

The Messenger



Ordinary people, Extraordinary God......

"Eternal Words Will Never Be Cancelled"

2020

From Pastor Bruce Grentz

UPCOMING EVENTS TBA

9AM SUNDAY OUTDOOR SERVICES BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR

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CALENDAR LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO RE-OPENING

August Hospitality Team Coordinator: Andrea Anopol

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Recently, Tony Perkins of the Family Research Council wrote an article entitled, "Cancellation Nation: The Building Backlash." Perkins got me thinking about the whole "Cancel Culture" thing that is happening in America.

Perkins said this, "First it was pancake syrup and Paw Patrol. Now, even Scrabble isn't safe. You can forget the triple word score on at least 236 "slurs" the North American players association is stripping from the group's lexicon. The goal, these gamers say, is to make the game "friendlier" for all types of people. Of course, no one has seen the official list of "potentially offensive" words — leaving many to wonder if this new vocabulary is just W-O-K-E."

Recently, a grammarian, writing for the Philadelphia Inquirer, my home paper, argued that "phrases like "peanut gallery," "no can do" and the ever-inflammatory "eenie meenie miney moe" are linguistic bigotry."

The other night, Christian author, Eric Metaxas, was interviewed by Tucker Carlson about the destruction of monuments and statues and even churches across our country. Metaxas responded

poignantly. He stated that it wasn't about statues and monuments. Rather, it was about hatred of God and any kind of authority.

His analysis makes perfect sense biblically. After all, Satan tempted Adam and Eve in the garden with, "You shall be as gods" (Genesis 3:5). If we are gods, then we are our own authority and subject to no one.

Metaxas believes that those Captain those who are destroying churches, monuments, statues and ultimately our Judeo-Christian foundations, like Captain Ahab in Moby Dick, are attempting to murder God.

Satan thought he had murdered and cancelled Jesus and our salvation 2000 years ago. But Jesus wasn't cancelled then and can't be cancelled now. His resurrection proved that. Remember darkness will never overcome the light (John 1:5).

But the devil will continue to attempt to cancel Christianity. I expect in coming days that certain Biblical words will be labeled as bigoted, discriminatory, and offensive. We will be told if we use them, we are insensitive, and offensive. It will be interesting to see who attempts to publish a "Woke" bible.

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It will be minus any words that could possibly offend.

But words like "sinner" can't be cancelled because "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).

Words like "grace," "mercy" and "forgiveness" can't be cancelled because "God being rich in mercy even when we were dead in our trespasses made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved" (Ephesians 2:4,5)

Words like "elect" can't be cancelled because God chose believers in Christ before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4).

Words like "justified" can't be cancelled because we can't be as righteous as God and need to be declared righteous by God because of what Christ did for us and our faith in Him (Romans 3:23-25).

No, these words can never be cancelled. These words are God's words and Peter tells us in I Peter 1: 24-25, "The grass withers, the flower falls but the Word of the Lord remains forever."

But I hope quixotic isn't on the Scrabble bad list. Afterall, there aren't many words that start with Q and if you get the triple word score, that's a lot of points to lose.

Grace and Peace, Pastor Bruce

** FROM THE DESK OF THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

God's grace has been incredibly apparent to me in the past few weeks. With the passing of my father, I've entered a new part of my life. I'm constantly reminded that life on Earth may not be easy at times, but Jesus told us He would always be there with us. With the COVID-19 virus, it seems much of life that we once knew has been altered or cut off. We have to be on quard all the time trying not to catch the bug, and it's difficult to enjoy the simple pleasures in life. We search deeply, looking for God only to find He is just a prayer away, already knowing what we are asking for. Answering our prayers is one of His favorite things to do! Like a father, He never stops caring for the children He loves so much. My earthly father will be greatly missed as he was always there to talk to and get good advice from, talk about Alabama football, or just find out how hot and humid it was in Alabama. At his service I confirmed what I already knew: he was a humble, kind and loving man, leaving a legacy for all who knew him. I have to ask myself what my legacy will be? What will your legacy be? I want to love God and love all others. That is a tall order to fill! As a church we have to look past ourselves and look out for the neighbor in need, the person who needs a hand up, someone who needs to have Christ in their life. I've watched people of the 1st Baptist Church of Prattville step up in supporting a

dying man's family with food, phone calls, and love. You can feel it all around you. The love of our Savior filling in the gaps that this world leaves bare.

