

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, Linda Holland, Charlotte Bibb, Les & Joyce Brooks, Glenn Hallas & his family, Gregg Strawn, Reneé Gunselman's parents, Deanna Patton, Connor Murphy's mom (Linda Murphy)

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Please pray for Michelle (the sister of the Manager where Lorelea lives) who had open heart surgery to replace a valve.

Continue praying for Matt Cohen, who has cancer.

Please continue praying for LeAnn, Trent Powell's future mother-in-law. Pray that she beats the cancer and is able to make it to their wedding in the fall and well beyond. May God show her mercy. She is in a lot of pain.

Pray for Linda Rugh in her cancer treatment.

Please continue praying for Tim Eastridge. The sore on his foot is still large and he has to stay off his foot.

Pray for Joyce as she is undergoing physical therapy in house. She is showing improvement.

Physical:

Pray for Reneé's friend, Kristy, who is experiencing a lot of heartache for her son and his young daughter as he goes through a divorce.

Pray for safe travels for Lorelea going to Arizona to see Loretta, and also pray for her ankle to heal.

Please pray for Gregg's brother in law, John, as he recovers from a minor stroke.

Spiritual:

We pray that God will defeat evil in the hearts and minds of men and women wherever they are. We lift up everyone in Ukraine who has lost family members, friends, and properties, and we pray wisdom will be given to people there so they know how to help refugees. We pray for the churches there who have suffered so much, and for Christians there who are suffering.

Military: John, Betty Carter's grandson, Navy

Expecting Mothers: Michelle Parsons, Monica Allen, Maria Zhang, Alyssa Fieldhouse

Praise:

Tom and Maria received the exciting news that their Baby Girl is growing well so far!



Mylah May Parsons was born on May 23, 2022. At birth, she was 6lbs, 11oz and 18.5 inches long!
Congratulations Cody & Michelle, and big brothers Owen and Eli!

"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 29th, 9:30am: Bible Class

May 29th, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website & YouTube; In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ

May 26th, 7pm: Wednesday Evening Study: Walking With God in the Desert by Ray Vander Laan (in-person only; no livestream)

June 5th: Graduation Sunday

June 5th, 5pm: Ladies Bible Class

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 Renee Gunselman

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

It's that time of year when we mow our lawn, garden and take care of the things of nature that God has so blessed us with. This time of year also brings to mind some favorite childhood memories I have with my mom.

It's been two and a half years since my mom had a stroke that should have taken her life, but God wasn't finished with her yet. My mom relearned how to do a lot of things, but she can't mow her lawn anymore.

For some who might have a large yard to mow, they might be fortunate enough to have a riding lawn mower and the task isn't really all that daunting. But for my mom there was an acre and a half yard to mow, and doing it with a push mower often took a full 8 hours to complete the task. But my mom never wanted anybody else to do it!

My mom might have some confusion about things and just yesterday she told me she was going to be mowing the lawn soon. I know she wishes she could! I only have a little under a quarter of an acre to mow but when I begin to complain about getting it done, and how I'd rather do something else, I remember how much my mom actually enjoyed mowing the lawn. Attitude and Perspective....hmmmm.

The favorite childhood memories I'm talking about are the days when my mom would mow the lawn even in the California heat. About every half hour I would look out and see my mom's beet red face and sweat dripping from her brow and face. Somehow I knew what my mom needed. So I would fill up a very large glass of water. I wish I could describe the look on her face when she would grasp that cold cup of water and gulp it down. It gave her "life" for the moment. Then I started putting cold wash rags in the freezer, and with the refreshing ice water glasses I would offer a frozen rag for her face.

My mom's response to me would be "Oh you're such a sweet girl; this is just what I needed".

As a child I really didn't think much about these scenarios, but now as an adult those memories can't be replaced. Just a couple of days ago, even though there are things my mom isn't clear about, she reminded me how wonderful those frozen rags were when she mowed the lawn.

I don't share these things to say, "look at me". I share them because I'm so thankful my mom taught me well and I'm thankful for the perspective I have gained when I start to complain about things I don't want to do. It reminds me of when Jesus talked about Living Water.

Those hot lawn mowing days didn't seem so daunting for my mom knowing that something cold and refreshing would come her way soon and it allowed her to have the strength to get the 8-hour lawn mowing job done. On those days the refreshment from the very cold drinks and rags were life giving. How much more life-giving The Living Water that God offers us is, for us on a daily basis.

Let us be thankful for the ways we get to serve that God has called us to.

I'm very thankful my mom is still with us to reminisce these childhood memories and I'm thankful for the perspective my mom taught me. Now I think I'll go mow the lawn. This one's for you Mom!

There will be an all-church graduation celebration on June 5th! We will be honoring high school and college graduates during worship service with lunch provided and party afterwards! Everyone is invited!

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in our parking lot on June 8th from 11am-5pm.

Sunday Morning Attendance
Last Week's Contribution
Year to Date Weekly Average
Weekly Budget \$5,284.00



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Hey everyone, last week I preached on the nobility of the Eldership and I misspoke. I told the story of when I signed my contract and made my choice to become a minister, not an Elder. and I said, "I'll never be an Elder, it's not open to me." This was a poor choice of words that gave some people the impression I was saying, "ministers cannot be elders." That's not true, ministers CAN be elders. 1 Timothy 5:17 says, "Elders who do their work well should be respected and paid well, especially those who work hard at both preaching and teaching." So ministers CAN Biblically be Elders. However, it's often not done in America in Churches of Christ because the minister is also an employee and it creates a conflict of interest (though many ministers will become elders after they retire. So I should have said something like, "I'm not likely to become an elder for a long time." Poor choice of words on my part, I got wrapped up in the emotion of my story and didn't communicate well. Sorry for the confusion. I hope this article clears things up.

Sunday Servants May 29

Elder of the Month: Ed Gunselman
Deacon/Minister of the Month: Eric Bracht
Service Monitor:
A/V: N Cloutier/F Cloutier; A Bracht/J Boss
Song Leader: Thomas Wood
Opening Prayer: Josh Stutzman
Communion: Frank Cloutier
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Ed
Speaker: Bill McCaughan

Sunday Servants June 5

A/V: J Baxter/B McCaughan; J House/F Cloutier
Song Leader: Casey Long
Opening Prayer: Frank Cloutier
Communion: Mark Johnson
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Rolland
Speaker: Josh Stutzman

Ladies Corner

On Sunday June 5th, we will have our next meeting in the basement to study Beth Moore's "Chasing Vines" together. There will be fellowship and snacks in addition to the study. This is a **free class** for women of all ages.

Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved!

- Circle Facilities Manager (Inside).....Eric Bracht
- UCC Facilities Manager.....Nathan Lopez, Bob Parsons
- Campus Ministry.....Josh Stutzman, Eric & Chris Jensen
- Education Ministry.....(CR-8th Grade)
- High School.....Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen
- Adult.....Rolland House
- Coordinator.....Jann Bracht
- Media/Web Ministry.....Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan
- Men of Iron.....Rolland House
- Clothing Drive Lead.....Linda Chainard
- Food Boxes Lead.....Charlene Franklund
- Quilts for CASA.....Cathy Brooks
- Van Ministry.....Bob Parsons, Chris Gollakner
- Widows Ministry.....L Munson
- Women's Ministry.....T Brown, M Freeman, R Gunselman, N Johnson, J Parsons, M Zhang
- Youth Ministry.....Eric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen