#### 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:			
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

Military
Nova Deckman's Brother:
Billy Harris

Mike & Glenda Petersen's Son:
Nate Petersen

Deb Flore's Son & Doughton in

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 April 2nd		Next Week Ap	Next Week April 9th	
Greeters	Jake Sola	Greeters	Lori Seilstad	
	Madi Sola		Caroline Seilstad	
Parking Lot	Chris Adams	Parking Lot	John Leighton	
Call to Worship	Troy Kinney	Call to Worship	Bill Leinen	
Opening Prayer	Mitch Dollen	Opening Prayer	Jake Sola	
Song Leader	Troy Kinney	Song Leader	Thad Kinney	
Table Talk	Jonah Leinen	Table Talk	Roman Perez	
Table Prayers	Jack Loftus	Table Prayers	Bob Helton	
	Justin Leinen		Garth Hilton	
Table Servers	Conner Adams	Table Servers	Brent Robbins	
	Keith Smith		Chris Adams	
Closing Prayer	Nathan Leinen	Closing Prayer	Dylan Ford	
Announcements	Rick Ogle	Announcements	David Holcomb	

#### Elders

Troy Kinney

Bill Leinen

Children

402-510-5267 712-325-8234

Jonah Leinen

Brian Deckman 918-809-0681

Minister

#### Ministries

Benevolence Jack Loftus Media Parker Seilstad

Facilities & Safety Outreach & Missions

Keith Smith Justin Leinen

Rick Ogle

Secretary

Secretary Nova Deckman

Teens Dylan Ford Discipleship Bill Leinen

Brian Deckman Worship Services

David Montague

Education Bill Leinen Woman's Ministries

Finance Troy Kinney Andrea Leinen

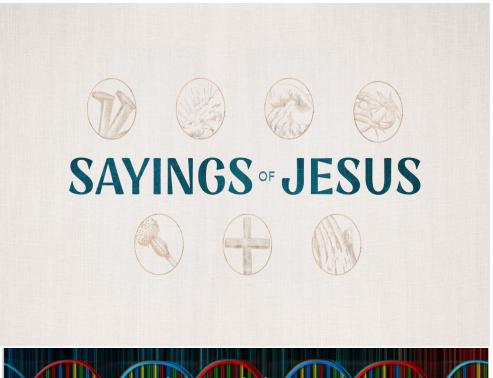
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# McPherson Ave.

# 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.

APRIL 2ND, 2023



# **Empowering Spiritual DNA 2023**

**Sundays** 

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

2nd Sunday

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

7am

7pm

Wednesday Bible Class All ages

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#### "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"... "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" - Mark 11:9-10

The Prince of Peace enters the "City of Peace" ("Jerusalem") as the people cheer, "Hosanna!," which means, "Save!" Do they know what's happening? Probably not. "Hosanna!" will become "Crucify him!" by the end of the week. Perhaps their "Hosanna" needs a question mark.

The crowds took their salvation cry from Psalm 118:25-26. They wanted Jesus to overthrow the Romans and take back their capital city (see John 6:15; Acts 1:6). Had they forgotten his prophecy about going to Jerusalem to suffer and die for their salvation (Mark 8:31; 9:30-32; 10:32-34)? Easter's victory would be impossible without Good Friday's surrender to death.

And what of the two disciples Jesus sent to get the colt? Were they honored to do this for Jesus? Thankfully, they did as directed, and their obedience challenges us to be obedient disciples. What about the other disciples? Did Jesus even need cheerleaders (Luke 19:37-40) and crowds waving branches and throwing cloaks to carpet the way for the Messiah?

Sadly, the crowds' cheers would soon turn into jeers. So it goes when a hero—even God—doesn't give us what we want.

But today we know who Jesus is and who and whose we are. Do our "Hosannas" ring true? Do we believe in and honor the one who saves?

### **Congregational Scripture Reading** John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

#### Family News & Updates

#### No April Potluck

We will be no potluck luncheon for the month of April. It falls on Easter. Please enjoy this time of celebration with your family.

#### **Monthly Ladies Brunch**

Ladies please join the woman tomorrow, April 3rd at 10:30am in the home of Pat Dwyer, 11075 Red Ridge, Council Bluffs. Bring a dish to share and please RSVP at 402-699-0015.

#### Women Walking with God

Registration for the 2023 Women Walking with God is open online. Conference dates are April 14-15th. Please sign up in foyer.

#### **Revive Spring Youth Retreat**

The Liberty Church of Christ is hosting a youth retreat in Trenton, MO, Friday, April 21st-23rd. The cost is \$25 and you can find additional details and register by scanning the OR code on the flver.

#### **Mountain States Children's Home Food Drive**

We are collecting food for the Mountains State Children's Home. On the 9th and 16th we will be attempting to stack the stage full of donations! So please place donations on the table at the front of the auditorium. See the list of items needed on auditorium table.

#### **Mission Update from Murray Stewart**

Thanks for another donation. It is good timing. We are just 19 days away from our trip to Mongolia. A team of eight of us for two weeks. We are already looking at 85 Mongolians that have RSVP wanting to study the Bible with us. Thanks again to the McPherson Ave Church of Christ. One of my homes!!!

#### **Family Updates**

Please pray for requests that were brought forward last Sunday: Jeremy Nuzum's aunt passed please keep his family in your prayers; Marv and Sue have been under the weather; Noni asked for prayers for Brian's cancer treatments.

#### **April Birthdays &** Anniversaries

Jordan Ford 2nd Dick Sladky 4th

4th Roger Elam 4th Diane & Jack Loftus

5th Deb & Roger Elam

**Bobby Berg** 7th John Leighton

Use our church OR code for a quick and easy option

to give for weekly contributions.

Earmark a donation by adding a note under your donation amount.

#### Please Pray for

Earthquakes victims Mitch Dollen **Austin Hunter** Neighbor Scott Grandmother health David Holcomb Evalina Holcomb Health **Adams Family** McKenzie hm stability Mary & Sue Daughter Dialysis & recovery Carol Pantoia Bobby Berg Wife recovery from surg Brian Deckman New chemo treatment Mason Ogle Strength & health Rvan S Father cancer/radiation Delores Bolte Health Protection & health Jason Leinen Ukraine church Protection College Students Military Eldership Shut-ins

# Prayers Requests &

Announcements