May we all be able to step up to show this kind of love to someone else when they are in need. I look forward to reuniting with all of you soon. May the love of the Father be with you all.

Your Brother In Christ.

Elton Sutherland

- CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ~ Vickie Duncan
- **FELLOWSHIP/Connect** ~ \mathcal{R}_{enae} \mathcal{S}_{chmid} Katleen Tisdale Council Rep.
- GROW-BIBLE HOUR ~ Kathy Sutherland Peggy Tackett Council Rep.

The Children's Bible hour is hoping to resume in September if the pandemic will allow. If this is to happen a new leader is needed to step up and lead this rewarding position. With the challenging year of unknowns ahead in my fulltime teaching position I cannot take on another year. Please prayerfully consider saying yes to this next year of growth with the children of OSLC.

👞 FINANCIAL GENERAL FUND INCOME TO BUDGET RATIO

Monthly Income needed to meet budget \$15,986.42 YTD 95,918.52

Jan –June Income +/-(71,664.17) (24,274.35) Jan-May Expended +/-72,300.72 Jan –June YTD Giving compared to 2019 (5,548.56)

Thank You To all the men who stepped up to help with the Fellowship Hall Flooring project.

1st to those to numerous to count who helped rip up the carpet.

2nd to Jim Campbell, Elton Sutherland, Tim Fasig, Garrett Fasig, Josh Ashcraft and Terry Schmid who put in many hours on hands and knees and worked with precision making sure the work was done right.

Thank you for everything AND for keeping me running for supplies.

On behalf of Buildings and Grounds and the Entire Church, WE ARE GRATEFUL John Crossfield

37.7% YTD

MEN'S MINISTRY ~ Elton Sutherland - Alan Huss Council Rep.

Bible Study

We are meeting for breakfast and Bible study at the Black Bear Dinner in Layton at 6AM on Friday's. We are currently studying Revelations though John Stott's study guide. All are welcome to attend.

Prayer Time

We encourage everyone to take time this month to pray that the Lord will lead us though this challenging time. Keep us safe from the virus and guide our church in a way that honors Him.

Security Team

We are people of the congregation who have taken an interest in the safety and well being of the church. If you would like to participate or have any specialized training you would like to share please contact Alan Huss.

Building and Grounds

The Flooring and trim in the Fellowship Hall is now complete. We have more projects to go but, will have to wait for Enhancement funding. We always have tasks that are needed. Your help as with the flooring project are important to the operation of OSL.

Contact John Crossfield if you are willing to tackle a project.

Men's Prayer Breakfast ~ Contact Dan Kartak with questions

The men's ministry will hold its kickoff breakfast for the 2020/2021 season on September 12, 2020. The breakfasts will be held on the first Saturdays of the month through May. This is an exception because of the Labor Day Holiday. The breakfasts are open to all men young and old, there are wonderful discussions, devotions, and insights to what we as men of the church can be doing as leaders of the church our homes and communities to better serve. The breakfast will start at 8:00 AM in the fellowship hall and last an hour to hour and half. Come out for wonderful food and fellowship.

"Golf 4 the Son"

Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic and the uncertainty of where it will be on August 22, The Golf for The Son is being postponed till next year. The tournament is on the schedule for next year on 08/21/2021 at Schneiter's bluff. Thank you for your understanding and stay safe.

MISSION & SERVICE ~ Kathy Sutherland - Josh Ashcraft Council Rep.

The August 2nd Sunday offering helps The Zambia Scholarship Program. This program was originated and operated by Barbara Sims, a local lady in Brigham City.





