

The MESSENGER

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ALL ARE WELCOME AT CCC

February 6, 2022

Luke 5:1-11

What's it going to take? 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

February 13, 2022

Luke 6:17-26

Blessings and Woes

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

February 20, 2022

Genesis 45:3-11

Merciful

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

February 27, 2022

Psalm 99

Who is God?

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

March 2, 2022

Ash Wednesday

Stations of Reflections

Time to be decided

March 6, 2022

Luke 4:1-13

40 Day Challenge

8:30 am Worship Outdoor

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary



REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE February 2022

10 Things We Can Do to Walk More Gently on God's Earth

Which of these are you already doing? What new idea can you try?

- 1. Limit showers to 5 minutes or less.
- 2. Recycle clean glass containers at Target in Osage Beach.
- 3. Donate appliances, bedding, towels, dishes, clothes to The Free Store in Camdenton. Call 815-685-8412 for directions/hours.
- 4. Use rechargeable batteries.
- 5. Unplug electronics when not in use.
- 6. Install programmable thermostats.
- 7. Cook a one pot meal and save on electricity, gas, and water.
- 8. Pay your bills online.
- 9. Use your CCC tote bag for shopping!
- 10. Pray for all life on Earth; give thanks to the Creator!

"Ours is not the task of fixing the entire world at once, but of stretching out to mend the part of our world that is within our reach."

Clarissa Pinkola Este

Words from the Wilderness

COVID continues on.... Are you sick of it yet? COVID continues to be a serious concern in our community, country, and world. As your pastor, I am not immune to the serious reality of COVID in my personal life and how it affects the life of our church. PLEASE continue to be careful to protect yourself and others.

No one knows when this pandemic will be officially over, but we seem to have a long way to go. Church life continues to be unique through this time. I want to thank each person that continues to BE the church in person or through technology. If you have unplugged from church during this pandemic, we need you and you need us. Reach out to myself or Pastor Kaitlin. Call an elder. Send a text message to someone at church. At Community Christian Church, we are not a hierarchical structure. We believe that all of us are part of the body of Christ. 1 Corinthians 12, verse 12 states "For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ." We are ALL the church! It does not matter if you participate in worship on Facebook Live once every two months or if you are at the church every other day. We are all the body of Christ. We are all the church.

The challenge for all of us today, as church, is to connect. It doesn't have to be in person, but we need to connect. Since we are not a church that depends on me, the Senior Pastor, to "run" the church, this means that we all need to be the body of Christ. Every single person is responsible for Community Christian Church. Personally, I think this is a wonderful model that shows that we are each unique and valuable, but this is also a hard model to live out. Each of you reading this article is responsible to represent Community Christian Church wherever you go. This is big stuff!

1 Corinthians 12 continues on "¹⁴ Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²² On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴ whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵ that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it."

As we wearily move through this pandemic, know that God loves you and wants your involvement in the church. Be creative with your interactions. Let's be church together during this challenging time.

Our God, Our Community, Our Church!
Pastor Brown



YOUTH GROUPS

EVERY WEDNESDAY!!!

JYF (2nd-5th) 5:30-7:00 pm Chi Rho (6th-8th) 5:30-7:00 pm CYF (9th-12th) 5:30-7:00 pm

Worship Opportunities Abound

A videoed worship service will continue to be posted

(email, Facebook, website) each

Sunday afternoon.

9:00 am Sunday School (all ages)

10:00 am Worship (In-Person or Facebook Live)

Pastor Brown will be taking vacation from February 7-14.

Please contact Pastor Kaitlin during those dates for any church or pastoral needs.

February Focus Scripture

When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Luke 5:11

Recycling Dumpster

Please do not put plastic bags into the recycling dumpster. All plastic bags and their contents will be removed from recycling and put into the trash dumpster. We do not want to be responsible for the potential contents of the plastic bags. Please empty plastic bags into the recycling bin and dispose of the plastic bags separately.

Thank you.



Disciple Women's next meeting is not until March 14, 2022 as we always take January and February off. Please consider joining us then to discuss how to strengthen our local DWF efforts to continue doing the Lord's work. Beginning in March DWF will be led by six volunteers: Eileen Nelson, Judy Wingate, Sandy Cravens, Nancy Sasseen, Mindee Kramer, and Cindy Bates. Please consider joining us and strengthening our group.

Disciples Women provide financial and other assistance to several missions from local to global in scope, and we have numerous opportunities to serve in several capacities. Consider joining us and lending a hand to help spread God's love and his Word.

If you are interested in joining us, and you have not been receiving meeting announcements please contact Becky at TravnichekR@gmail.com and you will be placed on our email list.

