

## 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 Schedule

Greeters .....  
Welcome .....  
Song Leader .....  
Opening Prayer .....  
Communion Leader .....  
Communion Servers .....  
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Scripture Reading .....  
  
Lesson .....  
Closing Prayer.....

## Sunday Evening Schedule

Song Leader.....  
Opening Prayer .....  
Communion .....  
Lesson .....  
Closing Prayer.....

## Wednesday Evening Schedule

Song Leader .....  
Adult Class.....

## 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



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## Being Baptized...Again Sam Dilbeck

History calls them Anabaptists, an early reformation religion. They protested corruption in the Catholic Church which grouped them with other Protestants, but their insistence on baptism separated them from other Protestants. Their initial members were adults who were first “baptized” as infants, and then baptized again as adults (ana=again + baptismos=immersed/baptized).

Baptism has been essential to salvation since Christ (Mat. 20:19-20; Acts. 2:38; 1 Pet. 3:21). When the Catholics moved away from immersion for remission of sins, God required it. When the Greek Orthodox gave up on it, the New Testament still taught it. When some of the Protestants restored it, the church had practiced it all along. It is one of Paul’s unifying doctrines (Eph. 4:4-6). This is especially important in light of Paul’s experience in Ephesus.

During his third mission, Paul met the disciples living in Ephesus. Knowing the infant church needed the Holy Spirit to grow, Paul asked, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” (Acts 19:2). Not only had they not received it, they had “not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” Paul knew something was amiss, their understanding was incomplete. They had been baptized with John’s baptism, based on an incomplete knowledge. Paul filled in the gaps and they were baptized (Acts 19:5).

Some incorrectly believe all of John’s converts had to be rebaptized. John prepared the way for Jesus (Mat. 3:3). That preparation meant baptizing penitent believers for the remission of their sins (Mat. 3:5-8; Mark 1:4-5). This was God’s plan, and rejecting it was perilous (Luke 7:30). John’s work looked forward to the sacrifice of Jesus. Those prepared by John were the seed disciples on the day of Pentecost to whom the saved were added (Acts 2:41).

After the cross, John's teaching became invalid. He died looking forward to the cross, and some of his disciples still taught a message of anticipation, instead of a message of completion. Those who responded in anticipation after the cross were baptized with an incomplete understanding and had to be baptized again (Acts 19:1-5).

Sometimes people are confident with their conversion shouldn't be. The disciples in Ephesus thought they had been baptized for the remission of their sins to obey God. Paul challenged their confidence and they were baptized. Our comfort level with our baptism isn't what determines if it is right. This account also implies that baptism is final. Once done correctly, it does not need redoing.

Finally, the Ephesians stand as a second answer to the eunuch's question, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" (Acts 8:36). Some want to answer this, "Nothing." However, Philip required a confession (Acts 8:36-37). John required repentance (Mat. 3:5-8). Paul required understanding (Acts 19:4). Many things can prevent baptism.

Sometimes baptism must be done again. From Acts 19:1-7, we learn that a corrupt or incomplete message (teaching) can invalidate baptism. If the element of baptism (water) is changed, the baptism is ineffective. If the manner of baptism (immersion) is replaced, the baptism is void. The Anabaptists did not quite restore the church, but they did find a nugget of truth: If someone is baptized with the wrong baptism, they need to do it again...the right way.

At some point, every Christian will question their baptism. Were they old enough? Did they know enough? Did the right person do it? While most need not be baptized again, some do. When in doubt, don't leave it out—be baptized.

## Announcements

### Prayer List

**Eleanor Jatko** will need prayers for quite a while as she recovers from a stroke. Pray for the entire family as they help her.

**KD's supervisor's wife** is suffering from chemo related nerve damage.

**Sherry's aunt, Jackie**, has started chemo for breast cancer.

**Natalie Willemn's dad** passed away. Prayers for the family.

**Mike Erickson, Jennifer Jensen's dad**, is dealing with cancer again. Pray for him and his family as they tackle treatments again.

Please pray for **Penny Anderson, Tim Parker's daughter**. She had multiple seizures. Doctors are working on how to best treat her.

### Ongoing prayers:

**Shirley Adams** is battling cancer.

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

**Jane Hanavan** with her heart issues.

**Sam Sims** stroke recovery

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

**Lorraine Spencer-** declining health

**Jim & Monte Hazlet's-** health

**Dawn Lell-** surgery recovery

### Dr. Paul's School of Preaching

Brethren and Sisteren,

We received the attached picture this morning from our brethren that you are supporting in India. In this pix, they are helping feed COVID19 victims...

When I saw this pix, Romans 10:15 came to mind: And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" May God bless you and yours! Please remember our brothers and sisters in India in your prayers. Reid



To our church family,

As we continue to deal with the current pandemic, in many ways the situation is especially difficult for people in the Lord's church - people who have great love for one another, long to worship together, and cherish Christian fellowship. We know that the current situation is challenging for our members, and we all miss being with one another.

The Elders are continually monitoring the changes that are taking place. Unfortunately, as we move into the new Safer-at-Home phase of Governor Polis' plan, we see very little positive changes for the Brighton congregation. As we intend to follow the government's directives as much as possible, a careful review of the plan's language reveals that it does not provide a reasonable opportunity to resume in-person worship in our facility during this phase. Even if we operated as a critical business, the need to maintain social distancing, wear face coverings, provide effective disinfection, and comply with other measures to ensure everyone's safety, would make worshipping at the building unrealistic.

Given the available technology, we will continue to engage in home worship using our live stream capability through Facebook and YouTube. This is far from ideal, but we believe this the best option in the current environment. We pray that, through God's providence, the need for these virtual gatherings will end soon and we can resume our normal worship together.

Please contact us if you have any questions or if we can serve you in any way. God bless you and keep you safe!

Your Elders

## News and Notes



### Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 13 Jennifer Kite Birthday

May 13 Emma Nelson Birthday