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## Real Life News & Notes

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



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### Elder Of Month

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## Our Gathering Today



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

**Dr. Luke** takes us from the wilderness of temptation to Jesus' home town of Nazareth where we would expect him to be warmly welcomed. Apparently it started out that way until Jesus told familiar faces what they were not ready to hear and the welcome turned to **rejection** and an attempt on his life.

I know there are lessons and truths for us to hear in this story if we are willing to listen. We will explore it together and as we do may we come with not only open Bibles but open minds and open hearts as we seek to be changed by Jesus. **See you in Luke 4!**

### **Welcome Guests!**

Thank you for being with us this morning!

***(Please help yourself to coffee, juice, and donuts.)***

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. We dismiss by about 11:30.

\*\*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.

### **Faith in action! Thank you...**

...To those ladies who signed up to prepare a meal for the Smith and Evans families upon the arrival of their babies. All the meal slots are now taken :-)

...To all those who have regularly provided food for our PIT this season. Your **faithfulness** and service since May have been a weekly yummy blessing to our teens and others!

...To **Pam Hurd** for her **faithful** example and leadership as we fed and provided for the homeless in a local park yesterday!!

...For your **faithfulness** as a church in encouraging others, for prayers, for reaching out and connecting to someone who might be sad, discouraged or depressed and for your kind words and actions that make a difference one soul at a time. It matters to that one!

***Love One Another!***

**Memory Verse For October— Genesis 1:31**

**God saw all that He had made and it was very good.**

## Sips from the well (by Doug Clayton)

### Seasons

Driving across the Rocky Mountains recently I was reminded of God's faithfulness. It was not a random or disconnected reflection. Rather it flowed from my personal history with Jesus and scriptures like **Genesis 8:22**. Remember the promise God made to Noah after the flood? He vowed never to destroy the earth *like that* again and gifted us with a colorful symbol of his faithfulness, a rainbow, along with his promise that from that point forward there would be a consistent change of **seasons** to verify the oath.

Listen to the promise: *"As long as the earth remains, seed time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."* There you have it, a regular reminder that God is faithful and he has not forgotten us or his creation and that his grace is sufficient under all circumstances. **Seasons** are a quarterly prompt to look again to the beauty and design around us and be encouraged knowing Jesus holds all things together by the word of his power (Hebrews 1:3) and God gets the final word over evil, chaos and death...all in due **season!**

To say, *"I have faith in Jesus Christ"* is one thing (a very good thing BTW). To say *"Christ is faithful"* is quite another. The latter phrase moves us to another level of assurance in what God's faithfulness is doing as opposed to what we are trying (and failing) to do. Paul often uses the literal phrase **"faith Jesus Christ"** (not a typo). An English readable rendering would be "faith **of** Jesus Christ," or, **"faithfulness of** Jesus Christ." Paul is reminding us that justification comes **not** as a result of our imperfect faith in Christ, but by **Christ's perfect faithfulness**.

The Apostle Paul has no tolerance for divisive, argumentative brethren (Titus 3:9-11) who think they can be justified by works. Paul reasons...*You know better than that! We are justified (counted **not guilty**) by the faithfulness of Jesus Christ* (Galatians 2:16). *"He saved us not by righteous things we did but by his mercy."* (Titus 3:5). The **faith of Christ** is what prevails as he flawlessly and faithfully accomplished our justification in his perfect exonerating work at the cross.

So the next time you see the gorgeous leaves of fall, the first snowflakes of winter, the new birth of spring, the warmth of summer and gaze at the beauty and timing of the change of **seasons** remember God's faithfulness in all **seasons**. Remember our justification is not, thankfully, a result of our faith manifested in perfect obedience but by the perfect faithfulness of Jesus Christ.

**I love autumn season. It calls me again to rejoice and rest in the calming tones of God faithfulness!**



## *Youth Corner*

### Upcoming Events and Activities:

October 26<sup>th</sup> – Mystery Event. 6:00-10:00 pm. We will have some snacks later in the evening, but you'll want to eat before you come. Wear clothes that can get messy!

