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.

Elders: Craig Case and Vernon Garretson

Why we celebrate Easter

Chocolate, colored eggs, cute little bunnies! Easter has always been an exciting time of year for me. I remember that every year, when I was growing up, my family would spend a few hours on Friday or Saturday night just before Easter Sunday coloring and decorating Easter eggs. We always had a lot of fun!

As Christians, we celebrate Easter for entirely different reasons than most people do. You see, about two thousand years ago, God sent His only Son, Jesus, to live a perfect life, and to die for our sins! But Jesus did not stay dead; He rose from the dead! We are actually celebrating Jesus' death for our sins and His resurrection. That is why many people call Easter, Resurrection Sunday, because that is exactly what it is. Happy Easter

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April 16, 2017

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 April:
Communion Prep.: Joyce & Gary Curtis
Greeters: Kaye Dodge & Whitney Broaddus

Men Leading Services for April 16th:

CALL TO WORSHIP: ELDER: Vernon Garretson

SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff OPENING PRAYER: Frank Baldwin

PRAYER LIST: Gary Cole

LORD'S TABLE: LEAD: Gray Curtis Gary Rice, Taylor Radcliff, Randy McCord SCRIPTURE READING: Lynn Atkinson ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER:

Richard Bullough

ALTERNATES: Craig Standridge, Herminio Gutierrez,

Clofas Case

P.M. SONG LEADER: Garth Radcliff

Men to Lead Wednesday, April 19th:

Songs: Garth Radcliff Speaker: Vernon Garretson

Announcements/Prayer: Gary Cole

Upcoming Events!

April 21st & 22nd - Yard Sale at Valley Christian Home April 23rd - Birthday Fellowship -fish fry April 28th - Lemoore Hosts Area Wide Singing May 6th - FYBC Annual Golf Tournament May29th, YBC Memorial Day BBQ May 31st - Lemoore to host 5th Wednesday Singing. June 17th - 24th - YBC Summer Camp with Modesto

May You All Have

A Blessed Easter

Yard Sale at Valley Christian Home Rescheduled: The Ladies Auxiliary has rescheduled this bi-annual fund raising event for Aril 21st and 22nd. The home's administrator has requested that donated items NOT be left outside the building, as it attracts trespassers. However, items of all kinds are greatly needed. Clothing for men, women and children in all sizes and styles are needed, as well as shoes and accessories. Furniture and other household items are needed: dishes, utensils, cookware, towels, sheets, blankets, sleeping bags, decorative items and collectables, (clean and in good repair). Anyone who has items to be donated may call Gary Cole at 559-381-5383 and arrangements will be made to accept the items. Donations may also be left at the Lemoore church of Christ building and will be taken to the home. Furniture, TVs, appliances, and any other large items cannot be accepted until the day before the sale, as there is no storage room available. Thank you for your participation in this event.

Have Any Plans for the Summer? How about Yosemite Bible Camp? This year, Modesto Area church of Christ has invited Lemoore to attend YBC while they are there. The dates will be June 17th through June 24th. The campers range in age from 8 to 18 and the cost is \$100 per camper, if registered by June 1st. After June 1st, the fee will be more. Registration forms are available online, or see Lynda Martyn if you would like a paper copy. Adult volunteers are also needed and their lodging and meals will cost \$30 for the week.

FYBC Annual Golf Tournament: May 6th is the date set for this annual fund raising event to take place at Riverside Golf Course in Fresno. There will be a shot gun start at 1:00 p.m., lunch and registration will be at Noon. Golfers and Door Prizes are needed. If you would like to golf in the tournament or would like to donate items for door prizes, please get in touch with Denise Dean or Lynda Martyn.

<u>FYBC Tree Removal Program</u>: If you are interested in being a sponsor for the program, please make arrangements with Lynda Martyn to have the money sent to the camp. Also, trees are available free to take for anyone with the equipment and transportation.

John 11:25

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; Luke 14:14

and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Prayer List

The Family of Phyllis Green, Becky Bullough's sister, as she passed away Saturday.

<u>The Family of Helen Kilday</u>. Helen passed away Friday. She and her husband Warren, are uncle and aunt of Vernon Garretson.

