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>	
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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 Amanda Larson **Eunice Peoples**

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 May 14th		Next Week May 21st	
Greeters	Lori Seilstad	Greeters	Glenda Petersen
	Caroline Seilstad		Carol Koletzke
Parking Lot	Jack Loftus	Parking Lot	Mary Cameron
Call to Worship	Troy Kinney	Call to Worship	Bill Leinen
Opening Prayer	Jake Sola	Opening Prayer	Thad Kinney
Song Leader	Roman Perez	Song Leader	David Montague
Table Talk	Parker Seilstad	Table Talk	Jonah Leinen
Table Prayers	Matt Ogle	Table Prayers	Bob Helton
	David Montague		Garth Hilton
Table Servers	David Holcomb	Table Servers	Ryan Schulenberg
	Jeremy Nuzum		Jack Loftus
Closing Prayer	Justin Leinen	Closing Prayer	Parker Seilstad
Announcements	Nathan Leinen	Announcements	Matt Ogle

Elders

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

Brian Deckman 918-809-0681

Minister

Ministries

Benevolence Jack Loftus Media Parker Seilstad

Outreach & Missions Facilities & Safety Keith Smith

Justin Leinen

Rick Ogle Children Jonah Leinen

Nova Deckman Secretary

Discipleship Bill Leinen

Dylan Ford Teens

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.

MAY 14TH. 2023



Sundays

Bible Class All Ages Worship Life Groups All Church Fellowship Lunch

9am 10am TBA

2nd Sunday

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

Wednesday

Thursdays

Bible Class All ages

7pm

7am

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"God couldn't be everywhere, so He made mothers."

While not theologically accurate, this old Jewish saying describes beautifully the significant role mothers have in our lives. Motherhood is one of God's greatest gifts to humanity. A loving, committed mother is an indispensable person in our development. Just imagine a world without mothers. It would be a sterile place indeed. Mothers instill powerful social and nurturing characteristics in each generation. It is principally from their mothers that children learn the virtues of sacrifice, sharing, valuing others, compassion, community and a host of other interpersonal values and skills that enable humans to live together in peace.

Biologically, women are designed for self-sacrifice. When pregnant, a woman's body focuses its primary attention to nurturing that new, growing life developing within her. Her body will automatically prioritize the needs of her unborn baby. And this inherent gift for self-sacrifice isn't only biological. After her children are born, a mother will continue to sacrifice herself for the needs of her children. She will do whatever she can to assure her children have what they need.

Mothers are also designed by God to nurture. There is just no greater nurturing power on the planet than a mother. When the apostle Paul was describing his love for the church at Thessalonica, he used the metaphor of a mother's love to describe how deeply he cared for the Thessalonians. He reminded them that he was like a "gentle" mother who "tenderly cares for her own children" (1 Thessalonians 2:7). When God described His love for Israel, He did so with a motherhood metaphor. He told Israel that He would comfort them like a mother comforts her children (Isaiah 66:13).

Congregational Scripture Reading Proverbs 11:25

Whoever brings blessings will be enriched, and the one who waters will himself be watered.

Family News & Updates

Harvest Field Ladies Day

Harvest Field will be hosting a ladies day May 20th. Pam Stewart will be the speaker. Today is the last day to sign up! The flyer and sign-ups are located in the fover.

NYC Counselors and Campers

Now is the time to sign up for staff at the 2023 Nebraska youth camp sessions. Camper registration is also open. You can sign up for both online at nebraskayouthcamp.com

Church Cook Out

Save the date for Monday, May 29th for an all church cookout. More details to follow soon.

Ladies Monthly Brunch

Ladies please join the woman Monday, June 5th 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.

5th Sunday Singing

Each 5th Sunday we will have time to learn new songs and practice others. The next one will be Sunday morning, July 30th.

Church Directory App

Now you can sync our church directory directly to your phone or device. Search for other members and then email, call or text right from the directory app. To download go to your device's app store and search for Instant Directory. Enter your email as it is listed in our church directory.

Family Updates

Please pray for requests that were brought forward last Sunday: Austin Hunter asked for prayers for Evalina Holcomb's health.

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

16th Alexis Adams Cody Jackson 16th

18th Bill & Andrea Leinen

20th Angela Hilton

28th **Rachel Flores**

Matt & Jaclyn Ogle 29th Breon Matheson 31st

31st Charlie Ford

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

Daughter thyroid Mary & Sue Carol Koletzke Son Eric Cathy Shipley Cousin Kim passed Son Randy's health Jack Loftus Brian Deckman New chemo treatment David Holcomb Grandmother health Evalina Holcomb Health McKenzie hm stability Adams Family Carol Pantoja Dialysis Mason Ogle Strength & health Ryan S Father cancer/radiation Delores Bolte Health Protection & health Jason Leinen Ukraine church Protection College Students Military Eldership Shut-ins

Prayers Requests & Announcements