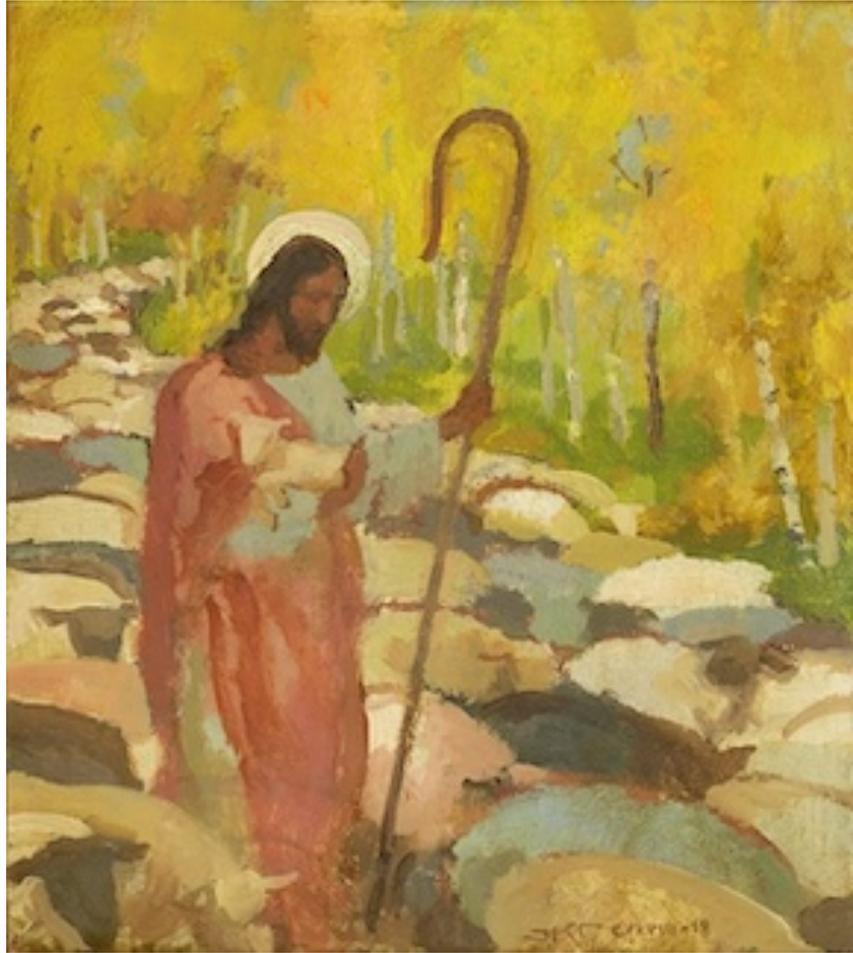


OLYMPUS COVE CONNECTIONS

From the editor...

Last week, a friend of mine asked me to speak at the memorial services for her daughter. At the beginning of my talk, I referred to the story of the people gathering by the Waters of Mormon. They were feeling despair, and they came together seeking refuge from a king who had brought on that despair. I spoke of how they shouted for joy when Alma asked if they were willing to covenant to comfort those in need of comfort, mourn with those that mourn, and bear one another's burdens. I thanked them for gathering to do that for each other in this time of need.

I thought of this last Sunday when I saw the good members of our ward do this, without hesitation, when a dear brother needed support before the end of sacrament meeting. I think Jeff Simmons' comment during Sunday School about it being a deeply spiritual experience of oneness was a moving description of what happened. There was an immediate presence of a divine spirit, as those who could take action to help did so, and those who could not physically contribute were praying and offering thoughts of concern and love. These moments are inspirational reminders to me of the blessing of a ward community. I am grateful for you. Thank you to all who helped with this issue. **Please send me information for the ward newsletter.** My phone is 303-902-7062 and my email is hansen_home@comcast.net. Thank you for your help!- Jody Hansen



Inspirational Thought - by Robyn Roberts

Out of all the seasons of the year, I love fall most of all! I have been a retired public school educator for a number of years now, but each year as school starts up again, I get so excited to see kids return to school and to watch a new academic school year begin.

