

Elders



Rolland  
House



Ed  
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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, Reneé Gunselman's mother, Deanna Patton, Tim Eastridge, House family, Fancy family.

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Pray for Brad Hellestro, hospitalized with pancreatitis.

Please pray for Virgil's dad, as he starts treatment for bladder cancer soon.

Pray for Mialee Womack, having hip replacement surgery on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. Please pray for successful surgery, speedy recovery, and peace of mind to combat the anxiety it brings beforehand for all concerned.

Please pray for Reneé's mom, on hospice.

Continue praying for Phil & Linda Weimer's daughter in law.

Pray for Susan's neighbor, Paula, having problems with drugs.

Pray for Serna, someone who works with Susan, who had a cough.

Physical:

Please pray for Dale Brown's family, as his brother Jim passed away on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

Pray for safe travels for everyone in the next few weeks.

Spiritual:

As our children move from adolescence to adulthood, may they continue to grow in faith and obedience to Jesus Christ, the Lord.

Military: Justin & Briar Rogers in Oregon National guard

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, Jean Woods, Geri York; Christian Relief Fund, Mountain States Children's Home, Orphans' Lifeline of Hope

Praise:

Susan gives praise that she has lost 30lbs over 3 years.

We will have a Clothing Give Away for adults January 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. Please place any donations of adult clothing in our donation bin. We are also accepting donations of canned food at this time!

**Deacons:** Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen, Jose Reyes

**Outreach Programs:** 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, UCC Mission Trips

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December 24, 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**



*Christmas Eve Service*  
*December 24<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm*

**"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**

**December 24<sup>th</sup>:** Register for Women's Winter Weekend

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am:** Bible Class

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am:** Sunday Morning Worship (Livestream available at 2020circle.com):

**Wes Hanson: "Christ-Más: Keep Christ in Christians"**

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm:** Christmas Eve Service  
**January 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:45pm:** Second Sunday Second Service at Park Place Assisted Living

Keep Christ in Christians

In recent years it’s become commonplace to see yard signs or other media declaring, “Keep Christ in Christmas!” or “Put Christ Back in Christmas!” Planting this pithy slogan on the front lawn alongside the inflatable nativity or posting it around your profile pic on social media has become one popular way that many choose to publicly voice their convictions and take a stand in “The Culture War”. And like any opinion voiced publicly, there have been publicly voiced retorts and reactions to it. One meme I saw online reacted this way: “Put the ‘Christ’ Back in Christmas? How About Putting the ‘Christ’ Back in Christians?”

Well...I mean...When you put it that way...you many have a point.

As Christians, our first concern certainly should be turned inward to consider our own attitudes and behaviors—that we truly live in a way that reflects that Jesus Christ is truly Lord in our hearts.

It’s all too easy to be drawn into lesser disputes—pulled out of the supernatural battle and lost in a superficial skirmish. It’s so easy for us to lose sight of our real enemy and our real objective. I suspect this is part of Satan’s strategy against us. We can be so drawn into the “pre-packaged”, “easy-to-use” tactics and resources that others offer that we forget to employ the unconquerable strength, indomitable tactics and superior resources that God has supplied to us. We spend our time trying to win arguments for Christ rather than winning disciples to Him.

Colossians 1:28-29 reminds us that we have been given “the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is CHRIST IN YOU, the hope of glory. HIM we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature IN CHRIST. For THIS I toil, struggling with all HIS energy that HE POWERFULLY WORKS WITHIN ME.”

As a Christian, “Keeping Christ in me” must be my first priority. And putting Christ in others must be right behind that. We must each welcome Christ to “dwell in our hearts through faith” (Eph 3:17). We must each “let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.” We must each “let the word of Christ dwell in us richly” (Col 3:15-16). We must each seek “in our hearts [to] honor Christ the Lord as holy.” We must not simply “keep Christ in Christmas,” but rather keep Him in all the activities of our lives at all times of year by the power of Christ that is working within us in order that we may proclaim HIM to as many others as possible.

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

Clothing Give Away

We will have a clothing give away for adults January 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. Clothing can be donated anytime. If you would like to help with this Give Away, please contact Lorelea.

Second Sunday Second Service Is Coming!!!

We will meet every Second Sunday at Park Place Assisted Living (2595 NE Jack London St, Corvallis) at 5:45pm to sing with the residents there. Mark your calendars and plan to join us on January 14<sup>th</sup>!



Last Week’s Contribution	\$2,351.71
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$3,904.79
Attendance	90

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Sunday Servants Dec 24

Elder of the Month: Ed Gunselman

A/V: N Cloutier/F Cloutier; A Brooks/C Murphy

Song Leader: C Long

Opening Prayer: F Cloutier

Communion: B McCaughan

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: E Gunselman

Speaker: W Hanson

Sunday Servants Dec 31

A/V: J House/J Gunselman; J Baxter/B McCaughan

Song Leader: R House

Opening Prayer: M Johnson

Communion: F Cloutier

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: C Long

Speaker: E Bracht

Ladies' Corner

Registration for Women’s Winter Weekend 2024 is now open! Please see Jackie in the foyer to register and pay to reserve your spot. The cost is \$100, and our retreat will be February 2-4, 2024. All payments are due by January 14<sup>th</sup>.

Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved!

Circle Facilities Manager (Inside).....	James Freeman
UCC Facilities Manager.....	Nathan Lopez, Bob Parsons
Campus Ministry.....	Josh Stutzman, Eric & Chris Jensen
Education Ministry.....	(CR-8 <sup>th</sup> 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.....	Lorelea 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