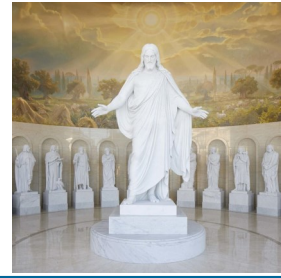


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On Wednesday the experience of the sacred privilege of conducting the funeral of a beloved ward member, reminded me that we are all surrounded by love of family, friends, neighbors, and our ward family.

In this time of uncertainty, and yet of abundance, I feel God's blessings in my life, through the love and light, and hands and service of others.

Today, I want to express my appreciation for the each of you, as we face adversity and blessings together.

As we follow Christ's teaching of the two greatest commandments in the law that "thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. And, the second like unto it. Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. (Matthew 22:33-36)

Because I fall into the "at risk" category of Covid, our two bishopric counselors, and our Relief Society and Elders Quorum Presidencies, and our ministering brothers and sisters, and caring neighbors are giving service where I cannot, and I love each of you for it, quietly giving almost all in person administration of blessings, helping people move, taking food in, administering the Sacrament, given temple interviews, providing welfare assistance, being an ear to confide in, and a shoulder to lean on.

Thank you for your unwavering faith and testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your love of the Lord and the light and love you share with your neighbors. In addition to your service, thank you for the increased neighborhood walking and greetings that all seem to be sharing. It means the world.

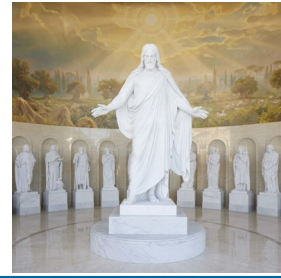
May God continue to bless each of us in our trials and successes to recognize God's presence in the hands and hearts all around us that lift us each day, through a smile and wave, or a bowl of soup, or the flowers left on a porch, or the listening ear when our children falter, or the challenges we face in understanding hard things, or the joys we feel in new goals achieved, and dreams realized.

Truly, "charity is the pure love of Christ, and it endureth forever, and whoso is found possessed of it at the last day, it shall be well with them." (Moroni 7:47)

On behalf of our bishopric, I share our love and appreciation, and our testimonies of our Savior Jesus Christ, and his love for each of us. May you feel its power daily.

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Ward Open House - *Minerva Teichert Art*



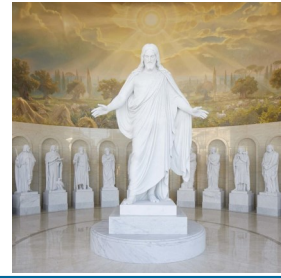
THE ARTWORK OF MINERVA TEICHERT
MONDAY, AUGUST 17TH
6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

GARDEN PARK WARD CHAPEL
1150 YALE AVENUE

✿ MASKS REQUIRED ✿

✿ 6 FT SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE MAINTAINED ✿

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Relief Society

Hello Sisters,

The end of summer is here and school is going to start again. Our life has changed so much since March, and we are all doing our best to cope with the changes brought to us by the pandemic. Many of us have lost family and friends due to covid-19, many are encountering economic insecurities, depression, anxiety, and loneliness. The good news is that this will end! As latter-day saints, I believe that one of our best qualities is our resiliency. Our resiliency is based on the firm hope and belief that Jesus Christ is our Savior and Heavenly Father is watching over us. We were told by our prophet that exciting times are ahead. We need to be spiritually in tune to be able to handle all the changes that are coming.

In these times, we shouldn't lose hope that things will get better. Our prophets and the scriptures speak of having a "firm hope". From the book of Alma in the Book of Mormon, Amulek taught us that we must pray for temporal and spiritual blessings as well as never lose hope. This life is the time for us to prepare to meet our God: "But that ye have ^apatience, and bear with those ^bafflictions, with a firm hope that ye shall one day rest from all your afflictions" (Alma 34:41).

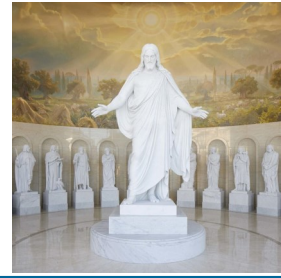
This season in my life has been hard because I feel very vulnerable: I miss you and the spiritual safety that I feel with you. I am praying for protection for my testimony and my children's. My emotions are all over the place. It is hard, but I am taking this one day at a time. I am learning that this time is for personal growth, to embrace vulnerability and hope.

