

The Caller

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)
OWENSBORO, KY**

From the Preacherman....

It's ordinary time, with school out, warm days, the schedule dictated by work and gardens, vacation and recreation. It is also Ordinary Time on the Christian calendar, the days following Pentecost in the longest season of the Christian year. Ordinary time stretches all the way to Advent, beginning this year on November 29. The season is about life in the fullness of God, the presence of God in everyday things, mundane and ordinary.

Some may say, "But we don't live in ordinary times! Our time is extraordinary, monumental! Have you seen the latest news? Text? Everything is up in the air like never before!" Well, maybe. I don't know. When I read about 1968, nearly sixty years ago, the world seemed to be coming apart. King and Kennedy had been assassinated. The country was immolating over Vietnam. Or a little over a hundred years ago in 1918, tens of millions had died in the War to End All Wars. The Spanish flu pandemic would kill tens of millions more. 160 years ago? The country was in Reconstruction following the horrors of our Civil War and President Johnson would be impeached, no small thing.

There are extraordinary events in every age, things our faith calls us to endure or vanquish or overcome. My question is simply this: Do we notice the ordinary? Do you see the flower creeping up through the crack in the sidewalk? Do you notice the ocean tide turning the broken glass into smooth stone? Do you catch site of the bird nesting in the broken tree, the chipmunks in the ragged old stump?

Do you see the people who catch the bus for a ride or push their groceries all the way home in a cart? Do you notice the people who pick up your garbage in the smelly truck or work in the car wash cleaning up your vehicle? Did you notice all the beautiful places where God may be, but ignore the hospital waiting area or the viewing room at the funeral home? God is there, too, just waiting to be noticed.

Ordinary time is full of wonderful and profound things that often go unnoticed by people who think they know better. But you know better, you who follow the One who notices the small, the forgotten, the widow, the orphan--the important ones to God. Pay attention. The presence of God is real. And ordinary.

Peace....Chris



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Estes Bulldog Art camp June 1 - 5					
7 Worship/Sunday School	8	9 Primetimers Outing @12:00 p.m.	10	11 Refugee Food Pantry 10-1	12	13
14 Worship/Sunday School	15	16 Board Meeting @5:30 p.m.	17 Finance Meeting @11:30 a.m.	18	19	20
21 Worship/Sunday School	22	23	24	25 Refugee Food Pantry 10-1	26	27
28 Worship/Sunday School	29	30				

***Men's Fellowship at Great Harvest on Frederica Every Wednesday @ 6:30 a.m.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Casey Callis | 17 Carolyn Williams |
| 2 Whitley Ford | 18 Henry Busse |
| 3 John Burns | 19 Blake Hayden |
| 3 Jenna Glenn | 19 Nancy Rowe |
| 3 Irma Johnson | 21 Cathy Maddox |
| 4 Patty Hines | 21 Phillip Mitchell |
| 6 Katherine Zboril | 23 Nikki Manley |
| 7 Roy Boling | 23 Patty Wahl |
| 8 Bobby Schrecker | 23 Parker Webb |
| 9 Nancy Castlen | 25 Arwilda Roberts |
| 9 Maxine Goebel | 25 Addelyn Yager |
| 9 Joey McKinley | 28 Nadia Lucas |
| 11 Tab Quisenberry | 29 Laura Green |
| 14 Andy Lockett | 29 Linda Green |
| | 30 Jenny Busse |

Happy Anniversary!

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| Emily & Griffin Haire | Emily & Eric Baur |
| Angela & Mike Bruce | Ken & Sue Lawson |
| Anne & Mark Carlisle | Christian & Meaghan Murphy |
| Kirby & Bev Chelgren | Larry & Sherry Rhoads |
| Beverly & Jon Dawson | Johnny & Sandy Roberts |
| Cori & Larry Joe Douglas | Philip & Sara Travis |
| Clay & Diane Ford | Ashley & Brad Webb |
| Molly & Gavin Roberts | Carolyn & Henry Williams |

April Financials

Offering for the Month:	\$41,187.06
Other Revenue Month:	\$5,144.87
Total Revenue:	\$46,331.93
Expenses:	\$49,265.69
Net for the Month	(\$2,933.76)
Year-to-Date Offering	\$155,145.60
YTD Other Revenue	\$15,774.73
YTD Revenue	\$170,920.33
YTD Expenses	\$189,148.21
Net for the Year	(\$18,227.88)

Upcoming Events



Camp KBY
Camp Kumbaya is open and ready for campers this summer. Stay tuned to see who all is attending.

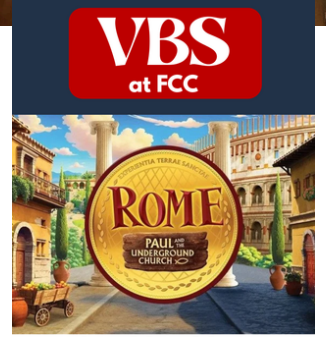
Save the Date!
We are going to make a NEW, UPDATED PICTURE DIRECTORY! On the weekend of **August 29-30** we will have a photographer at church to take pictures. It has been NINE YEARS since we've had a directory made. More details to come out SOON!!



