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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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Our Gathering



Sermon: This morning we conclude our look at Psalm 15. It's fascinating and inspiring that God's word often shows us His Holy character by what He expects of us. There is really nothing new here in this Psalm, yet God has a way of reminding us of what we so soon forget and struggle to live out every day. Those who live in God's presence will be "unshakable!" See you in Psalm 15!

We appreciate you! Thank you Beth Smith for being our new Thursday School Leader. The children are here weekly again and it is a blessing to hear their little feet and voices on Thursday mornings. Beth, thank you for stepping up, for all your work and for all your helpers as well. Jesus loves the little children...they are precious in his sight! ©

"All your children will be taught of the Lord and great will be their peace."
Isaiah 54:13

If health allows please join us in person (We miss you!) on Sundays at 10AM. If not able to be here in person yet we understand. Please join us on our Church Face Book page via Live Stream.

Love One Another!

Thank you for wearing your mask to services on Sundays.

Due to recent CDC guidance the elders are asking us to please consider wearing our mask throughout Sunday services to minimize potential Covid-19 spread to others.

Memory Verse for September: Entire verse of Isaiah 40:31 ESV

but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Carrots, Eggs, and Coffee

A young woman went to her mother and told her about her life and how things were so hard for her. She did not know how she was going to make it and wanted to give up. She was tired of fighting and struggling. It seemed as one problem was solved, a new one arose.

Her mother took her to the kitchen. She filled three pots with water and placed each on a high fire. Soon the pots came to boil. In the first she placed carrots, in the second she placed eggs and in the last she placed ground coffee beans. She let them sit and boil, without saying a word.

After a few minutes she turned off the burners. She fished the carrots out and placed them in a bowl. She pulled the eggs out and placed them in a bowl. Then she ladled the coffee out and placed it in a bowl. Turning to her daughter, she asked, "Tell me what you see." "Carrots, eggs, and coffee," she replied.

Her mother brought her closer and asked her to feel the carrots. She did and noted that they were soft. The mother then asked the daughter to take an egg and break it. After pulling off the shell, she observed the hard-boiled egg. Finally, the mother asked the daughter to sip the coffee. The daughter smiled, as she tasted its rich aroma the daughter then asked, "What does it mean, mother?"

Her mother explained that each of these objects had faced the same adversity: boiling water. Each reacted differently.

- The carrot went in strong, hard and unrelenting. However, after being subjected to the boiling water, it softened and became weak. (2 Cor. 12:10, Prov. 3:5-6).
- The egg had been fragile. Its thin outer shell had protected its liquid interior, but after sitting through the boiling water, its insides became hardened. (Hen. 3:13, Luke 11:39)
- The ground coffee beans were unique, however. After they were in the boiling water, they had changed the water. (Phil. 2:14-15, Mt. 5:14-16).

What kind of Christian are you? Have you relied only on your own strength and understanding? That usually leads to feeling a mushy state of burnout. Have you hidden a feeble heart inside a fragile exterior that only looks like it should? We tend to keep up appearances for so long that our hearts become hard. Or are you like coffee, making the world around you more flavorful and desirable?

The beauty is that in Christ, we may choose which one we are each day. May we choose to bless the world around us with the love of Jesus!

Charlie DeLong

EEM Million Dollar Sunday

In addition to your regular contribution please consider supporting Eastern European Missions on Sunday October 4th. Additional collection plates designated for EEM will be placed next to our normal offering plates during the worship service on that day. If you prefer you can send your designated check to the church office through the mail and there will also be an opportunity for you to contribute online.

May God bless you and keep you safe. The Elders and the Missions Ministry

My Apology

For the past couple of weeks the church office has been having phone problems with calls going direct to voice mail and I have not been able to access those messages. At this time the phone has been fixed and things are back to normal. I apologize if you left me a voice mail which has not been answered. Please call me again if I missed your prayer request or other important message.

My Humble Apology Jimmye

Whitman Park Needs

The following is an updated list for items needed for those at Whitman Park. Thanks to all who are able to help with this ministry!

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

Pam Hurd (970) 629-5684

"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

Book Request

A Sunday evening Life Group is looking for a book to be taught in their class. If you have a book entitled "Love Does" by Bob Goff and are willing to loan it out, please let David Downey (778-1537) or Richard Jones (208-4157) know.

Thanksgiving Blessing Boxes

Please be praying over this new ministry project coming in October and November. I'll be asking for families that are able to fill a large box with specific food items to create a Thanksgiving Dinner box for families in need. Prayerfully consider if your family or a group of you would be able to participate. Also, please be noting families that you know that could benefit from this ministry. I will begin shortly to compile a list of those in need and a list of those who will fill the boxes. If you'd like to help or have questions text or email Lesa Brassette at 640-2243 or Lesa@Brassette.com.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Marion Tidwell—Brother of Bill Tidwell. He is in hospital in Gulf Breeze, Fla. with pneumonia and congestive heart failure. We would appreciate your prayers for him and Bill's other relatives living in Pensacola and Marianna where Hurricane Sally has created a lot of hardships in that area.

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

Verena Lyons—She has undergone several chemo treatments and it is reported that there seems to be some improvement in her lungs. Keep the prayers coming for her and her family.

Reba Copley—Ben Copley's 90 years young mother who lives in Visalia, CA. and is not doing very well. 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— He is doing better and doctors say he is one of a kind. They are amazed in the way he is responding to treatment and have seen progress that they have never seen before. Thank God for hearing all the prayers. Colby will undergo another blood test next week.

Cindy McGarry—Michelle Blanck's mother, came through her surgery for breast cancer just fine. She will have radiation next. She thanks all of the church for their prayers.

Perry & Dana Glassgow— Perry will be undergoing a more rigorous form of chemo in two weeks. Pray that the Lord give Perry and Dana the strength to endure and recover.

Remembering in prayer— Gage Williams, Melody Haight, J. J. Bruens, Joe Jones, Jean Delancey, Judy Bussert, Janet Hawkins, Mike Partyka, Marilyn Thomas, Marjorie Fortney, Julie Biocic, Helen Pacheco, Andrea Evans, Sarah Gabriel, Bobbi Tourney, Scott & Landy Boyle. 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—Those that make critical decisions concerning the Pandemic 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

September 13, 2020

Attendance 134
Weekly Contributions September 13, 2020 \$5,264.00
Contribution 4 week average \$4,981.25

Weekly Budget \$6,658.71

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.

If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito.

Dalai Lama

<u>Jeremy Antwine—Announcements for September</u>
<u>Joel Trumbo—Communion Talk for September 20, 2020</u>

<u>Susan Towles—Communion Table Preparation for September</u>
<u>Melody Redd—Communion Table Preparation for October</u>

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. Sunday morning and Wednesday evening bible classes, Sunday Children's Church and Sunday evening Life Group meeting at the building are postponed until further notice.

Youth Group will continue to meet in the Pit on Wednesdays at 6 PM.

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

