

Welcome Visitors

Thank you for worshipping with us today!
 If you, or others you know, have a need that we may help you with, please let us know. No matter what the situation, there is hope in Christ Jesus and it is our goal to Share him here.

Visitor Information

Please take a minute to fill out the information below & return to greeter.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Phone: _____

Children: _____

How may we serve you? (please circle)

1st time visitor New to Area

Returning visitor Would like a visit

Place membership Want to know more

Prayers: _____

Those to Keep Wrapped in Your Prayers:

Shut-ins

Eunice Peoples, Marge Rickertsen, Betty Pennington,
 Amanda Larsen, Ted Franklin, Delores Bolte

College Students

Lauren Deckman, Brooke Dollen, Juwan, Taylor Kinney, Thad Kinney,
 Caleb Leinen, Elizabeth Ponce, Emma Seilstad, Keri Slyter, Collin Smith

Military

Bob and Terry's Son: Bobby Duncan
 Nova Deckman's Brother: Billy Harris
 Mike and Glenda Petersen's Son: Nate Petersen
 Deb Kinney's Son & Daughter-in-law: Jon & Lynn Kinney
 Cathy May's Son: Chris Buckles
 Austin Hunter's Sister: Makenzie

Areas to Serve

Today August 16th

Greeters	Stephanie Slyter Carol Pantoja
Nursery	Nova Deckman
Parking Lot	Rick Ogle
Call to Worship	David Seilstad
Opening Prayer	Justin Leinen
Song Leader	Troy Kinney
Table Talk	David Montague
Table Prayers	Bob Helton Keith Smith Dylan Ford
Table Servers	Austin Hunter John Leighton
Closing Prayer	Nathan Leinen
Announcements	Ron Holcomb

Next Week August 23rd

Greeters	Troy Kinney Caronna Kinney
Nursery	Cathy Buckles
Parking Lot	John Leighton
Call to Worship	Bill Leinen
Opening Prayer	Jonah Leinen
Song Leader	David Seilstad
Table Talk	Bob Duncan
Table Prayers	Mitch Dollen Justin Leinen Jonah Leinen
Table Servers	Ethan Leinen Jack Loftus
Closing Prayer	Bill Leinen
Announcements	Thad Kinney

Ministries

Media	Parker Seilstad	Worship Services	
Education	Bill Leinen		Jonah Leinen
Building Maintenance	Keith Smith	Secretary	Nova Deckman
	Rick Ogle	Women's Ministries	
Men's Bible Study	Mitch Dollen		Andrea Leinen
Benevolence	Jack Loftus	Nursery	Cathy Buckles
		Teens	Dylan & Jordan Ford

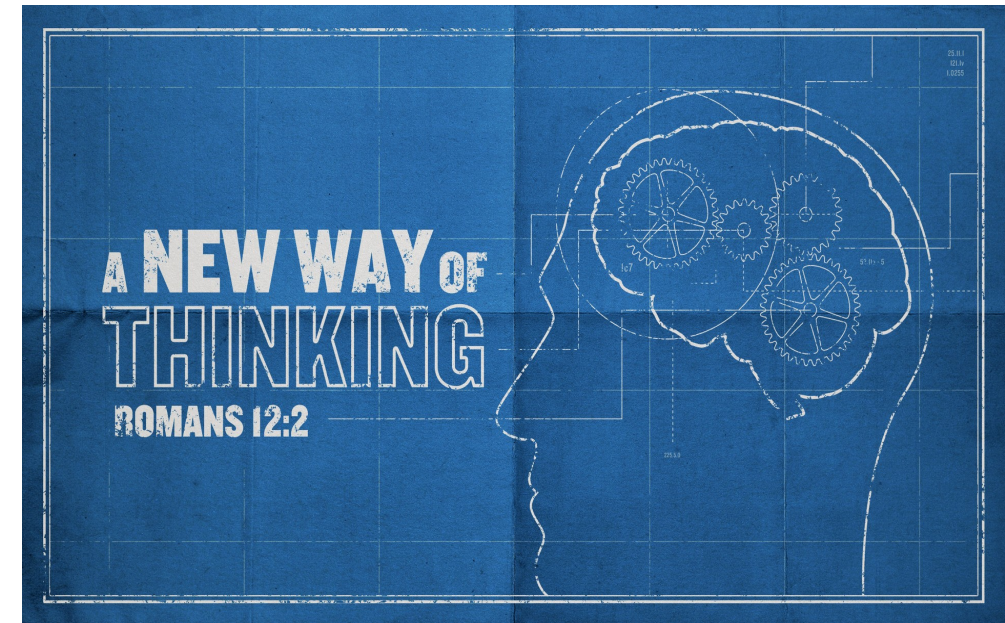
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CHURCH OF CHRIST

We are a Bible centered, unified family of believers called to an ever-deepening relationship with Christ. We will pursue Christ through study, prayer, and fellowship. We recognize that we are sent to the larger community surrounding us to plant the seed of the Gospel and to demonstrate God's love and Christ's life.

