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.

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Name:	<u> </u>		
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
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

College Students

Jacob Duncan Ethan Leinen Luke Martin Madi Martin Mason Ogle Rachel Smith

Areas to Serve

Today January 1st		Next Week January 8th	
Greeters	Jake Sola	Greeters	Lori Seilstad
	Madison Sola		Caroline Seilstad
Parking Lot	Mary Cameron	Parking Lot	John Leighton
Call to Worship	Bill Leinen	Call to Worship	Troy Kinney
Opening Prayer	Bob Helton	Opening Prayer	Jake Sola
Song Leader	David Montague	Song Leader	Parker Seilstad
Table Talk	Mitch Dollen	Table Talk	David Montague
Table Prayers	Jack Loftus	Table Prayers	Jonah Leinen
	Justin Leinen	·	Garth Hilton
Table Servers	Christian Adams	Table Servers	Brent Robbins
	Chris Adams		Keith Smith
Closing Prayer	Nathan Leinen	Closing Prayer	Thad Kinney
Announcements	Matt Ogle	Announcements	Nathan Leinen

Elders

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

Minister

Brian Deckman 918-809-0681

Ministries

Benevolence Jack Loftus Media Parker Seilstad

Facilities & Safety Outreach & Missions

Keith Smith Justin Leinen

Rick Ogle

Secretary

Nova Deckman

Children Jonah Leinen

Nova Decki

Discipleship Bill Leinen

Teens

Dylan Ford

pleship Bill Leinen Brian Deckman

Worship Services

David Montague

Education Bill Leinen

Woman's Ministries

Finance Troy Kinney 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.

JANUARY 1ST, 2023



spiritual resolutions.

Empowering Spiritual DNA 2023

Sundays

Bible Class All Ages Worship Life Groups All Church Fellowship Lunch 9am 10am TBA

Men's Bible Study at Building Women's Bible Study at Building

Wednesday

1st and 3rd Mondays

2nd Sunday Bible Class All ages

TBA

TBA

7pm

Spiritual Resolutions

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. -- Joshua 1:9

Each year at this time, thousands of people stand in the cold in Times Square, New York. No big event beckons them. No ballgame is being played. No rock concert is getting underway. It's simply a huge, lighted ball that drops from a tall building. And within a few seconds, hardly worth fighting traffic and crowd pushing for, it descends marking a new year.

Why has this nonevent turned into a huge, money-making holiday? Most other holidays celebrate a reputable person, famous birthdays, document signings, or a noted event. But New Year's Eve only celebrates the passage of time—something that most of us would rather not recognize. We make a huge deal out of it because it signals the end of an old era and the start of a new one.

The old year's problems, heartaches, and struggles seem to vanish and become a faded memory when we think of getting the chance of a new year and a new start. It must have been the same way for the Israelites when they stood with Joshua looking forward to a new era ahead of them. They had wandered for 40 years in the desert, and finally they could see land flowing with milk and honey ahead. Better yet, they had God's promise that He would never leave or forsake them.

As you stand with your back to the old year and look forward to the new one, you can have hope in the promises of God. You will certainly face both trying and joyful times ahead, but you can rest assured that He "will never leave you nor forsake you" (Joshua 1:5). That promise is enough to celebrate the new year ahead!

Congregational Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 9:8

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Family News & Updates

Brother 2 Brother

We will begin a new men's accountability ministry called Brother 2 Brother. Our men will be paired up with each other with the responsibility of getting to know each other better and providing social and spiritual support to one another. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry let Brian know

50th Anniversary

Congratulations to Bob and Debra Helton who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary yesterday.

Jesus with a side of Joe

Join Brian Thursday mornings at 7am at the Hy-Vee at Bennett and Madison. Come and enjoy a side of hot coffee with scriptures and prayer before we start our day. Our first meeting will be January 5th.

Kinney Life Group

The Kinney life group will be meeting at David and Terri Montague's house on January 14th at 6 pm for potluck and games. Bring your favorite dish and game.

Leinen Life Group

The Leinen life group will be meeting in the fellowship hall following services on January 15th for a potluck lunch.

Read the Bible in a Year

Yearly bible reading and prayer journals are on the welcome center for those who would like to read through the bible in 2023.

Family Updates

Please take some time this week to be in prayer for those prayer requests that were brought forward last Sunday: Will Pennington's health; Lisa prayers of thankgiving for our lives.

January Birthdays & Anniversaries

Brandon O'Dell 1st 1st Pat Dwyer 4th Elaine Torneton 12th Madison Sola 13th Jude Deckman 19th Cooper Ford 26th Ashton Nallev

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Please Pray for

John Leighton Passing of wife Paulette Iva Franklin Son-n-law Kevin **Austin Hunter** Glenda Petersen Carol Koletzke Bobby Berg **Bobby Berg** Jake Sola Austin Hunter Carol Pantoia Evalina Holcomb Health Mason Ogle Brian Deckman Rvan S Father cancer/radiation Delores Bolte Health Protection & health Jason Leinen Protection Ukraine church

friend's sister passed Daughter biopsy results Maggie in hospital Foot surg & recovery Wife heart surg recovery G-pa Jim Cancer Loss of Aunt Health & Dialysis Elaine Torneton Recovery heart surg Strength & health Cancer & dialysis

Prayers Requests &

Announcements		
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