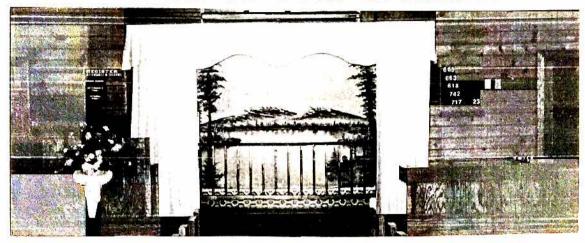
THE LEMOORE CALLER



LEMOORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES	9:30
SUNDAY A.M. WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	.10:30
SUNDAY P.M. WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	5:00
WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASSES/DEVOTIONAL	7:00
BIRTHDAY FELLOWSHIP3RD SUNDAY AFTER WO	RSHIP
BUSINESS MEETING 1 ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH	9 6:00
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MEN WHO SERVE THE CHURCH IN LEMOORE

ELDERS: RICHARD BULLOUGH, CRAIG CASE, MARK LANE, VERNON GARRETSON

PREACHER: VERNON GARRETSON

Memorial

Memorial Day weekend is a great weekend for many people. Most don't have to work on that Monday and take an extended weekend. But the day has been set aside to remember all those who fought to keep our country free. We'll see families out celebrating around a BBQ pit and many American flags flying. It is a good thing we have set aside a day to remember.

As Christians we also observe a memorial, but more often than most. Weekly we meet to remember who has been sacrificed for our freedom. There was a popular song a few years ago and it's still pretty popular. The title was "God Bless the U.S.A." You've probably heard it and one line from the song goes, "And I won't forget the men who died to give that right to me." It's talking about the right to be free and the men who died to give us that right.

Some groups changed the wording to say, "I won't forget the MAN who died." Let's never forget that Jesus died to set us free. On our communion table are etched these words, "This do in remembrance of me." Each Sunday we meet and observe a memorial, to remember each day what has been done for us by Jesus. We need to live each day so people can see we are Christians.

Just as people will display American flags on Memorial Day, let us proudly display daily that we are part of God's holy family...Christians!

Lemoore Church of Christ

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May 24, 2015

Sunday: 9:30 am Bible Classes

10:30 am Morning Worship

5:00 pm Evening Worship

<u>Wednesday:</u> 7:00 p.m. Bible Classes Members scheduled to serve for **Mav**:

Communion Lead: Excel Green

Communion Prep: Joyce and Gary Curtis

Greeters: Betty Edwards and Dixie Blair

Elders Meeting: The elders will meet on the last

Monday of each month.

Men's Business Meeting: will be the first Monday

of each month at 6:00 p.m.

<u>lemoorechurchofchrist.org</u> visit our website and find photographs, contact information, the bulletin, and listen to recordings of our Sunday morning sermons.

Men Leading Services on May 24th:

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff Opening Prayer: Frank Baldwin

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: Lead - Excell Green

Craig Case, Stetson Schmitt and Jeff Mason

Announcements: Gary Rice Closing Prayer: Mark Lane

Alternates: Randy McCord, Gary Curtis,

Herminio Gutierrez, Scott Ervin

Update: We have enough Vintage Dishes, Thank you! Just wait till you see how the ladies have styled these new works of art from all the pieces. We do still need some "candle stick style" candle holders; they can be made of porcelain, glass or metal. If you have any 'candle sticks' you can donate, please see Isabella Gutierrez or Linda Atkinson. We also will need several boxes, (sturdy, medium size, but lids are not needed) to transport the items up to camp, as well as packing them in to take home. Bubble wrap and tissue/newspaper will also be needed. Thank you again for all of your generous donations.

OUR RECORD FOR LAST WEEK

Sunday Bible Classes	61
Sunday AM Assembly	86
Sunday PM Assembly	39
Wednesday Devotional	
Contribution	\$1670.00

Hospitality Baskets: We will be making the baskets for the Retreat and need your help to fill them with travel size products such as shampoo, bath gel, toothpaste, etc. Please see the updated list of items on the bulletin board if you are interested in helping out. Thank you.

<u>"Won by One"</u> singing group from Pepperdine
University will be in Hanford at the Church of Christ
building on June 8, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited!

<u>Super Saturday:</u> Plans are in the works and the date will be set soon. Please see the flier on the bulletin board and sign up to help. This is an excellent way of reaching out to the children in our congregation and the community.

Morro Bay Church of Christ Family Retreat: June 25 through June 28 are the dates scheduled for the 42nd annual event. Make your reservations for accommodations early if you plan to stay. There is a flier on the bulletin board for more information.

Smile we want your picture! Denise Dean will be taking photos of our members to send to Abdiel, our new sponsored child at City of Children. This will be a great way for Abdiel to get acquainted with his new family in Christ.

<u>Bible Bowl and Devotional:</u> Study up on two chapters this time, Matthew 17 & 18 will be the material covered, when we meet on Wednesday, May 27th.

Memorial Day BBQ at YBC: The date scheduled is Memorial Day, May 25, 2015. Everyone is invited to come up to the camp and enjoy a fun day of fellowship and good food and fund raising. There will be family activities, and also a dessert auction. Pies and various family size desserts are needed for the auction. All proceeds go toward camp improvements. We would love to see everyone attend this fun and spirited event. Thank you for all your support.

Graduation Time is Near: We would like to recognize the accomplishments of all the students in our congregation that will graduate this year. Please submit a picture and information for the graduates to Donna Case. Or if you would like to email to donna c. 2005@hotmail.com

Prayer List

Rita Virden recovering from surgery.

