

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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Attendance last week:

Sunday am –86
Sunday pm - 28
Wednesday - 20
Contribution-\$6,045.00

Sunday Schedule Morning

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen
 Opening Prayer.....Kevin Dunham
 Lord’s Supper Leader.....Marc Moran
 Assistant.....Coby Mendoza
 AssistantAndrew Henry
 Assistant.....Jim Learned
 Assistant.....
 Scripture Reading.....John Nason
 Genesis 6:1-13

Lesson.....Cory Pierce
Closing Prayer.....Alan Samuelson

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen
 Opening Prayer.....James Slagle
 Lord’s Supper Leader.....Marc Moran
 Lesson.....Cory Pierce
 Closing Prayer.....Kaden Dunham

Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....Cory Pierce

Service Times

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



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What’s Our Motive (Dealing with Conflict)

Several years ago, my family and I attended a small, rural congregation that was extremely vibrant and faithful. At one point in time, a “contentious meeting” was scheduled with the two congregation’s Elders and the men of the congregation. Upon hearing of the meeting, I had no interest in attending because even as young and immature as I was, it just didn’t feel right to me and I didn’t think I needed to be there for the scheduled meeting. One of the other “younger men” of the congregation called me at my workplace and I talked with him in my room/office space. This brother in Christ was encouraging me to attend this meeting despite my mind telling me I didn’t need to be there. While I maintained dialogue with this young man on the phone and bantering back and forth, I forgot I was talking in front of a co-worker who had a negative assumption about Christianity. My conversation wasn’t encouraging him or moving him closer to Christ! When my phone call ended, my co-worker looked at me and said, “Al, right there, that’s why I don’t want anything to do with a church.” Needless to say, I was devastated by my actions! My co-worker heard me talking about the problems our little congregation was having while listening to me planning on participating in a meeting that really wasn’t designed to bring peace and unity. I was embarrassed and have regretted that incident for twenty plus years.

Please understand, I am not talking about encouraging “unity” and “fellowshipping” sin or the world. I maintain a stance that we, as Christians, are to seek unity and peace while seeking ways to peacefully solve our problems and obstacles. In the February 2016 edition of the Gospel Advocate, Tim Lewis, in his article entitled, “Essential Ingredients for Maintaining Unity,” points us to Psalm 133:1, “Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” Additionally, we know Jesus prayed for unity (John 17:20-23). You get the idea, unity is important! Especially within our “church family.” Bro. Lewis reminds us of four areas that are needed to build not only a culture of unity, but a plan for preventing division when engaging with our brothers and sisters in Christ:

1. Humility- Philippians 2:2 says, “fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.” It has been said, “pride divides.” Always wanting to solve problems with a “my way” attitude will soon leave one on the journey alienated & alone.

2. Gentleness- Ephesians 4:15 says, “but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—” As we seek to engage society and the church, may we not walk around with “our dukes up” seeking to conversationally pounce on someone if given the opportunity. Ephesians 5:16 goes on to remind us we all have a “share” which means a responsibility to seek unity and Christ and not be fragmented from one another.

3. Patience- Job 1:21 says, “And he said: “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, And naked shall I return there. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord.” We know Job loses his wealth, his family, his health and wrestles with the question, why? When I seek to be more patient with those around me, I see I fail 99% of the time. When seeking conflict resolution with each other, may we have the patience of Job!

4. Love- I Corinthians 13:7 says, “bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.” A preacher friend of mine will say, “Some are easier to love than others, but we are to love everyone.” Yes, this can be a challenge, but when we realize the one we are “crossways” with wants to go to Heaven and was baptized for the remission of sins; bearing, believing, hoping, and enduring becomes much easier!

I can’t take the phone call back, but I can respond and not react when dealing with those I may have some discourse with. What’s our motive? To go to Heaven and take as many with us! Remember, someone is watching.

South Green Street church of Christ

Announcements

Prayers



Jeff Oaks is in Michigan with his mother, **Helena Oaks**. Helena is home in hospice care. It would be appreciated if anyone would send an uplifting card to her. Her address is 28215 Alder Dr. Warren, MI 48088. Prayers are also greatly appreciated.

Diana Oaks’ uncle, Stewart Mills, passed away suddenly. Diana and he were close; prayers for comfort during this time of mourning.

Rick Bass is dealing with some health issues and is asking for prayers.

Randall Jatko, family of Chris Jatko, needs a liver transplant. Asking for prayers.

Please continue to pray for **Sam Dunham** and his family as he battles cancer.

Pray for the work in **India** that it can continue to train people to spread the Good News.

Continued Prayers

Adams’-health challenges

Margie Stewart- recovering from a fall

Harold Price, Sherry Derbigny’s Dad-health challenges

Jane Hanavan-heart issues

Tim Parker- headaches from concussion

News and Notes

Inglenook Bible Study

A Bible study at 6:30 pm, on Mondays at the Inglenook Senior Living facility have begun. All are welcome to come and support this effort, but we are looking for men who are willing to lead prayers and devotionals. You can come see Cory for more details.



Wednesday Night



Everyone is invited on Wednesday night immediately following Bible class to join us at Dairy Queen.

End of Summer

Food Drive

It is time to start gathering for the children’s home again. They especially need: Spam, Manwich sloppy Joe sauce, individual chips, fruit snacks, breakfast bars-Nature Valley, Cliff, NutriGrain, Kind, Belvita, Chewy, Boxed instant pudding mixes, Non foam paper plates, Heavy duty trash bags-42 gallon, dish washer soap, cold medicine, face moisturizer.



New Brother in Christ

Kaden Reitmair was baptized into Christ yesterday. Congratulations on your decision to follow His Word.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

July 18 Joe & Christine Martinez Anniversary