

# *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

## **Christ Is the Only Way**

We tend to be serious and exclusive when dealing with serious matters. When you go to a physician for treatment, the doctor doesn't outline four or five arbitrary therapies, asking you to choose the one which "floats your boat." Rather, a physician seeks the greatest precision in addressing the patient's situation. In the same way, but even more profoundly, Jesus claims to address the central elements of life, putting Himself forward to be the answer to our most profound needs. "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden," Jesus invites, "and I will give you rest." This loving call invites us into a new way of life filled with blessings and with responsibilities. "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me," is the Savior's commandment and promise, "for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:28-30) The power of the gospel is transformational. It moves us from the way of the world into the way of salvation in Christ. Receiving the blessings of Jesus as your Savior entails entering into a relationship with Jesus as your Lord. In contrast to the transforming power of the gospel, much of today's popular religion is accommodating rather than confrontational. Worldly religions reinforce rather than challenge worldly behavior. In contrast to the world's message of indulgence, the church must continually reinforce the Lord's call to repentance.

John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

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## October 7, 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 October

Greeter for **October:** Eula Rhoads  
Communion for **October:** Garth & Tiffany  
Radcliff

### Men Leading Services for October 7<sup>th</sup>:

**Welcome/Call to Worship:** Richard Bullough

**Song Leader:** Garth Radcliff

**Opening Prayer:** Randy McCord

**Prayer List:** Gary Cole

**Lord's Table: LEAD:** Gary Rice  
Frank Baldwin  
Rich Rhoads  
David Sander

**Scripture Reading:** David Sander

**Announcements/Cl. Prayer:** Craig Case

**Alternates:** Clofas Case, Gary Curtis, Larry  
Gamble, Brandon Hodgson

**P.M. Song Leader:** Garth Radcliff

### Wednesday Evening October 10<sup>th</sup>:

**Songs:** Garth Radcliff

**Speaker:** Randy McCord

**Ann./Prayer:** Frank Baldwin

### Upcoming Events!

**Oct. 9** – Ladies Birthday Luncheon

**Oct. 12 – 14** – Youth Forum at West Visalia

**Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>** – Birthday Fellowship

Checks due for Taylor today

Collection day Jordan/Taylor

**Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>** – 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday singing here in  
Lemoore.

**Oct. 31** – Special services followed by trunk or  
treat

**Nov. 21-14** – Thanksgiving at YBC

### West Visalia Youth Forum:

This free youth forum will be held on Oct 12-14. You can travel in daily or stay over. See Garrett Sander if you need a ride.

### October Birthday Fellowship:

Say Aloha Summer and hello to fall on Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup> for the birthday fellowship. Break out all your favorite summer recipes for a last call to summer. Yours hosts are Lynda Martyn and Denise Dean.

### Thanksgiving at YBC:

Once again, we plan to head up to camp for Thanksgiving fellowship and relaxation. We have reserved camp from Wednesday to Saturday. The cost will be \$15.00 per day for adults. There will be no charge for children. More information for the weekend will be coming later. See Gary Rice or Denise Dean to get your name on the list and start our housing arrangements.

### Services for Oct 31<sup>st</sup>:

Since Halloween happens to be on Wednesday, our services will change up a bit. There will be a devotional at 5:00, dinner at 6:00 and then trunk or treat activity at 7:00. Please come join us for a great evening of study and fellowship.

### 5th Wednesday Singing:

Because the 5th Wednesday is on Halloween, they have moved the 5th Wednesday singing to the fourth Wednesday, Oct 24th. Lemoore is hosting, with Caruthers and Riverdale attending. More to come on information about snacks following the singing.

### Support for Taylor:

There are two ways to give support to Taylor while he is at Bear Valley. More details of this information are posted on the bulletin board for your reference.

### October Ladies birthday luncheon:

This month's birthday luncheon will be on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. It will be held at Sizzler in Hanford.

