

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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Sunday Morning Schedule

Greeters Parker
 Welcome Ron Jensen
 Song Leader Ron Jensen
 Opening Prayer Ernest Kite
 Communion Leader Marcos Celaya
 Communion Servers KD Derbigny
 Kayden Derbigny, Kevin Zwolinski, Marc Moran

Scripture Reading Andrew Williams
James 4:13-15

Lesson Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer Reid Jones

Sunday Evening Schedule

Song Leader Ron Jensen
 Opening Prayer Ivan Stewart
 Communion Marcos Celaya, KD Derbigny
 Lesson Sam Dilbeck
 Closing Prayer

Wednesday Evening Schedule

Song Leader Andrew Williams
 Adult Class Sam Dilbeck

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



January 5, 2020

Classic Battles Sam Dilbeck

From the gridiron to the parquet, sports have demonstrated some of the best battles of the modern era. Yet not all battles are fought in the sports arena. Some fights occur between nations and peoples. Others play out in the corporate world. The most important war, however, gives no trophy to the winner. Its spoils cannot be measured in gold and silver. It is the battle for the soul.

The Enemy

In Ephesians 6, Paul describes the classic battle of the soul. “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places” (Eph. 6:10-12).

Paul first reveals the enemy: the devil (v. 11) and his demons (v. 12). They fight diligently according to well devised strategies to destroy the souls of men. Paul warns every one of their continual assault. This fight is the good fight that Paul encouraged Timothy to engage in (1 Tim. 6:12; 1:18). The goodness of the fight lies in the goal—righteousness. This good and noble purpose grows out of the will of God.

Christians must be aware of the devil’s attack (1 Pet. 5:8). As long as life lasts, the devil attempts to defeat saints. These days of strife are the “evil day” of Paul’s words. The devil is diligent in his efforts and Christians who refuse to join this war lose their souls to him.

The Equipment

God never expected his children to fight alone. Rather, God has given them divinely empowered equipment to overcome (Rom. 8:37). This is the Christian armor—sponsored and supported by God.

Christians have a choice of what to wear into the battle over the soul. They can go naked and without protection or they can don the armor of God.

On the battlefield, those who are protected by God will endure the battle and enjoy a home in heaven. Naked bodies unprotected by God litter the spiritual battlefield. The wise choice is obvious, but sadly it is not the most popular. A shiny suit of mail hanging in the corner does no good if it is never worn.

The Energy

Backing up the armor of God is an energy force known only to children of God--prayer. Jesus' promise echoes clearly today, "And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith" (Mat. 21:22). Paul said, "praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints" (Eph. 6:18).

Prayer directly links the Christian to the Creator. Through this avenue, Christians invoke the power of God keeping the gospel armor fully charged.

Conclusion

The classic battle of good and evil rages daily in the hearts of all mankind. By putting on the armor this battle can be won through righteousness.

Let the battle rage and the Christian trust in the power of God's armor. This battle will be won.

Announcements

Prayer List

Ransom Boone fell and was taken to the hospital. He is currently recovering in the Valley View Villa, a skilled nursing facility located at 815 Fremont Ave., Fort Morgan, CO 80701. Visitors are welcome.

Stella Parker's sister **Lorraine Spencer** who lives in Culver City, California, is suffering declining health. Recently, while on a business trip to China, she unfortunately had a bad fall which caused a deep cut on her face and the loss of a few teeth. Although her health is declining, she is however in good spirits, her faith is strong and her local church family is supportive. Please keep my sister and her family in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Pray for the members of the **West Freeway church of Christ** in Texas. They have been through a lot.

Ongoing prayers:

Shirley Adams is battling cancer.

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

Baxter Sowell, Becca's dad, is fighting cancer.

Jane Hanavan with her heart issues.

Margie Stewart recovery from her recent fall

Sam Sims stroke recovery

Jim & Monte Hazlet, health issues

Mike Erickson, Jennifer Jensen's father –cancer

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

News and Notes

Wednesday Night Bible Hour

We are excited to announce that beginning in January 2020 a new Wednesday Night Bible Hour will begin. This program is targeted for all ages of children and young people in our congregation. The format will be an interactive style that will have an emphasis on increasing knowledge of God, prayer and encouraging one another. The aim is to create space in a busy week to help our young people remain centered and deepen their understanding of the scripture. We will be meeting in the lower level of the building starting on January 8, 2020.

Thank you, Andrew

Baby Shower

Ladies Join us for a Baby Shower honoring

Naomi Picon

Saturday, January 18th

2:00pm at the building

Please RSVP to Janette at 918-568-0764

*One small request that shouldn't be hard, please bring a book instead of a card. Cat in the Hat or Winnie the Pooh, sign the inside with a note from you. Your book will be cherished whether old or new. *Please bring a BABY PICTURE of yourself for a game. (The picture will be returned at the end of the game.)



Ladies Bible Class

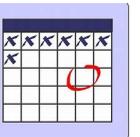
The Ladies Bible Class resumes this Wednesday, January 8th at 9:00 a.m.



Now is the time to gather items for the Winter Food Drive. Not just food items like cereal, lunch items, and baking items are needed but also cleaning supplies, and medicines. A full list of items is on their table in the foyer. Please pick up an extra items when you shop for this work by **Feb. 9th**. It is greatly appreciated.

2020 Calendar

This is the week Naomi Thacker attempts to finish the 2020 calendar and turn it in for approval. Please, if you have dates for this year let Naomi know.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Jan. 11

Brittany Kite

Birthday