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:		
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Those to Keep Wrapped in Your Prayers:

Shut-ins Delores Bolte Amanda Larson **Eunice Peoples** Marge Rickertsen

Military 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 Martin **Rachel Smith**

Areas to Serve

Today July 17th Next Week July 24th Greeters Glenda Petersen Greeters Stephanie Slyter Carol Pantoja Carol Koletzke Jack Loftus Parking Lot Rick Ogle Parking Lot Call to Worship Call to Worship Bill Leinen Troy Kinney Opening Prayer Opening Prayer Jonah Leinen Justin Leinen Song Leader Parker Seilstad Song Leader Dylan Ford Table Talk Justin Leinen Table Talk Mitch Dollen Thad Kinney **Table Prayers** Garth Hilton Table Prayers John Leighton Matt Ogle Christian Adams Conner Adams **Table Servers** Table Servers Ryan Schulenberg **Brent Robbins** Closing Prayer Bob Helton Closing Prayer Jack Loftus Announcements Nathan Leinen Announcements Jake Sola

Ministries

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

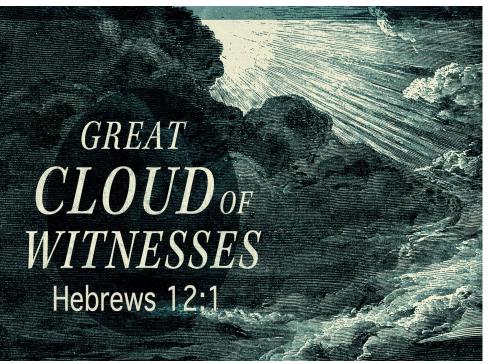
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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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.

JULY 17TH, 2022





Our Journey Through 2022

Sundays

Bible Class All Ages Worship Life Groups All Church Fellowship Lunch

9am 10am TBA

TBA

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

Bible Class All ages

Wednesday

7pm

TBA

TBA

A Great Cloud of Witnesses

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, -Hebrews 12:1

Hebrews 12:1 follows Hebrews 11 which is known as the honor roll of faith. After carefully narrating for us the exploits that men and woman did with God through faith, the Spirit now tells us in the verse above that these men and women of faith are a cloud of witnesses for us. The keyword to consider is "witnesses".

A witness is someone who brings a piece of evidence to substantiate or corroborate a stated fact. This heavenly cloud of witnesses, and their stories are a testimony and proof to us that faith works. These were men and women who changed physical circumstances based on what is unseen. The Lord has preserved their story to encourage us to press further with our faith and expect similar results.

Faith is not mythical or imagery. It is real. There is an unseen world, with a God who speaks and rules the universe by His Word. Whoever has this Word(invisible) will rule over the visible. You can see the invisible as these heroes of faith did, and live by the unseen to obtain supernatural results as they did. He went further to exhort us not to allow obstacles that hinder our faith because it is the most potent force on earth when it is strong and mature!

People have had glorious results by faith. The key function of those witnesses is to tell you and me that faith works and that we can also get results just as they did. Do not let any weight(something that just hinders you though it might not be outright sinful) or sin hinder you. When your faith matures, it will be the most valuable thing you have to reign in life!

Congregational Scripture Reading Psalms 119:34

Give me understanding, so that I may keep your law and obey it with all my heart.

Family News & Updates

Park & Praise

Please ioin us for park and praise in the annex lawn Wednesday night at 7pm. Bring your camp or lawn chair and enjoy a evening of singing together.

Back to School Carnival

Our family fun Back to School Carnival will be August 14th from 5pm to 7pm. We are in need of volunteers to sign up before the event for a specific game, task or to bring supplies. The sign up sheets are in the fover at the welcome desk.

Congregational Luncheon

Please mark your calendars for August 20th. Our luncheon will be the third weekend in August. Our date is changed from the 2nd weekend to the 3rd weekend for the month of August due to the Family Fun Carnival.

VBS Success

There we 25 kids in attendance. 11 children were our regular members. 14 children were visitors, 3 attended church in other cities and 11 children did not attend church anywhere on a regular basis. A big thank you to the grandparents who brought their grandchildren. Thank you to all our members who made our VBS possible this year!

Family Updates

Let us be in prayer for these requests: Suzie's friend Doug who is having testing done for possible cancer; David Holcomb grandmother's health and for Mason Ogle's scans this week.

Anniversaries		
17th	Garth Hilton	
24th	Diane Loftus	
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July Birthdays &

Ron Holcomb

28th Roger & Stephanie Slyter Aug

9th

Andrea Leinen Terri & David Montague 10th

Jason Scheffler 20th

Elders

Troy Kinney 402-510-5267 Bill Leinen 712-325-8234

Minister

Brian Deckman 918-809-0681

Please Pray for

Suzie Doug cancer testing Mason Ogle Scan this week Carol Koletzke Son Joel new job/covid Jake Sola Gpa Jim Cancer David Holcomb grandmother health Neck injury/brace Sandy Sladky Carol Pantoia Dialysis Duane's health Delores Bolte Paulette Leighton nursing care Mason Ogle strength/health Brian Deckman cancer/dialysis Rvan S. father/cancer radiation Evalina Holcomb overall health Delores Bolte Duane's health Jason Leinen protection and health Ukraine Church protection College Students Military Shut-ins Eldership Prayers Requests & Announcements