## Prayer List

**Craig Case** An angiogram was performed showing no stents needed at this time.

**Darlene Wilson** will be having more x-rays.

**The Burline Lewis Family** as he passed away.

**Herminio Gutierrez** recovering from a medical procedure.

**Griselda Gutierrez' son, Josiah**, has Bronchitis.

**Charles Fall** is on blood v54 thinners for his clotting problem

**Isaac Carrasco**, co-worker of Frank Baldwin, having surgery on Monday.

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

**Dwayne Herrington** Gary Rice's uncle, hospice due to end stage COPD

**Hal Crain** had 2 surgeries for an infection in his leg. He is now home

**Sarah Dewey**, granddaughter/niece of the Case families, will be having more tests as heart issues have been ruled out.

**Evan Autry**, relative of Darlene Wilson, family problems

**Don and Shirley Easter** for a job situation that has caused a separation in the family.

**Betty Standridge**

**Melissa Jackson, friend of Caitlyn Harp**, Awaiting medical test results.

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

**Mark Cooper** has had treatment for his cancer and is now home again. He will be undergoing radiation treatment.

**Michael Lopez** has been in the hospital because of kidney stones.

**Nancy Evans**, friend of the Cole's, chronic leukemia

**Christy McCord** waiting for an appt. for a possible spinal injection

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

**Lavita Hardison**, Donna Case's sister, is currently in the Rehab Center.

**David Ryal** Minister from Morro Bay, is home and able to attend church now.

**Ron Cole**, Gary Cole's son, home following bone marrow transplant. His counts are up.

**Alexa Martinez**, friend of Baldwin's, return of cancer

**Richard Bullough** – medical issues

**Mike Virden** seeing a specialist. He is currently on oxygen all the time and his condition has worsened. Testing has begun to determine if he is eligible for the lung transplant list. It is a lengthy process.

**Jordan Willis** deployment for the Navy

**Hannah Detlefsen**, baby daughter of friends of Lisa Butts, has returned home.

**Doug Standridge**- continuing with dialysis.

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

**Casey Case, Jr.**, ongoing Oncology treatment.

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

**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**

**Sheep and Shepherd**

O Lord, Thy benediction give,  
On all who teach, on all who learn  
So that thy church may holier live,  
And every light more brightly burn.

Give those that learn the willing ear,  
The spirit meek, the guileless mind;  
Such gifts will make the lowliest here,  
Far better the kingdom find.

Oh, bless the Shepherd, bless the sheep  
That guide and guided both be one,  
One in the faithful watch they keep,  
One in the joy of work well done.

## LIVING AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT

In the New Testament Christians are commonly referred to as "children of God". We voluntarily chose to name Christ as our Lord and recognize God as our father. Galatians 3:26-27 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, (27) for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

We (Christians) are also referred to as "children of light" after making our decision to follow Jesus (the light of the world). John 8:12 – When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." We've been delivered from the reign and rule of sin in our lives (darkness) and are now under the reign and rule of King Jesus who sits on the throne of our hearts and minds. We are therefore referred to as "children of light"- Ephesians 5:6-11- Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient. (7) Therefore do not be partners with them. (8) For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (9) (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) (10) and find out what pleases the Lord. (11) Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.

Colossians 1:13-14 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, (14) in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. This "kingdom of the Son he loves,..." is also referred to as the "kingdom of light" (Col.1:12)

Living as children of light means walking in love according to God's truth. This concept is much different than the world's idea of living a life of love accepting anything and everything as acceptable to God. We strive to live a life of love according to God's definition of love.

2 John 1:4-6 – It has given me great joy to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as the Father commanded us. (5) And now, dear lady, I am not writing you a new command but one we have had from the beginning. I ask that we love one another. (6) And this is love: that we walk in obedience to his commands. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love. I believe it's safe to say that the majority of people fail to define living a life of love as "walking in obedience to his commands". Instead most choose to believe that acceptance and tolerance of actions and lifestyles God defines as sinful is REALLY living a life of love. Unfortunately this is a false conclusion obviously conflicts with God's definition of walking (living) in the truth & in love.

John makes it clear that we simply cannot continue to "walk in darkness" (live a sinful life) while at the same time walking in fellowship with God. 1 John 1:5-7 – This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. (6) If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. (7) But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

The challenge for us as Christians is to now live as "children of the day" rather than "children of the night" Romans 13:12-13 -The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. (13) Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Are you living as a child of light today?