

## 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 Men to Serve

Welcome– Ron Jensen

Main Prayer– Kevin Dunham

Song Leader– Ron Jensen

Lord's Supper Leader– Marc Moran

Sermon - Sam Dilbeck

Closing Prayer & Dismissal by section– Frank DeShane

## Service Time

Worship 10:30 am

## "Zoom" virtual classes:

4th thru 6th Grade Fridays @ 3:00 p.m.

7th thru 12th Grade Fridays @ 6:00 p.m.



**Nov. 22, 2020**

### **The Prophet: Listen to Him Sam Dilbeck**

As the wearied Israelites neared the mountain, many were awed by its majesty. From the deserts through which they had wandered, the jagged peak of Sinai rose as a stony monument to how far they had come. Only three months into their flight from Egypt, the nation needed respite, and the shade of Sinai provided rest. However, her majesty quickly turned to terror when God spoke to the people in the midst of thunder and lightning, and a cloud of smoke (Exo. 19:16-19).

The people experienced trauma of the divine when God spoke. A generation later, Moses promised God would send another prophet like him because the people feared the voice of the Lord (Deut. 18:15-16). To them, the trauma of God's voice was still fresh. They longed for the new prophet.

Throughout the Old Testament, God sent prophets of every shape and size. Elijah the challenger, Isaiah the messenger, and Jeremiah the lamenter. They proclaimed God's message to a nation adrift in apathy and idolatry. Their words of repentance fell silently on a sin-addicted people.

Finally, God closed up the revelation of the Old Testament with Malachi and Nehemiah, and silence shrouded the land. During those centuries, the Israelites drifted as tradition became law, the Law became optional, and righteousness became scarce. God's silence continued.

Then John burst on to the scene with a word from the Lord, "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matt. 3:2). The Jewish leadership questioned John, "Are you the Prophet?" (John 1:21). They were asking if he was the fulfillment of Moses' promise. John answered, "No," but that Prophet was coming.

When Jesus began His ministry, it seemed to arrive from nowhere. He was a lowly, unassuming carpenter. Nothing

about his physical appearance demanded attention (Isa. 53:2). Yet, Jesus grew in favor with his contemporaries (Luke 2:52). What was it about Jesus that drew men to him? Some might answer, “His miracles,” but there was something else, something more powerful. It was his teaching.

Jesus was the Prophet of Moses. Notice the requirements of the Prophet, “I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him” (Deut. 18:18). The Prophet would be selected by God. God chose Jesus (Matt. 3:17). The Prophet would be a Jew. Jesus was a Jew, born of the tribe of Judah (Heb. 7:14).

Finally, the Prophet would receive his teaching from the Father. This last quality is what set Jesus apart from false prophets and would-be messiahs. John called him the “Word” because he brought God’s message of salvation to mankind (John 1:1-3). He spoke what the Father gave him to speak (John 7:16; 8:28; 12:49).

In his enthusiasm to tell Nathanael of Jesus’ coming, Philip said, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph” (John 1:45). Peter declared it in the early days of the church. (Acts 3:19-23).

The Samaritan woman perceived Jesus was a Prophet (John 4:19). The sated Galileans believed Jesus was the Prophet (John 6:14). Those at the Feast of the Tabernacles heard Jesus speak and understood him to be the Prophet (John 7:40). At his triumphal entry into Jerusalem the crowd heralding his presence said, “This is the prophet Jesus” (Mat. 21:11).

As the Prophet, Jesus brought the saving message of God to a decadent world. But notice the blessings of Moses’ promise are conditional, “You shall listen to him in whatever he tells you. And it shall be that every soul who does not listen to that prophet shall be destroyed from the people” (Acts 3:22-23). Many Jews, though longing for the Prophet, were not prepared to hear God’s word.

God continues to speak through his Son, the Prophet. We must listen to Jesus, which means, heed his words. It is not enough to hear a lesson about Jesus or even to understand his words. We must do what he commands, or we too will die without salvation. The last words from heaven echo until now, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him” (Matt. 17:5).

## Prayers

**Chris and Mike Jatko’s dad, Russ Jatko**, is back in the hospital. This is the 5th time in 8 weeks. He suffers from low blood pressure and an irregular heartbeat.

**Paula Stewarts granddaughter** has COVID19

**Monte Hazlet**– The 26th would have been Jim and Monte’s wedding anniversary. Remember her in prayer as she grieves Jim’s loss and deals with health problems.

**Raymond Long** - Raymond Long's Neurologist appointment went well with positive results for Raymond.

## On Going Prayers

**Kerry Crill, Rikk's brother**, seizures due to a golf-ball-sized mass is in his brain.

**Eleanor Jatko** recovery from a stroke

**Penny Anderson, Tim Parker's daughter**- seizures.

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

**Jane Hanavan** with her heart issues.

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

**Dawn Lell**– health problems

**KD’s supervisor wife LaRae Siefert**-chemo nerve damage

**Sherry Derbigny’s Jackie**-breast cancer

**Sam Sims**-health problems

**Joe Martinez**-prayer for recovery

**Jerry Kite**– knee surgery recovery

## News and Notes

### Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Bible Class will resume Wednesday, December 2nd, at 10:00 a.m. Looking forward to studying with you all again.



## New Members

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## India Work

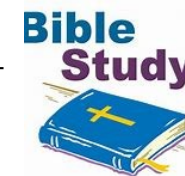
Check your email inbox, there is an update on the work.

## Wednesdays Night Bible Study

Please join us for a great Bible Class at 6:30 either in-person or streamed from brighton-churchofchrist.org and our facebook page. Sam is teaching 1 Corinthians and this class is well worth your time.

We are considering starting a Wednesday young people's class in-person as well, if we can generate enough interest. Let the elders hear from you if you are interested. areidjones@gmail.com

Perhaps with the vaccine we will all be able to worship and study again in-person before too many more months!



## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Nov. 26

Dale Bishop

Birthday