## 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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Date:		
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:		
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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

**College Students** 

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

#### Areas to Serve

Today January 29th		Next Week February 5th	
Greeters	Troy Kinney	Greeters	Jake Sola
	Caronna Kinney		Madi Sola
Parking Lot	Chris Adams	Parking Lot	Rick Ogle
Call to Worship	Bill Leinen	Call to Worship	Bill Leinen
Opening Prayer	Nathan Leinen	Opening Prayer	Justin Leinen
Song Leader	Thad Kinney	Song Leader	Troy Kinney
Table Talk	Jake Sola	Table Talk	Garth Hilton
Table Prayers	Bobby Berg	Table Prayers	Nathan Leinen
	Dylan Ford		Mary Cameron
Table Servers	Brent Robbins	Table Servers	Bobby Berg
	Austin Hunter		Brent Robbins
Closing Prayer	Rick Ogle	Closing Prayer	Matt Ogle
Announcements	David Holcomb	Announcements	Parker Seilstad

## Elders

**Troy Kinney** 

Bill Leinen

Children

402-510-5267 712-325-8234

Brian Deckman 918-809-0681

Minister

## **Ministries**

Benevolence Jack Loftus Media Parker Seilstad

Outreach & Missions **Facilities & Safety** Keith Smith

Jonah Leinen

Justin Leinen

Rick Ogle

Nova Deckman Secretary

Teens Dylan Ford

Discipleship Bill Leinen

**Worship Services** 

Brian Deckman

**David Montague** 

Bill Leinen Education

Woman's Ministries

**Troy Kinney** Andrea Leinen Finance

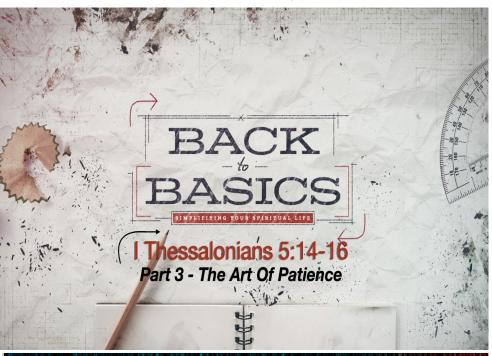
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# McPherson Ave.

## 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 29TH, 2023



# Empowering Spiritual DNA

#### **Sundays**

Bible Class All Ages Worship Life Groups All Church Fellowship Lunch

9am 10am TBA

**Thursdays** Men's Bible Study at Building at the Madison & Bennett Hy-Vee

Wednesday

2nd Sunday Bible Class All ages

7pm

7am

## The Art of Patience

"...so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience." (Colossians 1:10-11)

Do you consider yourself to be patient? Our daily lives require us to exercise patience, whether the issues we face are small or big. Receiving a bad grade, dealing with a difficult co-worker, experiencing conflict with a friend or getting sick are all situations that require us to be patient, and it is often easier said than done.

Unfortunately, we cannot control every aspect of our lives. The way others treat us and the situations we find ourselves in are sometimes simply beyond our control, and we have to find ways to cope with them.

So, how can we be patient in seemingly impossible circumstances?

Romans 12:12 says, "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer." In life, we will face trials. However, as believers, we can find hope in knowing that we have a loving God who is in control of our lives. When we put our trust in His perfect plan rather than our own, we do not need to feel anxious, worried or impatient.

In addition, we do not have to struggle to find patience within ourselves. In fact, when we call upon God, He can give us the strength to be patient. While we may not understand the waiting period we are in, we can rest in the fact that God works all things together for the good of those who love Him. Rather than trying to make things happen, we can let go of the reigns and give Him the power in our lives.

If you are in the midst of a season of waiting, remember that God's plan is greater than anything we could imagine. As His children, He does not withhold good things from us. When we give ourlives to Him and are faithful in prayer. He will work through us in incredible ways.

## **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

### **Potluck Luncheon**

This month we will be having luncheon on the 1st Sunday, February 5th. So, please join us for this time of fellowship with a dish to share.

## **Church Planning Meeting**

Following the potluck luncheon on the 1st Sunday, February 5th we will be having a all church business and planning meeting. Please join us to help have a voice in plans for our future.

## Youth Valentine's Dinner Fundraiser

Couples, singles and those who love, love please join the youth as they serve a Valentine Dinner to raise funds for the mission trip. This dinner will be Sunday February 18th at 6pm at the building.

## **Super Bowl Life Group**

The Deckman life group would like to invite everyone to join them for food, fun and games while enjoying the big game. Please join in the fun by bringing an appetizer to share.

## **Women Walking with God**

Registration for the 2023 Women Walking with God is open at womenwalkingwithgod.org Conference dates are April 14-15th. Please see Andrea for additional details about hotel and travel plans.

## **Family Undates**

Please pray for requests that were brought forward last Sunday: Thanksgiving for all the prayers for Collin this last week, David Holcomb's friend's sister leg injury, Austin Hunter's friend Melissa and also his grandfather health, Mary Cameron's friend Kelly who lost a son, Carol Pantoja's recovery.

### **January Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Marge Rickertson 31st **February** 

Sarai Schulenberg 10th 14th Cindy & Joel Scheffler

16th Ann Newton Jack Loftus 17th

Kaden Ogle 22nd Noni Deckmar

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## Please Pray for

Carol Pantoja Hospital amputation Andrea Leinen Knee surgery recovery John Leighton Passing of wife Paulette Glenda Petersen Daughter biopsy results Carol Koletzke Maggie in hospital Bobby Berg Foot surg & recovery **Bobby Berg** Wife heart surg recovery Jake Sola G-pa Jim Cancer Austin Hunter Loss of Aunt Elaine Torneton Recovery heart surg Evalina Holcomb Health Mason Ogle Strength & health Brian Deckman Cancer & dialysis Father cancer/radiation Rvan S Delores Bolte Health Jason Leinen Protection & health Ukraine church Protection College Students Military Eldership Shut-ins

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