

Garden Park Ward Newsletter

March 21, 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

I am grateful for the words, "Learn of me," we see atop the pages of our Ward Newsletter each week. Especially during the month of Easter, studying about and pondering our Savior, His love for us, His supernal gift of the Atonement, and learning of him, can profoundly bless each of us.

This week while Cathy and I were watching a movie on the life of Madame Marie Sklodowska Curie, it quoted a friend of hers, Albert Einstein. His words touched me. He said, "Coincidence is God's way of remaining anonymous."

I cannot count the number of times my life has been and continues to be blessed by others who "just happened" to wander by at the exact moment that I needed their wise counsel, their helping hand, or their understanding heart. And I am reminded that God's love is ever present in actions long treasured, and also when I am not looking.

May God bless each of us, in our successes and in our challenges, as we reach out to one another. We, as a bishopric, send you warm wishes of hope and love, as the warmth of spring begins to bud.

Bishop Rick Graham and the Garden Park Ward Bishopric

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Sunday Service Program—March 21st

GARDEN PARK WARD

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

March 21, 2021, 10am

Conducting.....Bishop Rick Graham
Organist.....Judianne Peterson
Opening Hymn.....Come unto Him, No. 114
Invocation.....TBA
Ward Business.....Bishop Graham

Speaker.....Dolly Close

Musical Selection.....Kimberly Moody, organ solo

Speaker.....Calvin Close

Closing Hymn.....Father, This Hour Has Been One of Joy, No. 154

Benediction.....TBA

Zoom broadcast is concluded

Sacrament Hymn.....We'll Sing All Hail to Jesus' Name, No. 182

Administration of the Sacrament

*"We can have hope tomorrow and joy today.
And if we will but look, we can see His gentle hand at work.
He is always there. I know because He sent me flowers."
--Camille Cazier, The Lord Sent Me Flowers, 03/12/21*

[Click here to join March 21st Sacrament Meeting](#)

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Relief Society



The miracle of spring brings with it the celebration of the greatest miracle in human history; the atonement. Easter is a sacred and special holiday.

Jesus Christ is our greatest source of peace and joy. Elder Anderson said, "He is all that is good, beautiful, sacred and holy." I take comfort in his comment, "There is more mercy in Christ than sin in us." Jessica's recent lesson inspired us to learn more of Him. It has been good to refocus on the correct name of the Church, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints but Elder Anderson reminds us that "If we don't get Christ in our hearts, it won't matter whether we use His name or not." I want to get to know Him bettering am grateful for the church's help in that process and journey.

Let's celebrate Easter by feeding His sheep!

We have been commissioned and covenanted

to love, share, care for, and invite our brothers and sisters. This happens through ministering. This spring seems especially happy with vaccinations in the hope of ending the pandemic. Elder Anderson stated that some have wanted to "wait it out" but loving should never stop. I strongly believe in this inspired networking program and think that it is one of the best features of the church! I have been tremendously blessed through friendships formed through ministering. I have been sustained through loneliness and grief, even trauma. I have been inspired and delighted... and loved. I have met people that I never would have known otherwise and developed lasting loving relationships. This calling would completely overwhelm me if I did not have you to share the love! In our last leadership conference we were told, "A good leader is not someone who does the work of 10 women, but someone who inspires 10 women to do the work!" I really want to be a good leader. Please reach out to me if you are not involved in the ministering program and would like the opportunity to be involved. It is my hope and prayer that EVERYONE in this neighborhood has at least one connection to this wonderful ward family of ours!

Kathy and the Relief Society Presidency

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Elders Quorum

Last Sunday I was blown away by the sacrament meeting talks given by Emily Plewe and Christine Paongo, which was enhanced by the musical number provided by Lois Waltman and Logan Rizavi. Then a few minutes later we were blessed with a wonderful Zoom lesson from Jessica Patch. I had good intentions to thank everyone that I just mentioned, but I got distracted and didn't follow through. I had the thought, "I wish everyone I know could have heard these sisters and felt their strength and testimonies." I especially thought about those who aren't members of the church. If only they could witness what I witnessed. Then I thought about the worn and erroneous stereotype of Latter-Day Saint women being passive and deferential. We all know how laughable that is. The church would fall apart without the strength, leadership, and devotion of our sisters. So, thank you for an inspirational Sunday and for all the rest of the time that you keep us afloat.

