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While Alma was preaching in the land Ammonihah he decided to leave after the people reviled him, spit upon him, and cast them out of their city (Alma 8:13). While he was journeying to his next destination an angel of the Lord appeared to him and told him to go back and once again preach to the people. So with courage and determination Alma obeyed the angels direction and made his way back to Ammonihah. Once he arrived he was hungry and asked a man for some food. The man said, "I am a Nephite, and I know that thou art a holy prophet of God, for thou art the man whom an angel said in a vision: Thou shalt receive. Therefore, go with me into my house and I will impart unto thee of my food; and I know that thou wilt be a blessing unto me and my house" (Alma 8:20). Through this inspired relationship Alma and Amulek go on to have great success as missionaries and ministers to the people scattered throughout the land.

There are many nuggets for us to learn from in this excellent story. A few that I'd like to highlight are Alma and Amuleks preparation to be willing and worthy to receive Gods command and also minister one unto another. While Alma was hungry he was fed then later as Alma tarried with Amulek he blessed his house and taught him the gospel of Jesus Christ.

All of us now as members of the Church of Jesus Christ here in the Garden Park Ward have the opportunity to meet new people and bless each others lives. I hope we can all be prepared and willing to bring our time and talents to minister one unto another and bless each other's lives. We love you all and hope you have a blessed week.

Chris Furstenau and the Garden Park Ward bishopric

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Sacrament Meeting – April 24th

GARDEN PARK WARD

-Sacrament Meeting Program-

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

April 24, 2022, 10am

Conducting Chris Furstenau
Pianist Samuel Johnson
Chorister Bonnie Wilson
Opening Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth, No. 92*
Invocation Sheila Privett
Ward Business Brother Furstenau
Sacrament Hymn *There Is a Green Hill Far Away, No. 194*

Administration of the Sacrament

Speaker Tanner Curtis
Intermediate Hymn *Dearest Children, God Is Near You, No. 96*
Speaker Olivia Curtis
Closing Hymn *Nearer, My God, to Thee, No. 100*
Benediction John Evans

Zoom broadcast is concluded

*"The gospel of Jesus Christ is a gospel of action and a gospel of joy!
Let us not underestimate our capacity to do those things that matter most."*

Do What Mattereth Most,
Rebecca L. Craven, April 2022 General Conference

Click [HERE](#) to join our April 24th Sacrament Meeting via Zoom

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Relief Society Message

I feel like we need to address the elephant in the room, or should I say whale. I am sure we have all noticed the new addition to our community, that incredibly quirky, colorful whale! I personally am a huge fan, and for the remainder of this entry I am going to believe that y'all are fans as well (if not now, it will grow on you)!

Just as this whale is a new change to our community, we have a brand new change to our ward with our fabulous new members merging with us! We were wonderful before, but this new edition makes us that much better.

In an interview the artist Kessler explains that the whale represents "a community from all backgrounds, beliefs, and ideas migrate and feel a sense of belonging... This humpback whale is a symbol of community, resilience, and harmony."

Isn't that what our ward is? A community of people with different perspectives who can feel a sense of belonging when we come together. From the members I have met so far I can see how you are going to bring so much color and perspective into our lives and we are grateful that are small community just got expanded a few more streets!

Kessler also described the whale as giving our community "a forty foot wide hug." Just as this whale extends its giant fins for a big hug, we WHALEcome all our new members of our ward with open arms!

If you need anything from us, know we are here.
Karli Gillette and the Relief Society

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Relief Society Spotlights– Beatrix Gee & Juliet

Beatrix Gee was born in Trier, Germany, the 4th of 14 children (9 girls and 5 boys) to parents, Hans & Magrit Schneider. Her father worked at the Trier correctional facility and her incredibly creative mother is a very talented musician, dancer and singer. Both of her parents are examples of dedicated service and served in many Church callings on both the ward and stake level.

Beatrix has dedicated her entire life to music and singing. She has studied at Gutenberg Universität in Mainz, Germany, in Tucson, AZ, Peter Cornelius Conservatorium in Mainz, Germany and at BYU in Provo.

Beatrix is a recognized and award winning musician, performing worldwide as soloist in classical opera, light opera and musicals. In addition to these remarkable achievements, Beatrix built a successful singing studio with students locally in Salt Lake City as well as online students in Germany, Luxemburg and Denmark.

