



Family

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A Preacher's Perspective

Timothy's spiritual pedigree, noted in the text on this page, is a pedigree which represents millions of saints through the ages. I have an old picture of family, dated about 1900. In the picture there are three daughters and three sons. Of the sons, not one was a faithful Christian. Somehow they failed to catch the vision of God's call. Of the daughters, however, not one strayed from the faith.

Those women were the mothers and grandmothers of elders and gospel preachers and were responsible for spiritual blessings for thousands, a legacy which continues to this day.

I won't comment about the sad failure of the faith of the men in my old family photo, but how good it is to recognize and honor the iron resolve of women of God to hold to God and to raise up sons and daughters with that vision.

I believe that virtually every great congregation of the church can point to the unswerving faith of its women of God as a bedrock of its spiritual health and power.

As we reflect on the godly women of scripture, from Sarah and Hannah to Mary and the band of heroic women who ministered to Jesus and the disciples, God has left no doubt of His great love for women, those instruments of grace, wisdom and power who have been integral in the playing out of salvation's story.

God's women of today are continuing the excellence and radiating the

**I have been reminded of your sincere faith,
which first lived in your grandmother Lois
and in your mother Eunice and,
I am persuaded, now lives in you also.**



2 Tim 1:5

power of faith, love and mercy to our world. We commend the women of our own congregation who make such vital contributions in teaching, in serving, in supporting and in leadership in prayer.

Recently, we saw a powerful testimony by Allison Brown which helped us to have a clearer understanding of her wonderful walk with God in the mission in Honduras which we share with her. (We'll have a repeat showing soon for those of you who missed the original showing.)

We look forward to the continuing

development of our young women as they choose avenues of service to God and as they partner with godly men to raise up families for the kingdom.

God, we thank you for our wives, mothers, daughters, sisters and fellow-laborers.

Chuck Miller

Welcome to the West Chicago Church of Christ

If you are visiting with us, we especially want to welcome you. We pray our time together worshipping our Father in heaven will be uplifting and encouraging.

Bible classes are available for all ages. Babies can be taken to the nursery located at the back of the auditorium. Pre-school and elementary-age children meet in classrooms downstairs. Teens meet in the fellowship room downstairs. Adult classes meet in the auditorium and at the end of the foyer.

Our Small Group Fellowship program takes place during the fall, winter and spring months and is on the first and third Sundays of each month in lieu of the Sunday evening worship. The Small Group Fellowship schedule does change occasionally due to holidays.

You are an honored guest and we want to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning!

Sunday Morning Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 (The Sunday Morning Worship is interpreted for the deaf.)
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 (No evening worship on Small Group Fellowship Sundays)
 Wednesday Evening Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our elders.

Elders:

Don Brewster **Bob Jett**
Chuck Miller **Bob Voigts**

Deacons:

Justin Avey: Benevolence, Fellowship, Stewardship & Leadership

Jay Hearn: Worship & Pulpit, Communications, Outreach, Education, Benevolence

Cliff Plummer: Fellowship, Benevolence, Education

Curt Robinson: Education, Stewardship & Leadership

Rick Root: Communications, Education, Stewardship & Leadership

Paul Stirrup: Stewardship & Leadership, Benevolence



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This Morning...

Please take a moment this morning to fill out an attendance card, especially if you are a guest. Please pass them to the aisle to be picked up before the sermon. Prayer cards are also available in the pew rack. You may choose to have prayers by the elders, a prayer warrior or by the whole church family. If you choose "whole church family" it will be announced following the sermon.

Order of Worship

- Welcome
- Singing - *Jay Hearn*
- Announcements - *Cliff Plummer*
- Singing
- Prayer - *Steve Link*
- Singing
- Lord's Supper - *John Johnson*
- Contribution and Prayer Card Collection
- Sermon - *Chuck Miller*
- Singing
- Prayer Card Responses and Prayer - *Bob Voigts*
- Announcements
- Singing
- Closing Prayer - *Mike Mathews*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- May 13 Bonnie Bingham, Bryce Kissane
- May 13 Don & Pat Brewster (anv.)
- May 15 Al Dorsey, Dan Vantrees
- May 16 Julian & Cyndi Perez (anv.)

Dates to Remember

- May 10 Mother's Day
- May 14 Preacher's Breakfast
- May 15 Shults-Lewis Golf Outing
- May 17 Lemley/Garner Wedding Shower
- May 17 Elder/Deacon Meeting
- May 17 Sunday Night Light/Teens
- May 20 Seniors Breakfast
- May 22-25 RCC Teen Retreat
- May 25 Memorial Day

Records You Helped Make

- Sunday Morning Bible Class 83
- Sunday Morning Worship 133
- Wednesday Evening Bible Class 35
- Contribution \$3,927.50

Nursery Workers Joan Avey, Lynette Root

Collection Counters . . . Paul Mullins, Paul Stirrup

In Our Prayers...

Herman Aultman, Bobbie Whitman's brother, is beginning the process of having a kidney transplant. He is very grateful for our prayers.

Jarrod & Allison Brown are almost finished with the adoption process of Soledad.

Terry Peterhans, a friend of Dana Howard's who lives in our neighborhood, had open heart surgery. She is at home and will have a lengthy recuperation.

Natasha Taylor, the daughter of Joan Avey's friend, has uterine cancer. She is only 28 years old and the cancer is growing very quickly.