V.B.S.

Vacation Bible School is always a lot of fun for our whole congregation.

It will be **July 20-22** from **4:00 to 7:00** and is typically for **kids ages 4-12**. We will have volunteer opportunities for teens and adults. If you have any specific questions, please reach out to Riley or Meaghan.



July 20th-22nd
4:00-7:00 pm

P.S.A.

Did you know that everytime we have communion Bonnie Brown takes the cups home, rinses them, and recycles them? Please **do not put any other trash in those communion cups or in the waste baskets labeled for them**. It creates some extra gross work for Bonnie.

Thank you, Bonnie, for all you do to reduce the carbon footprint of our church!

Welcome New & Old Members



Brende and Chris Lott have reactivated their membership after moving back to Owensboro. Their adult children that are in/out of the home are Adam, Maggie, and Daniel. Their daughter, Sally, and her family are pictured on the right. Brende and Chris currently reside at 1425 Hickory Lane Owensboro KY 42303.

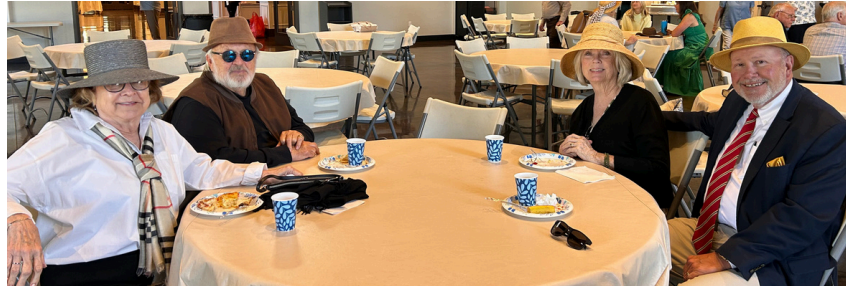


Sally, Garrett, and little Martha Jean Lott have joined the church. They currently reside at 1425 Hickory Lane Owensboro KY 42303. On Sunday, May 10th Miss Martha Jean and her parents were dedicated. She was a perfect, attentive disciple of Christ.

Events FROM LAST MONTH



Hats for Derby Day.



Larkin, Pat, Martha, and Francy drove to spend the day with Patty, in Bowling Green. What a special picture of some wonderful leaders in our church. We miss you, Patty!



On Sunday, May 10th new drivers recieved a 'blessing of the keys' from their Church family. Pictured are Elton Smith and Hampton Gaddis who promised they would obey the rules of the road and repeatedly promised not to text and drive.

On Sunday, May 10th our high school seniors were gifted a blanket in their college colors. Pictured here are two of our five seniors: Walker Gaddis (OHS grad heading to WKU) and Sam Busse (OHS grad heading to DePaul in Chicago).

The squirrel that was referenced in the May 10th sermon is pictured here feeding from a dropper with former emergency room vet tech, Laura Michael, in command of the situation. Much to Chris and Laura's surprise, the next morning the squirrel (lovingly referred to as 'Tillich') was 'back to normal' squirrel behavior.



On May 4th, Dr. Connie Ford directed the **OCTC Community Chorus**. They gave a beautiful spring performance to a packed house.



Primetimers were looking like they had just left a photo shoot before they headed off to

Bowling Green to have lunch at the Montana Grill.

The next Primetimers luncheon will be

June 9 12PM at the Farmer and The Frenchman 12522 US 41 Robards, KY. Be aware of the time change since they open at 12.

We will have a bus \$5 per person arrival at 11AM

for departure at 11:15.

Please let us know if you're coming and want to go on the bus.

Contact Janet Lockett by text only 270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez 270-929-6941 text call or leave a message.

We look forward to having any and all join us!



Flowers in the chancels on May 10th were given by the church in honor of our graduates, new drivers, and in honor of Mother's Day. Thank you, Meadowhouse for these beautiful arrangements. If you would like to purchase flowers for a special occasion, please let the office or Worship Committee know.

On behalf of our organization and the many individuals we serve, we extend our deepest and most heartfelt gratitude to FCC for your generous funding toward the purchase of our new commercial oven. With the installation of this oven, we are now able to reliably prepare three meals each day for (30-90) men. This oven has made our kitchen safer, more efficient and better equipped to serve our community for years to come.

With sincere appreciation,

Tabetha Wright
Business Manager
Boulware Mission, Inc

Thank you so much for the pretty vase of flowers and especially for your prayers! Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated!

Love,

Deloris Williams

Thank you on behalf of so many from DCPS for your generous donation to The Foundation for DCPS.

Thanks again,

Emmy Woosley



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