October 27<sup>th</sup> – HS Corn Maze trip. We will be going through the Dark Acres Haunted Corn Maze this night. It is not exclusive to high-schoolers, but if you don't want to go through the scary corn maze you should come on the 15<sup>th</sup>. We will arrive at 6pm. If you need a ride, let Charlie know the week before. The cost is \$13, but if we can get a group rate it may be a little cheaper. You may also want to bring money for concessions. The corn maze closes at 10pm.

### *Huddles*

**Tonight** - 6-8 pm - at the Flemings' house (543 Lucas Ct - GJ 81507) Girls bring desserts, boys bring drinks. Invite a friend!

**November 12** - at the Franklins'  
**December 10** - at Kolby Turner's

**Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat**

The Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 29th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm here at the building. Please consider participating in this event, which is open to everyone in the community. We had a great turnout last year and would like more "Trunks" this year! See flyer in bulletin and on bulletin boards. There are any questions, please contact Stephanie Cooper, Breanna Yeager or Deb Carol. And start thinking of ideas for your vehicle!

**Upcoming Over 60's Dinner**

The annual Over 60's Dinner is fast approaching on December 2. Facilitators are Eddie and Vickie Tinkle. If you have old photos or memorabilia you can share of past "Over 60's Dinners, Eddie asks to use them to enhance the theme. See Eddie, Vickie or drop your pictures off at the office.

**Bridal Shower**

Come to Bree Yeager's bridal shower on Saturday November 4 at 10 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Cobbler and hot drink will be served. Kris Dille and Bree Yeager are registered at Walmart and Amazon.com. Recipes for the bride-to-be are welcome. Contact Sheila Yeager or Susan Towles.

**Sunday Evening Singing**

This evening, there will be singing of hymns and spiritual songs in the Fellowship Hall starting at 6 PM. Everyone is invited.

**Dinners For Eight**

Sign up sheets are in the foyer and fellowship hall for those who would like to participate in the Dinners for Eight fellowship. See Darlene Rettig with questions.

We have requests for prayers for the following people, please lift them up to God this week often. Your prayers are very important for these who are in need of them. The prayer of a righteous man avails much! Thank You.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the safe delivery of the Smith and Evans babies this past week, for both moms and babies.

Continue to pray for all those with on going issue...various kinds of cancer, kidney problems, some are needing a kidney transplant, some still waiting a diagnosis, and other on-going illnesses. Please continue to pray for all of these. There was a list in last weeks bulletin. We will have an update on them and a complete list again in next weeks bulletin

Also continue to pray for the victims of the various hurricanes, and other storms, and the floods that were so destructive, for those who were/are in the paths of the terrible fires, for those who were victims of the shooting in Vegas and other tragedies all over.

Pray for those who have gone to give aid and help cleanup and rebuild, feed, provide help in many ways to all those affected in these very difficult times.

Continued prayers needed for our nation, our president and his cabinet and all those who are decision makers in our government, Federal, State and Local, that they will seek guidance from above and will lead in a way that will help return our nation to be of, for and by the people, and a godly nation.

Pray for our church family to be the kind of servants that the Lord needs in His kingdom, that will follow His will and enlarge His Kingdom.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the love and mercy of our heavenly Father, Who has given us victory in Jesus Christ.



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## For the Record

October 15, 2017

Attendance	?
Weekly Contributions 10/15/17	\$4,618.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,039.25
Weekly Budget	\$6,521.00

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

Dave Bussert  
Santiago Carol  
Shawn Collazo  
Ben Copley  
Gary Davis  
Robert Davis  
Scott DeLancey  
Charlie DeLong

## Communion Preparation—October

Dielle Norton & Daughters

## Communion Table 10/22/17

Hunt Zumwalt

## Announcements—October

Ron Wilson

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

Bob Heath	Auditorium
None	103
Michael Applebee	207
Sara Tourney, Facilitator for College/Young Adult	213

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

Doug Clayton	Auditorium
Shirlene Caraway, Ladies Class	103
Singing Class	Library

## 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	213
High School	203

## 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 Class begins at 6 PM In Fellowship Hall**  
**Wednesday Evening Bible Study Begins at 7 PM**