

The Family Circle



Kearney

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Sunday, January 31st, 2010

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Bible Classes 9:30

Bible Classes For All Ages

Morning Worship 10:30

Sermon: *Jay Towell*

Evening Worship 6:00

Sermon: *Ed Lee*

Wednesday 7:00

Bible Classes For All Ages

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! We are so glad that you are with us today. If there is any way that we can be of service to you we would appreciate you letting us know. We hope you can stay around after our services for a few minutes so that we can get to know you, and come back whenever possible.

In Our Prayers This Week

Catherine (Clark) Rathe -please keep them in your prayers during this difficult time.

Billy Clubb's mother - has pituitary gland cancer.

Jim Aufrecht - brother of Dave, treatments are over and he is much improved. He thanks all of us for our prayers.

People of Haiti - keep that nation in your prayers this week.

Soldiers- fighting overseas.

Also please pray for these people; Ken Spencer, Cindy McCort, Don Holmes, Victor Zapata, Randy Jaeger, Kami Millspaugh, Murl & Deloris Lahm, and Dean Phillips.

DIRECTORY UPDATES

If you want to be added to our church directory or need to update your directory page, now is your chance. New directory photos will be taken on Sunday, Feb. 7 after morning services.

YORK YOUTH RALLY

East Hill Church of Christ in York will be hosting their Youth Rally February 5th and 6th. The theme for this year is "Drenched". Cost is \$10. Registration is from 6 - 8 p.m. Friday night and the rally ends at 7p.m. Saturday.

AREA WIDE 5TH SUNDAY SINGING

York Church of Christ will be hosting the area wide singing today. This will also be combined with a concert by the York College Choir. Schedule for the day is singing from 3-4 p.m., a meal will be served from 4:30-5:30 p.m., and the concert from 6-7 pm.

5th Sunday singing here tonight at 6p.m.

VALENTINE DINNER

It's time for the Valentine Dinner!! This is a chance for our young people and their families to honor their church family. On Sunday, February 14, in lieu of the basket dinner, the youth will be serving a meal and entertaining the "seasoned warriors" of the church. (For clarification, seasoned warriors are all those except the kids and their families - because we need them to help.) Please sign up on the bulletin board to attend and to assist. This is always a wonderful time. Don't miss out - there is a place for everyone!

THANK YOU

This is a special thank you to Carmen for the wonderful bulletin boards throughout the church. She has been doing an excellent job and we appreciate all of her hard work.

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Clark and Catherine Rathe's baby, due in May, has an underdeveloped heart and will require surgery immediately after birth. The delivery and surgery will be in Denver. Catherine and the children will need a place to stay in Denver for 2 months. If you know of any place please let Helen Hogins or Carol Arnold know. Please remember the family in your prayers.

BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE

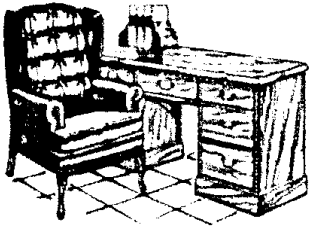
Jennie Joslin will be celebrating her 85th birthday this year. To honor her, her daughters are hosting an open house on February 20th from 1-3 p.m. at the Kearney Manor pavilion.

SECRET SISTER LUNCH

We had over 30 ladies at the Secret Sister luncheon. The program is being organized by Carmen this year. If you want to participate and haven't signed up let her know.

From the Preacher's Desk. .

The Me I Want To Be - 3



This may sound silly, but did you know there is a remarkably simple way to protect yourself from a wild tiger attack? Solution: wear a mask on the back of your head.

I know, this sounds a little like the joke about the two guys who were attacked by a bear and one guy stops to put on his tennis shoes. But this one is actually based on science - and understanding the nature of a cat. The theory is that cats instinctively rely on stealth to sneak up on their prey. Wearing a mask on the back of your head presents the tiger with a confusing situation where it is unable to accomplish an attack from behind with certainty, so he will leave you alone and move on to easier prey.

(Okay, still don't believe it? Answer me this: Have you ever heard about anyone being killed by a tiger while wearing a mask on the back of their head?)

Masks.

You can find them in any home.

Some are used once a year to scare the neighbors. Some are used occasionally to keep the dust out. Some are applied every Saturday night to keep us looking young.

There are some masks we wear every day...those friendly smiles we wear to hide the most painful of secrets.

If you've ever seen Phantom of the Opera, you know that the phantom wears a mask to hide his disfigured face. But you also know that in the end the story reveals him to be, not a monster, but a frightened, insecure soul unable to cope with his imperfection.

In my library is a book entitled, *"If You Really Knew Me, Would You Still Like Me?"* Isn't that the fear we all have? That somehow even those closest to us aren't quite ready to see the "real me".

One of the often overlooked tragedies of sin in the Garden of Eden was that in an instant Adam and Eve went from being naked and unashamed to a sense of shame and a need to hide. Not only from God, but from each other.

Thousands of years later, we still hide.

One of the often neglected benefits of grace is the invitation to come out of hiding. What freedom grace gives! Grace gives me permission to be myself.

And that's the me I desperately want to be.

Have a blessed week!



Jay

Those Who Are Serving

	<u>Today</u>	<u>February 7th</u>
Announcements	Drew Arnold	Dennis Edwards
Song Leader	Allen Crawford	Larry Houtz
1 st Prayer	Chuck Johnson	Allen Crawford
2 nd Prayer	David Hogins	Don Holmes
Lord's Supper		
Presiding:	Dan Hirschfeld	David Spencer
Serving:	Jerry Munsell	Billy Clubb
	Doug Houtz	Bob Holland
	Gary Wiles	David Hogins
Scripture Reading	David Spencer	Jerry Munsell
Closing Prayer	Bryan Becker	Chuck Johnson
Song Leader	Eddie Lee	Doug Houtz
1 st Prayer p.m.	Sonny Sidlo	Dan Hirschfeld
2 nd Prayer p.m.	Larry Houtz	Larry Houtz
Closing Prayer	Jay Towell	David Spencer
Eve. Communion	Bill Walker	Dan Hirschfeld
Wednesday	<u>February 3rd</u>	<u>February 10th</u>
Singing	Ed Spencer	Jerrold Allen
Scripture	Scott Helgeson	Craig Martin
Treats	Carol Arnold	Bethany Stanger

ELDERS

Drew Arnold, Dennis Edwards, Dan Hirschfeld,
Ed Lee and David Spencer

MINISTER

Jay Towell

Question of the week: What son of David cut his long hair whenever it became too heavy for him?

Last week's question and answer: What substance appeared on Gideon's fleece one night - but not the next- to convince him he was working in God's will? Dew (Judges 6:36-40)