

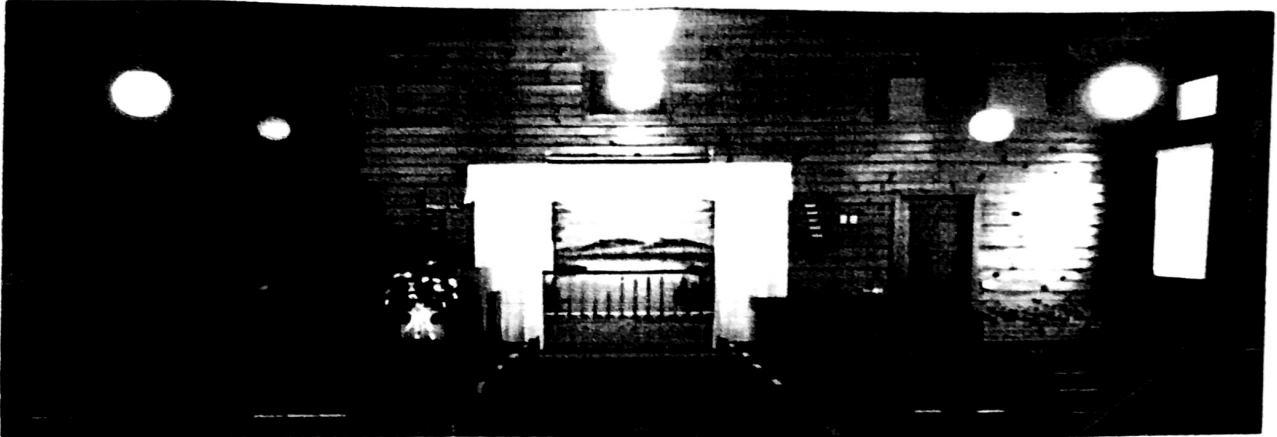
The Lemoore Caller

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Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study.....	9:30
Sunday A.M. Assembly.....	10:30
Sunday P.M. Assembly.....	5:00
Wednesday Evening Classes/Devotional.....	7:00
Birthday Fellowship.....	3 rd Sunday of month after worship
Elder's Meeting.....	last Tuesday of the month
Business Meeting.....	1 st Monday of the month

A poor man was given a loaf of bread. He thanked the baker, but the baker said, 'Don't thank me. Thank the miller who made the flour.' So he thanked the miller, but the miller said, 'Don't thank me. Thank the farmer who planted the wheat.' So he thanked the farmer. But the farmer said, 'Don't thank me. Thank the Lord. He gave the sunshine, rain, and fertility to the soil, and that's why you have bread to eat.' Regardless of how sophisticated, how advanced we may be scientifically, we still can't create, we still can't make a kernel of wheat. That has to come from God. God gives us the things we need in order to live on this planet. 'Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of Heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. ([James 1:17](#);))

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March 13, 2016

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 March:
Communion Prep. and Greeters:
Craig and Donna Case

Men Leading Services on March 13th:
Song Leader: Garth Radcliff
Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough
Prayer List: Gary Cole
Lord's Table: Lead – Mark Lane
Taylor Radcliff, Herminio Gutierrez, Jeff Mason
Scripture Reading: Gary Rice
Announcements: Frank Baldwin
Closing Prayer: Randy McCord
Alternates: Vernon Garretson, Gary Curtis,
Craig Case, Excell Green
Please check the list that is posted on the bulletin board for the current month's schedule.

Teacher's Meeting.. All teachers and those interested in teaching, please meet with Jeff Mason in the front of the building directly after evening worship today, March 13th.

Church Directory Update! Over the next few weeks, please check the copy of the church directory that is on the table in the foyer. If you have an update to make to any of your information, please do so. Also, if your picture is not in it, or if you would like a new picture, please check with Wilma Cole.

Care Packages: *We are planning to send care packages to 3 of our members who are away. Erin Bullough, Elizabeth Puckett and Derek Cathy. All of these members will appreciate our support and special gifts we will send. Three boxes will be in the foyer, each with a name. We would like to collect gifts of spiritual literature such as books, cards, pamphlets and website information that may be helpful in continued study of Christ. Also, prepackaged snack foods, (as home baked goods do not travel well in the mail). Please do not include any items that would consider "hazardous". We would like to collect all items by today, March 13th. Thank you.*

Lemoore Ladies Day and Breakfast: March 19 at 9:00 a.m. will be the date for our annual "Ladies Day" here in Lemoore. Special Speakers have been invited and as always, the men of our congregation are putting together a delicious menu for the breakfast. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend this time of fellowship and presentation of inspiring messages. Hope to see you there!

Easter Egg Hunt! Mark your calendars for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. This year we will get together at Noon on Saturday, March 26th. Lunch will be provided and there will be plenty of eggs for the kids to hunt. More details will be available soon.

2016 - Celebrating 70 years - Lemoore Church of Christ! May 20th - May 22nd will be a time to come together and commemorate the establishment of this congregation in Lemoore. Mark your calendars and plan to be here as we will welcome speakers including Carroll Davis, Paul Methwin and Vernon Garretson. All three days there will be special events to attend including a potluck style meal after morning worship on Sunday the 22nd. More information will be available as time draws near.

Upcoming Events!

March 19th - Lemoore Ladies Day
March 20th - Birthday Fellowship
March 23 - Bible Bowl / Matthew 27
March 30th - 5th Wednesday Singing- Lemoore
April 3rd - Valley Christian Home Worship Service
April 9th - YBC Benefit Golf Tournament
April 22nd-23rd - Men's Retreat at YBC
June 22nd - 26th: Morro Bay Church of Christ Family Retreat
July 23rd - 29th: Tahoe Family Encampment

A Sincere Thank You to Gary and Wilma Cole for hosting a wonderful time at their ranch in Coalinga. It seems a good time was had by all. The food was delicious and thank you to everyone that prepared everything. A fun tournament of "Oke Horesshoes" was played on Saturday. God blessed the days with a variety of beautiful weather too.

