

# Real Life News & Notes

*church of Christ of Grand Junction*

## The Passover and the Lord's Supper

This is the time of the year when religious Jews celebrate the Passover. It was during this time of year when Jesus was crucified. On the third day He arose from the dead. His resurrection changes everything. It was during the Passover meal, prior to His death, burial and resurrection that Jesus instituted what we refer to as "The Lord's Supper".

The Passover commemorates the exodus of the Jews from slavery in Egypt. It was and is a celebration of God's care and power. The Lord's supper celebrates the love and power of God as well. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). In the Lord's supper we recall our lost state without Jesus because of our sins, we recall the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross as an atonement for our sins, and we look forward to the promised eternal life we find through His conquest of death.

Let's keep Jesus in the center of our lives,  
John Cooper

## Youth Section

### A Brief Collection of Useful Hebrew Words and Phrases, Part 3: Amen

To recap, again, "Amen" is more than "I agree." Rather it is an affirmation of seeing the good and the godly in Creation. When we see Creation in line with God's desires, with God's intention, then we as his followers say "AMEN."

"Let it be so!"

But don't think that a Christian is only an observer to this, that our only task is to see the good and say "Amen." What do we do with that which we cannot affirm? What do we do with the wrong that we see in this world?

Do we run? Do we ignore? Do we hide? Do we wag our fingers and frown?

Reading through the prophets in Hebrew Scripture, we read that God was fully aware of the evil that his children were giving themselves over to. We read his disappointment, his displeasure, but we also see God dream of it all being better. He dreamed of restoration. Read Hosea 2 to see God's anger and his desire to reconcile in almost the same breath.

You see, God doesn't only see how things *are*. He sees how things *ought to be*. He sees problems, but he also solutions. Where we might see failure, God sees the hope of redemption and restoration.

So when we see the wrong around us (or in us) and we cannot say, "Amen", *it doesn't end there*. Join God in dreaming of restoration, and ask him to use you in that process of restoration.

Amen.

-Lucas

**Huddle: Tonight 6 PM at the Roberts. Bring desserts and drinks.**

### Memory Verse For April.:

"Let your conversation be full of grace" - Colossians 4:6

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Shout Hallelujah

**Children’s Verse – Lucas Matthews**  
**Announcements - Vince Urbina**  
**Song Leader—Nathan Walker**

**Offering Prayer - Vince Urbina**  
 Greeting Time  
 Shout Hallelujah (reprise)

**Call To Worship - Nathan Walker**

That's Why We Praise Him  
 Lord Reign in Me  
 Majesty #266  
 Worthy is the Lamb  
 Lamb of God #176  
 How Deep the Father's Love

**Lesson - “Their Eyes Were Opened” —Doug Clayton**

**Communion - Doug Clayton**

I Want to Know You / There is None Like You  
 Here I Am To Worship

**Invitation - Doug Clayton**

What the Lord Has Done in Me

**Blessing - Dane Jennings**

Outreach Minister—John Cooper	241-4075
Minister—Doug Clayton	523-1654
Visitation Minister—Hunt Zumwalt	210-8960

**Honored to Serve the Lord’s Table in**

**April**

Lynn Briggs  
 Doug Bussert  
 Santiago Carol  
 Lee Chance  
 Tony Clayton  
 Lane Coale  
 David Cooper  
 Tom Crist

**Announcements**

**April—Vince Urbina**  
**May—Curtis Fleming**  
**June—Ron Wilson**

**For the Record**  
**April 1, 2012**

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>241</b>
<b>Average Attendance, 1st qtr.</b>	<b>263</b>
<b>Contributions</b>	<b>\$6,021.00</b>
<b>Budget</b>	<b>\$6,715.30</b>

**Communion Preparation—April**

Richard & Peg Sisco

**Prayer Requests**

Continue to pray for the following and their families:

STAN HURD....heart problems and lymphoma  
 DAN SCOTT....Guillian Barre syndrome  
 SUSAN NICKLAS....colon cancer  
 JESSICA BOONE..... for continued healing  
 CHERYL WILKINSON—healing from surgery  
 TERRY JACKSON, DOUG BEACH AND JERIMY GADBERRY ...  
 to find work.  
 JOHN AKERS... continued prayers for him. His surgery  
 went well but he has developed an infection and pneumo-  
 nia. Pray for comfort and peace for he and Barb.  
 RICH MENDENHALL....prostate cancer surgery Tues AM...  
 pray for complete healing and that he will be cancer free...  
 for comfort and peace for he and his family.  
 JERIMY AND AMANDA GADBERRY....for strength and wis-  
 dom from above to get through some difficult times they  
 are going through. Pray for them to turn to God for their  
 help and guidance and trust in Him for all things...and in all  
 circumstances., and draw closer to Him each day.  
 FAMILIES - Who have lost loved ones recently.

MARIE BRANSON—Fell at her home, injuring her leg. Keep  
 her in your prayers.

ALMA COOPER—Suffered a stroke while on a family reun-  
 ion holiday in Branson, MO. She has paralysis in her left  
 side and is undergoing tests to determine her proper  
 treatment. Keep her and her family in your prayers.

SCOTT WEBB—was admitted to St. Mary’s last week with  
 severe headache. He is undergoing tests to determine the  
 cause. Although visits are very important to him, since he  
 is in so much pain, he asks that we forego visiting him until  
 further notice.

KATHY DEISTER—She has a brain aneurism which has no  
 symptoms and her attitude is one of undying faith. Treat-  
 ment, if any, is unknown at this time. Pray that her upbeat  
 spirit, optimism and reliance on her Savior will remain con-  
 stant. She is an inspiration.

ALICE JACKSON - Has been in hospital due to regulating  
 her medication. Keep her in your prayers that she may be  
 well.

LESA BRASSETTE’S GRANDFATHER BEN, had a stroke, pray  
 for his healing, comfort and for their family also.

KAY WILSON—A prayer of Thanksgiving for answered

**Young Marrieds Seminar**

There will be a seminar here at the building on Saturday and Sunday April 28th & 29th. Bryanna Goodman will speak on "Marriage Not For Wimps". For more information see Corren Lind.

**April 11, 2012—Eastern European Missionary to Speak**

Ben Mereness of EEM, which is a ministry sending Bibles to the Ukraine public schools, will be here to speak on Wednesday evening, April 11 in the auditorium. Adults, High School and Middle School will meet in the auditorium at 7 PM.

**Senior Grad Night is fast approaching!**

We have eight seniors we will be honoring this year: Madison Allen, Quinton Barnett, Zach Fleming, Ben Franklin, Holly Heath, Amanda Schuller, AJ Urbina and Josh Vorse. Please mark your calendars for May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm and bring finger foods to share. If you are a senior parent and haven't turned in your pictures, please give a disc to Ann Bricker no later than next Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

**VBS Volunteers**

Avoid the draft! Enlist now to help with VBS this summer. (July 23-27; 5:45 to 8:30 p.m.) Simply fill out the form enclosed in this week's bulletin and place it in the box on the table in the fellowship hall as soon as you can! (Extra forms can be found there too.) Let's make this a time of love and learning that the children will carry with them for years. There is a job for everyone, every age, every ability. Jump in with both feet and be a part of the important event! Contact Lesa Brassette.

**TBS Dinner**

TBS will have their annual Widows/Widowers Dinner on April 12 here in the fellowship hall. There will be a program beginning at 11:30 AM and dinner immediately after. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer for those who would like to attend. Contact is Sharon Riddle.

**Mesa View Retirement Bible Study**

The elders are looking into having a Sunday morning Bible study/worship at Mesa View Retirement Center. If you are interested in helping with this opportunity or need more information please contact Jerry Austin or Earl Babb.

**Missions Meeting**

A Missions Meeting is planned for Monday April 9th. at 7 p.m. at Dean and Jenny Blanck's house.

**Placing Membership**

A very hearty welcome to Joe and Debbie Jones, father and mother of Matt Jones. Joe and Debbie placed membership with our church family last Sunday and we are so blessed to have them in our midst. Their address is:

203 Meadow Point Ct.  
Grand Junction, CO 81503  
Phone: (970) 618-5809

They will also be listed in the church directory at next publication.

**Lifeline Screening Program**

Stroke is the fourth leading cause of death in the United States, and this catastrophic event can strike without warning. In fact, four out of five people who have had a stroke showed no apparent warning signs prior to their attack. But, strokes can be stopped in their tracks.

On **Friday, May 11, 2012 at COC of Grand Junction** there will be a Life Line Screening preventive health event to scan for the risk of stroke and other vascular conditions.

*Sign-up sheets will be in the foyer and fellowship hall for anyone wanting to take advantage of the screening program. Other posters on the bulletin boards give further information.*

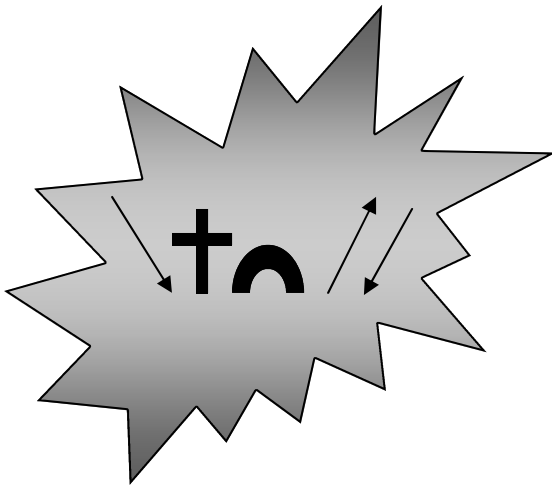
**Girl Scout Project**

Trinity Brassette and Caitlyn Taylor are working on their Junior Girl Scout Bronze Award by doing a service project of creating TLC (Tender Loving Care) bags for Doug Clayton to use in his homeless ministry. Donations of the following items are needed for the project, and can be placed in the bin on the table in the fellowship hall on April 15, 22, and 29: Granola bars, small beef jerky (individually packaged), candles (6" pillar), small match boxes, socks, toothbrushes, small bottled water, and notes of encouragement for the people. See Caitlyn or Trinity for more details. Thank you!

**ShareFest is Coming!**

**April 28-29**

The Empty Nesters invite the congregation to join us in a day of serving the community, sharing in service projects and celebrating together God's Goodness. It is easy to volunteer. Go to [www.gjsharefest.com](http://www.gjsharefest.com) and click on the heading NEEDS LIST and select a project. We will join in prayer and leave from building Saturday morning the 29th. For more information call the Crowe's (256-1127) or the Wilson's(639-2875)



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**A place to belong.**

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Welcome to the church of Christ of Grand Junction! If you are visiting with us we want you to know how honored we are to have you. It is our desire to love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbors as ourselves (Mark 22:30,31). We are attempting to share His love with others through following Jesus' words, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). If you have any questions about anything that you hear taught or see practiced we would be glad to share with you the reasons for the faith we have. Just speak with one of our shepherds or ministers or call 970-245-4210 and we will gladly assist you!

## COME WORSHIP WITH US

We're On the Web  
[grandjunctionchurch.org](http://grandjunctionchurch.org)

- Newsletter
- Announcements
- Women's Ministry
- Audio Sermons

## Soul Care Ministry

We need each other. Many of us fight our greatest battles all alone, but we don't have to. Trained peer counselors are available to truly listen. Free and confidential.

**Call 260-7309**

## BIBLE CLASS AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

Tom Deister—"Jesus Is Lord"-----Auditorium  
Dave Scheuerman—One Year Bible Study-----103  
Scott Ferguson,—— Young Marrieds-----202  
College/Young Adult-----Traders Coffee

High School-----203

### Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7- 8 PM

Ben Mereness, Eastern European Mission-----Auditorium  
Hymn Class-----103

### Sunday Morning Children's Classes

Cradle Roll—Birth to 2 -----Nursery  
2 & 3 yr. old-----104  
Pre KK, Kindergarten-----205  
1st & 2nd Grade-----209  
3rd thru 5th Grade-----208  
Middle School-----213

### Wednesday Evening Children's Bible Study

2 & 4 yr. old-----104  
Kindergarten 1st & 2nd-----205  
3rd thru 5th Grade-----208  
All teens meet in-----203

## Sunday morning worship begins at 10:15 AM

*"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know Him."*

1 John 3:1