

## 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

Ron Jensen	303-655-8498
Ivan Stewart	720-270-1057
Mark Thacker	303-655-1982

### Deacons

Kevin Dunham	303-807-5974
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### Minister

Sam Dilbeck	903-229-8415
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### Contacts

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### Attendance last week:

Sunday am - 87  
Sunday pm - 28  
Wednesday - weather closure  
Contribution- \$3,749.01

## Sunday Schedule Morning

Welcome .....	Ron Jensen
Song Leader .....	Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....	Coby Mendoza
Lord's Supper Leader.....	KD Derbigny
Assistant.....	Jim Learned
Assistant .....	Paul Nikolai
Assistant.....	Sam Dunham
Assistant.....	Kayden Derbigny
Scripture Reading.....	Chris Warner

Luke 3:10-14

Lesson.....	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer & Dismissal.....	Tim Parker

## Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....	Ron Jensen
Opening Prayer.....	Jeff Oaks
Lord's Supper Leader.....	KD Derbigny
Lesson.....	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer.....	Kevin Dunham

## Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....	Kevin Dunham
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## Service Times

Sundays:

Morning classes 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening worship 6:00 pm

Wednesdays:

Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm



**February 20, 2022**

**A Lofty Challenge**  
**Sam Dilbeck**

Have you ever played balloon volleyball, or just tried to keep a balloon in the air? Once launched, it doesn't take much to keep it in the air, but when left unattended it falls to the ground. Basically, because the air inside the balloon is close to the same density as the air outside, the balloon drifts slowly to the ground under the weight of the latex. Therefore, a gentle nudge, a quick tap, or even a blast of air is enough to keep the balloon afloat.

Sometimes, the church is like a balloon. It is launched by the power of God, but once its momentum stops, it begins to slowly fall back down. However, it doesn't take much to push it back up again. Usually, a well-placed nudge is enough to reverse its direction.

These nudges and taps may come in the form of encouragement from the elders or ministers, a special study, a challenge, an outreach event, or some other kind of spiritual boost. After the bump, the church soars again, but will eventually fall again.



But, what if we fill the balloon with helium? With helium, a balloon overcomes the weight of its material because the air inside is less dense and weighs less than the air

outside the balloon. Even as it loses its helium, it still floats and can be revitalized by a bump or even the addition of more helium.

For the church, it means filling it with a different kind of air. Of course the “air” is the people. If people in the church are just like people outside the church, the church will fall under its own weight. However, if we change our lives by changing our pursuits, concerns, fears, and definition of success, the people in the church become different—more spiritual as opposed to temporal.

Spiritually minded people are less dense and lighter than those who cling to carnal and temporal pursuits. Filling the church with more spiritual people will mean that less force is required to keep it floating. The Bible clearly says the church will be filled with both kinds of people because some Christians will change their direction and go back into the carnal ways.

So how do we keep Brighton floating? Two things. First, we need to fill the church with more spiritually led people than carnal people. This involves evangelism and conversion of people outside the church, and self introspection to determine if we are lifting, or weighing the church down. Second, we need to be encouragers—give the balloon a tap. When special events come, support them. As you see things sinking, shore them up.

As we work together to keep our works moving, Brighton has a bright future. But, if we become discouraged, disenchanted, or even just disengaged, our family will lose some altitude. Every Brightonian has a place in the family, and an opportunity to help keep us strong. Let’s keep up the good work. Keep the balloon aloft.

## Announcements

### Prayers

Althea Moran’s nephew, Alan, died last week of cancer. Prayers for the family as they mourn his passing.

Linda Shelton’s daughter, Angie, who had been in a serious car accident, is back in Fort Morgan. She still needs prayers for her nerve pain and general healing.

Chris Welsby is on oxygen since he had COVID. He also was to have shoulder surgery but it was postponed because his white blood count is high and the doctors don't know the cause. Prayers please.

Joe Baker, Kristi Dunham’s father, is in need of prayers for his health.

Jeff Oaks had a spinal ablation last week and is recovering.

### Continued Prayers

Eleanor Jatko— recovery from a stroke

Bill Woloridge, the Austin’s friend—cancer

Jane Hanavan-heart issues

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

Sam Sims— health problems

Elmo Wilson— recovery from a stroke

David Bryant— broken pelvis recovery

### News and Notes

#### Baby Registry

KD and Sherry Derbigny’s daughter, Missouri Zwolinski is expecting! She is registered at Babylist.com under Kevin and Missouri Zwolinski. The link is: Zwolinski Baby Registry <https://www.babylist.com/kevin-and-missouri-zwolinski>.



Anna, Sara, and Emma are moving into their new home this weekend. Their new address is:

84 Wheatberry Drive

Brighton, CO 80601



Mountain States Children’s Home is resuming their request for foods and supplies. The last drive has ended but another one will be started soon. When the list of items needed comes, it will be posted near their table in the foyer. Thank you to everyone who participated.

#### Baby Wiley

Baby Boone Wiley (we think)...8.48 lb. 19.68 inches made his way into the world February 14th at 12:26 pm after almost 46 hours of labor...a little Valentine baby!

Unfortunately, he has some health issues, including a cleft palate and a bowel deformity. He had surgery Wednesday to begin correcting it and is still in NICU. Please pray for his health complications to be manageable so Abigail and Cody can bring him home soon.

(The Wileys have been visiting with us on Sunday nights)

Birthdays and Anniversaries 		
February 22	Melody Thacker	Birthday
February 22	Emily Nikolai	Birthday