

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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Attendance last week:

Sunday am - 87
Sunday pm - 36
Wednesday - 31
Contribution- \$3,544.90

Sunday Schedule Morning

Welcome Ron Jensen
Song Leader Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....Ivan Stewart
Lord's Supper Leader.....Coby Mendoza
Assistant.....Alan Samuelson
AssistantChris Welsby
Assistant.....Chris Warner
Assistant.....Kaden Dunham
Scripture Reading.....Marc Moran

John 13:34-35

Lesson..... Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer & Dismissal.....Kevin Dunham

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer..... Paul Nikolai
Lord's Supper Leader.....Mark Thacker
Lesson.....Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer.....

Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....John Moore

Service Times

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



August 7 , 2022

The Devil's Choices Sam Dilbeck

If I were the devil, I'd make every church look like Christ's church to confuse people. I wouldn't need them to worship me in satanic rituals; I would only need them to feel comfortable in confusion.

Paul warned, "Satan disguises himself as an angel of light" (2 Corinthians 11:14). The devil doesn't dress in red and carry a trident. He wraps himself in "near-Christianity," because he is a liar (John 8:44), and a wolf in sheep's clothing (Matthew 7:15-20). He doesn't turn people wicked, he just tricks them into thinking they are safe.

Jesus warns his followers to beware of the devil, because the devil builds churches to look like the true church. Then he lies, "One is just as good as another."

Paul disagreed, "There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all" (Ephesians 4:4-6). Paul doesn't mean only one choice exists, but only one choice is right. For example, Jesus said no one could serve two lords. Jesus knew there were many lords, but he wanted us to choose the right lord. Some at Ephesus had been baptized twice (Acts 19:1-5). Yet, only one washed away their sins. The impact of Paul's statement is, "One is not as good as another. There is only one right one."



Three of these unifying statements concern the Trinity—Father, Son, and Spirit. Many religions don't follow false gods. Some reject the saving work of the Son. Others deny the proper work of the Holy Spirit in conviction, conversion, and sanctification. Still others replace God with creatures and idols. They make the wrong

choice about God.

Another unifying doctrine is the one body, which according to Paul is the church (Ephesians 1:22-23; 5:23). There is only one church. A lot of people ignore that, but ignoring the truth doesn't change it, it just separates us from it. Many people make wrong choices about the church.

Paul also said that Christians share one hope. Most understand this to be the hope of reunion with God for eternity. Some, however, set their greatest hope on things of this earth—a new house, a better job, or more money. Like so many they are near sighted and cannot see a far off, and this leads them to make bad choices about their future.

Faith is also a unifying doctrine. Some understand this faith to refer to the object, system, or person someone believes in—one God. Others understand this to be the body of teaching itself—one gospel. Since Paul already invokes the Father, Son, Spirit, and the church, it seems more probable that he is speaking of the one gospel. In Galatians 1, Paul speaks of those who were turning from the gospel to another. They, like many today, looked for a different way leading to God. But there is only one that leads to God, and many make the wrong choice about the one faith.

If you want to cut through the devil's religious lies and find the one church, look at Paul's list of unity in Ephesians 4:4-6. Christ's church strives to make the right choice on each of these doctrines. In contrast, the devil's churches compromise at least one of them. His churches may hold on to the Trinity, but deny the necessity of baptism. Or, they may believe in the one baptism, but ignore the one church. The devil offers many wrong choices, but only Christ offers the right one.

At the Brighton Church of Christ we strive to conform to God's unifying doctrines. We invite you to join us each week as we reveal Christ and his church as the one hope for humanity.

Announcements

Prayers

A handful of our number are dealing with COVID, **Jeff Oaks, Cynthia Nickels, Carolyn Pierce, Julie Dilbeck, and Lara Jatko**. Prayers that everyone will overcome this illness without complications.

Sherry Derbigny's friend **Daisy and family** were in a bad car accident. Daisy's mom and nephew had surgery. Prayers for recovery.

Laura Wells son, Danny, had open heart surgery 9 years ago and is having problems again. He will see a doctor Tuesday to see if surgery is needed again or just a stint. Prayers please.

David Bryant's mother had a stroke. Her speech is slurred and she is weak. Please pray for her.

Chris Jatko is asking for prayers for his **Uncle Ralph Holso**. Ralph has cancer and is undergoing chemo.

Linda Buck, a former member of Brighton, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Continued Prayers

Paula Stewart— car accident recovery

Wayne Manzanares- broken ribs

Sherry Derbigny's Uncle, Tommy Barber —health problems

Eleanor Jatko— health problems

Jane Hanavan-heart issues

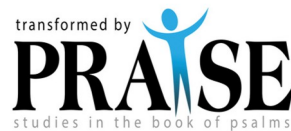
KD's supervisor's wife, LaRae Siefert-chemo nerve damage

Sam Sims— health problems

Brett Reitmair's father, Bernie, heart attack.

Tim Parker-recovery from car accident and prayer for his daughter who has long term effects from COVID

News and Notes



Brighton Summer Series

This Wednesday John Moore will present a lesson on the 107th Psalm. Be sure to make the effort to be with the brethren and enjoy this special summer series on the Psalms.

A Note From the Elders

FYI: A number of our members have tested positive for Covid. We want to inform everyone of this so you can take extra precautions if you feel that is necessary for you.

Thank you,
The Elders



Social Studies Bible Study

The next Social Studies gathering is Friday, **August 19th at 6:00. p.m.** at the Thacker's house. (9500 E. 159th Ave. Brighton) We will start with a potluck, followed by a Bible Study. Child care is provided. The

food theme is picnic foods.

Barr Lake Outing

Saturday, August 13th there is a outing at Barr Lake planned for everyone at **10:00 a.m.** There will be a canoe and two kayaks for people to use.

If one has another water craft to bring that would be good. Naomi Thacker will be at a table in the picnic area and whoever wants to bring a lunch is welcome to stay and visit. A map with directions is posted in the foyer.



Birthdays and Anniversaries		
August 7	Hanna Warner	Birthday
August 8	Ernest Kite	Birthday
August 10	Paula Nikolai	Birthday
August 12	Sherry Dergibny	Birthday