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## Real Life News & Notes

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

# Patterson Road Church of Christ

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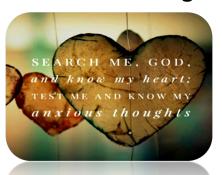
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Elder Of Month

David Scheuerman

## **Our Gathering**



Sermon: We pick up where we left off 2 Sunday's ago in Psalm 139. King David is attempting to describe the indescribable wonder of his Lord. In this part David acknowledges the Lord's *Omni-presence, Sovereignty and Omnipotence* and closes with a contrite prayer. I'm looking forward to walking through the text with you all this morning!

"If you carry a hammer everything looks like a nail." – UKN

"Blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called the sons of God."

- Jesus

We're Back! — After a precautionary week off we resume our normal gatherings this Sunday at 10AM and all normal activities next week (Wed. Adult class, PIT, Thursday ladies Class and Thursday school, etc). This Sunday (Today!) is a great time to come back and join us if you have not already resumed meeting with us from the original COVID lock down. We miss you! If health allows please join us in person this Sunday at 10AM. If not, please tune in on our Church Face Book page via Live Stream! Let us know how we might serve and help you.

### **Love One Another**

Thank you for wearing your mask on Sundays. Due to recent CDC guidelines the elders are asking us to please wear our masks upon arriving, while singing and leaving Sunday services to minimize potential Covid-19 spread to others.

**Memory Verse for October: Proverbs 22:6 NLT** 

"Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it."



### A Matter of Convenience?

The setting was the shore of Gennesaret (Sea of Galilee), and it was the morning following an evening of intense but fruitless labor. Simon and his partners were wrapping up their disappointing night of work to head home, empty . . . without the catch that fed their families.

You would have to think that they were tired, frustrated, and perhaps worried about the welfare of their families in the face of a night of failure. You would have to think that these men longed to leave the shore far behind and return to the comforts and security of their homes. You'd have to think that Simon and his friends were now ready to do what most do at the end of long and frustrating days. Was the local "Cheers" to be their next stop? Did the T.V. beckon? Was there a tee time to meet? Was the Harley ready to be fired up?

But then he came. Jesus came. And scores of people were in his wake. And he needed a platform . . . a boat, to be used as a speaker's dais, from which he could be removed from the crowd, but heard and seen by all.

We don't know the thoughts of Simon, at this point. Perhaps he was glad for the diversion from the failure of his night's work. Perhaps he was eager to put the nets down and hear from the man who had recently healed his mother-in-law. Perhaps, though, his thoughts were a lot like our own when our time is co-opted by something that takes us off task, or away from the rest we desperately crave.

Would you or I have opted to sit through a sermon after enduring a long and disappointing night of labor? The attendance in our Sunday church services might give us a clue about our behavior in that moment. Perhaps we're talking apples and oranges, but I see too many people who are quick to spurn a gathering of the church for many other things. And those absences are with a good night's rest enjoyed beforehand. Simon and his partners opted to hear Jesus after their long night of labor. His words became their priority and not their plans for rest. The schedule for their day became quickly altered when Jesus showed up.

Am I overly cynical to say that we have made our faith too often a matter of convenience? Am I too judging to say that we have relegated meeting with our church family to the bottom of our list of priorities? As long as it doesn't interfere with our work, our fun, and our rest, we will be there. Is this how we do things?

Simon dropped his nets three times in Luke 5.1-11. Once, when Jesus began to speak, he dropped the nets he was mending and listened to the word of God. Then, he dropped his nets again, at the insistence of Jesus; and, following a fruitless night of labor, he brought in a great catch. And third, he dropped his nets to follow Jesus, to give his all, to follow without reservation . . . to give his life to the One who would give His life for all.

Would I have done the same? Have I done the same? It is a question of priorities. What is most important to me? What is most important to you? What you give your time to is an indication. What you give your resources to is an indication. What you prioritize clearly shows who you are and whose you are.

by Jeff Foster

Submitted by Charlie DeLong

#### Trunk or Treat is a go!

Please come and join us on Sunday October 25th for our annual event. We will be handing out candy from 3:30 to 5:00pm, so please arrive no later than 3:00pm to set up your car. If you do not want to decorate your car, but would still like to hand out candy to the kids, please do!! We look forward to having everyone there!

#### **Pantry Needs**

The Pantry is in need of dry cereal. See Della Fiske/ Turner.