In Primary, as school began this year, we gave the kids a “Be Kind” Challenge to kick off their first week of school. Recently in the “Come Follow Me” lessons we talked about “Lift where you stand!” and so I asked the kids to watch for ways they could be kind and help someone that they thought needed a little extra love or kindness as they started school. Well, the kids took on the challenge full force and came back the following week excited to report what they had done. I am so proud of our Primary kids and how they radiate Christ's love and help others. They indeed lift where they stand!

I have 2 sayings I keep on my bathroom mirror. The first one says “Take the time to be kind. It could make all the difference in someone's day”. The second one has a picture of an iceberg with its tip above the surface, but the picture also shows the larger part of it below that is hidden. We can't always see the bigger things people may be dealing with. You've heard the saying, “It's the tip of the iceberg”. Well, the quote reads: “People can be so quiet about their pain, that you forget they are hurting. That is why it is so important to always be kind.” I love these 2 sayings because they remind us to just love others and be kind like Christ would.

I know that the beautiful songs our Primary will be singing in Sacrament Meeting on Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. will help us all as we try to be more kind, to love others, and to try to be like Jesus Christ. I encourage you to invite your family and friends to this beautiful hour and to the “linger longer” mingle afterwards during the 2nd hour. Our beautiful Primary kids bring me tears of joy and love as I hear them sing



September Birthdays

Happy Birthday!

September 6 - Jacob Morris,
Phil Johnson

9 - Todd Johnson

10 - Ann Benton

12 - Tate Cannon, Jeremy
Grant

13 - Chloe Morris

14 - Brock Gardner

15 - Abby Sunderland, Halle
Sunderland

16 - Rebecca Cannon, Rick
Frendt

17 - Jan Murdock

18 - Xander Van Cornaby,
Aiden Smith, Natalie
Winward

19 - Lindsey Randle, Marie
Rets

20 - Ryan White

21 - Stuart Peterson

26 - Bruce Decker, Bennett
Moffit

27 - Barbara Slaymaker

28 - Dana Baird

29 - Heather Daybell, Dennis
Farrar

30 - William Moss

October 1 - Ann Tempest,
Danielle Nielson

2 - Aiden Lowe

3 - David Bird

5 - Cynthia Grant

7 - Darlene Packer, Gary
Atkin

8 - Eloise Romney, Brad Moss

9 - Isaac Zabriskie

10 - Kirk Winward, Lisa
Madsen

Please notify me of any preferred nicknames or proper names for the birthday list. I will try to update the official birthday list to honor that.

and share the spirit. I challenge you during the program to find which songs resonate with you as well and play them later even after you go home. I know that songs like these can lift and guide us as we work to return to our Heavenly Father one day. We are all in this together. He wants us all back with Him someday. May we love, pray, & serve those around us. - Robyn Roberts



Primary Program Sacrament Meeting - September 28, 2025

All are invited to our annual Olympus Cove Ward Sacrament Meeting Primary Program

Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025 at 11:30 a.m. in our chapel (4176 Adonis Drive on 3950 East)

We encourage you to invite family & friends to this beautiful hour and to the "linger longer" mingle afterwards during the 2nd hour in the cultural hall.

Ward Relief Society Temple Trip for September 18th - Thank you, Susan Smith for this information.

Please make an online reservation for the September 18th, 10:00 am session in the Taylorsville Temple. Please meet in the church parking lot at 8:30. Thank you, sisters, for the love you feel for service in the temple. All are enthusiastically welcomed!

Ward Relief Society Social - for all sisters!

Please come and join us for good company, good food, and wonderful fellowship!
Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 6 pm at the Fortuna Building.

Stake Primary Temple Preparation -

Sunday, September 7 at 3 - 3:30 pm in the Stake Center Relief Society Room for all children turning 8 soon, along with their parents.

Stake Family Home Evening and Patriot Day Barbecue -

Monday, September 8, 2025 at 10 - 11:15 am, at the Stake Recreational Center, for all Stake Members.

Stake Dinner for Seniors (75+)-

Wednesday, September 10 at 6 - 7 pm, at the Stake Center, for all stake members age 75 years and beyond.

Upcoming Activities

Save the dates...

Fall Harvest Party - October 14th at 6:30 pm

Ward Christmas Party - December 6th at 6:00

Stake Primary Choir

Practices for all children who wish to participate will be in the Stake Center Primary room on Sunday afternoons 2:30 - 3:00

Worship through Sacred Music -

Hymns for the next month.

