### 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	Jensen
Welcome	Ron Jensen
Song Leader	Anthoney Sandoval
Opening Prayer	Mark Thacker
Communion Leader	Mark Thacker
Communion Servers	
	.Chris Jatko, Jon Picon, PJ Kite
Scripture Reading	Michael Jatko
1 Chron 11:22-24	
Lesson	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer	KD Derbigny

# Sunday Evening Schedule

Song Leader	Anthoney Sandoval
Opening Prayer	Kayden Derbigny
Communion	
Lesson	Sam Dilbeck
Closing Prayer	Tim Parker

# Wednesday Evening Schedule

Song Leader	Ron Jensen
Adult Class	Kevin Dunham

# **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 19, 2020

# A Box of Life By Sam Dilbeck

It is 2:47 in the morning and the tingle of a small bell steals the slumber of Lee Jong-rak, of Seoul, South Korea. He lumbers toward a small door with light slipping past its edges and illuminating the room with an eerie glow. Behind the door, a small muffled whimper escapes from inside a box. Jong-rak built the box on the side of his home as a place for parents to drop off their unwanted children.

The story of Lee Jong-rak and his Baby Box Orphanage has been captured in the documentary The Drop Box. The box is lined with thick towels and has a heating lamp inside to keep infants warm until Lee or one of the orphanage staff take them from the box. The movie says, "His is a story of faith. A story of hope. A story of love." Jong-rak's work reminds us of the importance of life and the choices we make.

Every January revelers ring in the New Year with optimism and hope, making promises to change bad habits. January 22 marks the 47th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the court decision that stole the revelry and resolutions for over 61 million babies through abortion on demand in the US. The result is a culture of death.

In that same 47 years, valiant men and women have worked to reduce and eliminate the barbarous act. They picket abortion clinics like Planned Parenthood, and hold pro-life rallies. They organize abortion alternative initiatives like adoption education and safe houses. They work with women considering abortion and try to steer them toward life-saving options, or help others cope with the

post-abortion emotional turmoil. They propose stricter abortion laws limiting the window for abortions, requiring sonograms, and seeking parental consent. And some build boxes as a safe place for parents to leave a child they are not prepared to raise.

Have these efforts helped? According to the Guttmacher Institute, a pro-abortion research group, abortions in America are declining. Abortion rates reached their zenith in the 1980's when 1.55 million babies died each year. In 2019, the number dropped to around 862,000, still staggering, but each year hundreds of thousands more children celebrate a birthday because of prolife efforts. The more people get involved, the more children will be saved.

Each of us can be a part of the solution that reduces and eliminates abortion. We must push past the political rhetoric that derails this issue, causing people to side with political heroes and parties. Abortion is not about conservative or liberal. It is not about Republican or Democrat. It is about how we reflect God's value of human life, "There are six things that the Lord hates...hands that shed innocent blood" (Prov. 6:16-19). This includes children in the womb, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you" (Jer. 1:5).

We have the opportunity to reach the hearts of others with the message of life. The abortion debate will not be won in the halls of congress, nor fought on the steps of the Whitehouse, but in the hearts of people—people we interact with every day. When the people respect the sanctity of human life, they will demand life-respecting lawmakers. So we seek to change the world one heart at a time.

We can find other ways to get involved. Build drop boxes at our homes. Contribute our money or time to prolife organizations. Counsel women with unplanned pregnancies about the psychological and health risks associated with abortion. Help families overcome the trauma of an abortion, including women who chose abortion—they need to know Jesus still loves them. Assist people with adoption services, support adoptive parents, or even adopt children ourselves.

It is 2:47 in the morning, and a small bells chimes in your heart. The fate of a swaddled soul rests in your hands. What will you do?

# **Announcements**

### **Prayer List**

#### **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.

**Ransom Boone**-recovering from a fall

Lorraine Spencer- declining health

### **News and Notes**

### **Address for former Members**

Terry & Marie Duty

210 Mockingbird Place

Jonesborough, TN 37659

### God has blessed us with a new brother!

Wayne Manzanares was baptized this morning after lengthy Bible studies with Sam. We are so very happy for Wayne and Becca and solicit your prayers and support for this family as they begin their christian walk TOGETHER.

#### New Members

We are happy to welcome Mike and Jan Lorenzo 5562 E. 117th Circle Thornton, CO 80233 (303) 280-1123 into our family at Brighton church of Christ. They were former members of the Thornton church of Christ.



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.

#### **Youth Devo**

Mark your calendars for the youth ice skating event on February 1st. Details to follow soon.



#### **Baby Quilt**

Remember to get the quilt squares done and back to Lara. Thanks to everyone who helped out with this effort.

## Family Matters Bible Study



This Saturday, January 25th is the Family Matters study. It will be at the Thacker's home, 9500 E. 159th Ave. Brighton, at 5:00 p.m. We'll start with a American food, potluck style dinner and then the study. Childcare is provided.