#### **Whitman Park Needs**

The following is an updated list for items needed for those at Whitman Park. Delivery will be at 4:30 pm on October 17th. If you can help prepare sandwiches, and/or the Park, be at the church building on that day at 3 pm. See Pam Hurd with questions. Items Needed:

Small flashlights with batteries Deodorant Gloves Lip Balm Small lotion Small packages of tissues

#### "Attention Brothers and Sisters

We are in need of volunteers in the tech booth. The two positions are the computer (for slides) and the soundboard. For full descriptions of each, please speak with Kris Dille. There will be a sign-up list in the foyer. Please note, this does not have to be a permanent role, as you sign up by month. Any help, whether from veteran volunteers or new people, is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Kris Dille

#### Maybe Next Year?

Due to the craziness of 2020, there's not really enough interest at this time to do our *Thanksgiving Blessing Boxes*. So, we will look forward to trying to do it next year. Blessings y'all, Lesa

#### WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kelsee Dixon and Brian Crosby will be getting married in Lubbock TX October 17. Brian is currently attending Sunset International Bible Institute for youth ministry and Kelsee is at Lubbock Christian University to obtain secondary education degree, both plan to finish out their studies in Lubbock. We will hold a Wedding Shower locally to celebrate their new lives together when they have a break in December, more details to come later. If you would like to wish them well closer to their wedding, feel free to email Monica for more information, address, or their gift registry at dixonmonica139@gmail.com

Monica Dixon

#### Please keep the following in your prayers:

**Bill Smith & Family**—Loss of wife & mother. Our prayers are with Bill and their children. If you would like to send a card the address is:

Kris Smith 5505 28th St. Lubbock, TX 79407

Ed Riddle—He had his shoulder surgery and is doing very well.

**Chuck Dunlap**—His lungs continue to fill up with fluid and he is now in Hospice care at Mesa Manor. No visitors allowed at this time. Pray that he and his family is comforted and that the Lord's will be done.

**Lisa Gordon**—Brain Cancer. She has had surgery and is awaiting results.

**Helen Pacheco**—has had chemo and is now going to have radiation treatments. Pray for her recovery.

**Julie Biocic**—She will have surgery but cancer has been ruled out. Pray for her recovery.

**Joe Jones**— Joe is doing very well and attended services last Sunday. Thank God for answered prayers.

**Reba Copley**—Ben Copley's 90 years young mother who lives in Visalia, CA. has blood clots in lungs and legs as well as having a mini stroke and is in re-hab. Ben has a brother & sister there looking after her but he is considering going there also as he is concerned over her deteriorating health. Keep his mother and the family in prayer.

**Colby Scott**— Went to Doctors for a blood draw last week and he received very good news. Family is elated and thanks God for all the prayers.

**J.J. Bruens**—He is doing very well but is dealing with some serious itching. Thank God for answered prayers.

**Perry & Dana Glassgow**— Perry's doctor is optimistic that his treatment is going very well. Thank God for answered prayers.

Remembering in prayer— Gage Williams, Melody Haight, Jean Delancey, Judy Bussert, Janet Hawkins, Mike Partyka, Marilyn Thomas, Marjorie Fortney, Andrea Evans, Marion Tidwell, Cindy McGarry, Verena Lyons That their healing will continue and those that are grieving will be comforted.

That God will open the hearts of those who are rioting in cities across the nation, let them know that violence towards their fellow man is not the answer. Pray that God will intercede and bless us all with peace and understanding and wisdom to settle our grievances and bring our country back to Him.

**Our Public Officials**—Give them the wisdom and courage to make the critical decisions concerning the welfare of our nation, the Pandemic, the Supreme Court, the rioting and unrest plaguing our country and other social issues that affect our lives as citizens.

The hungry, the poor, the homeless and displaced people seeking a better life for themselves and their families.



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### For the Record

October 4, 2020

**Attendance** 

Weekly Contributions October 4, 2020 \$2,973.00
Contribution 4 week average \$5,192.25
Weekly Budget \$6,658.71

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

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



<u>Jeremy Antwine—Announcements for October</u>

<u>Marvin Redd—Communion Talk for Sunday October 11, 2020</u>

<u>Susan Towles—Communion Preparation for October</u>

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 in the Pit on Wednesdays at 6 PM.

Bill Wade—Wednesday Evening Bible Class—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.

