

Elders



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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)

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 (recovery and physical therapy)

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Pray for Thomas, as he is back in the hospital after over-exerting himself. **1/1 Update: We were so excited to see Thomas and his family last Sunday at Worship!**

Please keep praying for Tim Eastridge, as he continues to recover. **1/1 Update: We were also super excited to see Tim and Evelyn last Sunday at Worship!**

Please pray for Lorealea Glenn, who has been sick for a while. Pray for healing and recovery.

Physical:

Please pray for Becky. She lost her brother, Mike, unexpectedly last week. Please pray for her and her family.

Spiritual:

Pray for everyone who is doubting their faith. Pray they will feed their faith and doubt their doubts. We pray this will be a year of renewal for everyone.

Please Pray For Our Expecting Mothers:

Marisol Uzochukwu, Monica Allen

Military: Justin & Briar Rogers in Oregon National guard

Expecting Mothers: Marisol Uzochukwu, Moncia Allen

Engaged Couple: Gregg Strawn and Jennifer Rowland

Widows, Widowers, and Orphans: Pam Briggs, Ed Calcote, Bobbie Cooke, Anna Dyk, Sarah Giboney, Lorealea 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:

We are so thankful for our Christian family worldwide!

Deacons: Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen, Jose Reyes

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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January 8, 2023

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

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

January 8th, 9:30am: Bible Class
January 8th, 10:30am: Sunday Morning Worship (Livestream available at 2020circle.com)
January 11th, 7pm: “Peak of the Week” Life Group meeting at the building. All welcome.

Have you ever felt lonely in a crowded room? Have you ever wanted to be seen and loved, in spite of—or perhaps because of—the many layers, good and bad that make up who you are? I have good news for you.

The Bible shares many stories about Jesus and the way that He saw people and loved them. Do you remember in Luke 8 when the woman who had been bleeding for 12 long years snuck into the crowded room where Jesus was speaking and touched the hem of his cloak? She was instantly healed! Equally beautiful, though, is the fact that Jesus stops what He's doing, notices this woman, lonely in her longstanding pain and isolation of this ailment. She had no hope of being cured, though I am sure she had tried everything she knew how. Then along comes Jesus, this amazing man, God in flesh, and she reaches out to Him as quietly as possible, knowing how important and powerful He was. He doesn't say, "Get away from me, peasant! How dare you!" No, no, no. Jesus says, in the midst of the crowd pressing in on Him, that He felt power go out from Him as someone touched Him. When the woman comes forward and falls on her face before Jesus, He sees her and says, "Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace." Wow! She went from isolation, loneliness in a crowded room to being seen, acknowledged, and commended by the King Himself! Jesus sees people and loves them.

What about Zaccheus—the “wee little man,” as the children’s song goes? In Luke 19, we learn he was a tax collector, rich, and considered a sinner and corrupt by the Jews in Jericho. When Jesus came to town, Zaccheus was so excited, this human mix of sinner and deep faith, longing for reconciliation to God, that he climbed up in a tree to be able to see the Savior pass by. The beauty of Jesus on display again, He sees Zaccheus. Really sees him. He stops by the tree and says, “Zaccheus, come down here! I am coming to stay at your house.” Wow! And despite the grumblings of the pious and those who thought themselves pure, Jesus went to Zaccheus’ home, where Zaccheus humbled himself to Jesus and promised to give his possessions to the poor and repay fourfold any amount he had defrauded those from whom he collected taxes. Jesus could see this man, his failings and his faith, and Jesus loved Zaccheus.

These stories mean so much to me because I can see a little of myself in the woman with the hemorrhage, I can see a little of myself in Zaccheus. Their stories tell us we have someone who sees us when we feel lonely and isolated, when we are in pain and suffering. We have someone who loves us in our humanness, our mix of sin and longing for reconciliation. In both stories, Jesus sees. Not just the things other people see. Jesus sees with the eyes of God, into our hearts, into our deepest needs and longings. When people come to Him, He reaches back out to them, heals them, offers them dignity and a second chance. This Jesus does the same for us, and that is good news! Blessings to you this week.

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5th Sunday Singing will be held at Metro Church of Christ in Gresham on January 29th from 5-6:30pm. Mark your calendars if you would like to attend!

You are invited to attend the wedding of Gregg Strawn and Jennifer Rowland. It is at Newberg Church of Christ on Sunday, January 15th, 3:00 in the afternoon.

Sunday Morning Attendance

Last Week's Contribution	\$8,775.81
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Year to Date Weekly Average \$8,775.81

Weekly Budget \$5,284.00



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Cooks Needed:

Remember to sign up to cook a Tuesday Dinner at UCC next term! The sign up sheet is on the back bulletin board next to the church calendar and across from the mail boxes.

We are having 15-20 students every week and the food is a major draw for many of our underfed grad-students from other countries. The global economy is rough right now, so many students can't afford to eat well (especially with high exchange rates)! Tony and Tom both reported that free food is one of the main things that led them to become a Christian. So when you cook for UCC, remember you are not just giving a hand out to needy students, you are attracting Christians and non-Christians to hear the Gospel. Thanks for your support!

Sunday Servants Jan 8

Elder of the Month: Ed Gunselman

A/V: J House/J Gunselman; J House/J Boss

Song Leader: T Wood

Opening Prayer: Ca Jensen

Communion: M Johnson

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: E Gunselman

Speaker: Josh Stutzman

Sunday Servants Jan 15

A/V: N Cloutier/F Cloutier; A Bracht/Ca Jensen

Song Leader: R House

Opening Prayer: C Long

Communion: N Acidera

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: M Johnson

Speaker: Bill McCaughan

We are collecting money between Jan 8 and Feb 26 to send Bibles and songbooks to Africa. If you would like to, donate online and specify "Other" OR write "Africa" in the memo line of your check. Thank you!

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.....	Roland House
Coordinator.....	Jann Bracht
Media/Web Ministry.....	Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan
Men of Iron.....	Roland House
Clothing Drive Lead.....	Loralea Glenn
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