Linda Otto - health concerns.

<u>Juan Lopez</u>, a friend of Craig Standridge has been diagnosed with cancer and is going through chemotherapy.

<u>Joann Garone</u>, grandmother of Tiffany Radcliff, has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

<u>Curt Albrecht</u> – son-in-law of Kaye Dodge had heart surgery. He has come home from the hospital and will continue his recovery at home.

Linda Rowe - non responsive and in hospital.

<u>Vincent Garretson</u> – had eye surgery to remove some stitches from previous surgery. He will need to have cataract surgery soon, as well.

<u>Hal Crane</u>, Lisa Butts' brother-in-law has not been doing well and is still in the hospital.

<u>John Downs</u>, Tiffany Radcliff's uncle was diagnosed with Prostate Cancer and is going through chemotherapy.

<u>Christian Mason</u> injured his arm while playing football.

Allison Baldwin will be having back surgery.

Emily Carpenter, 8 year old friend of Annabelle, diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. She is showing signs of improvement as she goes through treatment.

Sheri Salazar, a co-worker of Lisa Butts – Stage 4 breast cancer.

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

Francise Aguirre – has had a series of "mini strokes" and will be following up with doctors.

Zackery Hankel – great-nephew of Dixie Blair has been diagnosed with Aplastic Anemia. He continues with platelet treatments while in isolation at home and is awaiting a bone marrow transplant.

Pat Methvin, wife of Paul Methvin, preacher at Hanford years ago, is in need of a liver transplant. A live donor is currently being sought.

Junior Gutierrez – pray for his return to church.

Shae McNeely, doing very well after having received a heart and lung transplant.

Doug Standridge – in need of a kidney transplant and waiting for the call with a suitable match.

<u>Dorma Atkinson</u> has been experiencing a series of mini strokes and needs constant care.

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

Van Bass – has been experiencing considerable pain in his knees and difficulty walking.

<u>Phyllis Green</u>, Becky Bullough's sister, will be going to Stanford for medical testing.

Gloria Rife sister-in-law of Jack Otto, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

<u>Jamie Smith</u>, Jack Otto's granddaughter, has Stage 4 Multiple Sclerosis.

<u>Cathy Carlisle</u>, a cousin of Mark Lane has been diagnosed with cancer.

Wally and Phyllis Zieser – friends of the Lane family from Rogue River Church of Christ, – both have health concerns.

<u>Hope Michael</u>, friend of the Lanes from Grants Pass, Oregon Church of Christ, is dealing with health issues.

Stacey Ballantyne, Suzanne Mason's sister, going through cancer treatment.

Mark Lane's sister: not doing well.

Jennifer Dew —she had gone home from the hospital, but had to return in less than 24 hours, due to her severe condition.

Several Members have been suffering with colds and flu, as well as allergies. Pray for their comfort and recovery.

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

Tahoe Family Encampment 2015: This year's camping and fellowship event will be July 25-31. Camping is available in RVs or tents, but locations fill up fast, so call early. Also, several hotels and motels are located nearby. Motel 6 offers a discount when called early for reservations. More information is available on the flier that is on the bulletin board.

Memorial Day

Over the course of this weekend many people will visit the burial site of a loved one. Memories of loved ones and special events are special to us. It's through our fondest memories that allows these special people to live on forever, even though they may have passed away some time ago. As the years go by people move on with their own lives and the memories that were once thought about every day become things we remember only on certain occasions.

It's natural for us to slowly let go of our grip we have with loved ones who have passed away. The road to recovery is usually a long and difficult one that takes months, perhaps years, to travel. Sooner or later, though, we are able to pick up the pieces, move on, and live a healthy life. There are times when you might see, hear or smell something that reminds you of that person and it causes you to reflect and remember how special that person was to you. Those times are usually very personal and touch your heart in a unique way.

Jesus knew what it was like to endure grief. Although he grieved heavily when his friend Lazarus died (John 11:32-38), it was for humanity that Jesus grieved for the most. The Old Testament prophet Isaiah said the Messiah would be "...a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief...surely our griefs he himself bore and our sorrows he carried..." (Isaiah 53:3-4 NASB). Jesus grieved for the way the people had abandoned their covenant with God and for not recognizing the long-predicted arrival of the Messiah (Luke 19:41-44).

But the most graphic and heart-felt grieving that is recorded about Jesus occurred in the Garden of Gethsemane. It was here that Jesus grieved over his own pending death. "And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee and began to be grieved and distressed. Then he said to them: 'My soul is deeply grieved, to the point of death...'". (Matthew 26:37-38 NASB). As Jesus prayed to his Father, "his sweat became like drops of blood falling upon the ground." (Luke 22:44). Nonetheless, it was the Will of the Father for Jesus to endure this grief and suffering so that you and I could be set free from the penalties of sin and the burdens of the Old Law (Galatians 5:1, Ephesians 1:7 and Hebrews 8:7-13).

To ensure we would never forget what Jesus endured on our behalf, he instituted a memorial for Christians to observe on the first day of each week (Matthew 26:26-29; Acts 20:7). According to the apostle Paul, the church assembled together to observe this important memorial of eating bread and drinking the fruit of the vine (1 Corinthians 11:20-34) and Luke says that the apostles came together to remember Jesus (Acts 20:7).

Jesus knew that if a memorial day wasn't established, people would soon forget the anguish associated with our salvation. This memorial is an event Christians share with other Christians to remember how special Jesus is and how fortunate we are to have a God who loves us so much (John 3:16)!