

Minister's Message

It's back-to-school time! Special thanks to Mika & Shannon for organizing a backpack project. Their work will help a few kids get the year off to a better start.

Fresno Unified students start back tomorrow. Central Unified starts Wednesday. Sanger Unified starts on Thursday. Clovis schools get underway next Monday. Lots of excitement!

How will you get involved in church life this fall? A church is not a building. It's not a two-hour time slot on your weekly calendar. Church is a community of people. It's a way of life. To be a Christian means that you belong to a community of faith.

As a church community in the 21st century, we're torn between the need to be together and the

reality of folks' busy lives and schedules. On the one hand, we don't want to OVER-schedule activities that end up taxing our key volunteers and leaders too much. On the other hand, we don't want to UNDER-schedule so that there aren't enough avenues for people to get involved.

The best and most fulfilling way to engage in church life is through relationships. Traditional logic says new people need 7 relationships within a church to feel a part of things. How do you form these relationships? Via activities beyond Sunday morning. I strongly encourage you to look for ways to foster closer ties with our church—both for the church's sake and for your own spiritual health.



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Welcome! If you're **visiting** with us today, please give us your name & basic information on *the card below*. **Tear it off and place it in the offering basket** later in the service. We invite you to experience God's grace among us and to think about joining this fellowship of believers.

Name(s): _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Prayer Request: _____

Comments: _____

People, Times & Places

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Robert Chisley & Ellery Ellis*
Coordinator: AJ Sanchez

FOR THE RECORD

Attendance

Worship (8/5)	164
Bible Class	114

Contribution Report

Last Week (8/5)	n/a
Weekly Average	n/a
Weekly Budget	\$7,770

WEEKLY ASSEMBLY

9:00 AM

SUNDAY CLASSES

10:40—11:30

Adults

Teacher: Michael Rodriguez Rm 405
How to Be a Christian Without Being Religious

Teacher: Dawn Frame Rm 411
Reading Scripture Using the Five Common Topics

Teacher: Dale Drury & Sandra Henderson Rm 700
Gender Roles in the New Testament & in the Church Today

Youth Group

Jr. High & High School Rm 600

Kids' Classes — aka *Uptown* (10:20-11:30)

Nursery Rm 303
Space for Moms Rm 306
Pre-School—Grade 6 500 Wing

Nursery

Our nursery, for children up to 30 months, is available during worship and classes in **Room 303**.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TUESDAY

Ladies Bible Class

Resumes September 18, 2018

WEDNESDAY

Men's Breakfast

Resumes September 5, 2018

Wednesday Night Dinner

Resumes September 5, 2018



The College Church of Christ exists to encourage & equip Christ-followers as they live out the mission of God in their homes, schools, work-places, and neighborhoods.

This Morning's Order of Worship

Call to Worship ~ Kelly Gresham

*How Great Is Your Love
Mighty to Save
Shout to the Lord
What the Lord Has Done*

Invitation to the Lord's Table ~ Edgar Minjarez

Offering ~ Amber Pierce Elliott

*Complete
Be Still and Know
Complete*

Church News & Prayer for Illumination ~ Kyle Mason

Message ~ Jason Locke "Why We Forgive #2: Mercy Brings Healing"

Time of Response

Healing Grace

Closing Blessing ~ Jason Locke

Mighty to Save

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard.

(Psalm 19:1-3)

After the sermon, we have a Time of Response. Folks are available to visit or pray with you. You can respond by moving to edge of the worship center.

Preschool children can be taken to the foyer during the time of response. Teachers will guide them to their classes. K-6 kids can leave during the final song.

August 12, 2018

Who We're Praying For...

Church Member Updates:

Larry Wiseman has advanced bone cancer & will not seek treatment. **Alfred Ramirez** is looking for an assisted living facility. The family requests prayers for his attitude. **Juana Ramirez** was moved to the long-term-care wing at Hy-Lond Care Facility.

Julie Watson asks us to pray for her: continued help in finding an apartment to move into.

The following people were mentioned by name as needing our prayer: **Cheyenne Corona** (strength), **Jay & Alice Farris** (safe travels), **Kenya & Stephen Shelley** (cancer & home reconstruction), folks returning from the coast, and for all those starting school or work.

