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## Real Life News & Notes

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

### *Patterson Road church of Christ*



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## Our Gathering Today



### Welcome Guests!

**Guests**, 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!**

This morning we bring to a close our mini-series on **Faithfulness**. We have looked at this vast subject from the standpoint of what our **faithfulness** looks like and what **God's Faithfulness** looks like. We will close out by being reminded of what faithfulness does and does not mean and considering several passages as well as **Romans 3:3** as we are challenged, fed, and encouraged by the Living Bread!

### **Thank you!**

To all our bible class teachers, especially those who have regularly and for years taught our little children of all ages. We appreciate you! Be a teacher, change a life!

*"Blessed are those who turn out the lights and lock the doors when they leave the church building!"*

## Love One Another

Memory Verse for September—Romans 8:14

all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

## Sips from the well (by Doug Clayton)



### Dogs

One of the spiritual formation books on my shelf is entitled "***The Good and Beautiful God***" (by James Bryan Smith). In his chapter on ***God Transforms*** he gives a practical illustration about what our new identity in Christ should look like:

***Do you know the difference between country dogs and city dogs? Country dogs live in wide open spaces with a great deal of freedom to roam. They can go down to the creek, wrestle with a skunk, sleep in a sunny pasture or forage for food. And at first they do. But after awhile the country dog stays in the same old place, day after day, on the master's porch. The country dog has been to "Paris" as they say. He has gotten into a few scrapes and has seen the open range for what it is. Now, the country dog is content to stay near the master. After all, he may get a biscuit or a pat on the head or a belly rub.***

***The city dog is quite different. The city dog lives cooped up in a house and is forbidden to leave the home. The city dog has one aim: getting out! The city dog has learned when and how the doors will be opened and how to nudge it just so in the hope of escape. The moment the door is cracked open the city dog makes a run for it. The Master may have to run after the dog or even get in the car and search the neighborhood for the fugitive, constantly yelling the dog's name, begging it to come home. If the master sees the dog he/she will likely have to bribe the dog with a biscuit or lasso the dog with a leash in order to get it home.***

***Those who approach the Christian life with a set of rules and laws and dos and don'ts are like the city dog. Yet, those who better understand their identity in Christ are like the country dog, they know that they are not under the law, they know they can sin, but having sinned before, they know better. They are more content living close to the Master. One writer put it this way: "The spiritual life is not a life of laws and precepts but a life of participation, affection and love, a life mingled and mixing with God."***

Which dog do you most resemble in your daily Christian walk? There is something about that **country dog** image that seems biblical and in rhythm with how our heavenly Father intends us to live. We are free in Christ (Galatians 5:1), free to enjoy the good and abundant gifts of life, and free to wander away. And yet we know the master's love and are compelled by gratitude and grace to live wisely in spiritual maturity choosing to stay close knowing the blessings and benefits of the master's porch.

**City dog or country dog?** I can't speak for you but I choose to be a liberated country dog, abiding peacefully on the porch, content in the love of my Master from whom my blessings and biscuits flow. 😊

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Items needed for Coffee Can Ministry

3 lb. plastic coffee cans  
Travel size deodorant,  
Chapstick,  
Nail clippers,  
Flashlights,  
Travel size shampoo,  
Travel size conditioner,  
Socks

### Pantry Needs

Spam  
Canned Fruit  
Hamburger Helper

### Please-No food in plastic containers

### Ladies Bible Class News

THURSDAY LADIES CLASS kickoff brunch will be September 6, at 9:30 AM at Ann Clayton's home, 617 Devin. Bring your favorite breakfast dish and join us. If you are interested in attending the class please come to learn more. If you have questions see Karen Wade or Glenda Scheurman.

### Thursday Bible School News

Thursday Bible School will be starting its school year on Thursday, September 6th, and we could use a few more helpers! We meet on Thursday mornings from 9:30-12:30, throughout the school year. We learn about Jesus, we play together, and we have lots of fun. If you're interested, please let Jenna Hill know. Thank you!

