

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 p.m.

A Big Name

When Walter P. Paepeke started a carton company and called it the Container Corporation of America, his attorney said it was “a big name for such a small company.” Mr. Paepeke’s reply was, “We’ll take the name and grow into it.” That’s the task we have before us. We have taken a big name—the name of Christ. Now we must grow into it. There was a wonderful promise given in Isaiah 62:2: “Thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name.” Think of it. A new name. Given by the Lord! We see the fulfillment of that promise in Acts 11:26: “And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.” Under the name Christian we are to glorify God (1 Peter 4:16), but we know that the name is too big for us. We are an unfinished product, slowly growing into that name. The Bible constantly calls upon us to become more and more like Christ, to “grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ” (Ephesians 4:15). Are we making progress? Do others recognize Christ in me? Do they find some grace, or receive a kind thought when in contact with me? Am I concerned about the welfare of all those about me? Am I ready to love all people without partiality? Do I show compassion, tenderness, and concern? Am I willing to step out of selfishness into selflessness? Am I kind and gentle to those who are in distress?

Ephesians 5:1-2

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; ² and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

Lemoore Church of Christ

September 1, 2019

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Services:

Today: 9:30 Bible Classes
10:30 Morning Worship
5:00 Evening Worship
Wed. 7:00 Bible classes

Servants for August/September:

September: Herminio and Isabel Gutierrez

Men Leading Services today:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Frank Baldwin

Song Leader: Gary Curtis

Opening Prayer: Jordan Willis

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Craig Case
David Sander
Rich Rhoads
Gary Rice

Scripture Reading: Brandon Hodgson

Announcements/CI. Prayer: Randy McCord

Alternates: Clofas Case, Herminio Gutierrez

P.M. Song Leader: David Sander

Wednesday Night: August 28

Songs: David Sander

Speaker: Gary Curtis

Announcements/CI. Prayer: Gary Rice



Upcoming Events:

Sept. 1 Services at Valley Christian Home
Sept. 6 First Friday Fun
Sept. 9 Men's Meeting
Sept. 14 Grief Seminar w/ Mike Whitworth
Sept. 21 West Visalia Ladies Day
Sept. 22 Birthday Fellowship
Oct. 4 Men's YBC Meeting
Oct. 4-6 Ladies Retreat at YBC
Oct. 11-15 Youth forum at West Visalia
Oct. 25 Area Wide Singing – Lemoore hosts
Oct. 26 FYBC meeting – Fresno
Oct. 31 Trunk or Treat



Upcoming Singing Opportunities

The area Wide Singing will be held Here in Lemoore on October 25th. Refreshments will be needed following the singing.



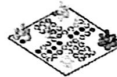
Breakfast Ministry: Coffee Social

A wonderful time of fellowship was enjoyed last Sunday morning. Plan on joining us each week at the Coffee Social in the Fellowship Hall from 8-9:15. Come enjoy a time of visiting, hosted by Jordan Willis, as we prepare to worship the Lord.



Valley Christian Home

We have services at Valley Christian Home today. We will begin at 1:30 by visiting with the residents and then services will begin at 2:30. All are invited to join us. Frank Baldwin will be the speaker.



First Friday Fun Night

We will be having a "First Friday" Fun Night. It will be held on Sept. 6 at 7:30 in the fellowship hall. Hosting will be Garrett and Lynda Sander



Ladies Retreat

Registration forms are in the foyer for Ladies Retreat. It will be held at YBC Oct. 4th-6th. Early bird registration is 90.00 prior to Sept 15th. The Saturday only fee is 30.00. This year's retreat is being hosted by Madera.



Grief Seminar

Michael Whitworth will be here Sept. 14 for a free day long grief seminar. There will be 2 classes in the morning and 2 in the afternoon. A continental breakfast will be held at 9:00 in the morning and a baked potato bar will be available for lunch. Sign up sheets are on the table in the foyer. More help is needed at this time. There is an event flyer posted on the church's Facebook page: please share it to your personal page to get the word out! There are also flyers on the table in the foyer.

Prayer List:

Lynda Sander had an infusion this past Wednesday and is scheduled to have another one in 2 weeks.

Paula Beene had a heart attack during a procedure in SF. She is currently recovering.

Chris Downs, brother of Tiffany Radcliff, experiencing life trials. Prayers are requested that he can get the medical help he needs.

Dick Coxsey continues rehab

Marjory and Mark Cooper traveled to SF for Mark's diagnostic procedure.

Bill Butts has been given medication for eye infection and pain following his surgery.

Victor Manna, service man for our air conditioner, Valley Fever

Bob Martin recovering from a fall

Tito Cano's, husband of Angie, his PET scan has confirmed stage 3 lymphoma.

Janice McCord

Jordan Willis for strength

Lora Virden had a procedure last Monday.