I want to leave you with this quote from Dr. Brené Brown: "Vulnerability is the birthplace of love, belonging, joy, courage, empathy, and creativity. It is the source of hope, empathy, accountability, and authenticity. If we want greater clarity in our purpose or deeper and more meaningful spiritual lives, vulnerability is the path."

You are doing a great jobs, sisters. Don't lose hope because things are getting better.

Jenny Hobbs

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Ward Joint Zoom Meeting

This week's meeting is sponsored by our Elders Quorum and features Doug Bunker as our presenter.

August 16, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

[The Great Plan](#) by President Dallin Oaks

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98319278898?pwd=MW1xTW5VZFFFN1QxcHNLTE1DcU56dz09>

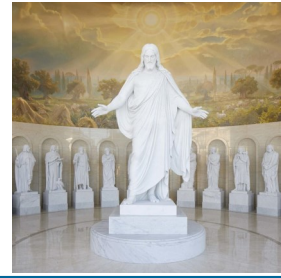
Meeting ID: 983 1927 8898

Password: 063893

We miss you and would love to see at our ward Zoom meetings!

If you're having challenges connecting to Zoom here's a link to a tutorial to help get connected
<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-meeting>.

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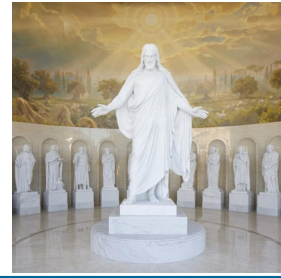
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Ward Announcements

- ◆ **Temple Update:** The Bountiful temple is performing live ordinances *by appointment only*. Please refer to the [church website](#) for more details and updates on ongoing changes.
- ◆ Minerva Teichert Open House date ***is changed*** to Monday, August 17th.
- ◆ Dorian and Emily Crozer purchased their first home and will be moving August 22. Our love and appreciation go with them and baby James.
- ◆ **Sacrament Administration** from our Area President, Elder Holzapfel: "The sacrament can be offered to families who have not had the opportunity in their homes . . . The First Presidency has authorized the administration of the sacrament at least monthly." The sacrament may still be blessed and passed by your own family members that are able to do so. If you would like the sacrament brought to your home, please contact Relief Society President Kathy Younker (801.971.1504) or Elders' Quorum President Doug Bunker (801.910.7128), and they will help make arrangements for you to receive it.
- ◆ Although Garden Park Ward building is closed for ward activities, we understand that families occasionally use the gym for their family activities of fewer than 10 people. When using the ward building for family activities please bring a garbage bag from home and take home with you any trash that you may create, i.e. wrappers, paper towels, etc. We do not want garbage to accumulate while we are not on our normal cleaning routine. The bathroom under the stage may be used if necessary. Please wipe down all door knobs, and surfaces that you touch with the wipes on the kitchen counter, before and after use. Thank you for keeping each other safe.
- ◆ Temple recommends continue to be available. Even though temples are currently closed, our Stake Presidency is encouraging all to keep their recommends current. Recommend interviews are being held by phone at this time, both at the ward and stake level. If yours is expired, please contact Mark Hindley at (801) 599-8175 to set up a phone interview with the Bishop.
- ◆ There are many great resources available at churchofjesuschrist.org for enlightenment and studying the gospel.

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★Happy Birthday★

August 2—Simon Hardy

August 3—Evan Rabdau

August 4—Rick Gaykowski

August 4—Robyn Harris

August 5—Susan Barry

August 5—Gene Jones

August 5—Emily Plewe

August 6—James Crozer

August 8—Kathy Younker

August 9—Grace Brummer

August 12—Scott Daniels

August 13—Darren Williamson

August 14—Stephanie McKinley

August 17—Jess Anderson

August 19—Bel Kerig

August 19—Daniel Ruiz

August 20—Stephen Bergen

August 20—Kathy Jones

August 21—Derek Mattsson

August 21—Ross Sherman

August 22—Kari Pulham

August 22—Derek Watson

August 24—Emaline Barry

August 24—Wendy Carroll

August 25—Alex Derenzy

August 25—Jerry Hatch

August 25—Randi Patch

August 26—Aleena Anderson

August 26—Amanda Evans

August 27—Charles Perry

August 29—Jim Barclay

August 29—Richard McElvie

August 29—Travis Vought

August 30—David Rishton

August 31—David Browning

August 31—Gay Carlson