

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Those to Keep Wrapped in Your Prayers:

### Shut-ins

Delores Bolte  
Ted Franklin  
Sharon Hauptman  
Amanda Larson  
Eunice Peoples  
Marge Rickertsen  
Viola Sorenson

### Military

Bob & Terry's Son:  
Bobby Duncan  
Nova Deckman's Brother:  
Billy Harris  
Mike & Glenda Petersen's Son:  
Nate Petersen  
Deb Elam's Son & Daughter-in-law:  
Jon & Lynn Kinney  
Cathy Shipley's Son:  
Chris Buckles

### College Students

Jacob Duncan  
Ethan Leinen  
Luke Martin  
Madi Ogle  
Emma Seilstad  
Rachel Smith

## Areas to Serve

### Today August 1st

Greeters      Deb Ogle  
Rick Ogle  
Parking Lot      Marv Cameron  
Call to Worship      Ron Holcomb  
Opening Prayer      John Leighton  
Song Leader      Troy Kinney  
Table Talk      Garth Hilton  
Table Prayers      Jacob Duncan  
Garth Hilton  
Table Servers      David Holcomb  
Brent Robbins  
Closing Prayer      Rick Ogle  
Announcements      Mitch Dollen

### Next Week August 8th

Greeters      Lori Seilstad  
Caroline Seilstad  
Parking Lot      Jack Loftus  
Call to Worship      Troy Kinney  
Opening Prayer      Jake Sola  
Song Leader      Dylan Ford  
Table Talk      David Montague  
Table Prayers      Parker Seilstad  
Bob Helton  
Table Servers      Keith Smith  
Austin Hunter  
Closing Prayer      Justin Leinen  
Announcements      Nathan Leinen

## Ministries

Benevolence	Jack Loftus	Media	Parker Seilstad
Facilities & Safety	Keith Smith Rick Ogle	Outreach & Missions	Justin Leinen
Children	Jonah Leinen	Secretary	Nova Deckman
Discipleship	Bill Leinen Brian Deckman	Teens	Dylan Ford
Education	Bill Leinen	Worship Services	David Montague
Finance	Troy Kinney	Women's Ministries	Andrea Leinen

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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 1ST, 2021**



# Growing 2 1 Goal

Stronger . Deeper . Higher

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

## Family News and Updates

God said to Abraham, "That in blessing I will bless thee . . . in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed" (Genesis 22:17-18). He was saying, "The reason I am blessing you, Abraham, is so that you can bless all the nations."

Obviously, very few of us are called to bless entire nations but each of us has a circle of family, friends and colleagues. How many in your circle are being blessed by what the Lord is doing in you? Are your friends and family being blessed by Christ in you?

When you start blessing others in the midst of your trials, you will know that God's hand of blessing is on you. This is what happened with David. When his enemies showed him no mercy, he testified, "Let them curse, but bless thou: when they arise, let them be ashamed; but let thy servant rejoice" (Psalm 109:28). David cried out to God for help and blessing as his enemies cursed him.

Jesus commands us: "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" (Matthew 5:44). If you can keep this word, you are surely blessed of the Lord.

Finally, those who are being blessed are being drawn ever closer to the Lord. God never blesses without drawing that person closer to Himself, urging, "Come closer to Me." Increasing nearness to Him is more of the blessing.

Perhaps you still say, "I see no evidence of God's blessing in my life. My life isn't marked by any of these things you've mentioned. How can I have God's blessing?"

Beloved, rejoice! Do you love His Word? Do you love coming to His house with other believers? Does your mind run to Jesus throughout the day? Do you talk to Him? If you can answer "yes" to any of these questions, you can rest assured that He is drawing you, blessing you.

## Congregational Scripture Reading

### Romans 8:10

But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.

## Family News and Updates

### Family News

Ted Franklin's updated address is 12505 Harrison Tull Drive Bellevue, NE 68123

### Monthly Woman's Brunch

Each month on the second Tuesday there will be a ladies brunch/potluck at 10:30 am. Please join us so we can fellowship and grow friendships. Our next ladies fellowship will be on Tuesday August 10th in the home of Pat Dwyer. Her address is 11075 Red Fox Ridge, Council Bluffs.

### Supporting Our Brothers & Sisters

The fundraising dinner in support of the Ogle family will be held August 15th. A flyer is located in the foyer for additional information.

### Family Fun Carnival

Mark your calendars for August 28th from 10:30 am-1pm. We will be hosting games, activities and lunch for families in our community. We are asking for each family in our congregation to volunteer to run a game or help in another area. This will be a great opportunity for our families to reach out to the community.

### Directory Photo Update

Today in the foyer we will be taking photographs to update the online church directory. Please check in and make sure your photo doesn't need to be updated!

### Church Directory App

Want a current church directory? To download go to your device's app store and search for Instant Directory. Once downloaded follow steps to enter your email as it is listed in our church directory. If you do not have an email listed be sure to provide one to Nova.

### August Birthdays & Anniversaries

7th	Terry Duncan
9th	Andrea Leinen
9th	Ted Franklin
10th	Terri & David Montague
17th	Ted & Iva Franklin
20th	Jason Scheffler
21st	Tm Pantoja
22nd	Matt Ogle

### Elders

Ron Holcomb	712-352-1324
Troy Kinney	402-510-5267
Bill Leinen	712-325-8234

### Minister

Brian Deckman 918-809-0681

## Please Pray for

Keith Smith	Upcoming heart surg
Wendell D	Recovery from surg
Elizabeth S.	Recovery from surg
Austin H	Mom knee surgery
Marvin C.	Brother Ed heart
Elaine T.	Niece kidney surgery
Stephanie S.	Mother in law broken hip
Ryan S.	Father/Cancer Radiation
Stewart Family	Passing of Bill
Mason Ogle	Cancer/chemo
Carmen Ponce	Breast Cancer
Viola Sorenson	Overall health
Evalina H.	Overall health
Roger May	liver cancer
Delores Bolte	Duane's health
Brian Deckman	Cancer/Dialysis
Ted Franklin	Overall health
Jason Leinen	Protection and Health
College Students	Military
Shut-ins	Eldership

## Prayers Requests & Announcements

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