

Garden Park Ward Newsletter

April 11, 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

This past week I was particularly excited to be with my family, celebrate Easter, and listen to General Conference. Every time the prophet and apostles speak I am uplifted by their messages and testimonies. I particularly enjoy the bearing of their testimonies and the witness of Jesus Christ they share.

President Nelson in his opening remarks stated "Often, my counselors and I have watched through tear-brimmed eyes as He [Jesus Christ] has interceded in extremely challenging circumstances after we had done our best and could do no more. We do indeed stand all amazed." Elder Holland said "of whom I bear unequivocal witness, even the Lord Jesus Christ." In President Nelson's address he said "On this Easter Sunday, with my deep feelings of love and gratitude, I declare my witness that Jesus Christ is indeed risen."

Each apostle bore a similar witness of Jesus Christ. Is there any doubt that these special men know the Savior?

At the beginning of Elder Uchtdorf's message he states "Throughout the ages, God has spoken through His servants, the prophets. This morning we have had the privilege to hear the prophet of God speak to all the world. We love you, President Nelson, and I encourage everyone everywhere to study and heed your words."

I would say the primary objective of the prophet and apostles is to feed His sheep, us. I invite you to study and reread these messages with the hope to increase our faith, become more loving and diligent disciples of Jesus Christ. We are part of a work that is more important than any other endeavor in the history of the world.

We love you and sustain you in this great work.

Chris Furstenau and the Garden Park Bishopric

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Sunday Service Program–April 11th

GARDEN PARK WARD

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

April 11, 2021, 10am

Conducting..... Chris Furstenau
Organist.....Samuel Johnson
Opening Hymn.....*How Firm a Foundation, No.85*
InvocationTBA
Ward Business Chris Furstenau

Bearing of Testimonies

Closing Hymn *Come unto Jesus, No. 117*
Benediction.....TBA

Zoom broadcast is concluded

Sacrament Hymn *Father in Heaven, We Do Believe, No. 180*

Administration of the Sacrament

*"How we deal with advantages and disadvantages is part of life's test.
We will be judged not so much by what we say but by how
we treat the vulnerable and disadvantaged."*

-- Elder Renlund, *Infuriating Unfairness*, General Conference April, 2020

[Click here to join April 11th Sacrament Meeting](#)

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Relief Society

I am so sorry to see another family move out of our ward!

We are happy that Susan and Tanner Barry are moving into a home with more space for their adorable kids but super sad to see them leave our neighborhood!

One of our resident actors, Susan was a wonderful substitute chorister in Relief Society (when we used to sing) and has made heartfelt and inspired contributions there.

Tanner has served as a counselor and instructor in the Elders Quorum as well as a friend to all.

They have both been warm and wonderful ward members and we will miss them. Thanks for making the ward better Barrys! We will miss you!

Thanks to all those who delivered our Happy Easter cards to our neighbors. I noticed several references to church songs in conference. This community reach out reminds me of the primary song, "Jesus Said Love Everyone"

*Jesus said love ev'ryone;
Treat them kindly too.
When your heart is filled with love,
Others will love you*

Love to you all!

Kathy and the Relief Society presidency

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Elders Quorum

We hope you and your families had a joyful and inspiring Easter and General Conference weekend. It always seems that I have a strong start to my conference viewing. I'm alert and I take notes and every talk has a personal message for me. But as the day progresses and moves into Sunday, things happen, like oversleeping or under sleeping, poor planning, and distractions of every kind, and I miss all or part of a talk or talks. My notes go from recorded highlights and impressions, to reminders that I need to listen to or watch that talk again. Despite that window into my world, I was blessed and inspired by the talks I did hear without distraction or interruption. From President Nelson's encouragement to "clean out the debris of our lives" to Elder Gong's insights into the Good Samaritan and our church being like the inn of the parable, to Elder Holland's statement, "No one can employ a sharp tongue... and sing the song of redeeming love," this conference was brimming with "living waters." I am grateful for inspired leaders and living prophets and the technology that enables me to hear again what I missed. Thank you my dear brothers for your goodness, strength, and devotion.

Doug Bunker and the Garden Park Ward Elders Quorum

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will be resending the Signup Genius sheet for ward lockup for May and June.

Thank you so much for your outpouring of help and support for this elders quorum responsibility. Thank you for your continued ministering efforts.

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 **April 18th** 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

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2nd Hour Ward Zoom Meeting

This week's Zoom meeting is sponsored by our Relief Society and features Emily Lund as our presenter.

Please note our 2nd hour Zoom meetings will begin at 11:30 a.m. moving forward.

April 11, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.

[Not as the World Giveth](#), by Elder Jeffrey R. Holland

[Click here to join the April 11th Ward Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 992 8557 5419

Passcode: 378937

For assistance connecting to Zoom check out this link for tips <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-meeting>.

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Happy Birthday!

April 1–Marni Chandler
April 2–Amy Davidson
April 2–Loy Mcgregor
April 2–Nicole Choules Paul
April 3–Oren Barry
April 4–Regan Anderson
April 5–Glenda Shenkal
April 6–Abram Johnson
April 8–Rick Fuller
April 8–Chris Furstenu
April 9–Melissa Totsky
April 9–Jon Penman
April 10–Brian Clinger
April 10–Joshua Stewart
April 12–Jeanette Church
April 18–Matt Lund

April 18–Randy Peterson
April 18–Lezlie Richardson
April 21–Daniel Bradley
April 21–Michael Stephens
April 23–Ellie Anderson
April 23–Rick Graham
April 24 - Madison Lechtenberg
April 25–Tammy Jensen
April 25–Kenneth Kohler
April 25–Rheim Penman
April 26–Gunner Longenecker
April 28–Carrie Gaykowski
April 28–Jonathan Jensen
April 29–Mark Earl
April 29–Emilio Nicoli
April 30–Darrell Privett

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Ward Announcements

2nd Hour Time Change To allow in person sacrament meeting attendees a little more time to get home and settled, the start time for our 2nd hour meeting has shifted from 11:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. effective immediately.

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 President Parker (801.916.1951) or President Patch (801.455.0181) to schedule an interview.

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.