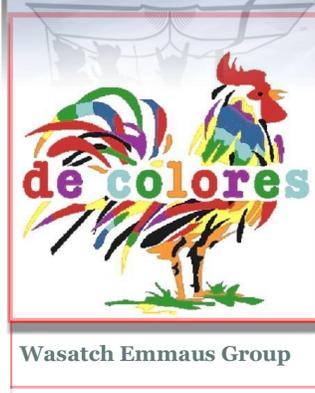


Wasatch Emmaus Community

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August 2020

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IMPORTANT GATHERING!!!
Saturday September 26th
Aldersgate UMC



Upcoming Events

Hybrid Gathering

3pm—4pm - Virtual Presentation

(Link to follow)

Fellowship TBD

Have Elements for Lord’s Table Available

WHO BENEFITS FROM AN EMMAUS WEEKEND ?



Disciples of Christ

Emmaus is open to members of any Christian denomination. Emmaus is for the development of Christian leaders who:

- Are members of a local church
- Have a desire to strengthen their spiritual lives
- May have unanswered questions about their faith
- Understand that being a Christian involves responsibility
- Are willing to dedicate their everyday lives to God in an ongoing manner

August 2020

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CALENDAR EVENTS

GATHERING!!!

Saturday September 26th

3 - 4pm (Virtual)

Fellowship 4-5pm

(Tentative)

Aldersgate UMC

[235 E 850 S, Brigham City, UT 84302](#)

Philippians 2:5-8

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!



Fellow pilgrims:

Do you have peace in your heart during these uncertain days? What are you worried about? The Coronavirus? The economy? A possible war with China? I am a father of two elementary school boys, and I am concerned about them going back to school in person this fall.

When you are worried, what are your go-to Scriptures? There are several to choose from. A great one is 1 Peter 5:7, "Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you." Probably the one Scripture that speaks most directly to our anxiety is Philippians 4:6-7, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." These two verses give an outline to follow for peace.

But for the remainder of this article I want to look at Psalm 46:10. You probably know this verse. It begins with the famous words, "Be still, and know that I am God." This is God talking and He gives us a commandment, "Be still." In the context of Psalm 46, the people of Israel were worried about wars and earthquakes. I would be worried too! But God says be still. That means be calm. Like when Jesus stilled the storm on the Sea of Galilee. Everything was calm.

But how can you command someone to be calm?! Don't we need to be given some reason why to be calm? This is provided in the remainder of the verse. God commands be still and then says, "And know that I am God." That sounds calming. But what is it exactly that we are to know about God that will make us calm? This is where the rest of the verse helps.

Most people only quote the beginning of Psalm 46:10, but it's important to read the whole verse to understand its meaning. In the rest of the verse God says, "I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth." This is the knowledge we need to know about God which will make us calm. What it does is gives us the big picture. Ultimately, everything that's going on in the world around us, God will use for His glory. In the end, everything will be about God's glory and the magnifying of His name. This should make our own trials seem smaller.

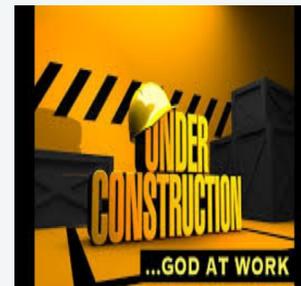
Given the scope of human history, and eternity, what God is working in our world today is much bigger than our individual lives. The part that brings us peace, I believe, is knowing then that we are in Christ, we are at peace with God through the gospel, so that when He is exalted on the earth one day, that will be a day of celebration for us too. Paul says, "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Rom 8:31). The answer is: No one can! I hope this gives you peace.

Grace and peace,

Pastor James W. Carlson

Clearfield Community Church

SPONSORSHIP



HOW DO WE SPONSOR?

Changes are underway on Who, How and Why we Sponsor. Training will be available as well.

GRACE AROUND THE WORLD!

REGIONAL EMMAUS COMMUNICATIONS
SUSAN JACKSON—AREA 20



May the prayers of many and the ever present love of God surround you and yours!

As promised here are the highlights of the Communicator Zone meeting. As you will soon see, the Upper Room is very busy attempting to utilize online communication and programming as soon as possible.

