

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

Please Pray For Our Family

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

Les Brooks (malignant leukemia); Gregg's cousin Susan, serious cancer

Please continue to pray for:

Keith Cornell, Phil & Linda Weimer, Paul & Donna Johnson, Jean Woods, Renee's mom, Linda Holland, Charlotte Bibb, Les & Joyce Brooks, Glenn Hallas & his family, Gregg Strawn, Hendrickson Family; Renee Gunselman's parents, Deanna Patton

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Please pray for Mark's brother and his family following the passing of his wife and their mother Saturday due to COVID.

Pray for Michael Neuman and his daughter, Jensen, as they both recover from COVID. Michael also recently finished chemotherapy for his colon cancer, so he is immune compromised as he battles COVID, and Jensen is a single mother with a 2 year old daughter.

Please pray for Rob Hartley, Renee's brother, as he is dealing with some health complications right now.

Please pray for John, Susan's step-mother's husband, as his dementia is worsening.

Physical:

We pray for safe travels for the House family, coming home from Canada in snowy and icy weather, and for safe travels for the Parsons who are travelling to Hawaii for Cody and Michelle's wedding this week.

We pray for Susan Molero, who had a hard year in 2021 with losing her father, and we also pray for her to have success in losing weight in 2022.

Spiritual:

Help us to form God habits, and be salt and light.

Please pray for peace within our body.

Military: John, Betty Carter's grandson, Navy

Praise:

We are so glad that Nancy's dad was released from the hospital last weekend! He has COVID, please pray for his complete recovery.

We rejoice at the wedding of Cody Parsons and Michelle Maeda last Thursday (1/6). They had a small ceremony in Hawaii.

Congratulations Cody & Michelle Parsons!



"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 9<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am:** From Creation to Chaos Bible Class

**January 9<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am:** Livestream Worship on our website & YouTube; In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ

**January 9<sup>th</sup>:** All Church Potluck: Please join us and bring a dish to share!

**January 10<sup>th</sup>:** Blood Drive at Kings Circle Church, 11am-4pm

**Deacons:** Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen, Bob Parsons, Jose Reyes, Jake Shore

**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

From The Desk Of Tom & Maria Zhang

Thank you so much to everyone who helped us pack and move a few weeks ago! We really appreciate everyone who got up early to come and help us, and we could not have done this without you. It was a huge blessing to us, and it is all the more special because we didn't have to ask for help. Several people heard we bought a house and were moving, and they volunteered to help, asking us to name the date and time. Thank you so much for all of your help, and for donating not only your time, but your vehicles, tools, and supplies as well. We feel so blessed to be a part of this congregation! Perhaps the greatest blessing was one that neither of us anticipated: Maria's family heard that they didn't have to help us move because our Circle family already had. Maria's mother has been a member of several churches, and she said not one church had helped her move before. Maria's stepsister, who is not a churchgoer, also remarked how amazing it is that people would volunteer their free time and resources to help people in this way, and that she had never heard of a church doing this before. Thank you for being our church family. Thank you for praying for us throughout the process of getting Tom's green card, rejoicing with us when the green card was received, and supporting us by donating bikes to Tom to fix up and buying bikes from him. We are blessed beyond measure to have people we can rely on to give sound advice when we need it and who check up on us to make sure we are doing well. And we are so glad that your light shines beyond us to the people around us in a way they can see. Thank you Circle Family!

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

Ladies Corner

- 1. Women's Winter Weekend: CANCELLED
The Women's Ministry has met, and due to several circumstances outside of our control, we have decided to cancel the Women's Retreat for 2022. Any money you have paid will be completely refunded. Please plan on coming next year! In the meantime, stay tuned for information about an upcoming weekly women's Bible Study that will meet at the church and explore Beth Moore's Chasing Vines study. This weekly study will include fun activities and prizes!

Table with 2 columns: Category, Amount. Rows include Sunday Morning Attendance (44), Last Week's Contribution (\$6,432.23), Year to Date Weekly Average (\$6,432.23), and Weekly Budget (\$4,705.29).



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I encourage you all to come to Wednesday night Bible Class, or watch it online. We are watching Ray Vanderland's "That the World May Know." He combines scripture and Biblical archeology in a way that is informative, applicable and powerful.
This episode was one of the most moving things I have ever seen. Mr. Vanderland was down in the caves of Cappadocia, where Christians fled during the Roman persecutions of the first century. He described in vivid detail the way Christians would roll large stones in front of the mouths of the caves and hide from perusing Roman soldiers. He then connected it to modern day persecutions in places like the Sudan. There was a woman who shared her story of persecution—her church was bombed and she had to hide in the desert.
The lesson reminded me of this scripture, "Do not deprive the alien or the fatherless of justice, or take the cloak of the widow as pledge. Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and the Lord your God redeemed you from there" (Deuteronomy 24:17-18).
I have two application points: 1) First, remember there are Christians suffering persecution. We need to pray for them and continue to help them (we do that through missions like Christian Relief Fund and Healing Hands). 2) The saddest part of the history of Cappadocia is that once Christianity became dominant religion in Turkey (sometime around 400 AD), Christians started killing pagans (and later, Muslims). There were Christians killing Pagans in the same caves where their Christian ancestors had hid just 200 years earlier. Jews and Christians both need to remember that our people were persecuted for our faith in God. Let's make a commitment to remember our history and never persecute other religions. We need to end the cycle of hate.

Sunday Servants Jan 9

Elder of the Month: Ed Gunselman
Deacon/Minister of the Month: Eric Bracht
Service Monitor: Maria Zhang
A/V: J Baxter/B McCaughan; J Baxter/J Gunselman
Song Leader: Rolland House
Opening Prayer: Eric Bracht
Communion: Mark Johnson
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Ed
Speaker: Gregg Strawn

Sunday Servants Jan 16

A/V: B McCaughan/J Gunselman; A Bracht/Ca Jensen
Song Leader: TBA
Opening Prayer: Peter McPartlin
Communion: Bill McCaughan
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Rolland
Speaker: Frank Cloutier

Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved!

Table listing church ministries and their facilitators. Includes Circle Facilitator, Outside Circle Facilitator, UCC Facilitator, Overall Support, Campus Ministry, Church Safety Ministry, Discipleship Ministry, Education Ministry, Fellowship Ministry, Life Group Ministry, Media/Web Ministry, Men of Iron, People Needs Facilitators, Clothing Drive Lead, Food Boxes Lead, Publicity Ministry, Quilts for CASA, Roster List, Van Ministry, Vision Ministry, Spouses, Widows Ministry, Women's Ministry, and Worship Ministry.