WOMEN'S MINISTRY ~ \(\Lambda \text{SLEY KAISER} - Nancy Gerry Council Rep

Are you missing your Secret Sister? She may be missing you as well!

WELCOME/REACH MINISTRY ~ Mary Kartak - Terry Schmid Council

I was at a loss as to what I might share for this month's newsletter article until my Bible study lead me to Psalm 17 where in verse 8 David asked God to "Keep me as the apple of your eye." Digging deeper, I learned that this was a Hebrew expression that more literally describes the "little man of the eye" and refers to the tiny reflection of oneself that is seen in the pupil of another when intent looks are exchanged. When we are looked upon with more than a passing glance, we can become an object of great affection as we see a reflected image that is cherished, almost dancing.

We praise God that He has kept us through these past several months and that we can be confident that He will continue to give us strength and guidance through an uncharted path. We do not know what the future holds but we do know Who holds the future.

Many of you are aware that Allen and Mary Daugaard have sold their home and anticipate a span of time where they will experience a traveling lifestyle. Here at Our Savior's they have contributed so much, especially within our Hospitality Teams and the Reach and Welcome Ministry.

Our Savior's will also be impacted as Nancy Harlan makes that move to Nevada to be with her daughter. The quilters and the military outreach efforts will continue but without the inspiring leadership and delicious food offerings that Nancy is famous for providing.

Because of the limitations imposed by Covid-19, we were unable to say good-by to a lady who first experienced life at Our Savior's as an "kiddo" at the time our church was founded. Ruthie Orem, we are sad that you have passed but delight that you are with the LORD who has kept you as the apple of His eye through these many decades.



From Bob, Peggy, and Lisa Tyler with God's Love...

Many thanks go out to everyone for your prayers and cards! Lisa, Peggy and I are saddened by the loss of our third son and brother,

David Blaine Tyler who passed away suddenly May 21, 2020.



To the Quilters of OSLC

Thank you all so much for Amelia's beautiful quilt. We appreciate the time everyone spent on it, delivering it to our home was special. We will cherish it forever. Love, The Carpenter's

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8/15 Erika Junk
8/16 Diane Nath
8/21 Russ Smith
8/22 Mason McCloy
8/22 Dale Toone

8/22 Aaron Washington
8/25 Joyce Bellucci
8/26 Jacob Colvell
8/27 Garrett Baker
8/27 Elton Sutherland
8/27 Kim Fasig
8/31 Larry Isaacson



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In the spirit of unity, perhaps we should suspend our discussion on the tough passages of Scripture until next week.

Next Months Newsletter Articles
Due Sunday, August 16, 2020

August Lectionary

| <u>Date</u> | 1st Reading | <u>Psalm</u> | 2nd Reading | <u>Gospel</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| August 02 | Isaiah 55:1-5 | Psalm 136:1-9,23-26 | Romans 9:1-13 | Matthew 14:13-21 |
| August 09 | Job 38:4-18 | Psalm18:1-16 | Romans 10:5-17 | Matthew 14:22-33 |
| August 16 | Isaiah 56:1,6-8 | Psalm 67 | Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32 | Matthew 15:21-28 |
| August 23 | Isaiah 51:1-6 | Psalm 138 | Romans 11:33-12:8 | Matthew 16:13-20 |
| August 30 | Jeremiah 15:15-21 | Psalm 26 | Romans 12:9-21 | Matthew 16:21-28 |



Shared by Janet Tow, OSL Liason

Dear Via de Cristo Community (from Mary Kartak, coordinator for Ultreyas, Liaisons and Renewal Groups)

We are now less than a month away from the next scheduled Ultreya which was to be held in Park City on August 8 at St. Luke's. Although this has been a favorite summer location for many, the current statistics concerning COVID-19 would indicate that gathering in any location would be unwise. Once again we find it necessary to cancel the Ultreya.

Although this is not an official secretariat decision, it is more than likely that there will be no VdC gatherings for a weekend, a celebration, or an Ultreya for the remainder of 2020.

