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

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Those to Keep Wrapped in Your Prayers:

Shut-ins

Delores Bolte Amanda Larson **Eunice Peoples**

Military

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: Noven	nber 17th	Next Week:	November 24th
Greeters	Rick Ogle	Greeters	Justin Leinen
	Deb Ogle		Anne Leinen
Nursery	Jordan Ford	Nursery	Terri Montague
Parking Lot	Christian Adams	Parking Lot	Bobby Berg
Call to Worship	Troy Kinney	Call to Worship	Bill Leinen
Opening Prayer	Jeremy Nuzum	Opening Prayer	Nathan Leinen
Song Leader	Dylan Ford	Song Leader	Troy Kinney
Table Talk	Thad Kinney	Table Talk	Jonah Leinen
Table Prayers	Jonah Leinen	Table Prayers	Jack Loftus
•	Roman Perez	·	Parker Seilstad
Table Servers	Bobby Berg	Table Servers	Chris Adams
	David Montague		Rick Ogle
Closing Prayer	Dick Sladky	Closing Prayer	Charles Carter
Announcements	Jake Sola	Announcements	Dylan Ford
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Elders & Minister

Discipleship

Deacons

Troy Kinney/Elder 402-510-5267 Jonah Leinen 712-314-2198 Bill Leinen/Elder 712-325-8234 Rick Ogle 402-515-7785 David Montague Brian Deckman 918-809-0681 402-613-1827 /Minister Dylan Ford 531-301-4252

Ministries

Benevolence Jack Loftus Media Parker Seilstad

Facilities & Safety Outreach & Missions

Justin Leinen

Keith Smith Rick Ogle

> Nova Deckman Secretary

Children Jonah Leinen Dylan Ford Teens

> Bill Leinen Brian Deckman **Worship Services**

David Montague Bill Leinen

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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.

NOVEMBER 17H, 2024



Sundays

Bible Class All Ages Worship

9am 10am Bible Class All ages

7pm

Mondays Woman's Bible Study 2nd & 4th/7pm **Revelation Study** 1st & 3rd/6:30pm

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

Armor of God

God's Word is the only offensive weapon in the armor of God. Metaphorically, this armor equips us for spiritual warfare (vv. 10 13). Each piece of the armor, including God's Word, helps us stand against "the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." The goal is to stand firm—the final victory already belongs to Christ.

Paul's metaphor is quite colorful and vivid (vv. 14–17). Truth is a "belt" that holds together all the rest. Righteousness is a protective "breastplate" (see Isa. 59:17) and salvation is a protective "helmet." The soldier's shoes or boots are a readiness to stand on and proclaim the gospel of peace (Rom. 5:1). Faith is a "shield" that extinguishes the "flaming arrows" of Satan (see also 1 Peter 1:5). Finally, there is "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" (see also Rev. 1:16).

When we put on our spiritual armor and go forth to battle, we are imitating and accompanied by God Himself. He is pictured as a Divine Warrior a number of times in Scripture, such as in Isai-ah 42:13: "The LORD will march out like a champion, like a warrior he will stir up his zeal; with a shout he will raise the battle cry and will triumph over his enemies."

What does it mean to "put on" this armor? Note that we don't manufacture any of it—it's all from God. He helps us choose to make it part of our spiritual lives. Putting it on, then, involves making choices, forming habits, and cultivating virtues.

Jesus Himself used Scripture to resist when tempted by the devil (Matt. 4:1–11). We, too, should use God's Word as the "sword of the Spirit," an effective strategy in our fight against temptation.

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

Share My Smile Christmas Gifts

There is a list of 20 children's names we have been asked to bless with Christmas gifts for Share my smile. Thank you for picking up all these childrens cards. These gifts should be returned to Brian Deckman no later than December the 5th.

Orphan and Missions Sunday

Today there will be a one time special contribution that is earmarked for the mission work supported by our church and Orphans Lifeline International.

Thanksgiving Meals

Thank you for everyone who filled the signup sheets for the thanksgiving meals. We will need the items brought to the church building next Sunday morning so they can be disbusted to the families in need.

Family News

Please let us be in prayer for the Davis family as they have lost Joe's mother this week. Please reach out with condolences and cover them in prayer.

Last Sunday's Prayer Requests

The following were brought before the congregation last Sunday: Austin Hunters father recovery after surgery and covering our veterans and governmental leaders with prayer.

November Upcoming Events

17th Missions/Orphan Sunday Special contribution

24th Thanksgiving meals items returned to building

Dec 5th Share My Smile gifts returned to building

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

17th Troy & Caronna Kinney

20th Leon Dwyer 22nd Libby Jackson 22nd Marv Cameron 23rd Roger Slyter

24th Rick Ogle 28th Nova Deckman Use our church QR code for a quick and easy option to give for weekly contribu-



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

Please Pray for

Laurie Sims Kidney issues Austin Hunter Dad's surg recovery David Holcomb Housing situation Son Eric's Wife passed Carol Koletzke Laurie Sims kidney issues and surg Tim Peoples Eunice's son in hospital Marge Rickertson Friend Paul Stroke Cindy Valeika Surg recovery for wound Justin Leinen Back Surg reschedule Dialysis port issues Carol Pantoja Ethan Leinen Heart surg recovery Jeff Sola Mother's health Jen Sola Mother's health Joe Davis Mother brain tumor Mason Ogle Continued recovery Jake Sola brother in law cancer Evalina Holcomb Health Diane Loftus health Jack Loftus McKenzie hm stability Adams Family Brian Deckman Chemo & dialysis Rvan S Father cancer/radiation Delores Bolte Health Jason Leinen Protection & health Ukraine church Protection College Students Military Eldership Shut-ins

Prayers Requests & Announcements

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