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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 pray for Frank Cloutier, who is experiencing serious back problems. Also, pray for wisdom as some important decisions are being made right now.

Pray for Dale Gifford as he recovers from a recent shoulder surgery.

Pray for Channell Banks' cousin, Brenda, who has had multiple unsuccessful knee operations and may now be facing amputation. Please pray for the doctors to sort things out and for there to be another

Please pray for Maria's grandpa, who was in the hospital last week due to a collapsed lung. He is feeling weak, and still waiting to hear if he is a candidate for a heart valve transplant.

#### **Physical:**

Pray for a friend of the Gunselmans, currently in rehab. Rehab is going well, but more time is needed. Pray for Channell Banks as she recovers from back surgery and is mourning the loss of her father. We pray for all of our graduating High School seniors, that God will give them clarity and wisdom for their next

We pray for all of our married couples, particularly those facing marital issues. We pray the issues can be resolved, and that our couples will draw closer to God and to each other.

We pray for all of our engaged couples: Cody & Michelle, Tony & Kaitlin, and Ryan & Allaina, that God will be with them as they look forward to getting married.

We pray for everyone who is grieving right now, as so many in our congregation are.

### Military: John, Betty Carter's grandson, Navy

Engaged Couples: Cody Parsons and Michelle Maeda; Tony Chen & Kaitlin Hill; Ryan Bracht & Allaina West Praise:

Reneé is so thankful her parents celebrated 69 years of marriage last week! Please pray for the health issues they are facing.

We rejoice that Don Krebbs' heart surgery on Thursday went well, and we pray he has a great recovery. God is good and prayers are being answered!

> 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**









## "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**

May 16th, 9:30am: Bible Class

May 16th, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website, Facebook & YouTube; In person

meeting at Circle Church of Christ



# Thomas' Takeaways

#### The Depth of Mother's Day

Every trade has its inside talk, and ministry is no different. One of the things that ministers often talk about are the 'harder' days to preach or even know how to address. Mother's Day is usually at or near the top of the list due to the vast differences of how people may feel about it.

Outside of some opinions that special days have no place in Sunday services, or that they should be the entire focus, Mother's Day can be one of the happiest days for some, and one of the worst days for others. For some, this is the first time they get to experience Mother's Day as they gaze upon their first child. Some are in the midst of motherhood and even on this day devoted to them will work their double-full-time-job of caring for those who depend on them, the day coming and doing. For others, it's a day of satisfaction as they reflect upon their years of raising their now-grown children.

For some, every Mother's Day brings the painful memories of the mother or child they lost that year and will thus always be a day to simply get through.

Others will have it remind them of a hole in their heart never filled that a desire to create someone to call them 'Mother' could not overcome on its own.

Broken relationships, lost years, and hurt feelings will be the response of others, whether from having grown apart as adults or from a mother not living up to what she should be, having raised her child in a home of abuse or neglect.

Yet others will honor not their birth mothers, but others who have become that to them, or be honored by their unofficial children they love, mentored, and have been there for through the years with a connection stronger than blood.

I invite you to simply be honest with how you feel, both with yourself and others around you, and for us to be open to hearing where people are on this day. Weep with those who weep, mourn with those who mourn, celebrate with those who celebrate, and keep pointing each other to God, from whom the full love, care, and sacrifice that motherhood is and ought to be flows. Grace to you.

Thoughts, Questions, Notes
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Sunday Morning Attendance 47

Last Week's Contribution \$5,585.57

Year to Date Weekly Average \$5,277.72

Weekly Budget \$4,705.29



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<sup>15</sup>The Jews there were amazed and asked, "How did this man get such learning without having been taught?" <sup>16</sup>Jesus answered, "My teaching is not my own. It comes from the one who sent me." (John 7:15-16).

I'd never noticed this verse before. The religious leaders of the day considered Jesus uneducated—yet they marveled at his learning. I take some pride in my education. I consider most bumper stickers tacky, saucy, and not as cool as you might think. However, I do display my Pepperdine and Lipscomb University Alumni bumper stickers with pride (hey, I worked hard for those degrees!). I always pictured Jesus as growing up poor, but somehow making it through Hebrew University on a full ride scholarship for academics. It seems that was not the case. Jesus' authority did not come from his intelligence or academics, it came from his connection with God and his obedience to his will. Do we ever look down on those less educated than ourselves? I hope and pray we do not, because if we look down on the uneducated, we are looking down on Jesus Christ our Lord.

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# **Sunday Servants May 16**

Elder of the Month: Casey Long
Deacon/Minister of the Month: Thomas Pruett

A/V:T Pruett/A Member; B McCaughan/J Gunselman

**Song Leader:** George House **Opening Prayer:** Ed Gunselman

**Service Monitor:** Loralea Glenn

Communion: Josh Parker

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Mark Johnson

**Speaker:** Thomas Pruett

# **Sunday Servants May 23**

**A/V:**B McCaughan/J Gunselman; A Bracht/Ca Jensen

**Song Leader:** Rolland House **Opening Prayer:** Josh Stutzman **Communion:** Mark Johnson

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Eric Bracht

**Speaker:** Thomas Pruett

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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	
	Thomas Pruett (CR-8 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	
	Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen	
	Casey Long	
	R & H McPartlin, J & S Shore, L Wise, E WomackEd, Renee & Joel Gunselman	
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	Jordan & Kellie Strawn	
	yAdam & Erin Goddard	
	Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan	
Men of Iron	Rolland House, Bob Parsons, Jake Shore	
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 MinistryElders, D	eacons, Ministers, Ministry Leaders &	
Spouses		
Widows Ministry	L Munson	
Women's MinistryLead: Laurie Eastridge		
Support Team: T Brown, M Freeman, N Johnson, J Parsons, M Zhang, R Gunselman		
Worship Ministry	Thomas Pruett & The Worship Team	

...Eric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen

Youth Ministry