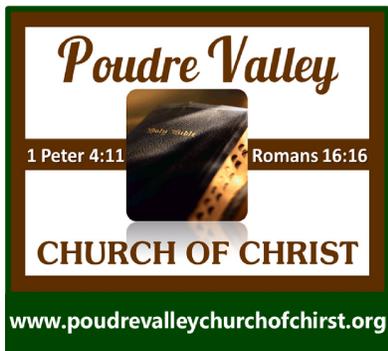




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**Support Letter  
JUNE 2021**



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**Meeting Times**

Sunday

Bible Class.....9:30 A.M.  
Worship Assembly.....10:30 A.M.  
Worship Assembly.....1:30 P.M.



June 30, 2021

**Oaks West church of Christ  
c/o The Elders  
P. O. Box 675  
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Dear Brethren,

As we now move into the summer months it is my prayer that you are prospering in the ways of the Lord. Half of the year is behind us but we have so much to look forward to for the remainder of 2021. We are all hopeful that the worst of the COVID pandemic is behind us and we can now focus on things that will help us grow spiritually and closer to God, our loved ones, and dear friends. Malinda and I pray for you on a regular basis and we are so thankful for the relationship that we all have in the teaching and preaching of the gospel of Christ to lost souls. There is no greater work that can be done here on earth. To help prepare others for a heavenly home is the most important thing we can do. Thank you for supporting me in the work here so that the Gospel of Christ can continue to be proclaimed!

I look forward to being able to send you my monthly news letter so that you can keep informed with the work that is being done here in Northern Colorado for Christ. But I also am mindful that you too are doing an important work where you are in leading others to Christ. May you all prosper in all that you do so that others can be taught the truth of the gospel. Keep pressing on and let your lights shine ever so brightly so that others can see your good works and give glory to almighty God (Matthew 5:16). Thank you for your prayers, and the kind cards that we receive from time to time. You are so encouraging to us!



**Malinda  
Richie  
Kristin  
Kaleena  
Caleb**

## FAMILY NEWS

I am happy to report that our family is well and for that we are thankful. On Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, Malinda received her 2<sup>nd</sup> Pfizer vaccine and did really well with it. We have all received our 2<sup>nd</sup> doses of the vaccine and so we are now all vaccinated! I had no issues whatsoever with either one and Malinda only had a sore arm. However, Kristin, Caleb, and Kaleena all experienced various issues after receiving the second dose. After not having any problems with the first one other than a sore arm, they all ran a little fever, were tired, and had very sore arms with the second one. But after two to three days all of them were fine. Everyone in our congregation has now received both doses of the vaccine except for one individual.

Malinda is doing great and is now getting ready to finish putting things away and getting organized in the last space that needs it – the craft and sewing room. Kaleena will be helping her do that over the next few weeks. Kaleena's room is organized and just waiting for me to help hang the pictures. Caleb has his room almost done. He has been very busy studying for his first CPA exam since graduating in May. He has one exam in July and another one in August. He also starts his first job working at an accounting firm on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

My family prepared a nice lunch for me on Father's Day and also gave me a few gifts. Then two days later we celebrated Kristin's birthday (June 22). We are so very thankful for our children. It truly is a blessing and joy for a parent to see their children walk in truth and in the ways of the Lord (3 John 4). Kristin will be ending her "work from home" situation that she has enjoyed for the last 14 months and will be returning to her office at the company's job site in August. Kaleena will begin her last two semesters at the Junior College on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## POUDRE VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Words cannot begin to tell you how happy and excited we are to have **Curt** and **Skeeter Schulz** working and worshiping with the congregation here. Curt leads prayers and Skeeter does an outstanding job of leading singing. Both are very faithful, well rooted, and grounded in the gospel of Christ. Every congregation needs and appreciates Christians like Curt and Skeeter!

Our efforts to try and restore **Nadine Laughren** have failed. She has left the Lord's church and after many attempts to bring her back to the Lord we had to withdraw from her. We are all praying that one day she will see the error of her unfaithfulness and will want to return to the Lord and His church.

It has been so very good to be able to be meeting together again at the building for our **Sunday morning Bible classes**. This is so much better than doing the class on-line via Zoom. We are thankful we were able to do the class on Zoom during the pandemic but it is much more encouraging being together in one place – to be able to personally see each other and to discuss the class material in this one setting together. We all really missed this and are so very thankful to be able to be meeting together at the building for class once again! We also made a decision to begin meeting at the building for our **afternoon worship service** beginning on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Again, we are looking forward to being with one another for yet another service.

On Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, we are no longer requiring any masks for those who have been fully vaccinated but will recommend those who have not been vaccinated to wear a mask. We are allowing visitors to attend our services and we have had visitors the past two weeks. On the 20<sup>th</sup> we had a couple with their baby attend with us from Florence, Alabama. Last Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>, we had a couple from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. It is so uplifting to have visitors back with us again! I am praying that we do not ever have another pandemic again. I believe that we all have learned to not take anything for granted and to be thankful for every opportunity we have to be together and to be able to worship God. Our website has been updated to reflect that we are now open for all of our services and that visitors are welcome. The URL is: [www.poudrevalleychurchofchrist.org](http://www.poudrevalleychurchofchrist.org)

We are going to be able to host our yearly gospel meeting this year also. On August 6-8, brother **Ron Griffin** from the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street church of Christ in Paducah, KY will be here to hold our gospel meeting. He will be bringing his wife Carey. Carey's brother and his wife will also be coming to the meeting. They are taking the opportunity to vacation together as they visit the sites around Colorado during this meeting trip. If you are in our area the weekend of August 6-8 please come worship God with us as we listen to brother Ron proclaim the good news. Details about the gospel meeting will be posted to our website soon.

We are continuing our study of "**The Holy Spirit**" in our Sunday morning adult Bible class. We will be on lesson 11 this coming Sunday and will finish this study, the Lord willing, on the 18<sup>th</sup>. On July 25<sup>th</sup> we will begin our next study entitled "**Christians in a Secular Age.**" As usual, the participation in our Bible class is outstanding. The studies are uplifting and very profitable.

On June 6<sup>th</sup> I began a series of nine lessons on the theme of "**Worldliness.**" This series of lessons have been well received and are needed today. The final lesson in the series will be preached on August 1<sup>st</sup>, the Sunday before we begin our gospel meeting. If you want the outlines, PowerPoint charts, and to hear each of the lessons, you can access them from my personal website at [www.thetfordcountry.com](http://www.thetfordcountry.com).

I did not receive any requests for **Bible correspondence courses** this month. One person completed their course and four others are still enrolled.

## MY SCHEDULED PREACHING TRIPS

I was contacted in June by two congregations to see if I would be available to hold weekend meetings in April 2022. I accepted their invitations and so at this time I now have two gospel meetings scheduled as follows:

**April 1-3, 2022:** 10<sup>th</sup> Street church of Christ, Dalhart, Texas  
Evangelist: None

**April 8-10, 2022:** South Fayetteville church of Christ, Fayetteville, Tennessee  
Evangelist: Eric Reynolds

## SERMONS

During the month of **JUNE** the following sermons were preached:

AM	June 6	<b>WORLDLINESS: Introduction to the Series</b>
PM	June 6	No Afternoon Service
AM	June 13	<b>WORLDLINESS: Dancing</b>
PM	June 13	No Afternoon Service
AM	June 20	<b>WORLDLINESS: Drinking</b>
PM	June 20	No Afternoon Service
AM	June 27	<b>WORLDLINESS: Gambling</b>
PM	June 27	No Afternoon Service

## CLOSING

Now that we are open again for all of our regular worship times and to having visitors, I can now say, PLEASE COME TO COLORADO AND WORSHIP WITH US! A very warm and friendly awaits you as soon as you walk through our door of the meeting facility.

Our family hopes that you have a great July 4<sup>th</sup> with your family and close friends. May God richly bless you as you faithfully serve Him daily in His kingdom! Enjoy the summer and remember to always include God in all you do. *"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him"* (Colossians 3:17).

In His Service,

Richie Thetford, Evangelist  
Poudre Valley church of Christ  
**Enclosed:** June 2021 Bulletins

### Bible study sites

www.thetfordcountry.com  
rthetford.blogspot.com

Poudre Valley church of Christ  
**www.poudrevalleychurchofchrist.org**

My financial support for **JUNE** was as follows:

Cedar Park church of Christ, Cedar Park, TX	\$1,200.00
North 32nd Street church of Christ, Paducah, KY	\$1,150.00
Westview church of Christ, Hartselle, AL	\$800.00
New Georgia church of Christ, Rogersville, AL	\$600.00
Twin City church of Christ, College Station, TX	\$500.00
Adoue Street church of Christ, Alvin, TX	\$400.00
Green Meadow church of Christ, San Angelo, TX	\$400.00
Poudre Valley church of Christ, Fort Collins, CO	\$300.00
College View church of Christ, Florence, AL	\$300.00
Oaks West church of Christ, Burnet, TX	\$300.00
West Mason church of Christ, Mason, OH	\$300.00
South Fayetteville church of Christ, Fayetteville, TN	\$300.00
Olsen Park church of Christ, Amarillo, TX	\$150.00
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>\$6,700.00</b>