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Real Life News & Notes
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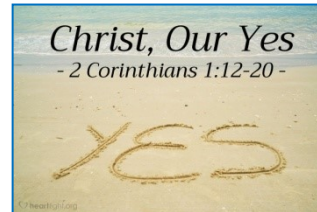
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Elder Of Month

Tony Clayton

Our Family of Faith



Sermon: We are back in 2 Corinthians today looking at God's "Yes!" Paul is explaining why he could not keep his promise and return to Corinth for another visit, then uses that personal story to declare God's faithful response to us. As a parent we love when we can say "Yes" to our children. The *Father of Lights*, who cannot lie, tells us all his promises to His children are "YES" in Christ! See you in 2 Corinthians 1!

"When God says Yes nobody can say No." – UKN

"No matter how many promises God has made, they are Yes in Christ." - Paul

"Happiness is acute. Joy is chronic" - Tony Clayton (in class this past Wed night)

Hang in there church! Keep praying! Keep loving! Keep trusting! Keep hoping! Keep dispensing Grace! Keep finding ways to serve others! Be grateful and joyful in all things! Hope to see more of you soon!

Please join us on our Live Stream Sunday morning at 10AM! (Give Kris Dille our Live Stream and tech-booth guru, a "shout out" on line when you watch!)

Love One Another

Memory Verse for December—Isaiah 9:6a

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



Doug Clayton
Pulpit Minister

Charlie DeLong
Youth Minister



Sips from the Well (by Doug Clayton)

Advent

I love the notion of **anticipation**. I republish this article every few years (with a few edits) at the start of the Christmas season. May we be blessed and challenged!

“Advent,” is a word seldom heard in our church heritage yet it reflects a beautiful image in Scripture conveying the idea of **“expectant coming.”** One of many such advent texts is **Isaiah 7:14 – “The Lord himself will give you a sign. The virgin will be with child and give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel.”**

The Latin **adventus** is the translation of the Greek **Parousia** and is commonly used to refer to the Second Coming of Christ or of being **“present.”** For Christians, this season recalls the coming of Christ in two ways: **First:** The opportunity to remember and celebrate the biblical truth of an anxiously awaited and meticulously fulfilled prophecy that would change everything as God would take on human flesh, walk among us, die for us, and rise from the grave. **Second:** To remind Jesus’ followers to join our Lord in dispensing **peace on earth and goodwill to man**, living lives of faith and holiness as we long for our Lord’s return, His second **advent**.

God’s cosmic reclamation project began anew with the advent of Jesus in a manger. When we sinned life became death. When we turned our back on the Father, fellowship was forfeited. When we traded a relationship with Jehovah for infatuation with the world, love’s essence was distorted. When we exchanged fullness in God for mere happiness on earth, joy and peace were compromised. Finally, when the time was just right the universe painfully labored like an overdue mother, the heavens pushed and then...**Mary delivered!** At long last as the angels sang **and the stars shouted joyful relief**, God’s response to sin burst forth in a holy moment of a baby’s birth.

The question of Christmas for us is not **“Was Jesus Christ born?” We know he was!** As we remember His **incarnation** the challenge becomes: **“Will Jesus Christ be born in me? Will I walk by faith and in gratitude for the First Advent and in hope and anticipation of the Second Advent of my Lord when graves will surrender their dead and all that was lost will be restored and redeemed forever? May it be so with each of us!**

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him!” Joy to the world the Lord has come!

Pathway Village Christmas gifts!

Our church family will be donating Stocking Stuffer gifts for 61 homeless moms/parents at Pathways Village for Christmas. They already have a room full of wrapped toys for all the children but we will provide re-usable Water bottles, Socks and Gloves to bless the moms.

Please bring one or more or many of these items by the church building between 9-1pm M-F. (Items do not need to be wrapped.) We need to have them no later than December 20. Let's really bless to overflowing with this in lieu of our annual Angel Tree project.

Thank you church! (Contact Doug or Bill Wade if you need more info)

Creative Christian Art Guild

The Art Guild will meet at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday (Today, Dec. 6). You are asked to bring your own project and a mask. See Cindy King with questions.

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

Starting on 11/8/20, everyone will be able to watch past services 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.

Christmas Tree Giveaway

Bill Barslund has a 6 foot artificial Christmas tree to give away. The tree may be picked up here at the church building. See Doug Clayton

for information.

Prayer of Recovery

Heavenly Father, you say that I should ask you for whatever I need. To those who ask, it will be given. To those who seek, it will be found. 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—Cancer has metastasized into his bones.

Rick Martinez

David Downey

Family of Chuck Dunlap

Family of Steve Neff

Randy Brabec

Colby Scott—In Remission from cancer.

J.J. Bruens

Dave & Judy Bussert

Janet Hawkins

Mike Partyka

Cindy McGarry

Verena Lyons

Reba Copley

Julie Biocic





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For the Record

November 29, 2020

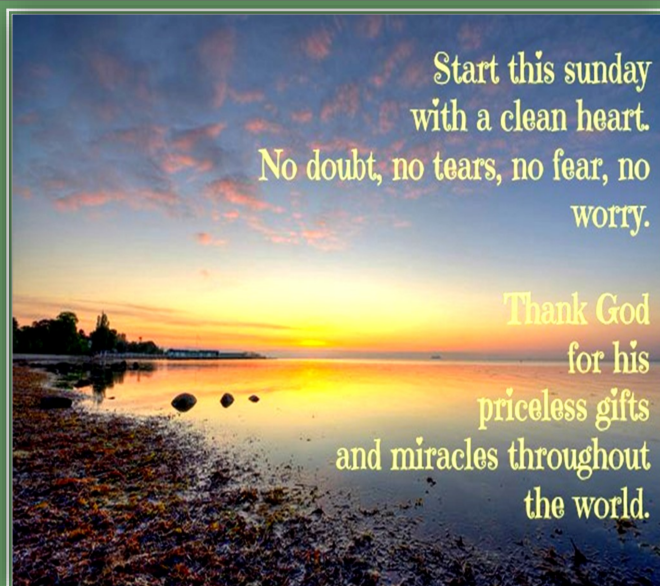
Attendance

Weekly Contributions November 29, 2020	\$4514.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$5235.38
Weekly Budget	\$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

Bob Davis—Communion Talk for December 6, 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.

