

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.

Leadership

Elders

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Minister

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Sunday Schedule Morning

Welcome	Ron Jensen
Song Leader	Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....	KD Derbigny
Lord's Supper Leader.....	Les Tucker
Assistant.....	Kevin Dunham
Assistant	Kayden Dergibny
Assistant.....	Coby Mendoza
Assistant.....	Paul Nikolai
Scripture Reading.....	Alan Samuelson
	Luke 13:1-5
Lesson.....	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer & Dismissal.....	Mark Thacker

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....	Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....	Ernest Kite
Lord's Supper Leader.....	Les Tucker
Assistant.....	Kevin Dunham
Lesson.....	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer.....	Dale Bishop

Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer.....	Ronn Eudaley

Service Times

Sundays:
Morning classes 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening worship 6:00 pm

Wednesdays: Ladies Class 10:00 am
Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm



July 25, 2021

Time Is on My Side...not Sam Dilbeck

When your girl leaves, don't worry because time is on your side. At least that is what Jerry Ragovoy would have us believe in his ballad made famous by the Rolling Stones. Mick Jagger convinced us if he waited long enough, she would return because time was on his side. But, is time really on man's side? Could Mick be wrong?

Time is not on our side. It marches on relentlessly and stops abruptly. It is reported to be evil and having a proper view of time is essential to Christian living.

Once God did make time stand still. In Joshua 10, when the armies of the Amorites threatened Gibeon and Israel, God promised victory and caused the sun to stand still. Other than that, time has always moved forward despite Superman's lament at Lois Lane's first death. Time is molten lava creeping down the mountain consuming everything in its path, unstoppable, uncaring, and uncontrollable. As the seconds tick away the world ages and eternity draws nearer. Time is not on our side.

Solomon wrote about the effects of time on our bodies in Ecclesiastes 12. Time erases beauty, wrinkles skin, and turns hair grey (or turns hair loose as it does on some). The teeth fall out and strength fails. Paul said, "our outer self is wasting away" (2 Cor. 4:16). This doesn't even include the jaded spirit after years of disappointment and fading memories. Time is not on our side.

James then has the audacity to remind us that our time on this earth is short. He compares it to steam rising from a boiling kettle, "For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes." (Jas. 4:14).



After the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995, I got to see sketches of proposals for the memorial. One sketch in particular touched me. It had concentric circles of granite posts, each post representing a life. The posts were finished on all four sides, but the tops were left rough and jagged to represent a life broken off before it was finished. The poignancy was further expressed by the height of the posts, the shorter the post, the younger the life. Even without tragedy, life is short. Time is not on our side.

Then to top it all off, Paul says that time is evil. “Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil” (Eph. 5:15-16). Paul was talking about the temptations a debased world impresses upon Christians. The longer we live, the more temptations we must endure—the greater chance we have of leaving the Christian life. Humans don’t do well at waiting. He might also be referring to the Christian’s task of personal work. Millions need the gospel and time is running out. The days are evil, and time is not on our side.

However, God is on our side, and he tells us how to use time wisely. We must use it for the good of our souls, looking forward to the day when we will have nothing but time. We must use time to seek and save the lost, the primary task of Christianity. We must use time to benefit our community through righteous activism. We must use time to glorify Christ to the nations. We must use what time we have until we have no more time left. And, even then, time will only be on our side if we used it wisely while on earth.

Announcements

Prayers

If anyone would like to visit with Linda Shoen, please call Roachelle first, 303-472-8736. Visits should be 15-20 minutes because Linda tires easily. 451 Roacha Way Brighton CO 80603

Paul Renganathan in India:

Continue to pray for the work in India. There are many who have been baptized and many who are still suffering from the effects of COVID-19.

Continued Prayers

- Penny Anderson, Tim Parker’s daughter- seizures
 - Eleanor Jatko– recovery from a stroke
 - Bill Woloridge, the Austin’s friend—cancer
 - Jane Hanavan-heart issues
 - Dawn Lell-health problems
 - KD’s supervisor's wife, LaRae Siefert-chemo nerve damage
 - Sherry Derbigny’s Aunt Jackie– breast cancer
 - Sam Sims– health problems
- Pray for our Brighton family as we try to share the Gospel .
- Paula Nikolai—heart issues

News and Notes

Ladies Bible Class

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. We are studying the travels of the Apostle Paul.



Sunday Morning and Wednesday Evening Classes/ Sunday Evening Service

Getting back into the habit of getting ready a bit earlier to attend Sunday morning classes is very much worth the effort. Also attending Wednesdays and Sunday evenings is a time of learning and fellowship with the brethren. Hope to see you there.

Going Away Party

A going away party will be held for the Kite family after Sunday evening services next week, August 1st. Sandwiches and cake will be served. If you'd like to donate to a money tree for the Kite family please give funds to Julie Dilbeck or Mechelle Bishop.



New address and a note from Mary Green

370 Scrub Oak Circle
Monument, CO 80132

"My Brighton Church friendships will always be in my heart."

Birthdays and Anniversaries		
July 28	Duane & Marline Fields	Anniversary
July 29	Tony Lell	Birthday
July 31	Kevin & Amy Warner	Anniversary