December 13, 2020



## Real Life News & Notes

Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

# Patterson Road Church of Christ

### Youth Minister

Charlie DeLong Cell: 208-970-1310 myfriendscallmecharlie@gmail.com

Preaching Minister

Doug Clayton Cell: 201-3470 dclayton12@aol.com

Church Office

Office: 970-245-4210 Fax: 970-245-4211 JayDee@churchco.mx

Elder Of Month

Tony Clayton

## **Our Sunday Gathering!**



Sermon: The Aroma of Christ is never more fragrant on us as when we forgive. Listen to God's word prompt the Corinthian church with this truth of how we treat our brothers and sisters in Christ despite sin, struggles and failures. Paul gives us a clue as to how he is able to forgive those who have sinned against him and the answer is pretty obvious, though not always easy. See you in 2 Corinthians 2!

"Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that crushed it."
- Mark Twain

"Every time we withhold forgiveness grace suffers."

"Forgiveness opens the door of grace to come in and surprise us."

- Bob Goff

Welcome! We hope many of you are here in person this morning! We know many will be joining us via the Live Stream as well. God continues to work good in all things for us. May the words of our mouth and the meditations of our heart continue to glorify the Lamb!

Love One Another

Memory Verse for December—Isaiah 9:6a

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given





**Greetings church!** By now most of you received via Phone Tree the wonderful news that our Worship gathering capacity has been approved up to 200 beginning this Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup>. And, due to the Colorado Supreme Court ruling this week the attendance restrictions could be lifted altogether soon (while keeping in place all safety protocols.) We praise God for this great news on many different levels! We know many of you remain at risk and should not feel compelled to come on Sundays. We also understand human nature and reversing a nine month habit of not being able to "go to church" on Sunday may take time for others. Know you are loved and missed and your presence at our gatherings is a gift and blessing as we get back to some sense of normalcy in our worship assemblies once again.

— **Grace and peace, Doug.** 

In case you missed it, below is the text version of the phone tree sent this week:

Hello church family. This is Tony Clayton and on behalf of all the elders and church staff we hope and pray you are doing well. The elders want to inform you of some good news related to our Sunday morning worship services at the building. Effective this Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, we will again meet in the building. The church at Patterson Road has applied for and received a variance to the COVID-19 attendance restriction. This variance through the Mesa county Health Dept is called the "5 star Variance Protection Program" and allows us to have 50 percent of maximum attendance capacity when we meet. With our maximum auditorium capacity at 400, that means we can have 200 in attendance in the auditorium. If needed we will have overflow in classrooms with live video feed of the service.

You can anticipate the auditorium looking basically the same as it has for months, with the exception of some chairs being rearranged to facilitate social distancing compliance. Part of being in compliance with the 5 star program, and ensuring the safety of all, is to be mindful of those most vulnerable and don't do the things that will jeopardize our variance.

For those coming to the building, we will need to wear a face mask, practice social distancing, follow the signage, and utilize the hand sanitizer stations as necessary. If you are in the vulnerable or high risk category, please do not feel compelled to come to the building. We will continue to live stream the services. We hope to see you in person this Sunday! Feel free to contact any of the elders or church staff if you have questions.

Let's remember the words in Philippians 2:3-4; "Do nothing from selfishness or vain conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself."

God Bless you and we looked forward to seeing you.

#### **Homeless Stocking Stuffer Project!**

Our church is stepping up to donate **Stocking Stuffer** items for both the Pathways Village Homeless moms and the men at North Ave Homeless shelter. That's about 120 adults. (No kids toys needed). Please bring **unwrapped gloves**, **socks**, **and reusable water bottles** and place them on/under the stage display as soon as possible but no later than Sunday December 20. **We are the only church donating items to this cause so we need your generous hearts!** 

Thank you for blessing those in need during this season!. If you have any questions see Doug or Bill Wade.

#### **Volunteer Search**

Brothers and Sisters,

I am in search of Volunteers who would like to learn how to run different parts of the tech booth. We aren't requiring anyone to be long term, I am going for a 2 week rotation. Just think, we have the best seats in the house! If you have any questions, please contact Kris Dille.

#### YouTube Channel

Our services are on YouTube! The name of the channel is 'Patterson Road Church of Christ'. Sunday services will be uploaded within an hour after services are completed. Also remember that you can access the past services either in video or audio form through the website and Facebook. For more information, please see our Facebook page.

### Thank You!

Cindy McGarry, mother of Jenny Blanck, wants everyone to know how grateful she is for all your prayers. She is all done with radiation as well as chemo. God bless you Cindy and keep up the good work!

#### **Prayer of Recovery**

Heavenly Father, you say that I should ask you for whatever I need. To those who seek, it will be given. To those who knock, the door will be opened. I ask you for healing and recovery today. You are the God of all hope and so I look to you in my time of need. You are the healing God, please bring healing. You are the Comforter, please bring comfort. You are the spring of living water, help me find life in all its fullness in you.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Jim Rowley
Rick Martinez
Randy Brabec
J.J. Bruens
Dave & Judy Bussert
Janet Hawkins
Mike Partyka
Verena Lyons
Reba Copley
Julie Biocic





## Patterson Road church of Christ

2893 Patterson Road Grand Junction, CO 81506 Phone: 970-245-4210 Web: pattersonroad.church

#### For the Record

December 6, 2020

**Attendance** 

Weekly Contributions December 6, 2020

Contribution 4 week average

**Weekly Budget** 

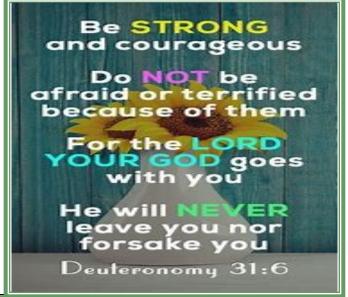
\$11170.00 \$6583.75 \$6658.71

Contribution: Thank you for your sacrifice and generosity as the Lord's work continues locally and globally!

By mail: Church of Christ 2893 Patterson Rd. Grand Junction, CO

81506

Online: pattersonroad.church - The little green "Give" button is at the top right.



Vince Urbina—Announcements for December

Joel Trumbo—Communion Talk for December 13, 2020

Della Fiske/Turner, Darlene Rettig—Communion Table Preparation for November, December

Sunday morning assembly begins at 10 AM. Face masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing are in place for your safety. We are missing you and hope to see you very soon.

Youth Group will continue to meet on Wednesdays at 6 PM.
Bill Wade—Wednesday Evening Bible Class—7 PM
Ladies Wednesday Evening Bible Class, Room 103—7 PM
Ladies Bible Class—Thursdays in Room 103—9:30 AM
Thursday Bible School—9:30 AM— Noon

Live Streaming—Sunday morning sermons are available for those who opt to stay at home a while longer. Go to the Church facebook page.