Prayer List

Lucile Chamberlain – please continue to keep Lucile in your prayers, as this time of mourning is very difficult.

Bill Curtis, Gary Curtis' father fell and injured his arm.

Kellen Csaë – scheduled for surgery Monday, March 14th to repair a torn bicep tendon.

Mildred Tischmacher, Stephanie Tischmacher's mother-in-law will have brain surgery.

Glen Fralley is scheduled for a defibrillator placement surgery in Santa Clara on April 14th.

Gary Radcliff, Garth's father is out of the hospital and recovering.

Mary Young, Brandon Greene's grandmother is scheduled for surgery March 15th.

The Standridge Family, as Emily and Austin have had the flu.

T. J. Clark and Family, as his wife passed away. T. J. is a former teacher of Brandon Greene.

Pablo Gracia's father: surgery has been postponed while further observation is needed.

Pat Coppinger is scheduled for knee surgery March 16th.

Shari Kent, a friend of Betty Edwards from Bakersfield has been experiencing health problems and is faced with making difficult decisions.

Doug Standridge – recovering after a cardiac procedure and hopes to be back on the kidney transplant list soon.

Pat Bennett, wife of Hanford's former preacher, experienced a heart attack.

Eldon Lewis, a nephew of Eula Rhoads – suffering with pneumonia and is in the hospital.

Stoney Dodd recovering after a cardiac procedure on Feb. 11th. He also has another doctor appointment March 28th.

Richard Bullough will have more medical tests on March 23rd to provide more information and a date for his upcoming kidney surgery.

Anna, a niece of Donna Lane, experiencing personal struggles

Paula Ali, a relative of the Standridge and Souza families has been diagnosed with Stage 3 Cervical cancer.

The Family of Barbara Fisher, as she passed away last Sunday. Barbara was a neighbor of Darlene Wilson.

Stacey Ballantyne, Suzanne Mason's sister – cancer has spread and now she is also suffering from lymphedema. She also has other health concerns which will require additional medical tests.

Rita Frankmore has been very ill as she has struggled with ongoing health problems.

Johnny Goodson, a cousin of Mark Lane is recovering well after open heart surgery and is expecting to have gall bladder surgery soon.

Shae McNeeley – ongoing health issues related to a heart and lung transplant.

Lois Gable, a friend of the Lane family has been diagnosed with cancer.

Cami Cassaday, Suzanne Mason's cousin, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Irene Aguirre, as she suffers with Macular Degeneration that is causing her eyesight to deteriorate.

Beverly Rice, aunt of Donna Lane has been diagnosed with liver cancer.

Jamie Smith, Jack Otto's granddaughter, has Stage 4 Multiple Sclerosis.

All Members of our Military and their families.

Our brothers and sisters that are traveling: whether it is for vacation, medical appointments or to be with loved ones, may they all have a safe trip.

Our Mission Work

*Our Preachers in Nicaragua

*Agape Village

*Crossover Ministry

*Manuelito Children's Home

*Church of Christ in Branson, MO

**Church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund*

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews

"Small Stuff"

Some religious people feel that as long as one has a sincere heart, the "little" details do not make much difference. Yet we don't think this way about other matters which are not of eternal consequence. Consider: If 99.9 percent is good enough, then...

- Two million documents will be lost by the IRS this year
- 403,260 tax returns will be returned incorrectly this year.
- 114,500 mismatched shoes will be shipped this year

A Little Faith is Insufficient

Jesus noticed the "small stuff." He commented on the fall of a sparrow (Matthew 10:29-31), a vine and branches (John 15:5), a cup of cold water (Matthew 10:42), and a widow's mite (Mark 12:42). He records and rewards the "little" things (Revelation 20:11-15). One small thing that brought His comment and condemnation on two separate occasions was a "little faith" (Matthew 8:26; Matthew 14:31).

A Little Sin Can Condemn Us

God watches the "small stuff." Jesus said, "...Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities" (Luke 19:17). James said, "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all" (James 2:10). Ahab, the wicked king of Israel, suffered inglorious defeat upon the battlefield and dogs licked his blood (1 Kings 16 - 18). It is interesting to note the beginning of his downfall: "...Ahab worshipped Baal a little" (2 Kings 10:18).

A Little False Doctrine Can Poison the Soul

God has always been a stickler for doctrine. It is the key word in the book of Titus (Titus 1:9, Titus 2:1-2). He expects us to "test our teachers" on doctrine (1 John 4:1). Jesus said, "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much; and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much" (Luke 16:10).

"Small Stuff" can lead to big trouble. What about a decimal point out of place? One dollar lost in nation-wide sales can bankrupt a company overnight. What about a spark in the wrong place? What about a ball bearing or gas filter not functioning properly? What about a little hole in your tire? Like little acorns make the might oaks, little departures from the truth make big digressions (2 John 9 - 11).

Solomon said, "Little foxes destroy the vines" (Song of Solomon 2:15), which relates to the Jewish agricultural economy. Grapes were a staple item, so watchmen protected vineyards from thieving animals. Sometimes a watchman guarded against bears, while foxes entered undetected and ruined the crop. So it is in many churches. We guard against what we call "big" departures from the faith but dismiss small ones thinking they make little difference. A combination of foxes may do as much damage as a bear. The poet phrased it:

A pebble in the streamlet scant

hath changed the course of many a river.

A droplet on a tiny plant

hath warped the giant oak forever.

No man has made the right approach to God until he understands the importance of small things. "Sweat the small stuff"—it matters.