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## Real Life News & Notes

*A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers*

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## **Our Gathering Today**

# MARTHA & MARY

### **Welcome Guests!**

**Thank you for being with us this morning! May you be spiritually fed** and encouraged this morning by our simple gathering in the name of Jesus Christ as we sing, pray, share communion, encourage each other and open the Word of God together. Please enjoy the coffee, juice and donuts you will find in the fellowship hall.

\*\*View our web site at [grandjunctionchurch.org](http://grandjunctionchurch.org) and Face Book page **Church of Christ of Grand Junction** to discover a little more about us.

### **Feeding on the Word!**

*Are you a **Martha, a Mary, or...**?* Dr. Luke lets us eaves drop on a private teachable moment in the little village of Bethany. Jesus is a Master at using real life encounters for spiritual formation. This morning you may hear this story differently than you've heard it before! *God's word will always challenge us! See you at the very end of Luke 10.*

### **The Hands and Heart of Jesus: Thank you ...**

- To those who regularly help feed the homeless the first Monday night of each month. Come join us as we provide a meal at the Park Saturday the 24th! (Meet at church at 3pm to assemble lunches)
- To [Jeremy Antwine](#), [Bobby Heath](#) and [Lloyd Willits](#) for all their time and labor in our Children's church room the past month!

*"Jesus followers must not perpetuate a Christian welfare state by accepting the gift of salvation without faith's response of obedience, discipleship, and service."*

*- Doug Clayton*

## **Love One Another**

Memory Verse For February: Numbers 6:24

**"The Lord bless you and keep you;**

## Sips from the well (by Doug Clayton)

### Journey

In the Pulitzer Prize winning novel *"The Orphan Master's Son"* a North Korean **Interrogator** has a memory purging device. Having inflicted this on his victims he is faced with a question: **"Is the destination worth reaching if you cannot recall the journey?"** *Hmm, I paused, pondered, prayed, thought of my precious mother (advanced Alzheimer's), then just sat awhile letting it simmer...*

I love a good question, one that causes me to stroke my chin leaving me unsettled but strangely at peace. The best questions challenge us to trust the benefit is not so much in the answer but in the voyage of discovery. There are times when a clear, concise, immediate answer is provided and yet we know life's canvas is often more multi-colored or gray than black and white. **At times the question is more important than the answer** for the unknown nudges us aboard the ship of experience to **journey** on both calm and rough seas.

My grand kids love when I hide objects in the playroom. They quip, **"Don't hide them too easy Papa!"** Children (*Of such is the kingdom of heaven*) crave the thrill and challenge of **finding**, accepting an occasional "warmer or colder" hint which leads them to a deeper exploration rather than an easy resolution. Maybe that's why God's universe is so incomprehensibly vast, why there are so many more questions and mysteries than answers. Perhaps God is hoping we dare to **journey**.

Jesus often answered questions with questions. Jesus knew routinely giving simple or straightforward replies would rob us of growth gradually bestowed as we grapple with ambiguity. **Pondering, reflecting and wrestling are tools of spiritual formation.** Having the quick and easy answer can leave us unwise and weak having not searched, struggled, failed, and become stronger despite our uncertainty.

As I pondered that insightful and painful query posed by the **Interrogator** I wondered: *"Will the redeemed really have a list of questions for God, unresolved memories, when we reach the other side? Perhaps... Yet I think by then those curiosities will not matter as much; not because they are not good and serious questions about life, suffering, disease, injustice, the age of the universe, why mosquitoes; but because by then the wonder of the journey and the joy of the destination will have revealed its own glorious conclusions. By then, the unanswerable awe of God's eternal love will have perfectly and wondrously restored both mind and memory with our present immortal reality into all that ever really mattered! (Sounds like Heaven to me.) In the meantime, **Papa God** wants us to experience the journey!"*

**"The secret things belong to God... Trust in the Lord with all your heart... His ways are not our ways and His thoughts are above our thoughts....I will make all things new!"**

## Youth Corner

### Parents:

\*\*\*COMING SOON!\*\*\*

We are excited to announce some big changes to our Wednesday Youth Group schedule. Beginning **March 7<sup>th</sup>**, we will begin an **after school open house time from 3-6**. Students are encouraged to come to the youth group room and work on homework, play games, study the Bible, pretty much anything they'd like to fill that time with. I am working on the idea of offering transportation after school (If you can help with this, it would be HUGE!) owship hall.

### Parents:

If you are able, we would love to have you join us at our Sunday night Huddles on a regular basis. If you are willing and able to take on the job of preparing and delivering the devo or lesson sometime, let me know, and I'll get you on the schedule.

February 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> – Boise Youth Rally. We'll be leaving after school on Thursday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> and staying the night in Salt Lake City. We will return Monday night, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> (President's Day). The cost for this trip will be \$30 (bring your cash or check the week of the event). **YOU WILL HAVE TO MISS 1 DAY OF SCHOOL FOR THIS TRIP.** Tonight (Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>) is the last night you can sign-up!

April 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> – Spiritual Explosion @ Riverside Church of Christ in Albuquerque, NM. More details to come.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Attention Men!

Mark your calendars for the weekend of March 23rd and 24th for the 2018 Men's Retreat that will be held at Camp Cedaredge. Please keep the following in your prayers this week...Thank you and God bless you! See Bo Hill or Dave Downey for more info!"