Those suffering with long-term issues:

Justin Avey
 Paul & Judy Bertrand - Lynette Root's parents
 Lisa Beverly - Sandy Boyd's sister has MS
 Bonnie Bingham
 Jim Brannon - Pat Brewster's brother-in-law
 Don & Pat Brewster
 Nancy Brewster
 Jim & Julie Chavez
 Gail Cole - Lori Plummer's mother
 John Day
 Lisa DeVaney - Marie Hayes's daughter
 Al Dorsey and his son Doug
 Joyce Eakins
 Chad Englebach - Marie Hayes' grandson
 Amy Ferguson - a former member from Montana
 Josephine Haggerton
 Sarah Hayden & family - Maria Zeisler's relative
 Marie Hayes
 Mary Henkel - Mike's mother
 Kathy Huml - John Pedersen's sister
 Sandy Jones - Marie Hayes's daughter
 Joe and Sky Kuhnle - Chuck & Bobby's foster son and granddaughter
 Debbie Lawrence - Bobbie Whitman's niece
 Anne Librande - Joanne Johnson's mother
 Jack Lockett- the father of Charlie, Mike, Shelley Prosser, Julie Chavez, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen
 Mike Lockett - Joan's son
 Danielle Nichols - Alyssa Milam's niece
 Josh Otte - Chris Czernik's nephew and the son of Marion Lake's cousin
 Doug Peterson
 Pat Ronzheimer
 Stacey Schnaitman - daughter of Bev Scalone, the Johnson's neighbor

Kay Schrader
 Chester & Phyllis Sittler
 Avery Sternberg - the daughter of Jay Hearn's cousin
 Bruce Snyder and Cindy Stewart - Bob Voigts cousin
 Barb Tincher - Jake's mother
 Jim Whitman

Mothers-to-be:

Lauren Avey - Justin & Joan's daughter-in-law
 Caitlyn Czernik - Chris's daughter-in-law
 Bridgette Fordyce - former member
 Cathy Miller - due in June
 Jamie Miller - due end of May

Armed forces:

Ryan Gleason - Dana Howard's nephew
 Jacob Headtke - U.S. Marines, RCC alumni
 Shane - the son of LeAnn Sexton, a friend of Lori Plummer

Missionaries:

Jarrod, Allison, Soledad & Levi Brown - Honduras (especially the adoption of Soledad)
 Students of Joe Voigts - China
 Obadiah Doka & Family - Nigeria
 Makinde Olufemi - Nigeria
 Ayodele Waleola - Nigeria
 Shults-Lewis - the teens, their families, the workers
 Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt - Taiwan



Small Group Surveys

Small Group Fellowships Surveys are available on the bulletin table in the foyer. If you have not already done so, please complete a survey and give it to Don, Cliff or Bob V.

It's a Girl!

Justin & Shannon (Pedersen) Manny are the proud parents of **Madison Paige**. She was born on Tuesday, May 5, weighing 6 lbs., 15 oz. and was 19.5 inches long. They are all doing great! John & Becky are the happy grandparents and you'll see a big smile on great-grandmother, Joan Lockett.

Father & Son Retreat

Teenage guys and their dads, we hope you join us **Saturday, June 13, at 3:00 p.m. through Sunday, June 14, at 4:00 p.m.** for our first Father & Son Retreat at RCC.



Shults-Lewis Golf Outing

The Shults-Lewis Golf Outing is this **Friday, May 15, at Tamarack Golf Club in Naperville.** Lunch is at noon, tee-off is 1:00. Questions, call 800-462-0513.

Teachers Meeting

If you're planning to teach one of the children's classes next quarter, please plan to attend a meeting on Saturday morning, 5/30, from 10:00 to noon to get acquainted with our new curriculum.

Outreach Opportunity

"The Living Room Café" in Chicago's Woodlawn neighborhood serves restaurant-style meals to homeless men and women. We have an opportunity to help prepare and serve dinner on two Monday nights in June. We'll need to leave West Chicago by 2:30. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer and sign-up if you'd like to go.

Green Lake Family Encampment

The Green Lake Family Encampment held in Wisconsin, will be **Monday through Friday, August 10-14.** For more information check the bulletin board or contact Helen Plummer, Cliff & Joan's mom, at hplum15@aol.com or visit www.greenlakefamilyencampment.com.

Directory Photos

Make sure to get a new photo taken of you and your family for the church directory. Look for the "photo studio" at the end of the foyer.

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TEENS: We have a **Sunday Night, Light** next **Sunday, May 17, at 7:00 p.m.** here at the church building. Bring \$3 for pizza. Joyce Eakins is organizing our games.

It's almost time for camp again! The **Memorial Day Retreat** at RCC is Friday through Monday, May 22-25. Registration forms are available in the Fellowship Room. Please register asap!

Wedding Shower

Families are invited to a wedding shower for **Katherine Lemley and Benjamin Garner** next **Sunday, May 17.** Come and greet Katherine & Benjamin at an "open house" from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the fellowship room. Cake and punch will be served. They are registered at Crate & Barrel and Target.



Mr. & Mrs. Donald Lemley, Jr.

and

Dr. & Mrs. Patrick Garner

invite you to the celebration

of the marriage of their children

Katherine Grace

and

Benjamin Ross

on

Saturday, the Twenty-Seventh of June

at

6:30 in the evening

at

Valley Ranch in Rose Bud, Arkansas

Reception to follow.

For more information, search for them at

www.theknot.com

