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Dear Ward Members,

How grateful I am to be making this announcement. On the advice of the First Presidency, our Area Authority, and our Stake Presidency, consistent with local government authorities and the CDC, under current conditions, our Ward Council has unanimously decided to no longer encourage masks indoors at this time, for those who feel comfortable attending without them. I look forward to seeing smiling faces and feeling their warmth.

Thank you for your efforts in following the First Presidency's guidance last August regarding COVID-19 protections. On Friday February 18th, the First Presidency released a letter encouraging Area Presidencies, in consultation with stake presidencies, and ward Councils, to make determinations regarding masking and other COVID precautions going forward based on the recommendations of local health and government officials.

Starting March 13th, Garden Park Ward will adopt this model.

A couple of things to note:

- Sacrament meetings will continue to be available online
- Those participating in administering the sacrament will mask and glove during the sacrament
- If you are sick with any symptoms, please stay home
- Wash hands regularly and use sanitizer
- Distance where you can
- Masks will still be required in temples for the time being

In addition, for Sacrament meetings, for those who need to be more careful, even under these improved circumstances, we encourage them to wear masks as they desire. To provide a safe space for these folks in Sacrament meetings, we will reserve the south section of the chapel, for continued distancing, and those wearing masks, and ask all the rest of us to sit in the middle or north sections of the chapel.

While we mourn the loss of life and health for many over the past two years, we are hopeful that we may be seeing the light at the end of the pandemic tunnel. We are grateful for the prayers and efforts of scientists, government officials, church leaders, friends and neighbors as we fought, and continue to fight this pandemic together.

We are grateful for the blessing of technology and the zoom broadcasts it prompted. We are grateful to see that broadcasting is now in our handbook and will continue to be a tool going forward. And we will maintain the use of masks and gloves when preparing and administering the Sacrament.

We will continue to monitor the situation, and stand ready to respond should circumstances change.

May God bless you, Bishop Graham



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Sacrament Meeting – March 27th



Fast Sunday, March 27, 2022, 10am	
ConductingRandy Peter	rson
Pianist Lois Waltr	
Chorister	nan
Opening Hymn There Is Sunshine in my Soul Today, No. 2	227
Invocation	rton
Ward Business Brother Peter	rson
Sacrament HymnThere Is a Green Hill Far Away, No.	194
Administration of the Sacrament	
Bearing of Testimonies	
Closing HymnThe Spirit of God, N	o. 2
Benediction Kent Or	rton

Zoom broadcast is concluded

Please join us for a light break-the-fast mingle after the meetings

Click here to join our March 27th Sacrament Meeting via Zoom



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Relief Society Message

To get out of a funk that I have been in, I have been taking a class called "Resilience Through Christ; a live, online class to become more emotionally resilient while deepening your relationship with the Savior". (I believe this is the class that our church modeled it's Emotional Resilience class on.)

Principle 3 reads "To feel God's love more easily, practice remembering memories of spiritual light." We were invited to write down memories with the following leads:

- ♥ Your prayer was answered
- You felt joy in nature
- ♥ You felt the Spirit with music
- ▼ You felt divinely protected
- You felt the Spirit in a book, movie, etc.
- ♥ You knew God was aware of you
- You felt divine help
- ♥ You felt that God believed in you despite your imperfections
- ♥ You had a meaningful dream
- ♥ A scripture spoke to you
- ♥ You felt a special moment at church
- ♥ You saw God's hand in your life or the life of a loved one
- A time you felt forgiven and that God still had a plan for you
- A time you gave service and felt the Lord's love working through you
- You were guided to do or say something that blessed a loved one

Recognizing God's hand in my life validated me and God's love for me. It gave me the faith to move forward and believe Christ's promises.

I loved this exercise! Try it! I'd be happy to hear about any of these experiences from you!

Fondly,

Kathy and the Relief Society Presidency



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Relief Society Announcements

MINISTERING ALERT! We will be reworking all ministering assignments next month.

Please take time this month to be with your current ministering sisters!

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 at the link below. Please note that the period is part of the passcode

Click here for Patrick Mason message

Access Passcode: dg9\$77g.

April 12th - Easter Activity

Please join us
for our RS Easter activity,
Capturing Christ.
With the help of a professional artist,
we will each be creating
our own miniature portrait of Christ.

Tuesday, April 12 7-8pm





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Relief Society Announcements

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.

American Red Cross Blood Drive-https://www.justserve.org/projects/0bfed2c7-6510-4e89-98dd-f11a1e52cde8

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2nd Hour Meeting

The Relief Society & Elders Quorum will gather in the Relief Society room for the 2nd hour meeting to enjoy a get acquainted mingle.

Look forward to seeing you there!



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Happy Birthday!

March 2- Eva Nicoli

March 3-Sheila Privett

March 3-Benjamin Zuro

March 3-Nathan Zuro

March 9-Cathy Graham

March 9-Peter Harrison

March 9-Liam Kerig

March 10-David Anderson

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-James Roberts

March 20-Rich Doxey

March 21-Michael Debenham

March 21-lan Gillette

March 21-Robert Maxfield

March 22-Mary Ann Creer Thompson

March 23-Helen Davis

March 23-Vivian Ward

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

March 27th will be our Fast & Testimony meeting due to April General Conference on April 2-3.

March 30–April 1 Driven to Assist Ukraine Volunteer Opportunity. Sorting all donated items next Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, March 30–April 1

Click Here to Sign Up

All sorting will take place in the west building of the Utah Food Bank (3160 S 930 W) in South Salt Lake.

Things to note:

- All volunteers must be age 12+
- Parking is extremely limited carpool if possible
- Closed-toe shoes are required —no flip-flops, sandals, or open-toed shoes permitted
- Volunteer work tends to be somewhat physical in nature, typically requiring one to be on their feet for long periods of time and have the ability to do some light to moderate lifting
- To maintain a healthy environment, if individuals in your group are feeling ill please encourage them to stay home
- Please DO NOT leave bags or valuables visible in your car
- Keep safety in mind and ensure that those in your group do as well
- Keep off all mechanical/electrical equipment

Thank you for your willingness to Show Up for Ukraine!

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 https://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.

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 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.

<u>Stake Interviews</u>—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.

TEMPLE UPDATE: Temples in Utah are again open for proxy ordinances. Patrons need to schedule in advance on-line through <u>churchofjesuschrist.org/temples</u>. 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.