

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 Evening Bible Classes/Devotional.....	7:00 p.m.

What a Book

This book contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's charter. Here paradise is restored, heaven opened, and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, test the heart, and guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. George Whitefield said, "God has condescended to become an author; and yet people will not read His writings. There are very few that ever gave this Book of God, the grand charter of salvation, one fair reading through."

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January 28, 2018

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 February:

Communion Prep. and Greeter:

Shirley Garretson

Men Leading Services for January 28th:

WELCOME /CALL TO WORSHIP: Gary Curtis

SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

OPENING PRAYER: Lynn Atkinson

PRAYER LIST: Gary Cole

LORD'S TABLE: LEAD: Randy McCord

Herminio Gutierrez, Brandon Hodgson, Clofas Case

SCRIPTURE READING: Brandon Hodgson

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Craig Case

ALTERNATES: Rich Rhoads, Richard Bullough,

Frank Baldwin, Gary Rice

P.M. SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

Wednesday, January 31st: 5th Wednesday Singing

Upcoming Events!

Jan. 31st - 5th Wednesday Singing - Lemoore

Feb. 4th - 2:30, Worship Service- Valley Christian Home

Feb. 5th - Men's Business Meeting

Feb. 18th - Birthday Fellowship

Feb. 23rd - 25th - Porterville Youth Rally 2018 - see flier on the bulletin board

March 10th - Lemoore Ladies Day

Visitor's Lunch - We are so glad you are visiting with us today! Please join us for lunch in the fellowship hall right after service. A meal has been prepared and we would love to visit with you. Also, for anyone who is interested in hosting future lunches, a signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

Bible Bowl Results: A few of our sisters earned a 100% on the quiz last Wednesday when we looked into the book of Esther, chapters 5&6. Those names are, Darlene Wilson, Eula Rhoads, Wilma Cole, Becky Bullough and Whitney Broaddus. Way to go girls!

5th Wednesday Singing: On January 31st, Lemoore will host the singing, and we will welcome the Riverdale and Caruthers congregations. Refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall directly after the singing. If you would like to help provide refreshments, finger foods and desserts have been suggested. Thank you.

Valley Christian Home - Lemoore church of Christ will have the opportunity to share the word with the residents at the home on February 4th at 2:30 p.m. Frank Baldwin will be the speaker and all members are encouraged to attend. We will also be meeting at 1:30 in the activity room so that we may have time to stop in to each resident's room, offer them cookies and invite them to the service. This meet and greet program has been a special outreach we added, several months ago, to the well-established worship service at VCH. Just to stop by and say hello and invite the residents encourages many of them to come and worship with us. Please join us.

Sincere Thanks: Thank you to all the ladies who so graciously agree to prepare food every time they are called upon. The Chamberlain family and their guests were most appreciative.

Hebrews 12:28

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,

Psalms 95:6

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

Psalms 100:2

Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

John 4:24

God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

Prayer List

Phillip Garretson – concerns of a cardiac problem. He is under the care of a cardiologist.

Rita Frankmore has been in the hospital all week and in ICU for treatment of a serious intestinal virus. She has been transferred to San Francisco.

Ron Cole, Gary Cole's son, has been diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma. He is under the care of specialists.

Cleta Sisk, Eula Rhoads sister, fell and injured her back. She is under doctor's care.

Fernando (Junior) Lopez, will have oral surgery.

Lynn Atkinson, Recovering from surgery and received good news about the biopsy. However might need additional surgery.

Isabel Gutierrez - waiting for results of a biopsy on a spot in her mouth.

Jordan Willis, as he has been deployed with the Navy. He will be gone for several months.

Mike Virden is undergoing treatment for a serious lung condition and will meet with a specialist in Fresno for advice about a lung transplant.

Ginko Reinhart, a friend of Darlene Wilson has been seriously ill due to a lung infection. Her condition has gotten worse.

Paula Ali, Betty Standridge's niece, has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer in both lungs that is believed metastasized from cervical cancer she had 2 years ago.

Alexis Raygoza, Gutierrez's nephew, as he is in the hospital. He is suffering a heart infection and also a blood clot has caused 2 strokes. He is recovering and expected to stay in the hospital for an undetermined amount of time.

Lora Virden's niece, JeanAnne Emmins, as she has been diagnosed with cancer.

John Whited, brother-in-law of Whitney Broaddus, has spent time intermittently in the hospital, rehab hospital and home with medical care.

Waylon Wittry, great nephew of Wilma Cole – return of brain cancer. He is undergoing an experimental treatment program, but is suffering with adverse effects. Recent MRI showed tumor had not grown.

Glen Fraley - He continues to do well regarding his heart transplant and will continue ongoing checkups with doctors.

Doug Standridge- doing well, continuing with dialysis.