This puts our emphasis back on a core ingredient of VdC, that being Renewal Groups. Please reinforce the importance of mutual support within your church community.

This might be a time when new small groups are formed. It is urged that those who are a part of a Renewal Group double their efforts to stay connected. Perhaps existing groups can open their hearts to 1 or more additional men or women.

Text messaging, Zoom, Facebook Messaging, Facetime. phone calls, hiking or other outdoor activities, even an actual mailed note. . . . the options for maintaining connectedness are vast.

May I ask that you take time to pray about how you can help others in your community to make a difference for each other?

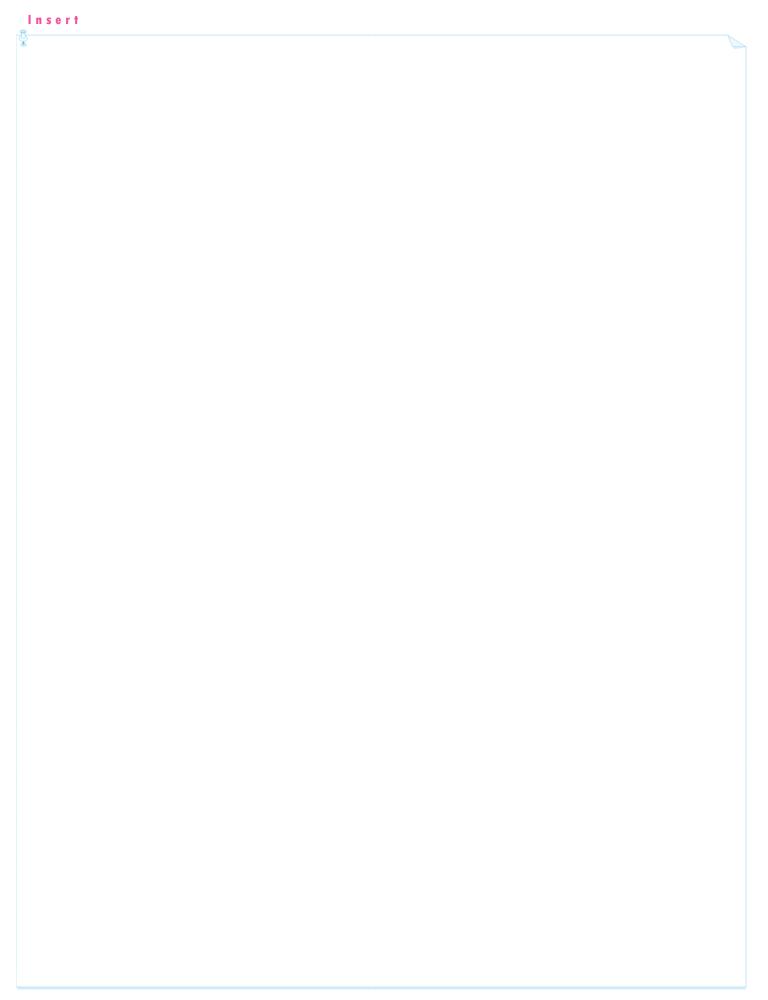
Come January, Mary Kartak (and other secretariat members) will have completed her 3 year term as a member of the secretariat. Thank you all for your service to our Via de Cristo community. You are invited to prayerfully consider becoming a member of that body. Perhaps you could become the next coordinator for Ultreyas, Liaisons and Renewal Groups, or another position on the secretatiat. It is very rewarding. And remember, Christ is counting on YOU.

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For additional Via de Cristo information, please contact Janet Tow at montysmrs@gmail.com

Open Hand News: submitted by Janet Tow

Open Hand has moved!!! They are now located in Ogden at 2640 S. 1900 W. just north of Big Jim's Burger. The last I knew, the signs still said "Enable Utah" but that could change at any time. Open Hand has distributions on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month starting at 10:00. Open Hand's mission is to help the working poor put food on their tables. The Love of Jesus is shared along with a food distribution to those in need. For additional information, please contact Janet Tow at 801-309-6969.





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