



*Dean Road*  
**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## Welcome Guests!

We are honored that you are with us this morning! Please fill out a white or green card and place it in the collection plate when it is passed around. We invite you to stick around after the assembly, so we can get a chance to know you!

### Love Does Not Envy By Damien Barber

August 29, 2021

#### 9:30 Bible Classes

For all ages

Adult Class:  
Justin Hirt

#### 10:30 Worship

Scripture Reading  
[Hebrews 11:32-38](#)

[Gideon's Faith](#)

Damien Barber

#### 6:00 Evening Worship

[Samson's Faith](#)

#### 7:00 Wednesday

Bible Classes for All

Envy can be defined as “badly wanting something someone else has” or “a feeling of discontent and resentment brought on by a desire for the possessions, qualities, or success of another.” Envy can also cause one to feel deprived because someone else has something you don't. You may find yourself envious of someone else because of their house or car, the way they look, their job, or because they receive praise or honor for something they did while you feel ignored.

Envy is not good. Envy keeps us from being happy because we are focused on what we don't have instead of the good we do have. If we continue in envy, we may do something wrong to try to get what we want. We also may take our resentment out on the person we envy.

How can we fight against envy? One of the best ways to combat envy is to find contentment with what we have instead of focusing our thoughts on what we don't have. We need to learn to feel good about who we are and what we have and stop comparing ourselves with others. We need to learn to be happy for others when they succeed and have nice things without feeling we need them as well. We can also set goals and work towards the things we want. Finally, realize your spiritual blessings and that they are more important than anything else. The things we envy really are not important. Instead of envying things that will all pass away, focus on our eternal blessings.

In Psalm 73, Asaph confessed that he envied evil people because they seemed to have no struggles, were healthy and strong, free from cares, and they increased in wealth. He even felt like keeping himself pure was vain. Then he realized how sorry the wicked would be; he realized envy is foolish and he looked to God and saw that it was good to be near God. Let us find the right perspective to guard our hearts from envy, so we can show true love to all people.

## Prayer Updates:

\***Tyler** (*family friend of the Hirts*): soldier in Afghanistan.

\***COVID**: Anela Berg, Erin Michelle King, Judaun Golleher, Lehman Ragan, Joe Thiede, Alice Farris and family, David Griffin and his daughter, Laura Copeland, 2 men from Lake City

\***Jill Anderson**: pancreatic cancer.

\***Kizzy Smith and Tatiana Thompson**: spiritual, physical health, and personal needs.

\***Elaine Roth**: spiritual and physical health.

\***Audrey Hylton**: knee surgery went well. Pray for quick recovery.

\***Tammy Heslin**: high blood sugar pneumonia and Covid delta.

## Please Pray for Our Church Family:

\***Steve Berg** (eye problems); \***Berg Family** (dealing with health issues); \***Dutch Dekker** (breathing issues); \***Bobbye Donaroma** (knee and health issues); \***Reata Dunlavy** (foot); \***Theron Golleher** (spiritual and family struggles); \***Nancy Godwin** (tests); \***Ann Hyatt** (pain in leg); \***Jamia Hylton** (epilepsy); \***Craig Kelly** (back/ diabetes/ emphysema); \***Marion Pylant** (health); \***Michael Ray** (encouragement/ wisdom); \***Sharon Salisbury** (cancer); \***Barbara Tripp** (cataract surgery/ arm); \***Rita Webb** (back & hip).

**Shut-ins**: **Barbara Abbandola** (Taylor Apts.); **Louise Cauthen** (Consulate Rehab); **Nancy Godwin** (Taylor Home); **Connie Kersey** (Opis Center); **Athel Webb** (Atrium at Regency).