### Baby Shower Coming Up

Please mark your calendars for a baby shower for Kristen DeLong, on Saturday, September 8th at 10 am at the church building. Charlie, Kristen, and Oakley are expecting a baby girl, due on October 3rd. Kristen is registered at both Amazon.com and Target (links to both registries are on the Facebook S2S page.) Please let Jenna Hill know if you're interested in helping host. More info will be coming soon. Please plan to attend to help celebrate this sweet family!"

### Yoga Classes

Christina Terraglia has started the beginner yoga classes Monday and Thursday mornings 7:30 here at the church. Along with Chair Yoga for seniors or anyone who has a hard time doing floor exercises Tuesday night's at 5 pm and a beginner class at 6 pm Tuesdays. \$5 per class. Or donations with what you can give. For questions call or text her at 970.314.6766

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following requests in your prayers this week. Thank you so much, May God bless you for being there for those who are in need of prayer,

Pray for the family of Peggy Wilkins in her passing this past week.,.,The Wilkins family and the Tinkle family..pray for comfort and peace in this difficult time.

Pray for Tom and Robin English . Pray for strength for Robin and peace for them both.

Pray for those who are struggling with ongoing health issues. There are some on dialysis, some with MS or other autoimmune diseases, others with cancer. Also for those with mental illnesses or addictions. Pray for strength and help to overcome for some and for others to be comfortable and to have peace. Pray for their families also. Pray they will rely on God to guide and help them in all these issues.

Pray for those traveling this week. Joel Hallman is able to be flown back to Tennessee for further recovery, and his parents are driving back also. Leona Crossiant is finished rehab and will be traveling back to her home in Glenwood Springs. Shane and Shelda Briggs are traveling this week also .

Continued prayers for Sage, Lynn and Lila;s granddaughter who is having some issues during her pregnancy. Pray for them to be treated properly and that they will not be a ongoing problem.

Continue to pray for those who have lost loved ones over the past few weeks. Pray for comfort and peace from the Lord for all of them in their losses.

Pray for the firefighters and victims of the fires. Pray for safety and containment of the fires.

Pray for the schools and staffs and students, for safety each day for them all.

Pray for our nation, president and all those in positions of power and decisions making. Pray the hatred and violence that seem to be every where, be stopped. Pray all will put aside self and look to the good of others. Pray for God's will to be done through it all.

Prayers of thanksgiving for our loving and forgiving God , who answers our prayers and guides and protects us, and helps us through our days as we follow Him.

Pray for our church family to continue to be the loving and caring family it is, and that we will continue to grow more in the likeness of Jesus every day, and serve Him by serving others.

John and Holly Cooper have been under the weather with colds. Pray they recover soon.

## Youth News

### PiT

Lesla Brassette is organizing food for PiT this week. See her to find out what you can bring to help!

Dielle Norton takes over for September on the 12th ... so see her the rest of the month!

### Huddles:

#### ***No Huddle Tonight!***

***September 9 - 6 pm*** - CLUED IN Huddle for parent and kids at the church building! Come find out what's coming up for the youth group!

***September 23*** - at the Brassettes' House



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## For the Record

August 26, 2018

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>288</b>
<b>Weekly Contributions 8/26/18</b>	<b>\$5,146.00</b>
<b>Contribution 4 week average</b>	<b>\$6,695.53</b>
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$6,521.00</b>

## Communion Preparation—September

Susan Towles

## Communion Table 9/2/18

Mark O’Rear

## Honored to Serve the Lord’s Table in August

Joel Soria  
Mike Burkes  
Dave Bussert  
Curtis Chapple  
Ben Copley  
Russell Cronin  
Shawn Collazo

## Announcements—September

**Sandy Harris**

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

Scott Ferguson	Auditorium
Bill Wade	103
Sara Tourney, Facilitator, Young Professionals	213
Sandra Soria, Sign Language Class	207

## 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

Tom Deister	Auditorium
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 Schol— 9:30 AM—12:30 PM  
Ladies Bible Class, - 9:30 AM—10:30 AM

**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**