

Arise!



A weekly email bulletin, brought to you by the Oregon City church of Christ.

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Ron Writes from March 2016

When it's hard to like those I'm suppose to love

Did Jesus like everyone? Did he like the Pharisees and Scribes? He referred to the Scribes as those "who devour widows' houses." How do you like someone who takes advantage of someone's helpless condition and takes their property, while at the same time they make long prayers as if they've done nothing wrong (Mk. 12:40)? What's lower than elder abuse? What's worse than taking advantage of a widow? Did Jesus really like these guys?

Did Jesus like the Pharisees? The list of woes against them (Mt. 23) is lengthy.

Jesus is often portrayed as liking and accepting everyone. He hung out with sinners, we know that, but did he like them? Did Jesus like Judas? How did he feel about him pilfering the funds?

There have been those in my life that I have struggled to like. What about that guy at work? What about that person who is irritating and always messing up? What about the relative with the extreme political views? Why is that crazy neighbor always so loud? Liking someone has the idea of having good feelings about them.

It can be frustrating because I know I'm supposed to love them. It's not hard to understand, love God and love others. Love tops everything. How do I love someone I have trouble even liking? Do you wrestle with this as I do?

The solution for me is to realize that love and like are two different things. Love isn't a good feeling toward someone. Love is seen in our actions (1 Cor. 13). It's being patient and kind to someone, even when you don't really like them. Love calls on us to look out for their best interests, not to feel strong emotions for them. It's being kind to them.

It may be hard for some of you to believe, but there are some people who don't like me. That's okay, sometimes I don't like me either. True love calls on us to treat even those we don't like in a certain manner, not because of who they are, but because of who we are. Love is patient, kind, etc. (1 Cor. 13).

Jesus loves us, not because we are so loveable, but because of who He is. We see His love in action. I can't help but ask, do you think Jesus likes us?

Worship Schedule

Sunday Bible Classes at 9:30 AM

There is class in the auditorium for the adults, classes are held downstairs for the children and teenagers.

SEEKER'S CLASS

9:30 am, downstairs in room #9

Teacher: John Jones

Prayer Requests

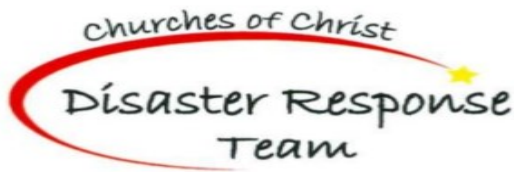
- ◆ Ron's brother **Rick** passed away last week. Thanks for all your prayers. Please continue to remember his wife Donna. Ron and Lynn are on vacation for 2 more weeks.
- ◆ Sympathy, Many of may know **Charles McCord**, he passed away October 2 with his family by his side. Our sympathy and prayers go out to LaVera, to Danielle, David, and Samantha Crump, and to the rest of the family.
- ◆ Susan Nickell cousin **Julie, and husband Able**, who have both had COVID are doing better.
- ◆ **From John and Kristina Headrick**—Hello, our family is having a hard time. Naomi and Lucy have only gone to daycare for a few weeks and have already endured a high risk covid exposure, croup, and now RSV. Please pray for our girls to be well (right now Naomi is fine, Lucy has the RSV), for John and I to get our work done, for understanding employers, and that we will be able to return to church in the near future (we've been staying home to prevent the spread of our yuck). This has been a lonely time to be dealing with all this so please pray for mine and John's mental health too.
- ◆ **From Kalene**, I was in emergency last week and diagnosed with Pleurisy\Pericarditis, which is where the lining around the lungs and heart gets inflamed, it's very painful. After a week of treatment I am doing better, but still recovering.
- ◆ **Deon Waldow** who we have been praying for for COVID was able to go home Monday.
- ◆ As of this time we do not have an update on **Linda Hochhalter**.
- ◆ **Our ELDERLY**, please pray for good general health.
- ◆ **Our Students**, our Teachers, our Military, our Police and First Responders.
- ◆ **ON GOING PRAYERS:** Tom and Barbara Broadbent, Eric Zittle, cancer (Kristin Ruddiman's dad),

**If you have a prayer request or other concern,
please contact Kalene
by email—occhurch@gmail.com
or by phone at 503.317.1410**

FROM EDUARDO

- ◆ Benito Ibarra in the process of rehabilitation to be able to walk.
- ◆ Rosa Chapina with stage four cancer.
- ◆ Lili Calero with cancer, lives in El Paso TX, family of Aracely and Eduardo.
- ◆ Rocío Rodrigues is looking for work.
- ◆ Juana Rivas Hilda's mother is recovering from COVID.

Around Our Area



From New York to Tennessee and elsewhere, flooding is devastating many areas. Plus, hurricanes and tornadoes and wild fires have caused a lot of damage as well. **Church of Christ Disaster Relief** is responding as soon as these things happen.

If you would like to donate their Web site is,

<http://www.churchesofchristdrt.org/>



Go to <https://www.msch.org/>

To make a donation on this day,
or to learn more about MSCH.

OC church News and Notes

NEW SCHEDULE

Bible Classes - 9:30 a.m.

Worship - 10:30 a.m.

There is an adult class in the auditorium.

Classes for the kids, and teen's are in classrooms downstairs.

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Are you in grade 7-12 and interested in being in the Teen Group?

You are welcome to come join us every Wednesday evening at the building to study the Bible and fellowship together.

See Steve Haney for more information.



Young at Heart

Old Spaghetti Factory in Clackamas

October 28th at 12:30

Sign Up sheet is posted

Please note the change in time.



COVID UPDATE

The elders are asking everyone to wear masks when inside the church building, to follow the new Oregon state mask requirements for ages 5 years and up.

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To view the weekly bible classes and weekly sermons, look us up on .



Type in, "Oregon City Church of Christ", in the search bar.



Christian **A**ccountability **S**upport **T**eam

Meets Monday's at 7 PM.

Meetings are open to anyone who needs Christian support.

CAST is a confidential Bible based 12-step group designed to help Christians identify, admit, and recover from debilitating problems caused by sin. Through a Biblical focus this group will show to those struggling, God's unwavering compassion, forgiveness and loyalty.

CAST is for those under bondage of any addiction a person has become powerless to control.

Anyone can come to any meeting

Please let **Steve Partlow** know in advance you will be attending.

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