

Garden Park Ward Newsletter



January 31, 2021

"Learn of me, and listen to my words; walk in the meekness of my Spirit, and you shall have peace in me." D&C 19:23

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope your first month of the year is going well for you. So far I've been completing my New Years goals thus far and hope to continue to stay the course.

Tomorrow the bishopric will introduce the ward theme for 2021 during the 5th Sunday School meeting; however, if you are reading this you will have some insider information.

The scripture we have chosen is D & C 19:23 and it reads, "Learn of me, and listen to my words; walk in the meekness of my Spirit, and you shall have peace in me." The bishopric and the ward council instantly liked the scripture and thought this will be a great theme scripture for 2021.

As we have collectively dealt with ongoing challenges and changes this past year we hope that this scripture will bring comfort and peace to our souls as we seek the Master even Jesus Christ. Please read and ponder this scripture for a robust discussion on Sunday.

God Bless!

Chris Furstenau and the Garden Park Bishopric

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Sunday Service Announcement—January 31st

The health and safety of our most vulnerable ward members continues to be our top priority. We continue to make periodic adjustments to procedures in response to changing conditions and guidance from church and government leaders. Most recently, we moved to broadcasting church services from the chapel, with the vast majority of ward members participating from home via zoom. The feedback we received has been largely positive, with most participants enjoying the opportunity to worship with all family members in the safety and comfort of their homes.

We have received instruction from stake leadership to provide the option to attend in person for those who wish. In response, those wishing to attend church in the chapel are invited to do so. We will continue to broadcast Sacrament meeting via zoom. Given the very high coronavirus transmission rate, we anticipate that the vast majority of us will elect to continue participating via zoom for now, but anyone wishing to attend in person will be most welcome.

So we can plan accordingly, if you would like to attend Sacrament meeting in the chapel, please let a member of the bishopric know by call or text. Those attending will need to observe infection control measures including social distancing, wearing face masks, using hand hygiene and staying home when ill.

Whether you join by zoom or in person, we look forward to worshipping with you.

Bishop Graham, 801.514.7994
Randy Peterson, 781.720.9108
Chris Furstenu, 801.330.1968
Mark Hindley, 801.599.8175

[Click here to join January 31st Sacrament Meeting](#)

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COVID 19 Vaccine Announcement from Stake Presidency

We want to encourage all of our members and neighbors who qualify to follow the example of the First Presidency and get vaccinated with the COVID 19 vaccines. Currently, this applies to healthcare workers, people over 70 and others who are at greater risk.

Salt Lake County has initiated an effort to provide COVID 19 vaccinations to those over 70 years of age. There is no cost associated with this effort. All available appointments are currently filled, but there is a waiting list. We would encourage all to sign up (see below). The vaccines for those over 70 are being given at the Expo Center at 9575 So State Street in Sandy. (You may wish to offer transportation or sign-up help.)

To get your name on the waiting list for vaccination you have 2 choices:

1. REGISTER BY PHONE: You can get on the list by calling (385) 468-4636. (Be prepared to hold for a few minutes.) You do not have to personally make this call, a family member or friend can help. When an appointment becomes available you will be contacted.
2. REGISTER ON LINE: You can get on the list by clicking on the following link: <http://slco.org/health/COVID-19/vaccine/waitlist/> This will take you to a web site where you simply enter your information. As with telephone registration, a family member or friend can help.

Using either method, you will be asked for your name, email and a phone number. You will be asked if the phone number can accept texts (but this is not a requirement to be on the list).

Hopefully, this will help those struggling to get vaccinated. As more information becomes available, we will try to let you know.

Thanks for all you do to bless the lives of our brothers and sisters.

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Sunday Service Program—January 31st

GARDEN PARK WARD

-Sacrament Meeting Program-
THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

January 31, 2021, 10am

Conducting Randy Peterson
Organist Samuel Johnson
Opening Hymn (organ only) How Gentle God's Commands, No. 125
Invocation TBA
Ward Business Brother Peterson
Speaker Michelle Jones
"Intermezzo," Johannes Brahms Lois Waltman
Speaker Rob Jones
Closing Hymn (organ only) For the Beauty of the Earth, No. 92
Benediction TBA

Zoom broadcast is concluded

Sacrament Hymn I Stand All Amazed, No. 193

Administration of the Sacrament

*"Mother will serve them just as she does you, and give them a place at her table."
Unity is enhanced when people are treated with dignity and respect,
even though they are different in outward characteristics.
--Elder Quentin L. Cook*

Hearts Knit in Righteousness and Unity, October 2020 General Conference

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Relief Society

Thank You & Welcome!

Shout out to **Jenny Hobbs** for her wonderful work in the Relief Society Presidency! We have been blessed by her testimony, initiative, insight, her savvy techno skills and ideas (including the new online ministering report.) Thanks for her marvelous lessons and newsletter messages and for the love, energy, work and diversity that she contributed so willingly! We hope her new calling doesn't take her away from RS when we start meeting again! We love you Jenny!

