

## 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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### Minister

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### Attendance last week:

Sunday am - 76  
Sunday pm - 25  
Wednesday - 32  
Contribution-\$3,829.00

## Sunday Schedule Morning

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen  
  
Opening Prayer.....Alan Samuelson  
Lord’s Supper Leader.....Chris Peterson  
Assistant.....Kayden Derbigny  
Assistant .....John Nason  
Assistant.....Coby Mendoza  
Assistant.....KD Derbigny  
Scripture Reading.....Kaden Dunham  
Colossians 3:23 & 24

Lesson.....Steven Jaeger  
Closing Prayer.....Marcos Celaya

## Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen  
Opening Prayer.....Paul Nikolai  
Lord’s Supper Leader.....Chris Peterson  
Lesson.....Jeff Oaks  
Closing Prayer.....Kevin Dunham

## Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....Brett Reitmair

## Service Times

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



**March 12, 2023**

**It’s Not a Game  
04 March 2023  
By Mike Riley**

Do you remember how as children we used to play like we were something that we were not? We’d say, “Let’s play like we’re cowboys,” or “Let’s play like we’re firemen,” or “Let’s play like we’re policemen.”

It was not strange that we as children lived in a fantasy world from time to time. There was no reason for our parents to be disturbed because we spent so much time “playing like” we were someone else.

But now that we are grown, most of us with families of our own, it is high time for us to be concerned if we are continuing to play like we are something we are not. Far too many of us approach Christianity as it were a “game” in which we can “play like” we are Christians. And it is not a serious matter because when any requirement of living the Christian life conflicts with our own desires, we quickly close our eyes, shut our ears, and simply ignore that requirement, all the while still thinking that we are good Christians. We need to remember that we can “deceive” ourselves (James 1:22).



It is evident that many are “playing like” they are Christians. When one is off and on in their church attendance, haphazard in their giving, and neglectful in their service to God, one is “playing like” he or

she is a Christian. Living the Christian life is a very serious thing. Tomorrow is not promised to us (James 4:13-15). Let us be sure that we are not “playing like” we are Christians. True New Testament Christians are not deadheads, nor are they inactive, complacent, indifferent, or lukewarm. They are filled with zeal and enthusiasm for the Lord (Titus 2:11-14). The question is – are you? Don’t “play like” you are a Christian – be a true one!

Let’s remember Paul’s admonition, “Whatsoever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men” (Colossians 3:23).

## Announcements

### Prayers

**Paul Nikolai’s sister, Terri**, passed away recently. Please keep the Nikolai family in your prayers during this difficult time.

**Carol Welsby** is home. Prayers of thanks that she is home and prayers for her complete recovery.

**Cynthia Nickels’ Uncle Ernie Barrett** has been placed in hospice care. Please continue to keep Ernie, his wife Sharon, and family in prayer.

**Tim Parker** has ongoing headaches from his concussion, he had a neck injection on March 6 to help ease the pain. Continued prayers are appreciated for his overall recovery.

**Jennifer Sandstede’s Aunt JoAnn Berdahl’s** kidney is failing and the future is unclear. Prayers for her and her family are requested.

**Alan Samuelson’s father, Arlo Samuelson**, had one surgery on his ear but developed an infection. The infection has caused the next surgery to be postponed. Prayers that it will clear up so the next surgery can occur.

Our **Elders** are actively searching for a full time preacher. Pray that the search will be successful.

### Continued Prayers

Harold Price, Sherry Derbigny’s Dad-health challenges

Eleanor Jatko– health problems

Jane Hanavan-heart issues

Chris Jatko’s Uncle Ralph Holso-chemo treatment

## News and Notes

### Teen/Young Adult Mystery Night

Saturday, March 18th, 5-8 pm  
Dunham home, 885 Rose Ct.

Brighton

BBQ Beef Sandwiches and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side or dessert to share. Friends are welcome!



### First Sunday Potluck

Out next potluck is April 2nd, right after morning service. Bring a dish to share and enjoy the fellowship of the Brethren.



It is time to start gathering for the Spring Food Drive. Here are some of the items they really

need. A full list is on their table in the foyer.

Non-foam paper plates , 16 oz. plastic cups,

Individual chips/ snacks for lunches, crackers– Saltines, Graham, Cheez-It-Ritz, Gold Fish,

Granola Bars, Kind Bars, Cliff Bars, Belvita Breakfast Bars,

Cereal,

Salad Dressing-Italian, Ranch, French,

Face wash

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

March 14	Ron Jensen	Birthday
March 14	Linda Sanchez	Birthday