Doug Bunker, Emilio Nicoli, Tanner Barry & John Jensen
Garden Park Ward Elders Quorum

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are no welfare assignments for the rest of March or for April.

Thank you for your continued ministering efforts.

If you need help getting signed up for a vaccination, let your ministering brothers know or let us know.

Love one another.

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Primary



Primary is Back!



We are excited to begin Primary again on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month at 12:30 via Zoom! We will start with opening exercises and music and then do a break out to Junior and Senior Primary lessons.

Our next meeting will be held on **March 21st** at 12:30 pm and we so look forward to seeing all of the sweet Primary children!!

Garden Park Primary Zoom Meeting
1st and 3rd Sundays of every month
12:30 pm

<https://utah-health.zoom.us/j/98363898058?pwd=VzlodjZNNXI4b1RaU2dCcXV3RTNndz09>

Meeting ID: 983 6389 8058
Passcode: 661972

Dear Parents:

Please print off this page for each child you have in Primary. Markers and clipboards are coming in the mail for Sunbeams through CTR7 from their teachers. Having something to do will help keep their attention during class.

[Click here for lesson coloring page to print](#)

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Primary



The Garden Park Easter Egg Hunt

Join us for a fun Easter Egg Hunt.
Please RSVP and bring your own basket.
Remember to wear your mask and keep social distance :)

March 27, 2021
10:30-12:00

RSVP
801-259-7835



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2nd Hour Ward Joint Zoom Meeting

This week's Zoom meeting is sponsored by our Sunday School and features Jeff Merchant as our presenter.

March 21, 2021 at 11:15 a.m.

[Come Follow Me: Doctrine & Covenants 27-28, "All Things Must Be Done in Order"](#)

[Click here to join the March 21st Ward Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 992 8557 5419

Passcode: 378937

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!

March 2–Eva Nicoli
March 3–Sheila Privett
March 3–Benjamin Zuro
March 3–Nathan Zuro
March 6–Brandalynn Davis
March 7–Sherry Taylor
March 7–Priscilla Vaifo'ou
March 9–Cathy Graham
March 9–Peter Harriosn
March 9–Liam Kerig
March 10–David Anderson
March 10- Diane Crotchett
March 10–Harry Daniels
March 11–Thomas Mckean
March 13–Laura Bergen
March 13–Jean Paul Brummer

March 13–Amie Williamson
March 14–John Evans
March 17–Jake Orton
March 18–Kenneth Breinholt
March 18–Caroline Phillips
March 18–James Roberts
March 21–Michael Debenham
March 21–Robert Maxfield
March 23–Helen Davis
March 24–Bennett Curtis
March 24–Kent Orton
March 25–Ann Robison
March 27–Penny Patch
March 29–Christine Mitchell
March 30–Mae Harrison
March 31–John Jensen

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Ward Announcements

Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 27th, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. for neighborhood kids **ages 2–10**. Remember to bring your own basket!

Sacrament Meeting Please join us for in person Sacrament Service when you feel safe to come. Since the availability of vaccines, in addition to masks and social distancing, we are thrilled to see the dramatic decrease in Covid cases and anticipate a continued downward trend. We look forward to seeing you.

Temple recommends - We encourage all members 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, Garden Park Ward Executive Secretary (801.599.8175) to set up a phone interview with the Bishop. For your stake interview, please contact Scott Hagen, Stake Executive Secretary, to schedule an interview (801.824.0640).

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.

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.

There are many great resources available at churchofjesuschrist.org for enlightenment and studying the gospel.