Don and Shirley Blackwell

Bart Massey, friend of Dixie Blair, diagnosed with stage 4 stomach cancer

Cindy Fuentes

Ron and Kris Cole Ron's Myeloma has returned. Infusions have not been effective at this time.

Becky and Glen Fraley, Glen is on the SF transplant list.

Hal Crain experiencing pain following a leg amputation.

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

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment.

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

Our Mission Work:

- *First Responders
- *Our Preachers in Nicaragua
- *Agape Village
- *Crossover Ministry
- *City of Children
- *Manuelito Children's Home
- *church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund
- *World Christian Broadcasting

I'LL BE A FRIEND TO JESUS

Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. (John 15:14-15)

Hymn 208 in the Sacred Selections is entitled "I'll Be A Friend to Jesus" The chorus says, "I'll be a friend to Jesus. My life for Him I'll spend. I'll be a friend to Jesus, until my years shall end." What a beautiful declaration! As Christians we should always strive to

make sure that our conduct and character reflect the words in this song.

A clear distinction must be made between one being a friend verses being an acquaintance. These terms are often confused. An acquaintance is someone that you don't know that well but you may have something in common. This may be a co-worker, the cashier at your favorite store or the person who delivers your mail or newspaper. There are also the "fair weather" friends that will always be with you as long as things are going well but as soon as adversity comes they can't be found.

When someone is a true friend it implies that you have feelings and personal regard that goes beyond the superficial. Friends also have a bond that is so strong that no matter what situation arises it can't be broken. Solomon's wise words tell us that a friend loves at all times (Proverbs 17:17) and there is a friend that sticks closer than a brother (Proverbs 18:24) and that friend is our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is the only one that promised to be with us always and never forsake us.

In the topic text Jesus states that we are considered His friends if we do whatever He asks of us. We are also His friends because He has shared with us all the things that His Father had shared with Him. Isn't it wonderful that Christ thought so much of our friendship that He revealed unto us the secret things of God! He would not have done so if we were just servants. What a true friend we have in Jesus!

Jesus also said in John 15:13 that the greatest expression of love is when one lays down their life for a friend. He proved his love for us when he went to die on Calvary's cross so that all of our sins and transgressions might be forgiven. Isn't this more than enough for us to always be a friend to Him?

Jeffrey Walker, Minister
Via: the Tonto Street Church of Christ

*Devote yourself in prayer, being watchful and thankful.
Colossians 4:9*

September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:00 a.m. Coffee Social	2 Danielle Bellwood	3 Gary Cole	4	5	6 Russ Burkhart	7
Worship at Valley Christian Home					First Friday Fun	
8 8:00 a.m. Coffee Social Cindy Fuentes	9 Wilma Cole	10	11	12	13	14 Grief Seminar
	Men's Business Meeting					
15 8:00 a.m. Coffee Social	16 Griselda Gutierrez	17	18 Bree Radcliff	19	20 Maryann Chamberlain	21
22 8:00 a.m. Coffee Social	23	24 Garth Radcliff	25	26 Richard Bullough	27	28 Alissa Radcliff
Birthday Fellowship						
29 8:00 a.m. Coffee Social	30					

Is Church Attendance Important

The idea that church attendance is not important would have seemed strange to the first century Christians. From the church's beginning, they met together to worship God. Luke described the early church in Acts 2, saying that they "they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers . . . So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved" (Acts 2:42-47). Paul wrote, "How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm . . . Let all things be done for edification" (1 Corinthians 14:26). Obviously, they loved to and expected to "come together." Some argue, however, that just going to church does not make one a Christian, and going to church doesn't have that much to do with the kind of person one really is. There is no doubt that simply "going to church" does not make one a Christian. It is also true that being a certain kind of person is very important yet not entirely dependent upon going to church. But these arguments are irrelevant, because God has commanded that those who would be pleasing to Him must meet together to worship Him. Jesus said, "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). There is a "must" about worship to Almighty God. If one does not do what God has commanded, he sins. Jesus also said, "If you love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Failure to worship with the church shows a lack of love for the Lord. The Hebrews writer said, "Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching" (Hebrews 10:24-25). How can a Christian "stir up love and good works" when forsaking the assembling of God's people? Every member of the body is needed for the worship services. "For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body . . . For in fact the body is not one member but many" (1 Corinthians 12:12-14). The absentee misses the opportunity to join with other Christians in singing praises to God, offering corporate prayer to God, and in giving to God as he has been prospered. He misses opportunity to learn from and profit from exhortations from God's Word. Can anyone really say that he is better off by not participating in the worship of the church? The willful absentee sins against the God of heaven, denies himself the blessings of God, and hurts the church, the bride of Christ. Think about it!

Matthew 6:33

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.