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, Viola Sorenson

College Students

Jacob Duncan, Juwan, Taylor Kinney, Thad Kinney, Caleb Leinen, Elizabeth Ponce, Emma Seilstad, Collin Smith, Rachel 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

Next Week November 15th

Today November 8th

Today November our		Next Week November 13th	
Greeters	Lori Seilstad	Greeters	Stephanie Slyter
D 1' T 4	Caroline Seilstad	D 1' T /	Carol Pantoja
Parking Lot	Mary Cameron	Parking Lot	Rick Ogle
Call to Worship	Ron Holcomb	Call to Worship	David Seilstad
Opening Prayer	Jake Sola	Opening Prayer	Justin Leinen
Song Leader	Dylan Ford	Song Leader	Parker Seilstad
Table Talk	David Seilstad	Table Talk	David Montague
Table Prayers	Jack Loftus	Table Prayers	Bob Helton
	Bob Duncan	·	Dylan Ford
Closing Prayer	Justin Leinen	Closing Prayer	Nathan Leinen
Announcements	Parker Seilstad	Announcements	Roger May

Ministries

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

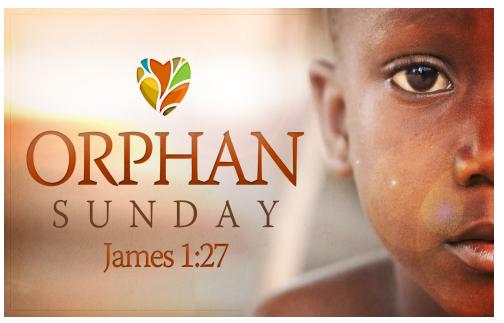
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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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.

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2020



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His mission. Our focus.

Sundays

Bible Class All Ages Worship Life Groups All Church Fellowship Lunch

9am 10am 1st /3rd Sunday 2nd Sunday

1st and 3rd Mondays Men's Bible Study at Building Women's Bible Study at Building

7pm 7pm

Wednesday Bible Class All ages

7pm

James 1:27

"True justice must be given to foreigners living among you and to orphans, and you must never accept a widow's garment as security for her debt. Always remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that the Lord your God redeemed you from your slavery. That is why I have given you this command. "When you are harvesting your crops and forget to bring in a bundle of grain from your field, don't go back to get it. Leave it for the foreigners, orphans, and widows. Then the Lord your God will bless you in all you do. When you beat the olives from your olive trees, don't go over the boughs twice. Leave the remaining olives for the foreigners, orphans, and widows. When you gather the grapes in your vineyard, don't glean the vines after they are picked. Leave the remaining grapes for the foreigners, orphans, and widows."

— Deuteronomy 24:17-21.

There is a superhero movie coming out every week. The formula is the same; watching these powerful, superheroes defeat their fiendish arch-villains plotting to destroy the planet, or the universe.

These movies fall in line with our fascination with the powerful, the rich and the popular. The Bible has a different perspective. The Bible has stories of the meek, the humble, and the disenfranchised. These stories would not be riveting superhero movies, that is for sure.

We see God's interest in people on the margins on nearly every page of Scripture. God selected a nation of slaves to be His special people. God chose sheep-tenders to be the first to hear news of the Savior's birth. But perhaps nowhere do we see this reality more clearly than in God's passion for the orphan.

Just think of the contrast for a second. We see God, the indescribable, powerful and self-sufficient creator of all things, concerned about the least powerful and self-sufficient — the orphan in distress. "He ensures that orphans and widows receive justice..." (Deuteronomy 10:18). The Prophets echo the same truth: "No, in you alone do the orphans find mercy." (Hosea 14:3b). And, again, in the Psalms, "Father to the fatherless, defender of widows—this is God,

Congregational Scripture Reading

Colossians 4:2

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

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whose dwelling is holy. God places the lonely in families..." (Psalm 68:5-6).

In this, we see the beauty of God's heart. He cares not only for the orphan, but for each of us as well. He pursued us when we were poor and alone. He adopted us as His children. He invites us to call him "father" and to live as His daughters and sons. Of course, we must not miss the fact that God calls His people to do the same. We are to live out "pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress..." (James 1:27).

As we do this, we reveal God's heart to the world. Whether by adoption or foster care or mentoring or supporting the local church in care for orphans in our area, we display that astonishing reality that God cares passionately for the least of these, the least of us.

Ministry Updates

Thanksgiving Meals

Our church will providing 12 Thanksgiving day meals for families in our community. There are two ways to sign up. You can sign up to purchase any number of a single ingredient or you can provide a monetary donation. Donated will need to collected by Sunday, November 22nd. Sign up sheets are in foyer on the coffee bar. If you know of a family in need you can contact Jack Loftus.

Sunday Afternoon Class

A class taught by Garth Hilton will be offered Sunday afternoon from 3pm to 5pm. "How Should We Live" is video series and book on the rise and decline of Western culture from a Christian perspective. Contact Garth to get signed up. A minimum of 10 will be needed for class to be offered.

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

12th Brian & Nova Deckman

14th Jeannie Smith

17th Jackie Brady 17th Troy & Caronna Kinney

20th Leon Dwyer

23rd Roger Slyter

24th Elizabeth Stearns 24th Rick Ogle

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

Mitch Wilburn Friend of the Deckmans

David Nalley Dialysis Terry Duncan David new liver Cathy May mom fell & fractured hip Roger May liver cancer Delores Bolte Dewayne's health Carol Koletzke Friend Mary Brian Deckman Cancer/Dialysis Bob Koletzke Knee pain Delores Bolte Son Duane Ted Franklin Overall health Evalina H. Health Jason Leinen Protection and Health Delores Bolte Knee Those given diagnosis of CV-19 Doctors Nurses First responders Healthcare wkrs Military College Students Shut-ins Eldership Prayers Requests & Announcements