Beatrix is a lecturer for the Karl Berg Musikschule (musical school) in Trier, Germany, and in July 2022, she will receive the Award for Independent Voice Teacher of Utah, NATS, in Chicago.

Beatrix and her husband, James Gee were married 2018 and live on McClelland Street with her 2 children Julius (21) and Eve (19).

Welcome Beatrix!

Juliet has an authentic conversation with everyone she speaks with and has never met anyone that she doesn't consider her friend! Every other month you will see Juliet up on the stand as one of our Garden Park Choristers. This former Miss Salt Lake is a chieftain for her families Scottish Clans and loves to ride her horses, play chess, violin, working on a potter's wheel, flipping houses, landscaping, and always has a two-dollar kite in the trunk of her car in case the perfect storm blows in. She is partial to Siberian Huskies!

Her handcart pioneer grandfathers are featured up in the Daughters of the Utah Pioneer Museum having founded the old Salt Lake Theater under the direction of Brigham Young, wherein she has followed in these footsteps with her undergrad in Theater and Vocal performance, working professionally in this field for over 25 years. She has done children's storybook narrations, opera, musicals, was the lead singer in an actual 80's Rock band and had several songs on national Christian radio stations back in the day. She has a master's degree in Teaching with an emphasis in Biology and Health and also a master's degree as an Esthetician in skin care. Currently she is working on her doctorate degree in Mental Health with emphasis in chemical addiction therapy assisting youth and women.

Since 2007 Juliet has worked with multiple non-profit agencies and has traveled and lived internationally doing medical services with her combined background in the dental field of 35 years. She loves dark chocolate and never met a taco she didn't like. She invites conversations on the Savior, history, astronomy, quantum physics, and don't get her started about elephants...you'll be there all day long!

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Relief Society Bulletin Board

Sourdough Starter Wanted—If you have sourdough starter to share, please contact Kathy Younker (801.971.1504) Thank you!

Thursday, April 28th - An evening with Dr. Camille Fronk Olson, "Finding Yourself in the Women of the Old Testament"- Thursday, April 28th 7pm @ Bonneville Stake Center.

Saturday, September 10th - Bonneville Stake Relief Society Women's Conference @Bonneville Stake Center.

Utah Crisis Food Response To those looking for volunteer opportunities in the Salt Lake area, there is an incredible non-profit organization called Utah Crisis Food Response that delivers food to lower income families, immigrants, those who lack transportation, and those who are homebound due to COVID-19. Due to the recent Omicron variant, demand has shot up, and volunteers are greatly needed on Wednesdays at 12 pm to deliver food boxes. All that is asked of volunteers is to arrive at a local food pantry at 12 pm, pick up several food boxes and deliver to the assigned individuals and families. The commitment typically takes 1 hour and blesses so many people's lives. If you are interested in helping out, you can contact Keith Burns at keithburns99@gmail.com. You can also just sign up for Wednesday shifts directly on our website at this link: <https://volunteersignup.org/W748F>.

Evening with Patrick Mason Recording

If you missed our evening with Patrick Mason, but would like to hear his message, you can watch the recording through the link below. Please note that the period is part of the passcode

[Click here for Patrick Mason message](#)

Access Passcode: dg9\$77g.

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2nd Hour Meeting

Our Relief Society and Elders Quorum meetings will continue to be held separately.

Sister Bel Kerig will lead the discussion for the Relief Society this week. Her lesson is drawn from the April 2022 General Conference talk by Elder Adrian Ochoa titled, "[Is the Plan Working?](#)"

Click [HERE](#) to review Elder Ochoa's talk.

Please note, zoom links have **not** been planned for these meetings. If you'd like one set up to attend remotely, please contact our Kathy Younker or Jeff Merchant who can assist with making that arrangement.

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Happy Birthday!

April 1–Jeffery Jerz
April 1–Sheila Moses
April 1–Marni Chandler
April 2–Nicole Choules Paul
April 3–Teri Blakely
April 3–Tamara Hinckley
April 3–Maximillian Therriault
April 4–Regan Anderson
April 5– Emily Crane
April 5–Jake Fuller
April 6–Damian Johnston
April 8–Andre Brummer
April 8–Rick Fuller
April 8–Chris Furstenau
April 9–Melissa Totzky
April 9– Jon Penman
April 9– Sherelyn Sandberg
April 10–Richard Penrose
April 10– Justice Tuffour
April 10–Christine Williams
April 12–Jeanette Church
April 12–Shawn Gately
April 13–Tara Ledford
April 14– Hannah Therriault
April 18–Raymond King
April 18–Matt Lund
April 18– Randy Peterson