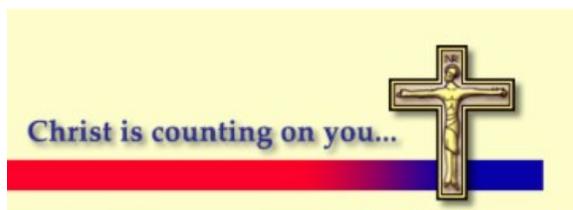
- 1) The International Virtual Gathering is scheduled for September 19. There will be speakers, music and breakout sessions. (More info forthcoming!)
- 2) Doc (Hess) Hall is working on a Sign Up Genius 100 days of prayer vigil. When it comes, spread the word! It would be amazing to have slots filled from every community.
- 3) The Upper Room is coming up with a 4th Day Booster Shot! (That sounds great!). It will be online by the end of September.
- 4) An online model of WTE is in the works. Our hope is to have that available to communities by the end of September 2020.
- 5) During the International Gathering, the Upper Room will kick off 100 days of giving. In 2019 there were 12,500 new pilgrims and 1939 new butterflies. In 2020 we have welcomed 4152 new pilgrims and 665 new butterflies. That results in a \$165,000 deficit this year. What ideas could we utilize to support the ministries? Are there groups or businesses who are involved with the Emmaus ministries programs that might be willing to match donations from your community? Let us know.
- 6) Roughly 10% of new pilgrims return and serve. Keep them informed and dream up some get together (virtual and or small groups in person) to keep this ministry alive and well in all our hearts.

Question of the day.....How is it with your soul? How is it with your community's soul?

Reminder: Do what you can to get your covenants and insurance papers to Lilia. You may send separate signature pages.

Congratulations to Grace and Wasatch for online Gatherings and plans for more! Feel free to browse other community websites for inspiration & ideas going forward.

MESSAGE FROM OUR COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR



Hello beloved Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

We will be holding our 2nd Virtual (perhaps Hybrid) Gathering in September (26th) at 3pm. You will all receive a link to the Gathering Zoom Meeting.

We are grateful and encourage by the turn out at our last Gathering and hope that those who have yet to view the last gathering message will have an opportunity to so. Again the link is [HERE](#) as well as on the web site.

During this Gathering, we will have a presentation on **Sponsorship**. We will allow time for questions and answers as well as providing information on how to best approach sponsoring someone and the reasons for sponsoring someone.

We will also be hearing from a member of the Board about their experience with **4th day** groups and how they are fellowshipping under the new conditions of the

Pandemic.

We are also underway with our Outreach program. Joe Umbriaco is our new Outreach Coordinator and will address the community in the near future regarding his direction.

There is a lot that is taking place, even when it may not appear to be the case. We are optimistic yet realistic regarding our 2021 Walks.

Now is the time to start praying for the Spirit of the Lord to guide you in the area of identifying potential Pilgrims who can benefit from the Walk.

Life for Christians will not get any easier. It seems that we need to be more deliberate about strengthening and growing our faith now more than ever.

As Disciples for Christ, we are called to share that with others as well. Please prayerfully consider who might be strengthened and sanctified by an Emmaus Walk.

De Colores!
Paul Guidash
Community Lay Leader



Message For The Community

Revelation 2:4-5

But I have this against you, that you have left your first love. Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place—unless you repent.

Jesus, in the 2nd Chapter of Revelation, is speaking to the Church of Ephesus. He had just finished praising them for their deeds, toil and perseverance.

Even though the Church was successful in it's outward appearance, Jesus still had some concerns. They had left their "first love". What was Jesus talking about here?

Consider what Jesus spoke in Matthew 22 when ask by a Pharisee what the Greatest Command is. He replies "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind". He goes on to say, the second one is like it; "Love others as you love yourself"

I don't know if Jesus is speaking of both of the Great

Commandments but at least He is speaking of the First and Greatest. Afterall, we are unable to do the second without the first.

How do we Recapture our First Love, Our Love for God?

1. Remember from where you have fallen— remembering where we used to be in our love for the Lord and for one another.
2. Repent—Change your mind about our top priority. Our thoughts determine our actions and attitudes.
3. Do the deeds you did at first—This could be more time in God's word, More time in fellowship & prayer, Telling others about the Hope in Salvation.

