

Speaker: Thomas Pruett

Many Hands Make Ligh	t WorkGet Involved!
Circle Facilitator Inside	Eric Bracht
Outside Circle Facilitator	Jim Calkin
UCC FacilitatorNa	than Lopez, Bob Parsons
Overall Support	1 Zhang, G Brown, J Wise
Campus MinistryJosh Stutz	man, Eric & Chris Jensen
Church Safety MinistryR	yan McPartlin, Josh Wise
Discipleship Ministry	
Education MinistryThon	
High SchoolAdult	
CoordinatorsR & H McPartlin, J &	
Fellowship MinistryEd	
Life Group Ministry	Jordan & Kellie Strawn
Marriage & Family Ministry	Adam & Erin Goddard
Media/Web MinistryFran	
Men of IronRolland House	, Bob Parsons, Jake Shore
People Needs FacilitatorsTa	
Clothing Drive Lead	Charlene Franklund
Food Boxes Lead	Charlene Franklund
Publicity Ministry	
Quilts for CASA	•
Roster List	
Van MinistryBo	
Visitor Experience Ministry	
Vision MinistryElders, Deacons, Ministe	ers, Ministry Leaders &
Spouses	
Widows Ministry	
Women's Ministry Support Team: T Brown, M Freeman, N Johnson, J Pa	
Worship MinistryThomas Pi	
Youth MinistryEric & Jann Brad	
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