

## 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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### Deacons

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### Minister

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## Sunday Schedule Morning

Welcome .....	Ron Jensen
Song Leader .....	Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....	Kevin Dunham
Lord's Supper Leader.....	Les Tucker
Assistant.....	KD Derbigny
Assistant .....	Sam Dunham
Assistant.....	Ivan Stewart
Assistant.....	Kevin Warner
Scripture Reading.....	Chris Warner

Luke 22:7-13

Lesson.....	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer & Dismissal.....	Alan Samuelson

## Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....	Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....	Ronn Eudaley
Lord's Supper Leader.....	Les Tucker
Lesson.....	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer.....	Tim Parker

## Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....	Sam Dilbeck
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## 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



**November 14, 2021**

**Don't Be Mean  
Sam Dilbeck**

Who robs a blind man? Who mocks someone who is bald? Who curses someone who is deaf? Who looks at someone in adversity and takes advantage of their limitations? It sounds like bullies on the playground, but God warned the children of Israel, "You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the Lord" (Lev. 19:14). I read that and thought, "Why would someone do that?"

People can be mean. Meanness comes from selfishness. Someone is smarter, prettier, faster, or has something another person wants, and selfishness acts out in mean ways. It steals possessions, knocks the pretty girl into the mud, or ridicules the smart kid. Parents should teach their children to control their selfish tendencies and not be mean. However, many kids are raised by childish parents who exemplify the same childish behaviors in adult ways. They yell at teachers, scold referees, and laugh at the disadvantaged. This has de-civilized our society. But there is more to cursing the deaf than just meanness.



People who take advantage of others feel safe. They think, “The deaf man cannot hear me, so I can curse him all I want and get away with it.” Or, “That blind man will never

know who put a rock in his path.” When people think their actions are anonymous, or they won’t get caught, are emboldened to do hurtful things. Like people randomly knocking out unsuspecting individuals on public streets, or creating anonymous online accounts to bully or bilk others. But, meanness and anonymity do not completely explain why people abuse others.

God reveals the full extent of their hearts, “You shall fear your God.” Bad behavior, wickedness, and abuse arise when people do not fear God. To summarize Paul’s discussion in Romans 3:10-18, why do people turn aside and become worthless? Why do people lie, curse, deceive, steal, abuse, and murder? Paul answered with Psalm 36:1 “Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in his heart; there is no fear of God before his eyes.”

Integrity means doing the right thing when nobody is looking. It means always keeping the fear of God in our hearts. It means remembering that though the blind may not see it, or the deaf hear it, God does. A sense of God’s presence helps us live to please him every day.

## Announcements

### Prayers

The DeShane and Shoen family are grieving and prayers are always needed.

Please continue to pray for Barron Bishop to grow stronger as he is still in NICU. He struggles with his oxygen level and breathing.

Melissa Ortiz’s son, Hunter, has been quite sick. Pray for his recovery.

### 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

Sam Sims– health problems

Elmo Wilson– recovery from a stroke

Becca’ Manzanares’ niece’s husband, Steven Pointer-COVID

Ruth Wilson’s grandson– COVID

### News and Notes

#### Holiday Party

The holiday season is upon us and our calendars get full very quickly. Please mark **December 4th, at 5:00 p.m., here at the building,** in your calendar as the time of the annual Brighton church of Christ Holiday Party. This is always a fun time of enjoying a potluck style meal together and an optional gift exchange. More details to come as the day approaches.



### Baby Shower Brunch



Ladies are invited to a brunch honoring Kayla Bishop and baby Barron on Saturday,

December 4 at 10:00 am at Kristi Dunham's home, 885 Rose Court, Brighton. RSVP to Kara or Kristi Dunham or Julie Dilbeck.

### Baptism

**Melissa Ortiz** was baptized into His Church Monday, November 1st. Please be sure to meet her and welcome her into the family.



Birthdays and Anniversaries		
Nov. 15	Ronn Eudaley	Birthday
Nov. 15	Raymond Long	Birthday