

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

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Sunday Morning Schedule

Welcome– Ron Jensen

Song - 419 (Lord We Come Before Thee Now) all four verses

Prayer: Ivan Stewart

Song - 511 (Oft We Come together) all three verses

Lord's Supper - Mark Thacker

Sermon - Sam Dilbeck

Song - 382 (Kneel at the Cross) first verse only

Prayer - Reid Jones

Dismissal by section

Service Times

Sundays: Bible Class 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am

Afternoon Class 5:00 pm

PM Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesdays: Ladies Class 9:00 am

Bible Study 6:30 pm



May 31, 2020

Gone, Unnoticed, and Forgotten **Sam Dilbeck**

President Truman ordered American troops to Korea. Little boys clamored for the new Hopalong Cassidy lunch box while little girls swooned over the romance of Walt Disney's Cinderella. Movie audiences flocked to theaters to see All about Eve and radios echoed the cracked-voiced signature of a nervous new broadcast personality, Paul Harvey.

The year was 1950 and the world was changing. Among the world-altering events, a seemingly insignificant advertising choice went unnoticed by millions and continues today. The Dr Pepper Company chose to drop the period after "Dr."

Today that period continues to go missing. After 65 years of service, the period fell from posters and dripped off the cold refreshing bottles into oblivion. Now, few people notice the grammatical error while they enjoy the revitalizing flavor of Dr Pepper. Sadly, some Christians get treated like that little dot. They drop out of service and go unnoticed and forgotten.

Why do sheep stray? Lack of faith. Discouragement. Deception. Personal conflict. Any of these could be the culprit, or any of a hundred other reasons. The fact remains, people leave God. However, they should never go unnoticed.

Wayward members need encouragement. Paul addressed this issue, “Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted” (Gal. 6:1). Three things are notable about this admonition: the action, attitude, and application.

First, the action requires involvement from the faithful. Spiritual saints help elders watch the flock. Visionary churches have programs like Brother’s Keepers or Sheepdog Ministries that involves Christians in restoring straying sheep. The idea is simple—Every Christian watches every Christian. Keeping the church viable means sticking to the mission to edify the saints, and every Christian has this obligation. They must keep their eyes and hearts open to those who are slipping away.

Second, the attitude is gentleness. Restoring a wayward member doesn’t involve finger wagging or pointing. It means prayer, visitation, pleading, begging, and love. People outside the church—especially those who are fallen—need to know the church offers help and healing. They must sense they are missed by those back home in the church who long for their return and fellowship. The attitude of gentleness must prevail.

Finally, the audience members are the faithful. Paul took this lesson straight from Jesus, “Whatever you wish others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets” (Mat. 7:12). When admonishing someone, we need to consider ourselves and how we would like to be treated if the situations were reversed.

Approaching a lost sheep or wayward member is awkward to everyone. Nobody enjoys the confrontation that it involves. However, awkwardness, confusion, and discomfort do not relieve the Christian from the obligation to seek and save the lost—including the fallen saint. No soul should be cursed to the fate of Dr Pepper’s dot...gone, unnoticed, and forgotten.

Announcements

Prayer List

Eleanor Jatko recovery from a stroke.

KD’s supervisor’s wife is suffering from chemo related nerve damage.

Sherry’s aunt, Jackie, has started chemo for breast cancer.

Mike Erickson, Jennifer Jensen’s dad, is dealing with cancer again. Pray for him and his family as they tackle treatments again.

Penny Anderson, Tim Parker’s daughter- seizures.

Carma Dunham— recovery from a broken hip

Shirley Adams is battling cancer.

Bill Woloridge, the Austin’s friend, with his cancer and treatments.

Jane Hanavan with her heart issues.

Sam Sims stroke recovery

John Hart, a co-worker of Kristi- cancer.

Lorraine Spencer- declining health

Jim & Monte Hazlet’s- health

Dawn Lell— surgery recovery

Alan’s mom (Carol Samuelson) -passed out

News and Notes

We have a new Sister-in-Christ!

Kaylyn Jatko was baptized into the Lord’s Body.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 1	Sam & Julie Dilbeck	Anniversary
June 3	Nolan Peterson	Birthday

Family of God at Brighton church of Christ:

On Saturday, we announced our plan to resume in-person worship at the building on Sundays at 10:30 am, beginning 5/31/20. As we move forward with this plan, we are committed to making this transition as smoothly and safely as we can. To maintain the health of all those who attend, we will be respecting the CDC’s “Interim Guidance for Communities of Faith,” a non-binding but valuable resource developed by health professionals. In accordance with that document and our worship needs, we are implementing the following changes:

- Alternate pews will be taped off so attendees will only sit in every other pew.
 - Hand sanitizer will be available, but handwashing with soap and water is recommended.
 - Boxes of tissues will be placed on each open pew to be used to cover coughs or sneezes.
 - The HVAC system will be set so that increased airflow and air exchanges are maintained.
 - Drinking fountains will be taped off to prevent use.
 - Access to the auditorium will be limited to the north and south doors only. The west hallway will be blocked off.
 - Worship will be limited to one Sunday morning service only. We estimate that, with social distancing, the auditorium will hold about 75-80 people. If attendance exceeds this, we will make other arrangements, such as adding a second service.
 - The number of songs will be reduced to minimize aerosols.
 - Individual communion supplies will be used instead of shared trays.
 - Communion supplies will be in plastic bags that should also be used as disposal containers.
 - A collection tray will be available for in-person contributions made at the end of the service, but online or mailed contributions are still encouraged.
 - Members will be dismissed by section to help maintain social distancing when exiting.
 - No paper copies of the bulletin will be printed.
 - Anyone who is showing symptoms of COVID-19 should worship at home.
 - Non-contact thermometers will be used to monitor the temperature of those entering the auditorium.
 - Maintain social distancing when entering and exiting building.
 - Use ONLY non-contact forms of greeting (no handshaking, hugging, kissing, etc.).
 - After worship services, those in attendance should make their way directly outside instead of fellowshipping indoors, so that no one is hindered from exiting.
 - Families/household units should sit together.
 - If possible, avoid sitting directly in line with people in the row in front of you.
 - Those in attendance should wear face coverings when talking or singing, as well as when entering and exiting (except young children, those with respiratory or other health issues, and men when they are leading worship). We understand that this will be inconvenient, but we all need to take this precaution out of respect for the health of others.
 - Do not enter classrooms or other non-essential areas.
 - Potlucks will be suspended until further notice.
- We appreciate everyone’s understanding and participation as we make these changes. We pray that through God’s providence, the current pandemic will end soon, and these will only be short-term needs. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Your elders