### Attention Ladies

February 24—9 AM  
Ladies coffee/1Tea Fellowship and Fun!

March 24—11 AM—12:30 PM—Ladies Luncheon

See Karen Wade or Glenda Scheuerman with Questions.

### Pantry Items Needed

Peanut Butter & Jam or Jelly  
Box & dry macaroni  
Small ketchup & mustard

**Note: Pantry—We are receiving many items that we cannot use in there. They have been sorted out and will be placed on a table in the fellowship hall for people to take, if needed. Please donate only what is requested.**

### Coffee Can Ministry

We will be feeding the homeless at Whitman Park on Saturday, February 24 at 4:00 p.m. Those that can are welcome to come to the church building at 3:00 p.m to assemble sandwiches and help load food and the coffee cans. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pam Hurd.

### ATTENTION SCRAP BOOKERS!

Charlie is in need of some help with a scrap booking project for the Youth Group. If you would like to take this project on, please see Charlie or send him an email at [myfriendscallmecharlie@gmail.com](mailto:myfriendscallmecharlie@gmail.com)."

### Join The Tech Booth Team

The tech booth is looking for 1 or 2 more volunteers to work the computer and/or the soundboard on Sunday mornings. We work month long shifts during both class time and during worship and you can sign up for as many or as few months as you feel comfortable with. The computer side requires an average comfort level with using a computer and a little more time commitment to learn. Having some knowledge of how we sing songs is helpful. The soundboard side is much less stressful but does require you be a bit early to get microphones ready. An ear for singing parts is helpful.

If you feel you would be interested in being a part of either of these sides to the tech booth ministry please come see David Cooper. Don't be afraid, we train you well and are ready to support you being a part of our little team.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following requests we have received. Thank You and God bless you for blessing these with your prayers on their behalf.

We have had a number ill with the various viral and other 'bugs' that are so prevalent now as well as the flu. Several are recovering and we are thankful to God for answered prayers for them.

Pray for Bob Tucker who is struggling with cancer. Continue to pray for healing and comfort for him.

George Robinson is also healing, but needs continued prayers for his complete recovery and well as comfort in the death of his wife.

Ron Wilson needs our prayers for healing and comfort. Along with Randy Brabec and Melody Haight who are all on dialysis at present. Also a friend of the Briggs, Mike Dean, also on dialysis. Pray for healing and comfort for all of these.

Kirby Franklin needs continued prayers, for comfort and peace.

And Gena Willits for continued healing of her head injury.

Keep Tom and Robin English in your prayers for the health issues they both have and strength and wisdom for Robin as she cares for and makes decisions for Tom.

Continued prayers for Benn Skogen's uncle who had a stroke and His grandfather who has advanced cancer.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the progress Shane Briggs has had, and that he is feeling much better and able to do some things at home, with precautions. He is still under going some treatments but is slowly progressing in the right direction. He and his family, as all of us are so thankful to all who have been faithfully praying for him all these months....God has answered and we are so grateful to you and to God.

Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones recently.

Prayers of thanksgiving for all the prayers God has answered for so many. Honor and praise His name for the blessings we receive from His hand daily.

Pray for our nation and our leaders that they will look to God for wisdom in all their decision making, rather than their own interests. Pray for our nation to repent and turn back to God so He once again will bless us.

Pray for our church family, that we will be the servants of God He wants and needs us to be to enlarge His kingdom as He does not want anyone to be lost eternally. Pray for love, mercy and wisdom from above for all of us.



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## For the Record February 4, 2018

Attendance	268
Weekly Contributions 2/04/18	\$10,347.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,886.32
Weekly Budget	\$6,521.00

### Communion Preparation—February

Shirley Bagga

### Communion Table 2/11/18

Scott DeLancey

## Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in February

Snub Liles  
Isaac Lavadie  
Tyrone Lofton  
Eric Moore  
Steve Neff  
David Olree  
Dale Pirtle  
Eric Pennal

### Announcements—February

Kris Dille

### Sunday Morning Adult Classes—9:00 AM—9:45 AM

Bill Wade	Auditorium
Vince Urbina	103
Tom Deister for College/Young Adult	213

### Sunday Morning Children's Classes

Cradle Roll—Birth to 2	Nursery
2 & 4 Year Old	104
Pre KK, Kindergarten	205
1st & 2nd Grade	209
3rd thru 5th Grade	208
Middle School	203
High School	203

### Wednesday Evening Bible Classes 7—7:45 PM

John Cooper	Auditorium
Shirlene Caraway, Ladies Class	103
Singing Class	Library

### Wednesday Evening Children's Bible Study

2 & 5 yr. old	104
Kindergarten 1st & 2nd	205
1st thru 5th Grade	208
All teens meet in	203

### Thursday Morning Bible Classes

Thursday Bible School 9:30 AM—1 PM Thursdays  
Ladies Bible Class, - 9:30 AM Rm. 103

**Sunday Morning Bible Classes Begin at 9 AM**  
**Sunday Morning Fellowship Time 9:45 AM—10:15 AM**  
**Sunday Morning Assembly Begins at 10:15 AM**  
**Sunday Evening Small Group meets at 5 PM In Fellowship Hall**  
**Wednesday Evening Bible Study Begins at 7 PM**