

Keith's Quill

We were all saddened by the shootings in Charleston and the context in which they happened. This month for the Quill, I would like to share an article written by one of our members that expresses what many of us feel about the situation. The article is by Jim Hofmann. I appreciate his willingness to allow me to share this. He didn't ask to be acknowledged for it but I think it appropriate that I do.

The Horror of Charleston – The Comfort of Christ

After the assassination of President Kennedy there was a drawing in the local newspaper. It was a picture of Abraham Lincoln sitting in his chair behind the columns in the Lincoln Memorial. He was not sitting upright revealing his expressions of wisdom, fortitude and perseverance. No, in this picture the man who saved the Union, who urged us to have malice toward none and charity for all, the man who sought to heal our nation's wounds was slumped forward in his chair. His hands covered

his face and he was sobbing over the tragedy of that time.

Once again we are grief stricken. Once again tragedy is upon us, once again the hatred and sin that is part of all of us has come to the fore. Today, we mourn the loss of nine of our brothers and sisters in Christ who were murdered while in prayer in the sanctuary of our church. It is our church because in Christ we are all one.

The horror of the event baffles our minds. We like to think that as a people we have moved or at least are moving beyond such expressions of hatred. We tend to forget the words of our Lord when he said " That which proceeds out of the man is that which defiles the man, For from within, out of the heart of men proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts , murders, adulteries.....all these things proceed from within and defile the man." (Mark 7:20, 21 and 23).



In our modern times we often downplay that the Father of lies is real, that Satan, our adversary "...prowls about like a roaring lion seeking, someone to devour." (1Peter, 5:8). Then in the pools of blood flowing around nine bodies on the floor of the house of the Lord we are reminded of how real Satan is.

Nine people dead of the eleven in the room. The tenth was the hate filled murderer. The eleventh was Jesus. For we know wherever two or more are gathered in His name He is with them.

Today, as we pray for those who were taken, as we pray for our nation which continues to drift away from God, as we pray for some way to understand what has happened we know our only hope, our only comfort is in our Lord "For just as the sufferings of Christ are ours in abundance, so also our comfort is abundant through Christ. (2 Cor. 1:5).

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF MOAB SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES:

**10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
11:00 a.m. - Fellowship Time
NO Connection Classes thru the summer.**

Greeters this Month:

July 5: Rod and JoAnn Petty

July 12: Helen Becker & Arlene Barnum

July 19: Tamara Larsen & Karisa Larsen

July 26: Marcia Lea & Lois Jamison



Young Life is on a summer schedule. Every Monday, @ 6:00 p.m. at SW corner of Swanny Park, there will be a BBQ for High School/Middle School age kids. Come grab a hamburger and stick around for games. YL staff needs help from adults from our church: If you would be willing to come help fry hamburgers, please contact Silas or the church office. THANKS!!

**This month for FOOD BANK SUNDAY
(last Sunday of the month) we are asking people
to bring in bags of dried beans, or rice or
pasta. Toilet paper is also needed.**



Hey Kids We are going to meet again on Tuesday, July 7th from 1:00-3:00 p.m. We are going out to Ken's Lake and cool off! We will do a Bible lesson and then swim for a bit. Please have kids come ready to swim with towels and sunblock (*and a life jacket if needed*) We will have snacks and water for them. If anyone needs a ride or can provide one for someone else, please contact Jamie Carter @260-8466 or call the church office. Youth Connections will meet again on July 21st . Watch weekly church bulletin or our FB page for more information.

July 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1.	2.	3.	4.
5. Communion	6.	7. Youth Connections Meets	8. 6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer breakfast 7:00 p.m. Night of Worship	9.	10.	11.
12. Deacon's Fund Offering Received	13.	14.	15. 6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer breakfast 6:30 Church Board Meetings	16.	17.	18.
19.	20.	21. Youth Connections Meets	22. 6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer breakfast 7:00 p.m. Night of Worship	23.	24.	25.
26. Food Bank Sunday	27.	28.	29. 6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer breakfast	30.	31.	

JULY BIRTHDAYS

2) Katie Hanway, Baylee Taylor 5) Marvel Zook 7) Aspen Darcey 8) DeAnn Edmonson,
 Linda Warren 9) Andi Melton 10) Deb Hren 15) Kalan Bowden 17) Rick Carrigan
 18) Warren Scott 20) Deborah Herndon, Taylor Hren 22) Belinda Hurst, James Nelson
 23) Sarah Rappe 25) Susie Johnston 26) Kevin Bowden 27) Katherine Colestock,
 Ambree Martinez 28) Doug Wight 29) Trevor Thayn 31) Larry Campbell, Tom Warren

If your Birthday is missing from our Calendar, please let the office know.

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- Our church cabin has been pretty busy so far this year. We are taking reservations thru October. This is made available for our church families and/or church retreats. Call the church office: 259-7319.
- We told three people "Goodbye" this past month. Jane Cherryholmes moved to Iowa, Tina & LeRoy Snyder are moving to Grand Junction, CO and Tiffany Davis has moved to the SLC area.

Attendance Averages for June

Worship: 133

Budget Need: \$116,010.00
Given to date: \$147,927.14**
Monthly Income: \$19,115.73
Monthly Expense: \$22,246.24

** Includes Portfolio Distribution of \$22,567.00

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS



Congratulations on Your Retirement!

- After 31 years of working for Grand Co. School District, Verna Butcher has retired. We wish you and Gordon a wonderful new chapter in your lives.
- Our sympathy to Carolyn Maynard's family. Carolyn passed away on June 27, 2015 surrounded by her family here in Moab. There was a memorial service for her at Spanish Valley Mortuary on July 1st. Carolyn had Alzheimer's and battled it courageously. We know she is singing in the heavenly choir.
- The Trustees are continuing to work on various projects

around here. The new doors are in and will be painted at a later date. Work is continuing to remodel the Nursery Bathroom. A Big "Thanks" to our Trustee Board for all their continued hard work in finishing these projects.



- NIGHT OF WORSHIP , July 8th and 22nd @ 7:00 p.m. We've been watching some really interesting videos. The 8th will be: Ark of the Covenant ... Location; Revealed. The 22nd will be Sodom & Gomorrah.