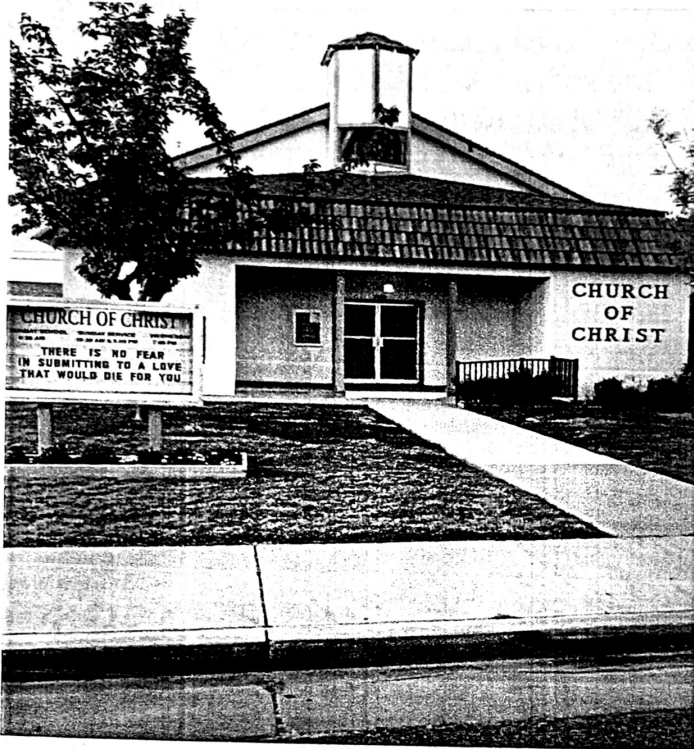


The Lemoore Caller

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Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday A.M. Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Sunday P.M. Worship.....5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Classes.....7:00 pm

Are We A Runner Or A Stander?

Award winning, Western author and novelist, Stephen Bly, writes that in the days of America's Old West, there were two types of friends — “runners” and “standers.” At the first sign of trouble, the runners would bolt, abandoning their so-called “friends” to whatever troubles they were facing. The stander would stand beside their friend no matter what the circumstances. While awaiting death, some “friends” who had ministered with the apostle Paul, turned into runners and abandoned him to face execution alone. In Paul's last letter, he lists Demas as one of those “friends” who had abandoned him for the temporary things of this world (2 Timothy 4:10), and then sadly states, “Only Luke is with me” (2 Timothy 4:11). Obviously, Luke was a stander. While undoubtedly disappointed by Demas who had deserted him, Paul must have been greatly comforted, knowing he was not alone. The Proverb writer tells us that “a friend loves at all times” (Proverbs 17:17) — even in times of great adversity, the close-knit bond between Jonathan and David (1 Samuel 18-21). When our friends are facing any kind of trouble, what kind of friend are we — a runner or a stander? Let's be a faithful “stander.”

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January 6, 2019

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Classes
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
5:00 p.m. Evening Worship
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Classes

Members scheduled to serve for January

Communion Prep: Gary & Joyce Curtis
Greeter: Alice Fall

Men Leading Services for January 6th:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Frank Baldwin

Song Leader: Gary Curtis

Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough

Prayer List: Randy McCord

Lord's Table: LEAD: Gary Cole
Larry Gamble
Rich Rhoads
Garth Radcliff

Scripture Reading: Taylor Radcliff

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Craig Case

Alternates: Clofas Case, Brandon Hodgson,
Gary Rice, David Sander

P.M. Song Leader: Gary Curtis

Wednesday Evening January 9th:

Songs: Gary Cole

Speaker: Gary Rice

Announce/Prayer: Craig Case

Upcoming Events!

Jan. 12 – Baby Shower for Baby Rhoads

Jan. 14 – Men's Meeting
Ladies Birthday Luncheon

Jan. 20 – Birthday Fellowship

Jan. 26 – Ladies Day in S.F.

Jan. 30 – 5th Wednesday singing

Feb. 3 – Services at VCH

Feb. 9 – Possible Senior breakfast

Mar. 9 – Lemoore Ladies Day

Ladies Birthday Luncheon:

The ladies' birthday luncheon will resume on Monday, January 14th. It will be held at Mountain Mike's beginning at 11:30. Please see Wilma Cole for more information.

5th Wednesday Singing:

The next Wednesday evening singing will be on January 30th. The Caruthers congregation will be hosting.

Baby Shower:

There will be a baby shower to honor Baby Girl Rhoads and parents Matt and Jennifer Rhoads. The shower will be held on Saturday January 12th at 11:30 in the fellowship hall. Finger foods will be served. Jennifer and Matt are registered at Target. Please see Isabella Gutierrez or Eula Rhoads if you have any questions.

Valley Christian Home:

Lemoore is scheduled to conduct services at Valley Christian Home on February 3rd.

Senior Breakfast:

The tentative date for the Senior Breakfast is Saturday February 9th. More information to follow.

Lemoore Ladies Day:

March 9th is the date for the annual Lemoore Ladies Day. Lynda Sander will be the speaker. The men will provide breakfast. Please see Becky Bullough to help or for more information.

Ladies Day in San Francisco:

Kathleen Ferrell will be the featured speaker at the Ladies Day hosted by the Airport Church of Christ on January 26th. Registration begins at 8:45 and the program begins at 10.