## Others to Remember in Prayer:

*Reata's husband*, \***George Dunlavy** (spots on lungs/ chemo for leukemia/ breathing issues) & daughter, \***Cher** (rotator cuff surgery); *Dutch & Georgana's son and grandson*, \***Lucas and \*Nikolas Dekker** (encouragement to become Christians); *Georgana's brother*, \***Danny Fry** (health); \***Terry Lewis** (Stage 2 bone cancer); *Elsie Pylant's son-in-law*, \***Randy Stone** (seizures; other health problems); \***Betty Edenfield** (colon cancer); \***Larry Waite** (encouragement); *Jennifer Salisbury's friend's son*, \***Jacob Long** (chemo); \***Della Lowell** (seizures); *Barry's mom*, \***Cathy Rutkowski** (pain); \***Lori Potter** (recovering from surgery); *Damien's mom*, \***Janice Smarr** (heart/ health); *friend of the Bergs*, \***Stacy Evans** (liver, pancreas, and colon cancer); \***Marie Rutkowski's grandson** (medical issues); **Dunlavy Family** (COVID); *Gene's cousin's friend*, \***John Cornell** (stage 4 cancer); **Andi Mahoney** (baby born without kidneys); *friends of Gollehers*, \***Linda Nichols** (recovering from surgery); *Steve Berg's friend*, \***Ben Franklin** (liver); *Don Kovar's friend*, \***Sally Pendlin** (health issues); \***James Nichols** (heel); \***Lehman Ragan** (heart); *Bella's brother*, \***Damen Myers**: (*foot amputated*); \***Katherine Myers** (personal issue); *Bobbye's son*, \***Jarrold Donaroma** (*recovering from car accident*); *friend of Peggy*, \***Cheryl Stewart** (colon cancer); *friend of Gene Bryant*, \***Annie Westshore** (military); *Rainy's sister*, \***Lily Pond** (heart).

## Calendar of Events

### September

- 5 Congregational Singing
- 12 Birthday and Anniversary Celebration
- 19 Men's Business Meeting

### Congregational Singing

Next Sunday evening is our singing night, so be thinking about songs that you would like sung.

### Birthday and Anniversary Celebration

Our monthly time of fellowship to celebrate with one another will be Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup>. Plan to be here and bring some dishes to share.

### Men's Day at Lake Forest

The Men's Day at Lake Forest Church of Christ has been postponed until February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### 1 Corinthians 13:13

“So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.”

### Charles and Janice Oliver

Charles and Janice Oliver have placed membership at the Mandarin Church of Christ.

### Pantry Item of the Month

This month's item is jars of meatless spaghetti sauce. Our goal is 25 jars. We greatly appreciate those who continue to support this effort!

## August Birthdays

- 8 George Brooks
- 8 William Salisbury
- 28 Nancy Godwin
- 31 Teresa Golleher

## August Anniversaries

- 14 Dutch and Georgana Dekker

## 2021 Theme

### Revive the Fire

“But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint. (Isaiah 40:31, ESV).

### This Quarter's Focus: Rebuild My Faith

#### Memory Passage for the Quarter

“In this rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith - more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ” (1 Peter 1:6-7, ESV)

## How Do I Become A Member of the Lord's Church?

**Hear** God's Word: Romans 10:17

**Believe** Jesus is Lord: Acts 2:36, John 3:16

**Repent** of your sins: Luke 13:3-5

**Confess** Jesus as the Son of God:  
Romans 10:9-10

**Be Baptized** for the forgiveness of sins:  
Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38, 1 Peter 3:21



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## Next Men's Business Meeting

Sunday September 19th at 4 PM

In the Fellowship Hall

## Minister: Damien Barber

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## Notes:

### Have something for the bulletin?

Please contact Damien if you have a prayer request or something else for the bulletin by Thursday each week, so we can be sure it gets in the bulletin and announced during services.

### Last Week's Numbers

<b>Sunday AM:</b>	42
<b>Bible Class:</b>	26
<b>Sunday PM</b>	25
<b>Wednesday:</b>	21
<b>DBR:</b>	
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$1425.40