Randy & Della Southall: grieving death of great-grandson

Ongoing:

Bill & Marvidean Joslin, Janice Kelly, Jack Gross, Marge Howie, Arthur & Carlotta Wint, Carolyn Wilson, Florence Bedoian, John Jacobo, Alicia Rivera, Gloria Chisley, Alice Farris, & Jim York

Expecting Mothers:

Weezy MacDougall

Extended Family News:

Tami Nuotio requests prayers for **Jean Lee:** heart problems

Evelyn Howe requests continued prayer for **Kim Sani** (Valley fever).

Ruth Geary: recovery from accident & surgery.

Monique Turks asks us to pray for her cousins who are dealing with the threat of fires in the Orange/Riverside county area.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
BABY SHOWER
 IN HONOR OF
Louise "Weezy" MacDougall
 Sunday, August 26 at 2 p.m.
 College Church of Christ—Room 207
 RSVP to D'Andra Buchanan 559-260-9231 or
 Louise Stuckert at 571-213-7564
 Weezy needs basic items such as clothes, blankets,
 onesies, bibs, socks, diapers & diaper bag.
 *Weezy already has bottles, car seat & a crib.

Activities, Events & Church News

New Classes for August—September

Room 405 ~ August 19—September 30

Fausto Hinojosa-Living with Distinction: Lessons from the Sermon on the Mount

Room 411 ~ August 5—August 26

Dawn Frame-Reading Scripture Using the Five Common Topics

Room 700 ~ August 19—September 30

David Morris-Why Christians Have Nothing to Fear from Science



IMPACT: Youth Group News

Today:

IMPACT class time ~ youth room
 @ 10:40 a.m.

Tonight:

TNT will be at the home of **Gary & Grace Pendleton** (4508 W Malibu Ave, Fresno 93722). 6—7:30 p.m.

Be sure to visit the Youth Board near the Nursery!



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David & Denise Jessie
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 8/14 Glory Chasers Women's Summer Bible Study
- 8/19 Fellowship Dinner
- 8/26 Back-to-School Sunday
- 9/5 Men's Breakfast; Wednesday Night Dinner
- 9/7-9 Men's Retreat
- 9/18 Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class

Back-to-School Fellowship Dinner

Sunday, August 19 @6:30 p.m.

There will be a church-wide fellowship dinner the evening of August 19. We'll have hot dogs, chips & coleslaw. Men, we're inviting you to participate in a homemade ice-cream contest that night. Bring a container of homemade ice-cream for everyone to enjoy – and let us pick the winning flavor!

IMPACT—Youth Group

Theresa and I have been attending this church for over 21 years. Since the very first day, the **Jacobos** embraced us like we were family. They would buy us meals, invite us into their home, babysit, go on camping trips, be at birthdays, host parties, attend sporting events, run our small group and immersed themselves in our lives.

At that time, both of our sets of parents lived out of town. The **Jacobos, Cowgers, Unruhs, Bowers**, and many others became pseudo grandparents to our boys. Our family is blessed to still have relationships with many people who were a part of our Shepherding Group and this church body so many years ago.

As a direct result of those relationships formed very long ago, even today, ours boys still receive cards, phone calls, and texts from those amazing mentors who invested in their young lives and helped raise them. **Terry Cowger** has never missed sending a birthday card on a birthday. **Evelyn Howe** is great about sending those "I'm thinking about you" texts. It's always a nice surprise to get a Starbucks card from **John Jacobo**. Their prayers coupled with small acts of kindness throughout the years have had a positive and unforgettable impact on both of our boys.

We are a community of believers, and we have the wonderful opportunity to build relationships with some of the next generation. There are many ways that this could be accomplished. Do you want ideas? Ask the **Paffords** or **Hendersons**. You could write a card, text a student, pray for a student, or attend a school activity such as a game, concert or dance recital. We are happy to point you in the right direction.

Relationships connect the dots from generation to generation.



Prayer Request:

Date:8/12/2018

Updates (Address, Phone, E-Mail):

Member Requests & Information



By Youth Ministry Leader, **Tannon Pafford**