Directory Updates for February 2022

NEW MEMBERS:

RICK AND SHARON CARPENTER joined CCC on December 12, 2021 119 Clearwater Dr.
Camdenton, MO 65020
Rick Cell: 660-651-6408
Sharon Cell: 660-346-9952
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CAROLYN THOMPSON joined CCC as a Co-Member on January 20, 2022 12 Landscape Lane Camdenton, MO 65020

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DEATHS:

KEN MADES died on December 10, 2021 SANDY VENIS died December 22, 2021 DARLENE JOHNSON died January 4, 2022 Community Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 1064 North Business Route 5 Camdenton, MO 65020-9604

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Senior Minister Rev. William R. Brown
Associate Minister Rev. Kaitlin Koeller
Pianist Judy Wingate
Administrative Asst. Janet Salter
Custodian Mgr. Jenny Gum

2022 Board Members		2022 Elders	
President	Cindy Gum	Elder Co-Chair	Cindy Bates
Vice President	Rusty McKay	Elder Co-Chair	Matt Gutirrez
Director	Nancy Sasseen	Elder	Jane Martin
Director	Nancy Johnston	Elder	Wanda Ford
Director	Vickie Hilton	Elder	Vince Travnichek
Director	Roger House	Elder	Bob Shore
Director	Ron Davis	Elder	Kathy Howard

Bonnie Black

Jodi Layman

Joel Farris

Elder Betty Gerdes
Elder Judy Wingate
Elder Mindee Kramer

Jan Amos

What is the Pastoral Support Team?

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Two teams - one for Pastor Brown and one for Pastor Kaitlin - meet monthly with the pastors to check in on Pastor Brown and Pastor Kaitlin personally, and also with all the happenings going on at CCC. These teams welcome feedback (positive and constructive) from the congregation to be able to share with the pastors, so that relationship and covenant remain strong between the congregation and clergy.

These teams also get to hear from Pastor Brown about the challenges and joys of serving as the Senior Pastor at Community Christian Church in Camdenton and Pastor Kaitlin about serving as the Associate Pastor.

Please contact any of the members of the Pastoral Support Teams if you have a question, concern, or joy about pastoral leadership at CCC. Team members for Pastor Brown include Wanda Ford, Sarah Faes, Jan Amos, Tom Cravens, Vince Travnichek, and Cindy McKay. Team members for Pastor Kaitlin include Karen Rowe, Eric Fields, Jodi Layman, Vickie Hilton, and Lorinda Grauel.

Support Bereavement Group

Elder

Many of us have lost spouses, children, or parents recently, and this group is to bring us together to mourn, plus receive support as our lives move forward towards a new "normal". Practical, down-to-earth conversations are encouraged and hoped for. Contact Sheryl Fiala-Lanzone, Pastor Kaitlin, or Pastor Brown if you have any questions. The next gathering will be Wednesday, February 16 at 1:00 PM, in the sanctuary. Just come and connect with others that are feeling pain and confusion. Please RSVP with Sheryl Fiala-Lanzone (314-629-5000).

FINANCIAL NEWS AT CCC

2021 Financial Giving Statements will be sent out near the end of January via email. If you would like a paper copy of your 2021 Financial Giving Statement, please contact Sarah Faes, our treasurer. If you have any financial questions including your end-of-year giving statements, please contact Sarah Faes by phone (573-286-3616) or email (cccfinancial@yahoo.com).

Greetings Community!

February tends to focus on love and relationships. When you go to the store, there are hearts, candy, and pink and red throughout the aisles. Yet it is about more than just the items that we purchase. May we be reminded this month especially of the connections we have with each other. It is beneficial for each of us to have this reminder to focus on our interpersonal relationships - our relationships with one another and God.

Some of us are gifted and knowledgeable about what our relationships need to thrive. Perhaps you have heard of the five love languages: acts of service, gift-giving, physical touch, quality time, and words of affirmation. I think of one of my peers who is the most intentional gift-giver that I know. They take the time to know the gift receiver's likes, dislikes, and preferences. I think they might keep a logbook. I also think of moments when a meaningfully timed phone call, text, or email is sent and received.

Now not all of us are this attentive. At times, we get distracted by daily life and miss opportunities to reach out and check in with our family, friends, and acquaintances. What might it look like to take fifteen minutes to call someone who has been on our mind? How might you carry this same energy into your relationship with God?

This month we are encouraged to explore and consider how we can deepen our spiritual practices and strengthen our faith in our relationship to God. We know that God loves us (John 3:16) and that God is love (1 John 4:8). God, too, embodies the five love languages: acts of service, gift-giving, physical touch, quality time, and words of affirmation as we consider the many ways that we interact with and experience God in our lives.

May God help us to remember that Jesus taught us to love one another. (John 15:12) Let us also remember that love is an action verb. May we live with an overabundance of love that overflows to those around us.

In gratitude, Pastor Kaitlin Koeller



Home Grown Fishing Market
Saturday, February 12, 2022 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Hand made & artisan fishing tackle from Missouri craftsmen

\$5.00 entry fee; 10 & younger FREE All net proceeds benefit local charities Masks are recommended

Introduction to fishing seminar for all children.

1st 100 children (10 & under) will receive a free rod & reel combo and a free crappie kit!

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