AUGUST 16TH, 2020



VISION 20/20

His mission. Our focus.

	Sundays		1st and 3rd Mondays	
Bible Class All Ages	9am	Men's Bible Study at Building	7pm	
Worship	10am	Women's Bible Study at Building	7pm	
Life Groups	1st /3rd Sunday			
All Church Fellowship Lunch	2nd Sunday			
		Wednesday		
		Bible Class All ages	7pm	

Building a New You

“Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.” Romans 12:2a (NLT)

Today’s key verse is a popular one, but what many of us don’t consider is that God is not only telling us to transform our minds, but He’s also assuring us it is possible. In fact, many scientific studies have proven the way we habitually think forms physiological patterns, or paths, in our brains. So, when we change the way we think, we also change the physiological makeup of our brains. Amazing! Science has finally caught up with Scripture!

If we allow our minds to be shaped by negative thoughts, we are headed straight toward a life lacking peace, joy and hope. But, when we humbly admit our need for change and invite Christ to renew our minds — one thought at a time — we are blessed with the ability to enjoy life, despite its challenges. Although it might seem difficult at first, it is possible to change the way we think if we commit to three easy steps:

1. Recognize negative thoughts. Each time a negative thought enters your mind, make note of how you’re feeling. Ask yourself things like: *Does this thought help me in any way? Does it make me happy, or does it steal my peace? Is this a problem God can’t handle, or am I assuming it’s too big for Him?* (Trick question: Nothing is too big for God!) *Is it even true according to God’s Word?* Asking God to make us aware of our negative thoughts is the first step to learning to control them.

2. Reject negative thoughts. Once you learn to be aware of your negative thoughts, you can begin to combat them and fight back. Each time you notice a negative thought, aim to pause and reject it. Remind yourself not to focus on the negativity, and instead, try to focus on something positive. If you’ve decided it’s not really true, don’t allow yourself to entertain it anymore. If that negative thought is stealing your peace, refuse to give it power over your joy, peace or happiness, much less your life. Take control of what you’re thinking, rather than letting your thoughts run rampant. Then, turn that negative thought around.

3. Replace negative thoughts. If something bad happens to us, we don’t have to believe we have a bad life. When we experience something positive in the morning but have to deal with something negative in the afternoon, we have the choice to decide whether we’ve had a good or

Congregational Scripture Reading

Mark 10:27

**Jesus looked at them and said,
"With man this is impossible,
but not with God;
all things are possible with God."**

Building a New You Cont.

bad day overall. If someone hurts our feelings, we can forgive and refuse to let it fester in our thoughts and steal our confidence. If someone insults us, we can focus on our positive attributes and remember what God’s Word says about us is most important.

Each time we notice our minds are wandering to a place where discouragement, sadness, fear, anger or negativity reside, we have the authority and the power to choose to reject those negative thoughts and shift them to be more positive.

Ministry Updates

School Supply Carnival

This evening from 4pm to 6pm we will be handing out school supplies to foster families. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to donate school supplies, please see Lori Seilstad or Sandra Dollen.

Bible Classes

Bible class will resume September 6th until then lessons, Seilstad Sister Story Time, and the bulletin will continue to be available online at councilbluffscoc.com and in our “Our Church” app each week.

Park & Praise

Park and Praise will continue through the month of August. Come join Wednesday nights at 7pm on the lawn to worship our Lord together.

Bridal Shower

Please join us for a come and go bridal shower to be held in honor of Emily Scheffler on Sunday, August 23rd from 3:30pm to 5pm at the Kinney home located at 19909 Mudhollow Rd. She is registered at Target and on Amazon.

Engagement

Congratulations to Taylor Kinney and Roman Perez on their recent engagement this past week.

Ladies Tea—is on hold until further notice.

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

17th Iva & Ted Franklin
20th Jason Scheffler
21st Tim Pantoja
22nd Matt Ogle
24th Jerry Dollen
26th Terry & Bob Duncan
28th David Holcomb
28th Ellie Hunt

Elders

Ron Holcomb 712-352-1324
Troy Kinney 402-510-5267
Bill Leinen 712-325-8234
David Seilstad 712-323-4061

Minister

Brian Deckman 918-809-0681

Please Pray for

Roger May	upcoming back surgery
Delores Bolte	Dewayne’s health
Carol Koletzke	Friend Mary
Will Pennington	Breathing problems
Wendell Dishman	Saitic Nerve pain
Jackie Brady	Aunt Covid 19
Brian Deckman	Continued chemo
Bob Koletzke	Knee pain
Delores Bolte	Son Dewayne
Ted Franklin	Overall health
Evalina H.	Health
Jason Leinen	Protection and Health
Roger May	Liver Cancer
Delores Bolte	Knee

Those given diagnosis of CV-19
Doctors Nurses
First responders Healthcare wkrs
College Students Military
Shut-ins Eldership

Prayers Requests & Announcements