Grandma's Groceries:

There is a flyer on the bulletin board regarding Grandma's Groceries. If you would like more information regarding this, please speak with Grace Sander.

Bible Class Teachers:

There will be a Teacher's meeting in January. At this time, we have a need for more teachers and to open a cradle roll class. Material has been ordered for this new class and is ready as soon as we have a teacher.

Prayer List

Regina Gamble – Larry's sister – having medical issues at this time.

Jack Otto's daughter, Robin, will be seeing a specialist regarding back surgery.

Members battling illnesses this week:

The Sander family, Matthew and Sandra Case, Joyce Curtis, Whitney Broaddus, Lora Virden, Alice Fall, Richard and Becky Bullough and Eula Rhoads.

Bill and Mozelle Curtis -Mozelle is still dealing with leg issues and Bill was moved to Kings Rehab on Friday

Becky and Glen Fraley, as Glen goes through the process of being placed on the kidney transplant list.

Marlon Mills has a separated shoulder from a fall.

Hal Crain still not doing great

Michael Hagerty struggling with personal and family issues at this time.

Sarah Dewey, granddaughter/niece of the Case families, will continue to have medical tests.

Leon and Lois Collins, Wilma Cole's brother and family, for strength with daily issues and Leon is undergoing immunotherapy.

Mark Cooper has had radiation treatments.

Christy McCord had a successful back surgery but had a reaction to medication.

Darlene Wilson will be seeing a specialist regarding high sodium levels and leg cramps.

The family of Darlene's great granddaughter as she passed away from breathing issues

Rita, a friend and coworker of Chelsea Stafford, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Lavita Hardison, Donna Case's sister, is in a nursing home due to a stroke she had in May.

Ron Cole, Gary Cole's son, recovering from back surgery.

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment.

Hannah Detlefsen, daughter of friends of Lisa Butts,

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, undergoing treatment

Jordan Willis deployment for the Navy

Mike Virden has been placed on the lung transplant list in San Francisco and at UCLA
Doug Standridge- continuing with dialysis. Doug is also waiting on approval for the transplant list.

First Responders

Military and their families

Those traveling

Our Mission Work:

***Our Preachers in Nicaragua**

***Agape Village**

***Crossover Ministry**

***City of Children**

***Manuelito Children's Home**

***church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund**

***World Christian Broadcasting**

FYBC News:

As you are cleaning up from the holidays – please save and bring in any empty jam jars. Also – we are looking for artificial snow for a craft project. We will have a craft day in Spring to prepare for the annual BBQ.

A New Year With The Lord

A new year is about to unfold
With new opportunities to explore
Doors will open for new experiences,
New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things,
The things of this past year,
The Lord will do new things in us,
Much more than we are aware

For He will make a way for us
As we put our trust in Him
And He will guide our every step
By His presence we have within

What God has placed within our hearts,
We find we'll be able to do
If we look for the opportunities,
We'll see the door to go through

We mustn't let anything hold us back
But rise up and take our place
And be all that God wants us to be
With a fresh touch of His grace

A Gift From the Scrap Pile

Charles Darrow was out of work and as poor as a pauper during the Depression, But he kept a smile on his face and a sparkle in his eye. He didn't want his wife, expecting their first child, to be discouraged; so every night when he returned to their little apartment after standing in the unemployment lines all day, he would tell her funny stories about the things he had seen - or imagined.

Darrow was a clever man, and he was always coming up with notions that made people laugh. Darrow knew how powerfully his own attitude affected his wife. His temperament was the color his wife used to paint her mood. If he came home weary and irritable, her spirits fell, and her smile vanished. On the other hand, if she heard him whistling a merry tune as he climbed the many flights of stairs up to their tiny rooms, she would fling open the door and scamper out to the railing to lean over and smile at him as he wound his way up the staircase. They fed on the gift of each other's joy.

In his younger years, Darrow had enjoyed happy family vacations in nearby Atlantic City, and he drew on those memories to keep his spirits high. He developed a little game on a square piece of cardboard. Around the edges he drew a series of "properties" named after the streets and familiar places he had visited during those pleasant childhood summers. He carved little houses and hotels out of scraps of wood, and as he and his young wife played the game each evening, they pretended to be rich, buying and selling property and "building" homes and hotels like extravagant tycoons. On those long, dark evenings, that impoverished apartment was filled with the sound of laughter.

Charles Darrow didn't set out to become a millionaire when he developed "Monopoly", a game that was later marketed around the world by Parker Brothers, but that's what happened. The little gift he developed from scraps of cardboard and tiny pieces of wood he had obtained from a scrap pile was simply a way to keep his wife's spirits up during her Depression-era pregnancy; ultimately, that gift came back to him as bountiful riches.

Monopoly is still being sold by the thousands more than 70 years later. Every time I think of those little green houses and red hotels, the unusual game pieces, and those "get out of jail free" cards that made us all race around the board to pass "Go" and collect \$200, I see an example of shared joy. Isn't that our whole purpose here on earth? To share the joy of knowing Christ and the salvation that comes only through Him? Let's make sure that is what people are seeing when they look at our lives. After all, we don't have a "Monopoly" on salvation. It's for EVERYONE!!

For His Cause,
Tim Woodward

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord