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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, Renee Gunselman's parents, Deanna Patton, Connor Murphy's mom (Linda Murphy)

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Pray for Judy Miebach, Tim Eastridge, Evelyn Eastridge and Linda Rugh, who are all dealing with serious health problems. 6/13 Update: Tim is in the hospital recovering from foot amputation, and Evelyn is at home with COVID.

Pray for Bill Oakes, Virgil's father, who is beginning his chemo treatment on Tuesday 6/14.

Physical:

Please pray for safe travels for Lois Munson's grandchildren as they travel back to Ontario, OR. We have a lot of members travelling this week, so we pray for safe travels for all of them as well. Pray for Geri York. Though not COVID positive, she isn't feeling well. There have been several COVID cases where she lives.

Please keep all of the widows and widowers at Circle in your prayers.

Pray for Susan's neighbor, Melanie, as she is moving to Sweet Home. Pray for God to help that transition be a smooth one.

Spiritual:

Pray for Susan and her interactions with her neighbor Paula. Paula has been harassing Susan. Please pray for Paula's heart to soften and for Susan to show God's love and kindness to Paula.

Military: John, Betty Carter's grandson, Navy
Expecting Mothers: Maria Zhang, Alyssa Fieldhouse

Praise:

Susan praises God for continued weight loss with the Weight Watcher's program.

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



"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

June 19th, 9:30am: Bible Class
June 19th, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website & YouTube; In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ
June 19th, 5pm: Ladies Bible Class
June 22nd, 7pm: Wednesday Evening Study: Walking With God in the Desert by Ray Vander Laan (in-person only; no livestream)

Encouragement

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

I want to tell you about the time when I was a bride for a day and how I wore white to walk down an aisle between picnic tables under a pavilion in the park. It was a simple wedding with bagged lunches and tables filled with baskets of candy and Korean treats. I remember the wind blowing through sheets of sheer curtains and my bouquet of flowers, stuffed with roses and blue thistles. The night before, I sat in the hotel room with my bridesmaids — those friends who became sisters — making memories forever seared into the heart, no matter the many miles between.

There we were, stuffing gift bags for guests and thinking over last-minute details for the big day to come. There was a moment, in all of our laughter, when the room grew small and everything seemed to move in slow motion. There was laughter and chatter, friendship and fun, but I needed something beyond that moment — something that only a father could give.

I slipped outside the room and stepped into the hallway of the hotel. Then I knocked, ever so gently, on the door across from me. It swung open.

“Just needed a Dad hug is all,” I said, falling into the arms of my father.

The moment lasted all but a few minutes. Even so, it was everything I needed for that day and to be carried into the next. This magical memory of my wedding, of having my dad within arms reach and not 1,851.2 miles southwest in San Antonio where he lived, reminds me of the fragility of family. It reminds me just how many of us *are* missing pieces from the puzzle of our lives. Mothers who move to different states, children who chase professional pursuits in other cities and countries, grandparents who’ve gone off to live how and where they’ve always dreamed, fathers who — for whatever reason — are far from us.

Sometimes, these missing pieces — these people — can be gathered. Sometimes we can travel through time and space to see them. But, sometimes, the pieces — our people — can’t be put back together again. It could be distance. It could be death. It could be danger. It could be disagreement.

It reminds me when Jesus told His disciples — those best friends who became brothers — how He’d soon be leaving them and how the Holy Spirit would come and be with them in His stead (John 14:15-31). And, goodness, am I ever so desperate to be reminded of the Holy Spirit who came — and still comes — to tangibly fulfill the felt needs of those who follow in His footsteps.

The truth is that there is not one day in all of the Gregorian calendar, Chinese calendar, Jewish calendar — or any calendar for that matter — that gives time and space enough for the vast nuances that come with being human. New Year’s Eve will always fold out and be forgotten, Independence Day will always remind us of the ways we are not yet fully free. Mother’s Day will not always bring the depth of rest that mothers crave, and Father’s Day will not always fulfill our hearts to feel the love of a father.

And I know that the words on this screen cannot touch you in all the whole and hurting places that coexist within you. These words cannot replace the love of those fathers that should have been there all along, protecting and teaching their children how to tie their shoes and change their tires.

But the Holy Spirit can touch you — the Holy Spirit can reach deep into every hidden place you hold within your heart. The Holy Spirit can meet you in the chasms on the calendar — the gaping holes in which you are waiting to see and sense love show up on a day like today.

The Holy Spirit is present, even while you are in pain, and He holds space for your heart, like a hug wrapping you up in the arms of a loving father. He whispers:

I am not a distant God. I am closer than your skin, thicker than the air you breathe. My love is louder than your loneliness. I am with you — in the surgeries, in the emergencies, in the celebrations, and in every mundane moment in-between. I am holding out My hand to you with more than a hug for you. I promise you My presence.

The words from [one of my favorite worship songs](#) go, “There is a God who loves me, who wraps me in His arms.” (This song is available and beautiful to listen to in both English and Spanish.) As you move and love and celebrate and cry through this weekend, may you embrace this truth: You are held in the arms of your Heavenly Father, and His love is a hug for you.

Sunday Morning Attendance

Last Week’s Contribution

Year to Date Weekly Average

Weekly Budget \$5,284.00

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A Note For Teens From Howard Jones (Keizer COC):
Our intention is to carve out more time for our teens to be together and for our chaperones not to have to travel home late, with work looming in the morning. Friday night allows everyone involved more time to enjoy being together and to have a richer program for the evening. Keizer will be hosting the first "Summer Night" program on Friday, June 24th on our campus beginning at 6:00pm. We will have a meal ready for your teens and chaperones and then an encouraging evening of fun and devotion. Other Summer Nights for 2022 will be August 12th and August 26th.

Sunday Servants June 19

Elder of the Month: Rolland House
Deacon/Minister of the Month: Jake Shore
Service Monitor:

A/V: A Brooks/J Gunselman; N Cloutier/F Cloutier
Song Leader: Nathaniel Franklund
Opening Prayer: Casey Long
Communion: Mark Johnson
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Rolland
Speaker: Jake Shore

Sunday Servants June 26

A/V: J Baxter/B McCaughan; A Bracht/Ca Jensen
Song Leader: Frank Cloutier
Opening Prayer: Peter McPartlin
Communion: Josh Stutzman
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Ed
Speaker: JJ McCallie

Ladies Corner

On Sunday June 19th, 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-8 th 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.....	Charlene Franklund
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