### 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.

Date:	
Name:	
Address:	
	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 Deb Elam's Son & Daughter-in -law: Jon & Lynn Kinney

### **College Students**

Ethan Leinen Luke Martin Evelyn Fulmer Mason Ogle Kaden Ogle

### Areas to Serve

Today: August 25th		Next Week: S	eptember 1st
Greeters	Justin Leinen	Greeters	Ryan Schulenberg
	Anne Leinen		Rumi Schulenberg
Nursery	Nova Deckman	Nursery	Jen Sola
Parking Lot	Bobby Berg	Parking Lot	John Leighton
Call to Worship	Bill Leinen	Call to Worship	Bill Leinen
Opening Prayer	David Montague	Opening Prayer	Rick Ogle
Song Leader	Roman Perez	Song Leader	Parker Seilstad
Table Talk	Dick Sladky	Table Talk	Thad Kinney
Table Prayers	Jake Sola	Table Prayers	Bob Helton
•	Mary Cameron	•	Jack Loftus
Table Servers	Austin Hunter	Table Servers	Jake Sola
	Charles Carter		Brent Robbins
Closing Prayer	Parker Seilstad	Closing Prayer	Nathan Leinen
Announcements	Justin Leinen	Announcements	Jonah Leinen

### Elders & Minister

Bill Leinen/Elder

Brian Deckman

Troy Kinney/Elder 402-510-5267 Jonah Leinen 712-325-8234 Rick Ogle 918-809-0681

David Montague Dylan Ford

### 712-314-2198

Deacons

402-515-7785 402-613-1827 531-301-4252

### **Ministries**

Benevolence Jack Loftus Media Parker Seilstad

Facilities & Safety Keith Smith

/Minister

Outreach & Missions

Justin Leinen

Rick Ogle

Nova Deckman Secretary

Children Jonah Leinen

Teens Dylan Ford

Discipleship Bill Leinen Brian Deckman

**Worship Services** 

Bill Leinen Education

**David Montague** 

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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.

AUGUST 23RD. 2024





**Sundays** 

**Mondays** 

Bible Class All Ages Worship

Woman's Bible Study

Revelation Study

9am 10am

1st & 3rd/6:30pm

2nd & 4th/7pm

Wednesday Bible Class All ages 7pm

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

### Given

After Peter Parker was bitten by a radioactive spider and endowed with superpowers to become Spider-Man, his Uncle Ben gave him this memorable advice, "With great power comes great responsibility." These words are similar to Jesus' statement: "From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded" (Luke 12:48).

Priests in Israel were given much. They represented the people before God in the tabernacle and could enter the Holy Place. But with special privileges came a higher standard for holiness. Today's reading outlines three specific areas where priests had greater restrictions than the rest of Israel: mourning rituals, potential marriage partners, and physical defects. Priests could not make themselves ceremonially unclean in mourning for just anyone. They were allowed this practice only for close blood-relatives (vv. 1–4). The high priest had an even higher standard. He could not publicly mourn for anyone (vv. 10–12). This practice was in sharp contrast to other ancient cultures, such as Egypt, where the care of the dead was a primary concern of priests. These prohibitions may have helped Israel avoid falling into ancestor worship. Priests also were restricted in their potential spouses. Their spouse needed to represent the holiness of their role and so could not have been previously married or have been engaged in prostitution (v. 7).

Just like sacrificial animals had to be physically whole, priests needed to be as well (vv. 16–21). They could not have physical deformities to serve in the tabernacle. Priests who did not measure up to this standard were still provided for financially along with their families (vv. 22–23). Praise the Lord that Jesus, our High Priest, perfectly lived up to the highest moral standards during His earthly ministry (Heb. 4:14–15). He continues to serve as our High Priest in the presence of the Father (Heb. 10:12–13). Even now He is sanctifying His people, His bride at the wedding supper of the Lamb (Rev. 19:7–8).

# Congregational Scripture Reading Philippians 4:19

Any my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

### Family News & Updates

### **Fall Quarter Teachers**

Can you help teach a children's class for the fall quarter? If you can help please see Bill Leinen to sign up. We are in need of volunteers for the fall quarter.

### **Area Wide Singing**

The Nebraska City Church of Christ will be hosting an area wide singing on Sunday September 8th at 5pm. There will be a group meeting at 4pm at the building to ride together. If you have additional questions see flyer in foyer or speak to Brian Deckman.

### **NYC Retreats**

The Dads-n-Lads NYC retreat is September 6 and 7th and the Dads-n-Daughters NYC retreat is September 28th. Additional information can be found in the foyer to register.

### **Last Sunday's Prayer Requests**

Please let us remember the following in our prayers as they were brought before the congregation last Sunday: Sandy Sladky is in

hospital at Jennie Edmondson, Mitch Dollen still recovering from broken femur; and Cindy V still recovering after heart surgery; Also Ethan Leinen was admitted to Jeannie Edmondson and placed in ICU over the weekend for heart issues.

### **Upcoming Events**

### September

6-7th Dads-n-Lads NYC retreat 8th Area wide singing night Nebraska City C of C

21st NYC Dinner 28th Ladies Outing

28th Dad's-n-Daughters NYC

retreat

### August Birthdays & Anniversaries

7th Roman Perez

31st Jerry & Sandra Dollen

### September

9th Taylor Perez 12th Carol Pantoia

12th Nathan & Emily Leinen

18th Glenda Petersen 18th Mike Petersen

18th Noah Hilton

18th Keith & Jeannie Smith

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### Please Pray for

Cindy V Heart surgery and recov Sandy Sladky Admitted to hospital Ethan Leinen ICU heart issues Insurance problems Dollens Mitch Dollen Femur break & rehab Austin Hunter Dad health Sandy Sladky Grandson Jake health Jeff Sola Mother's health Jen Sola Mother's health Jake Sola bro-n-law surg nephew cancer diagnosis Dick Sladky Joe Davis Mother brain tumor Mason Ogle Continued recovery Jake Sola brother in law cancer Evalina Holcomb Health Diane Loftus Jack Loftus McKenzie hm stability Adams Family Brian Deckman Chemo & dialysis Ryan S Father cancer/radiation Delores Bolte Health Jason Leinen Protection & health Ukraine church Protection College Students Military Shut-ins Eldership

## Prayers Requests &

Announcements		