

Garden Park Ward Newsletter

June 12, 2022



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With the beauties of Spring opening all around us, I am reminded of the beauties and strength of God's love and spirit. I see that it is present in all around us when I open my mind and heart.

I thought about a discovery I made years ago during a family activity. Some families do sports, some do music, hiking, traveling, etc. My family loves to bake. Brownies, cupcakes, cookies, including just about any and everything chocolate. Each of our children could probably crack an egg before they could walk. Baking together created the space for discussions in love and laughter around the joyful and the challenging moments in life that emerged in each of our children's lives. And sometimes, taught me unexpected lessons.

On one particular occasion, not so many years ago, our daughter Beth was under the gun preparing ten dozen brownies for an event, and was multi-tasking. When Beth stepped away from the kitchen for a few minutes, to help her out, my wife Cathy, thinking she was helping, pre-cut all the brownies. When Beth came back, she was more than aghast to find the brownies cut, and gasped, "What in the world . . . I needed to frost these."

Beth and Cathy took a few minutes to consider the situation. Cathy suggested they consider putting a dollop of cream cheese frosting on each with a raspberry, like frosting a cupcake. Beth loved the idea and heard later they were the hit of the event. And from that day forward, it became one of our all time favorite brownies.

In that moment, I felt profoundly, what wonders we discover when we open our minds and hearts to possibility.

Thousands of years ago, perhaps on a beautiful spring day in his time, Paul reminded the people of Corinth of the same in a broader setting when he wrote in 1 Corinthians 2:9-10:

"But as it is written, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of [any], the things which God hath prepared for them that love [God].

But God hath revealed them unto us by [God's] Spirit for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea the deep things of God."

Funny what you can discover in chocolate.

I love the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I love the infinite power of ideas and joy God's love holds for each of us.

May God bless and watch over you and your families this wonderful spring season,

Bishop Rick Graham and Garden Park Ward Bishopric

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Sacrament Meeting – June 12th

GARDEN PARK WARD

-Sacrament Meeting Program-

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

June 12, 2022, 10am

Conducting..... Bishop Rick Graham
Pianist Carol Clift
Chorister Roger Thompson
Opening Hymn..... Our Mountain Home So Dear, No. 33
Invocation..... Bryce Ward
Ward Business..... Bishop Graham
Sacrament Hymn In Memory of the Crucified, No. 190

Administration of the Sacrament

Speaker..... Cheryl Fuller
Intermediate Hymn..... Lord, I Would Follow Thee, No. 220
Speaker..... Rick Fuller
Closing Hymn..... Abide with Me!, No. 166
Benediction Dianne Orcutt

Zoom broadcast is concluded

"[Jesus] stands with open arms, hoping and willing to heal, forgive, cleanse, strengthen, purify, and sanctify us."

President Russell M. Nelson, "We Can Do Better and Be Better," Liahona, May 2019.

[Click HERE to join our June 12th Sacrament Meeting via Zoom](#)

YouTube Link click here → [Garden Park Ward Sacrament Meeting](#)

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Relief Society Bulletin Board

Evening with Dr. Camille Fronk Olson

If you missed our evening with Dr. Camille Fronk Olson, and would like to hear her message, here is the YouTube link to watch the video - [Finding Yourself in the Women of the Old Testament](#)

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>.

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Elders Quorum Spotlights—Jim Fisher & Jeff Merchant



Jim moved into his home 28 years ago after purchasing it from his mother and the home being in his family for 90 years. He has been a member of 4 wards, Princeton, LeGrande, 31st and now Garden Park, and 3 stakes in his home. Jim became active after he married an active member of the Church, and he is very grateful for her influence in his life. Jim has served in the Boy Scouts 35 years and cherishes the experience he has had. Jim has 2 sons and a daughter that are all active in the church. He is retired from Wonder Bread after 20 years and then worked for Salt Lake Community College after 34 years. Jim enjoys camping and some sports but especially hanging out with his 3 lovely grandchildren.



Jeff grew up in Sandy, Utah and attended Jordan High School and he is proud to be a Beet Digger. Jeff converted to the church at age 18 and attending the University of Utah. He worked in DC for the US House of Representatives and then went to law school and became a lawyer. He then went to work for the Department of Agriculture (USDA). In 2013 Jeff started his current business with assisted living. He knew Emily in High School and dated her in High School and married her in September 1999. They have 3 wonderful daughters, Mia, Margaret, and Elisabeth. He loves any activity that they can do as a family such as biking, tennis, hiking, cooking and eating and gardening.