April 18–Lezlie Richardson
April 18–Geoffrey Wilde
April 20– Heather Wunderlich
April 20– Steven Wuthrich
April 21–Benjamin Campbell
April 21–Michael Stephens
April 22–Karalyn Cottam
April 23–Ellie Anderson
April 23–Rick Graham
April 23–Joe Ostler
April 25–Tammy Jensen
April 25–Kenneth Kohler
April 25–Rheim Penman
April 26–Christian Johnson
April 26–Gunner Longenecker
April 26–Alisha Wursten
April 28–Carrie Gaykowski
April 28–Jonathan Jensen
April 29–Mark Earl
April 29–Katherine Ennis
April 29–Emilio Nicoli
April 29–Alicia Perry
April 30–Ethan Ostling
April 30– Darrell Privett
April 30–Trent Thompson
May 1–Jackson Donohoe
May 1–Julius Jefferies

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Ward Announcements

Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. President Russell M. Nelson and his wife, Wendy W. Nelson will speak at the Worldwide Devotional for Young Adults.

President Nelson has extended a special invitation for **all** young adults (married and single) from Logan to Nephi to attend in person at the Conference Center.

Tickets are not required and seating in the Conference Center will be on a first come, first served basis with overflow seating at several nearby locations. Refreshments will be provided.

Garden Park Ward Youth and Parents

Make note of the dates for these upcoming youth activities:

- June 9–12– Ward YW/YM Island Park retreat (Island Park, ID)
- June 21–24 - Bonneville Stake Girl's Camp
- July 15– Bonneville Stake Youth Conference
- Date Pending–Youth 50 Miler

The one who sings, prays twice! All are welcome to join the Garden Park Ward Choir! Join us to fill the chapel with your beautiful voices raised in songs of praise. The rehearsal schedule will be announced shortly. Please contact Roger Thompson with any questions.

May 21–22, 2022–Bonneville Stake Conference (*more details will be forthcoming*)

Help for Ukraine As we watch the events in Ukraine unfolding before our eyes, many of us are looking for ways to help the people of Ukraine.

Governor Cox and wife Abby Cox, Gail Miller and the Larry H. Miller Company, along with IHC and others are partnering to collect critically needed items and funds for refugees who are fleeing the Ukraine. There are several ways to join this effort!

1. DONATE MONEY. Visit www.lhm.com/driven-to-assist/ to donate -- Each dollar will be matched up to \$2 million.

2. DONATE TIME. Volunteers are needed to sort and package donated goods for shipping. Sign up here: <https://www.showuputah.org/ukraine>

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Stake FamilySearch Center located in the NW corner of the Monument Park Stake Center is open as of October 4th. Masks are strongly encouraged for all patrons and staff. The Family Search Center hours are:

Monday–Friday: 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday: 1:00–4:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday: 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Temple recommends - We encourage all members to keep their recommends current. Ward Recommend Interviews are being held by phone. If your temple recommend is expired, please contact Mark Hindley, Garden Park Ward Executive Secretary (801.599.8175) to set up a phone interview with the Bishop.

Stake Interviews—A member of the Stake Presidency is available each Sunday from 12:30–2:00 p.m. (except on Fast Sundays, Stake Conference and General Conference weekends) at the Stake Center offices. Please center through the doors at the west end of the building. Those who are unable to meet during these times can contact Scott Hagen (801.824.0640) who will help set up an interview with a member of the Stake Presidency.

Church Magazines The First Presidency encourages all members to access church magazines either by print or digital delivery. Church magazines help members learn the gospel of Jesus Christ, study the teachings of the living prophets, feel connected to the global Church family, face challenges with faith, and draw closer to God. Subscriptions for print magazines are available [HERE](#) . Magazine content can be accessed digitally for free [HERE](#).

TEMPLE UPDATE: Temples in Utah are again open for proxy ordinances. Patrons need to schedule in advance on-line through churchofjesuschrist.org/temples. Patrons are encouraged to bring their own temple clothing, although Temple clothing is available. We are so blessed to again have Temples open around us; some may have appointments available same day, while others may require more advance planning, but the websites, like the Temples, are patron friendly. The Bountiful Temple can be reached directly at (801) 296-2100 for operating hours and to make appointments.