I am so grateful to have **Barbara** as a counselor. She's been an excellent secretary and my visiting partner. She is a master minister. I have already received great counsel from Barbara and know she will continue to bring her love, depth, wisdom, skills, service and fun personality to this calling. To know Barbara is to love her so don't miss that opportunity!

Most of us have been blessed by **Karli Gillette's** energetic and inspiring testimonies and talks. Karli and her husband, Ian have been in the ward about 5 and a half years where she has served in the Young Women. Karli is from Las Vegas and went to the University of Utah graduating with a degree in Elementary Education and a master's in Mathematics. As a Delta Gamma Sorority sister at the U, her brothers in Sigma Chi encouraged her to take Ian to a dance. They dated 4 years and then got married. Karli is teaching 4th grade both live and online. She loved live Yoga (not so much online). She is a "Bachelor" TV series fan (which stake RS President, Wendy Russon will appreciate) and loves books, rapping and anything creative. She is learning to play the banjo during the pandemic. Karli excels at a unique exhaling activity. (If you're curious, you should ask her what it is)

We are excited to welcome Karli to our Relief Society Presidency! We are excited to welcome her to Relief Society period! Karli is looking forward to getting to know the women of Relief Society. Welcome Karli!

Community Services

Survivor Wellness (a nonprofit cancer center) is offering free mental health counseling and services to cancer patients and their loved ones, as well as some free support groups this spring.

These services are available to anyone affected by cancer; anyone grieving a loss from cancer, a diagnosis of cancer, struggling during treatment, etc. It's for people to come connect and lean on one another. Also available is individual counseling, free mental health therapy to cancer patients, cancer survivors, their families, loved ones, and caregivers.

For more information, please contact:

Madison Harris
madison@survivorwellness.org
(801) 207-9157

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Young Women

Wednesday, February 3rd

There is a Stake Young Women Valentine's Day activity this coming Wednesday, February 3, at 7:00 p.m. Please note the activity will be held in person at the Stake Center as well as on Zoom.

KISS ME LOVE YOU BE MINE
CHARM ME YOU & ME TRUE LOVE

**STAKE
YOUNG WOMENS**

VALENTINES ACTIVITY

02.03.21 7 PM
@ Stake Center
or on Zoom

Zoom links will be sent in advance!

For those participating via zoom- we will be making red/pink paper hearts. If you need colored paper text
Ann Parkin @ 801-652-1641

We hope you've had a safe, happy week -- look forward to seeing you soon!

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Ward Joint Zoom Meeting

This week’s Zoom meeting will be led by the Bishopric to introduce the 2021 ward theme.

January 31, 2021 at 11:15 a.m.

[Doctrine & Covenants 19:23](#)

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[Click here to join the January 31st Ward Zoom Meeting](#)

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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Happy Birthday!

February 2- Paige Jones
February 3-Antonita Castleforte
February 3-Branon Phillips
February 4-Tanner Curtis
February 6-Doug Bunker
February 7-Ray White
February 9-Mary Abildskov
February 10-Tanner Barry
February 10-Anne Marie Olson
February 10-Elsa Paul
February 10-Susan Schooley

February 11-Bryce Orton
February 12-Diane Etherington
February 16-Adam Fifield
February 16-Rosamund Patch
February 18-Joshua Blackwelder
February 18-Clinton Gaudie
February 20-Luca Harrison
February 20-Doran Taylor
February 26-Greg Robison
February 27-Seliano Vaifo'ou
February 29- John Folker

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Ward Announcements

We are very sorry to share the sad news of the passing of our dear long-time neighbor, friend and ward member, **Emery Nelson**. More information on his obituary and funeral services will be [posted here](#) as it becomes available.

2021 Youth Music Festival Youth from around the world are invited to watch this virtual global concert on March 17th at 6:00 p.m. MT. Messages, music & performances are focused on the 2021 youth theme, "A Great Work". The pre-recorded concert can be viewed on [Strive to Be YouTube channel](#) or the [Church's Live Broadcasts page](#).

From the GP Ward music committee Please reach out to Roger Thompson at (385) 226-3317 if you or your loved ones would like to share a musical number for Sacrament meeting. Currently we are recording the music beforehand and then playing the recording over zoom.

Seminary Registration Parents of entering 9th grade students and youth—please enroll in seminary when you register for school next year!

Brighton Girls Camp will soon accept applications for counselors, specialists, and other staff members. For additional information, Young Adult age women interested in applying should visit brightongirlscamp.org

Ward Conference Bonneville Stake Presidency has scheduled our annual Ward Conference for Sunday, February 28, 2021. Updates and more details to follow.

2021 Come Follow Me Manuals The distribution of "Come, Follow Me" manuals for 2021 is underway. If you haven't received a manual and would like one please contact Ralph Robbins by text or phone, 801-664-6700.

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.

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. In addition, for years the