Hannah Detlefsen, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, is suffering the effects of major birth defects, including blindness.

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, as he continues treatment for a recurrence of cancer.

Dorma Atkinson- under the care of medical specialists, after experiencing numerous TIA's and struggles with blood pressure issues.

Casey Case, Jr., under ongoing care of oncologists.

Alana Pfeiffer, Jack Otto's granddaughter, as she struggles with issues of domestic violence.

First Responders

Military and their families

Our Mission Work

*Our Preachers in Nicaragua

*Agape Village

*Crossover Ministry

*City of Children

*Manuelito Children's Home

*church of Christ in Branson, MO

*church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund

*World Christian Broadcasting

The Word Of Truth

Lord, your word is full of power,
Penetrating the deepest parts,
Exposing and analyzing our every thought
And the purposes of our hearts

Help us, Lord, to allow your word
To do a thorough work,
Even though it is painful, Lord,
To revisit our past hurts

It's needful to expose what's hidden
So healing can begin,
Restoring what the enemy took
By allowing God's truth within

We give ourselves to you, O Lord,
To work within our lives,
For there's no one else who understands,
Nor can heal the hurt inside

Your sword of truth can bring the healing
As we open up our hearts,
You know just where we hurt the most
And you never miss the mark

For we long to live our lives in line
With your word of truth,
For it's by your truth, we are set free
And our lives are made brand new.

February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Teagan Standridge
4 Gary Curtis Valley Christian Home	5 Diane Worrell Men's Business Meeting	6	7	8	9	10 Red Cooper Jack Otto
11 Craig Case	12	13 Ladie's Luncheon	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Rich Rhoads	23	24
25 Birthday Fellowship	26	27	28			

My Brother's Keeper

Now Cain talked with Abel his brother; and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother and killed him. Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?" And He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to me from the ground. So now you are cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you. A fugitive and a vagabond you shall be on the earth." Genesis 4:8-12

Cain's question has become one of the best-known of the Bible. As short as it is (just three words in Hebrew), it is filled with contempt. The word translated "keeper" means to watch, guard, or have the charge of something. When God created Cain's father and placed him in Eden, He told him to dress and "keep" (same word) the garden (Genesis 2:15). Cain, who himself became a tiller of the ground (4:2), saw the crops of his field more worthy of his care than his own brother. Sadly there are many today—perhaps even in the church—who have adopted Cain's contemptuous attitude, even when the Scriptures implore us to put our brethren before ourselves (Philippians 2:1-8; Hebrews 13:1).

To answer Cain's question, we must first know who our brother is. Jesus said, "Whoever does the will of My Father in heaven is My brother and sister and mother" (Matthew 12:50). There is a sense then in which my brother is one who shares the faith. There is another sense, however, in which all men are my brethren. When Ananias approached Saul, he addressed him as "brother Saul" (Acts 22:13). In this sense Paul considered all Jews his brethren, even when they were defiantly rejecting God's will (Romans 9:3; 10:1-4). Whom should we regard as brethren? The evolutionist regards the ape as his brother. The Nazi claimed brotherhood only with men of his narrow race. The Christian recognizes that every man is his brother who is made in God's image.

Should I be my brother's keeper? The world's answer is no. Satan obviously convinced Cain of this. He also convinced Joseph's brothers (Genesis 37), as well as the older brother of the prodigal (Luke 15). He teaches us to say, "That's his problem, not mine." To the contrary, the Lord says that our love and concern for one another would be proof to the world of our discipleship (John 13:35). To a church marked with strife and contention, Paul wrote that brethren ought to resemble parts of a single body which not only function together, but also share in one another's pain. The truth is that God has always desired peace among His children, and one of the things He hates is the one who would "sow discord among brethren" (Proverbs 6:19).

The Bible gives examples of great men and women who "kept" their brethren. Judah was the brother who suggested selling Joseph into slavery, but he was also the one who later offered himself as a slave in the place of Benjamin (Genesis 44:33-34). Paul loved his brethren so deeply that he was willing to stand up to them (Galatians 2:11-18; 4:15-16), and he praised saints like Aquila and Priscilla who were diligent keepers of their brethren (Romans 16:1-5). One of the principle roles of shepherds is to watch for the souls of their brethren, for which they will give an account (Hebrews 13:17). Jesus also saw it His duty to be a keeper of His brethren (John 17:12). If He did, shouldn't we?

What is involved in keeping my brother? If I want to be his keeper, I must first learn to love him as I love myself (Matthew 22:39). I must teach him the truth out of love (Acts 18:26). I must try to restore him when he goes astray (Galatians 4:15-16; 6:1). I must offer to share his burden (Galatians 6:2). And I must do good to him whenever I can (Galatians 6:10), especially in his hour of need (James 1:27). Does your brother know that you love him? Are you committed to being his keeper?