

Invitation

Welcome everyone. We pray you will be strengthened by your visit with the Brighton Church of Christ. You are not just our guest, but you are welcome and wanted right here. Join our family of imperfect people perfected in by the blood of Jesus. Restrooms are located across the foyer near the front of the auditorium on the upper floor. If you need assistance in any way, ask any member for help.

Mission

The Brighton Church of Christ is a spiritual family with a focus on going to heaven. We are determined to honor God, to strictly follow the teachings of the New Testament, and effectively make that teaching available to the city of Brighton and the surrounding areas.

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Attendance last week:

Sunday am - 97
Sunday pm - 28
Wednesday - 30
Contribution- \$4,253.00

Sunday Schedule Morning

Welcome Ron Jensen
Song Leader Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....Kevin Dunham
Lord’s Supper Leader.....Chris Peterson
Assistant.....Coby Mendoza
AssistantErnest Kite
Assistant.....Les Tucker
Assistant.....Kaden Dunham
Scripture Reading.....Chris Warner

Lesson..... Eric Lyons
Closing Prayer & Dismissal..... Ronn Eudaley

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....Tim Parker
Lord’s Supper Leader.....Chris Peterson
Lesson.....Eric Lyons
Closing Prayer.....Alan Samuelson

Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class..... Eric Lyons

Service Times

Sundays:
Morning classes 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening worship 6:00 pm **(6:30 on May 8th for Seminar)**
Wednesdays:
Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm



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**Sarah: A mother of hope
Sam Dilbeck**

When the apostle Paul wrote to the Ephesians, he reminded children to “obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother.” We still set aside this special day each year to pay special tribute to mothers. Every person alive has a mother who deserves honor for giving us life, raising us, and/or not killing us when we behaved badly. She suffered embarrassment for us, cleaned up after us, sacrificed for us, and taught us lifesaving skills. Even when Mom got it wrong, she got it right by setting the example of what not to do. We love our mothers, and gladly honor them—not just on Mother’s Day, but every day.

Several women in the Bible teach us valuable life lessons. Eve teaches us that consequences for our actions live long after the moment. Mary was a mother of joy and sorrow. She was emotionally pierced by the nails that held her son to the cross. Hannah was a mother of prayer and sacrifice, willing to give up her child to have a child. Jochabed was a mother of defiance, challenging wickedness to bring deliverance. Sarah was a mother of hope. She became the mother of many nations and joined Abraham in hope believing against hope (Rom 4:18).



As a young woman, Sarai (Sarah) was uprooted from her home when God called her husband, Abram (Abraham), to a life of uncertainty (Gen 12:1-3). Without a destination, there was no end in sight, but this promise offered hope. “I will make of you a great nation.” When she was 65, her own father died. By then her and Abram had traveled over 600 miles from Ur to Haran. But she was still childless. Abram continued to lead the family to Palestine. They traveled over 1000 miles total with family, servants, and livestock. But no children.

When Abram and Sarai’s hope wavered with time, God reiterated his promise, “As the dust of the earth” (Gen 13:14-16); “As the stars of the sky” (Gen 15:5). When she was 89, God changed her name from “My princess” to “Princess” (Sarah). For the first time, Sarah was mentioned in the promise specifically, and Isaac’s name was given. (Gen 17). When God repeated the promise in her hearing, she laughed in herself wondering if in her old age, she could have a child and bring her the pleasure (laughter) she desired all her life (Gen 18). God waited in order to show his absolute power and participation in the inception of the nation, but Sarah’s laughter ultimately burst forth with the birth of Isaac. She gave birth to the seed that would become the great nation.

God has made a promise to save mankind from the snare of sin. It is a continuation of the Abrahamic covenant, “In your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed” (Gen 22:18). “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest” (Matt 11:28). Yet many repeat Sarah’s mistakes. They have hope, but the devil distracts them.

The promise of hope continues for us today. God has sent his son as part of the promise to redeem mankind (Gen 3:15, 22:18, 2 Sam 7:12-13). Jesus lived and laid down his life for our sin. We, like Sarah, rely on the promise. Though we may get tired, distracted, or impatient, God is constantly saying, “I’ve already done it all for you. Trust me. Heaven is real and I have a place for you.”

The good news is that God is our hope, and his power has been proven over and over. Sarah’s example of hope reminds us to turn and put our trust in him...completely.

Announcements

Prayers

Laura Wells’ great great granddaughter, 6 weeks old Valerie Jane, passed away on April 11th. Pray for the entire family as they grieve.

Jean Carter, a former member, is home now recovering from her shoulder injury.

Continued Prayers

Elmo Wilson-home hospice care

Eleanor Jatko– health problems

Bill Wolordige, the Austin’s friend—cancer

Jane Hanavan-heart issues

KD’s supervisor's wife, LaRae Siefert-chemo nerve damage

Sam Sims– health problems

The Wiley family– baby son with health complications

Kristi Dunham’s father, Joe Baker, health problems

News and Notes

Help for Homes

This is a city organized program that we worked with last year. It assists senior or disabled homeowners in Brighton with home/property maintenance. Most projects include painting with some yard work. We will need a definite commitment from those interested. The date of work will be **May 14 from 8:00am to 2:00pm**. See Mark Thacker if you are interested in volunteering to work with this effort.

Announcement

6th-12th grades will be in the auditorium during Bible class today.

Vacation Bible School

We are having a Vacation Bible School this year. The dates are Wednesday, July 13th—Friday, July 15th.

Plans and progress are already in progress. Please let Mark Thacker know if you will be able to help or bring children.

We’ll be better prepared if we have an idea of how many will attend. There is plans for a teen event as the same time.



Creation vs. Evolution Seminar

Today we start the seminar titled Creation vs. Evolution. Eric Lyons, who is a well known author for Apologetics Press, is the speaker. Please join us for all the lessons.

Sunday, May 8 9:30 am 10:30 am **6:30 pm**

Monday –Wednesday **6:30 pm**

Today right after morning service there is a potluck downstairs in the common room. Everyone is welcome!



New Member

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Birthdays and Anniversaries



May 13

Emma Nelson

Birthday