#### 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 y	vou? (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 Elam's Son & Daughter-in -law: Jon & Lynn Kinney

#### **College Students**

Jacob Duncan Ethan Leinen Luke Martin Evelvn Fulmer Mason Ogle Rachel Smith

#### Areas to Serve

Today November 19th		Next Week November 26th	
Greeters	Lori Seilstad	Greeters	Rick Ogle
	Caroline Seilstad		Deb Ogle
Parking Lot	Mary Cameron	Parking Lot	Chris Adams
Call to Worship	Troy Kinney	Call to Worship	Bill Leinen
Opening Prayer	David Montague	Opening Prayer	Bob Helton
Song Leader	Parker Seilstad	Song Leader	Dylan Ford
Table Talk	Justin Leinen	Table Talk	Jake Sola
Table Prayers	Nathan Leinen	Table Prayers	Rick Ogle
	Matt Ogle		Dick Sladky
Table Servers	Brent Robbins	Table Servers	Christian Adams
	Jeremy Nuzum		Mary Cameron
Closing Prayer	Dick Sladky	Closing Prayer	Thad Kinney
Announcements	Jake Sola	Announcements	Jonah Leinen

#### Elders

### Minister

Troy Kinney 402-510-5267 Brian Deckman 918-809-0681 Bill Leinen 712-325-8234

#### **Ministries**

Benevolence Jack Loftus Media Parker Seilstad

Outreach & Missions Facilities & Safety Keith Smith

Justin Leinen

Rick Ogle Secretary

Nova Deckman

Children Jonah Leinen

Finance

Dylan Ford Teens

Discipleship Bill Leinen Brian Deckman

**Worship Services** 

**David Montague** 

Bill Leinen Education **Troy Kinney** 

Woman's Ministries 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.

## **NOVEMBER 19TH, 2023**



#### **Sundays**

Bible Class All Ages Worship Life Groups All Church Fellowship Lunch

9am 10am TBA

2nd Sunday

**Thursdays** Men's Bible Study at the Madison 7am & Bennett Hy-Vee

Wednesday Bible Class All ages

7pm

#### Grateful

#### **Benefits of Gratefulness**

Thanking God glorifies and magnifies Him, but did you know doing so also benefits us? The Lord doesn't need our gratitude, but as we give thanks, we become less selfish and more confident in God's character.

Expressing gratefulness ...

**Refocuses our attention.** Life is filled with distractions that can make it harder to notice all God has done for us. Instead of living with the weight of the world on our shoulders, it's good to try refocusing on the Lord by thanking Him for His faithfulness.

Relieves our anxiety. Many people in our society live with constant apprehension. But when we bring our concerns to the Lord with thanksgiving, the burden shifts to Him, and His peace comes to us (Philippians 4:6-7).

**Refreshes our relationship.** Gratitude keeps us from thinking that the Christian walk is all about us and our needs. Our fellowship with God is enhanced when we focus on Him.

**Reinforces our faith.** Thanksgiving helps us dig ourselves out of the pit of discouragement and strengthens us spiritually. When you're overwhelmed, thanking God is probably not on your radar. But I've learned from experience that acknowledging all the Lord has done is a sure way to change attitudes and re-energize.

## **Congregational Scripture Reading Hebrews 13:15**

Through Jesus, therefore let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.

#### Family News & Updates

#### November 22nd

Next Wednesday night there will one combined class in the auditorium for a family style night of thanks.

#### **Share My Smile Christmas Gifts**

Please stop by the fover to pull a card from a snowflake with a child's wish list for Christmas and help spread joy for the children of Share my Smile. If there are none available on the board see Brian to request one. Please return the unwrapped gift in a gift bag with the original card by December 8th.

#### **Ladies Monthly Brunch**

Ladies please join the women for a brunch on December 4th at 10:30am in the home of Nova Deckman, 187 Woodbury Cir, Council Bluffs. Bring a dish to share and please RSVP at 918-407-0058.

#### **Thanksgiving Meals**

Reminder each of the items signed up for the thanksgiving meals need to be returned to the building today! Please contact Jack if you will need to go home and retrieve them.

#### **Prayer Requests**

Please remember the following brought forward last Sunday: Sandy Sladky wound care and prayers for Dick who will be caring for her when she returns home, Carol Pantoja's friend Shirley has been diagnosed with cancer; Jake Sola's brother in law has been diagnosed with cancer; Mitch Dollen hip surgery recovery and bronchitis, and Evalina Holcomb is in hospital for wound care of her foot.

#### **November Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Leon Dwyer 20th 22nd Libby Jackson Mary Cameron Roger Styler 23rd Rick Ogle 24th Nova Deckman 28th

December 1st Dan Newton

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#### Please Pray for

Jake Sola brother in law cancer Sandy Sladky hospital wound care friend Shirley cancer Carol Pantoja Mitch Dollen Surg recovery bronchitis Evalina Holcomb Hospital wound care Doris Blood cancer Marv & Sue Aubry & Blaine Father fractured back Jack Loftus Son Randy cancer McKenzie hm stability Adams Family Brian Deckman New chemo treatment Strength & health Mason Ogle Ryan S Father cancer/radiation Delores Bolte Health Jason Leinen Protection & health Ukraine church Protection

College Students Military Shut-ins Eldership

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