<u>Diane Worrell</u>, recovering from a medical procedure for her back.

<u>Rick Worrell</u>, recovering from the placement of a defibrillator.

<u>Glen Fraley</u>, has a possible infection of his foot. Also, he will have a biopsy of his heart, due to test results.

<u>Vernon Garretson</u>; recovering after having a double bypass surgery. He is home from the hospital and improving.

<u>Whitney Broaddus</u> - Appointments and medical tests with cardiologists.

<u>Richard Bullough</u> – scheduled for kidney surgery April 25th.

<u>Doug Standridge</u>- continuing to improve while recovering from surgery, although had some complications and had to return to the hospital. He is home now.

<u>Lucile Chamberlain</u> - Lucile has moved to Somerford Place of Fresno. She has improved some.

<u>Becky</u>, a friend of Stephanie Tischmacher, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

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

<u>Denise Roberts</u>, daughter of Marjorie and Red Cooper, has had melanoma removal surgery and will follow up with doctors.

<u>Diane, Jazelle Gutierrez' grandmother</u>, has been ill and in the hospital. She has been diagnosed with Stage III Lung Cancer.

<u>Tim Nichols</u>, Lynn Atkinson's cousin, had been battling bladder cancer. He now has bone cancer; his prognosis is not good.

<u>Twila Johnson</u>, daughter of Darlene Wilson, needs prayers for guidance to make better choices in life. <u>Dennis Thomas</u>, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, as he continues treatment for a recurrence of cancer. <u>Dorma Atkinson</u>- under the care of medical specialists, after experiencing numerous TIA's and struggles with blood pressure issues.

<u>Alana</u>, Jack Otto's granddaughter – Please pray that she will make better choices in life.

Merlin Welch, a neighbor of the Atkinsons, as he recovers from a stroke.

Casey Case, Jr., grandson of Clofas and Jeanne Case, going through treatment for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma and an additional blood disorder. He is responding well to treatment and has shown great improvement.

Several Members are traveling, whether for work or vacation time, hopefully they will all have a safe trip.

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

Easter Joy

Jesus came to earth, To show us how to live, How to put others first, How to love and how to give.

Then He set about His work,
That God sent Him to do;
He took our punishment on Himself,
He made us clean and new.

He could have saved Himself, Calling angels from above, But He chose to pay our price for sin; He paid it out of love.

Our Lord died on Good Friday, But the cross did not destroy His resurrection on Easter morn That fills our hearts with joy.

Now we know our earthly death, Like His, is just a rest. We'll be forever with Him In heaven, where life is best.

So we live our lives for Jesus, Think of Him in all we do. Thank you Savior; Thank you Lord. Help us love like you!

Why Study God's word

Just as we eat 3 meals a day to sustain our physical bodies, we must also feast on God's word daily to sustain our souls. If we don't we are in danger of losing our souls. God says in Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge." People will be lost because they did not care enough to read and study God's instruction book on how to go to Heaven.

Paul says in 2 Thessalonians 2:10 that people will be lost "because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved." Satan wants to distract us with the cares and deceits of this world. He does not want us to read and study our Bibles every day. He knows that we become weak and vulnerable when we fail to study. Our strongest defense is a shield of faith. How do we obtain that shield of faith to protect us? Romans 10:17 says, "So then faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God." The more we study the word of God the stronger our faith will be. If we want to protect ourselves against Satan we must have a strong faith.

In years past we in the churches of Christ were known as "walking Bibles" because brethren then studied their Bibles. But sad to say, this is no longer true because we have failed to study God's word, as we should. But what happens when we fail to study God's word and become spiritually starved? 2 Peter 3:16 says that those who are "untaught and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the scriptures." We cannot understand God's word unless we study it. And because of this Jesus says in Matthew 15:14, "They are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a ditch."

To keep from wandering around in spiritual darkness, let's study God's word so that "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Psalms 119:105). Let's not endanger our souls by a lack of study of God's word. Let's take time to study it daily. We don't need anything else. In <u>2 Timothy 3:16-17</u> it reads "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." We Christians can be totally secure in the Lord by studying the Bible because it is God's plan for our life.

James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.