We can do so many things right and for all the wrong reasons. On the outside, we can appear to be shiny and bright, but Jesus wants us to renew our faith, renew our passion for God.

We then become more profitable and fruitful to the Lord.

— De Colores~

“Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.”

PRAYER NEEDED...

Please let us know of anything you would like the community to pray for.

Please send Requests and Gratitude messages with the subject EMMAUS PRAYER to:

wasatchemmaus@gmail.com

Prayer & Gratitude

Please Pray for our Leaders around our Nation and around the World.

Please pray for all those in our communities who are suffering!

FOURTH DAY!

As part of our growth as Disciples, we are encouraged by God's word to fellowship with other believers.

1 Thessalonians 5:9-11 *“For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”*



Remain Focused

FOURTH DAY GROUPS: (If one will not work, or your group is not listed, please contact Paul at wasatchemmaus@gmail.com.)

Men's:

Tuesdays 8am—Village Inn, 8921 S. Redwood Road- Phil 801-259-2660

Wednesdays 7am—Left Fork Grill (68 W 3900 S, Salt Lake) - Dennis 435-512-2186

Friday 7am—Dee's Restaurant (4700 S Redwood Rd) - Jerry—801-918-0982

Saturdays (2nd&4th) 9am—10am—Community UMC 163 W 4800 S Ogden 84405 - Gary 970-371-5129

Women's:

Wednesday 7pm - Homes (West Jordan, So Jordan, Riverton) - Nancy 801-915-4304

Saturdays 8:30am— High Point Coffee (7800 S. 1735 W. off Redwood Rd)

Saturdays (1st&3rd) 8:30am—9:30am—Community UMC 163 W 4800 S Ogden 84405 - Pam 801-540-3205

Co-Ed:

2nd & 4th Tuesday 6pm - Hilltop UMC (985 E 10600 S, Sandy) -Rob 801-493-5047



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**Few Pastors Feel “Very”
Well-Equipped to Help with
Trauma**

The majority of Protestant pastors (73%) indicates they feel “somewhat” equipped to help someone in their congregation who may be dealing with significant trauma. One in seven (15%) feels “very” well-equipped, while 12 percent do not feel equipped at all.

Using regression analysis, researchers examined what elements make a pastor or priest say they were better prepared. Responses are partially explained by factors like: how long the pastor has been in ministry, the size of their church, their type of training for trauma, how many times they have preached about trauma in the past six months and whether or not they have experienced or witnessed any traumatic events themselves.

When all these factors are taken into account, we see the biggest boost in pastors feeling prepared to handle trauma when they have preached on it in the past six months, when they have received a master’s degree program in therapy or counseling and when they have personally experienced or witnessed a traumatic event. This finding indicates that a good deal of pastors’ preparation to handle trauma in their congregations comes from accumulated personal experience and professional training. It also suggests that pastors who have not thought much about trauma (whether via experience, training or teaching) may be at a disadvantage when a person with trauma comes to their church.

[Read More Here](#)

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FROM THE BOARD

2020-2021 Wasatch Emmaus Vision



The Wasatch Emmaus Community will embrace our purpose and passionately work towards our vision as though we are doing the work for God, because we are.

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Through God’s Grace, at the direction of the Holy Spirit, we will be a source of Love, Grace and Growth within your Church and our Communities.

We will accomplish this as follows:

- ✓ Introduction of the Community Outreach Coordinator Position within the Board.
- ✓ Revise Sponsorship responsibilities to include plugging in pilgrims to their local church as well as the community and provide training for the entire community on who and how to sponsor and the commitment that is required.
- ✓ Improve the number of 4th day groups by providing direction and resources to the 4th Day Coordinator
- ✓ Implement the new Job Description for the Community Gathering Coordinator.
- ✓ Improve Community Involvement through the Gathering Content by adding “Profitable” content for our members to Grow in their Spiritual Walk.
- ✓ Provide Gathering “Presentations” electronically on the Website for viewing to all members.
- ✓ Recruiting Board Persons who Passionately share in the Community Vision.