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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: Monday-Friday, 8-5

Please Pray For Our Family

Please pray for God's healing hand to be on those with cancer: Les Brooks (malignant leukemia) 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), Tim Eastridge Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Please pray for Misty's friend Ted who is getting ready for a bone marrow transplant. Pray for God to make his body strong and heal him completely. Give him and his loved ones peace through this scary time.

Pray for Cathy's friend, Mary, with cancer. Please be praying for Linda Rugh. She had surgery last Friday. Pray for Brie, who was ill and having migraines last Sunday.

Physical:

Please pray for comfort and peace for Frankie Kent and her sister's family as her sister passed away on Friday. Pray for Jackie's best friend and her family, as she lost her husband who was on hospice last Wednesday. Please pray for a young mom, Larissa, who is pregnant with her 3rd child. She has had to leave her alcoholic husband for the safety of herself and her children.

Pray for the support troops in Ukraine.

Pray for Alan and Cathy's daughter, Jennifer, as she carries the bulk of household responsibilities without her husband.

Spiritual:

Pray for the church in this place.

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

<u>Widows, Widowers, and Orphans:</u> Pam Briggs, Ed Calcote, Bobbie Cooke, Sarah Giboney, Loralea Glenn, Linda Holland, Susan Melero, Virgil Oakes, Florence Purvis, Jean Schreiber, Luci Spencer, Gregg Strawn, Jean Woods, Geri York; Christian Relief Fund, Mountain States Children's Home, Orphans' Lifeline of Hope

Praise:

Eric and Jann are glad to be in Worship with Ryan at Woodward Park. Thanks for brothers and sisters all over the world!

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

Family Newsletter



Everyone is welcome to join us for a potluck lunch in the basement right after Worship today!

"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

July 24th, 9:30am: Bible Class July 24th, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website & YouTube; In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ July 24th, 12pm: All Church Potluck July 26th, 7pm: Wednesday Evening Study: "The Truth Project". Everyone welcome!

From The Desk Of Reneé

Gunselman

"Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together with love".

This summer weather motivates me to do things I have put off for the last year and even more years before now.

We have been making some changes and improvements around our house, inside and out, and with that has come new kitchen and bathroom sinks and countertops, additional counter space and under the cabinet hidden spice racks. Changes and improvements of these sorts can be messy and challenging, just like our Christian walk and church life can be a bit messy and challenging at times, but in the end, they all have "silver" linings. In creating more space in our very small kitchen, we have been purging and getting rid of stuff. However, I can't part with these silver (stainless steel)

bowls because they have become more than "just a set of bowls" We received this bowl set 38 years ago as a wedding present. Not only did we receive one set of them, but 2. They aren't as shiny as they were 38 years ago but they are still very useful and have served us well, including using them to play pranks on our neighbors who married the same summer as us, and also received more than one set for a wedding gift.

This bowl set is really nothing special, and many probably would have gotten rid of them by now. But as I was recently about to get rid of them, I started thinking about their significance.

1) They represent 38 years of commitment and love in mine and Eds marriage, our marriage. Like the bowls, at times, we're not as shiny or sparkly as God has called us to be, but over time, we move past that and sharpen our focus. Col 3:14: "And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity."

2)The bowls are a great space saver in my small kitchen, since they nest so perfectly, one inside the other, almost appearing like there is only one bowl. This brings to mind Psalm 133:1: "Behold how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity."

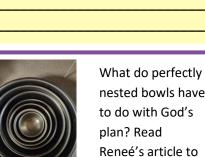
3) In moving my parents from their home of 20 years, my mom happened to have a similar set of bowls, only smaller. So now, instead of a set of 4, I have a set of 7 that all fit perfectly one inside the other. This brings to mind the idea of having a renewed mind. My kitchen and bathroom have a renewed presence and my set of aluminum silver bowls was renewed when I added my mom's to the set. In thinking about this. Rom 12:2 comes to mind: "Do not conform to the patterns of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

4) I don't find it just coincidental that we're talking about these bowls that are Circle shaped and as I have thought about analogies, I have thought about our "circle" of friends and our "Circle" Church Family. Although we have gone through some challenging things during the last couple of years, and at times it seemed a bit messy, (like our house projects) staying committed to our church family through it all has been well worth it to see the growth and progress and "silver" lining, so to speak, in all the positives that have happened in spite of the challenges. Just like working hard on our house projects to see them through to completion has been well worth the wait. We are not finished with our house projects. Nor is God finished growing and shaping our church in His perfect timing and plan.

Like our perfectly unified and nestled bowls in the cupboard, creating space, God is shaping, molding, creating, changing and renewing our Circle Family into His perfect plan.

I'm keeping the bowls. Who knows what lessons they will teach me next?! May God bind us perfectly together with love! I leave you with this scripture to ponder:

Rom.8:28: "And we know that for those who love God, all things work together for His good purposes."



Thoughts, Questions, Notes

nested bowls have to do with God's Reneé's article to find out!

Sunday Morning Attendance	58
Last Week's Contribution	\$4,173.62
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$4,538.39
Weekly Budget	\$5,284.00



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As a minister, I usually don't give movie recommendations in my sermons and articles

for 2 reasons. 1) The Church has people of all ages so it's almost impossible to find a

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movie that is appropriate for everyone (even the Passion of the Christ is not appropriate for 3 year olds). 2) I don't watch that many movies. I'm a social guy, and I can hardly sit 2 hours with my mouth shut. I want to be meeting people and sharing the Gospell However, I was sick June 13-20 with the flu so I got to watch a few movies. I highly recommend "Chip and Dale, Rescue Rangers" (the movie). This is one the whole family can enjoy. It's a funny, clever little detective story that has the

positive message of forgiving your friends. There is no violence, hitting, swearing or sexual references. The characters are all kind and likeable (Chip gets annoyed with Dale, but that's really the only negativity in the film). There are two "butt" jokes, but they were about a dog. The humor mostly comes from tiny chipmunks interacting in a human sized world. It also is an impressive combination of live action, CG, traditional cell animation and Claymation—a real cinematic masterpiece. It did not go to theaters (which is a shame) so you can only watch it on Disney Plus.

Sunday Servants July 24

Elder of the Month: Ed Gunselman Deacon/Minister of the Month: José Reyes Service Monitor:

A/V: J House/J Gunselman; A Bracht/Ca Jensen Sona Leader: Nathanial Franklund **Opening Prayer:** Don Patton Communion: Greag Strawn Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Ed **Speaker:** Jim Knutson Sunday Servants July 31

A/V: J Baxter/B McCaughan; N Cloutier/F Cloutier Song Leader: Casey Long **Opening Praver:** Peter McPartlin **Communion:** Frank Cloutier Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Rolland **Speaker:** Jim Knutson

Ladies Corner

We are looking for people to cook meals for Meal Trains that are created for church members, and we also need people who love to coordinate Bridal and Baby Showers! If you would like to help with either of these things, please talk to Nancy, Jackie, or Maria.

Many Hand	Is Make Light WorkGet 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)	
	Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen	
	Rolland House Jann Bracht	
	Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan	
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	Charlene Franklund	
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	Cathy Brooks	
	Bob Parsons, Chris Gollakner	
	L Munson	
	T Brown, M Freeman,	
R Gunselman, N Johnson, J Parsons, M Zhang		
Youth MinistryEric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen		
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