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2nd Hour Meeting—Relief Society & Elders Quorum

Our Relief Society and Elders Quorum meetings will be held separately in the second hour.

Relief Society Meeting

Sister Jenny Hobbs will lead the discussion for the Relief Society this week. Her lesson is taken from the April 2022 General Conference talk by Elder Kevin S. Hamilton, "[Then Will I Make Weak Things Become Strong.](#)"

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

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Happy Birthday!

June 1–Edward Gorder
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June 1–Scott Sorensen
June 1–Grace Tuffour
June 2–Parry Leatham
June 3–Chandler Cottam
June 4–Heidi Hanson
June 4–Joe Narus
June 4–Nicolette Smith
June 4–Steven Smith
June 5–Brent Wilson
June 6–Spencer Steed
June 8–Ezra Bleazard
June 8–Jean Robbins
June 8–Samuel Wilson
June 9–Georgia Hindley
June 10–Jaron Anderson
June 10–Elliott Lund
June 10–Madelyn Wormald
June 11–Nicole Peterson
June 12–Nathan Harrison
June 12–Felix Lambson
June 13–Korie Allen
June 14–Billi Gelino
June 14–Paige Juliano
June 14–Joshua Morrell
June 14–Ida Paul
June 14–Joan Smith
June 14–Dennis Weaver

June 15–Bonnie Wilson
June 16–Charity Johnson
June 16–Brian Seethaler
June 17–Jo Ann Narus
June 17–Heather Newell
June 18–Gregory Levesque
June 18–Reyn Paul
June 18–Clive Thirkill
June 19–Leonore Aszmann
June 20–Amy Stowe
June 22–Mason Decker
June 22–Tracy Rabdau
June 24–Sophie Anderson
June 24–Malinda Fisher
June 24–Pieter Hacker
June 24–Natalie Stewart
June 25–Patricia Doxey
June 25–Cheryl Perkins
June 25–Adrian Thayn
June 25–MaKayla White
June 26–Margaret Harrison
June 26–Austin Wilkes
June 27–Carrie Jensen
June 29–Amanda Dixon
June 29–Robert Epperson
June 29–Lewis Furstenau
June 29–Adam Paul
June 30–Erik Miller
June 30–Bonnie Wall

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Ward Announcements

Saturday, June 18th 7:45 a.m. –Bonnevile Stake Service Project supporting **My Hometown**. We have the opportunity to serve several homes in the Rose Park community and a Buddhist Temple. If you are able to donate a few hours of yard work or home repair for a new friend, please complete this sign up genius form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e49afa723a3f5c07-dayofservice>

What to bring: Hat, work gloves, close-toed shoes, and yard work tools (labeled please!). Don't let a lack of yard tools keep you away! All are welcome and appreciated; many hands make light work!

Note: After submitting your form, you will receive an email from Marsha Parker (info@signupgenius.com) from the My Hometown team with a waiver and more team information. Children under 12 are welcome with a parent and youth under 18 are welcome with an adult.

TEMPLE UPDATE: The Bountiful Temple's Status is Now Phase 4: Resuming Normal Operations

Based on First Presidency direction, this temple is gradually lifting pandemic-related restrictions to resume normal operations. While the Salt Lake Temple is closed, you are invited to attend this temple.

- All ordinances will still be available by appointment only.
- Patrons are encouraged to bring their own temple clothing
- Family name cards may be printed at the temple and cards may be returned upon request
- All government guidelines will be observed
- Please contact the temple for more information of if you have special circumstances or needs.

How to Schedule an Appointment

You can scheduling an appointment by visiting temples.ChurchofJesusChrist.org

[Schedule an Appointment](#)

Any youth interested in attending **For the Strength of Youth** event his summer are invited to apply. Applicants must be a 2022 HS graduate or turn 18 in 2022, or turn 19 between May 16 and December 31, 2022. Contact Bishop Graham for further details.

Beginning Thursday, May 12th—A Stake sponsored Book of Mormon reading discussion group will held the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at the Stake Center at 7:00 p.m. **All are invited!**

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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>

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.

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

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](#).