Please raise your voices and sing!- from Chorister Jody Hansen

Last week, I was invited to offer some remarks about ways ward leaders would like to encourage more members to be involved in ward music, and I am so grateful for the ideas and commitment from them to increase ways we have music as part of our worship service. The new hymns that are being released on a regular basis demonstrate a focus on Christ's love, and our relationship with God. Some are appropriate for congregational singing, some for youth and primary meetings, and some are arranged for solo or ensemble music numbers. I invite all who would like to prepare a solo or ensemble number to please reach out to Katie Lowe, and schedule a time when you can sing it for us in place of the intermediate hymn. It is a wonderful addition to our meetings.

I appreciate hearing from those who especially love our hymn testimony meetings. I look forward to seeing regular meetings that focus on the difference music makes to you.

We are always interested in ways to involve the youth in sharing their insights. I have been impressed when I have heard young people present hymns or primary songs in styles and arrangements that are meaningful to them, and we will be inviting them to share more in future.

I realize new or unfamiliar hymns can be difficult. We will have opportunity to learn some new hymns with more frequent repetition, in an effort to become more familiar with practice. I am hoping that when we sing a new hymn several times in the weeks after they are introduced, more of you will feel comfortable joining in singing.

I really appreciate the willingness of so many to sing new and not yet familiar hymns. It is wonderful to hear old favorites we have not sung in a while, as well as learn the new, beautiful additions.

I invite you to please take a look, and possibly play the recording of any that are unfamiliar to you. You can pull the recordings up on the Gospel App under Sacred Music/Hymns for Home and Church. I love to hear you participate when we worship through song.

And please remember, when I invite you to stand during the intermediate hymn, please only do so if it is comfortable for you. There are reasons that some need and want to stand, and reasons that some need and

want to remain seated. I hope everyone will appreciate that each is participating in a way that works for them.

September 7 - 1040, 172, 157

September 14 - 146, 188, 116, 1038

September 21 - 1001, 177, 156

September 28 - 301, 169, 1004

October 5 - General Conference

October 12 - 1019, 196, 1020

Ward Assignment for Church Building Cleaning

The families listed below are scheduled to help clean the church in October. We will begin cleaning each Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m., unless the building is scheduled for another activity such as a funeral or a family reunion. The alternate time for cleaning will be 4:00 p.m. If you cannot fulfill this assignment for any reason, please arrange for someone to take your place. Thank you for your service.

October:

4th— General Conference (no cleaning).

11th— Jeremy & Cynthia Grant, Eric Edelman, Lisa Tecklenburg, and John Evans.

18th— Todd & Alisa Hamblin, and Mike & Jody Hansen.

25th— Heath Jones, Tyler & Carrie Lamprecht, and Stewart & Kelly Landau.

Stake Blood Drive -

Tuesday, August 19, 2025, from 1:00-7:00 pm, at the Stake Center for all stake members, neighbors, and friends 16 years or older willing and able to donate blood.

Temple and Family History resources -

We are here to help you. Temple & Family History Leader Lynn Collins 385-272-5969. Consultants: Karen Collins 385-272-4094, Gail McComas 801-580- 5468, or Alison Wilde.

Mt. Olympus Stake Family Search Center

Family History Center 2024 Hours

HOURS

Sundays - 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Mondays - 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Thursdays - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Missionaries... We really appreciate the service of our full time missionaries. Please send any messages or news from them so I can include a few things in the newsletter.

Dear Stake Family,

The Adult Religion class with Armand Johansen will continue on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the stake center chapel.

Brother Johansen will teach from Come Follow Me - The Doctrine & Covenants 2025.

We hope you will join us in person or online! And please feel free to pass this information on to anyone else who would be interested in being uplifted and learning with us.

[Click here for the YouTube Live stream.](#)

FYI: Those who are unable to watch the class during the live broadcast can view it later at the same link as above.

-**Temple Recommends** - Contact a member of the Bishopric for a phone interview. The stake interview can be arranged with one of the Stake Executive Secretary's (Andrew Olson)
Stake Temple Recommend Interviews: Standing time on Sundays from 1:30 to 2:30pm (the 4th Sunday is skipped)