

May 2023



The MESSENGER

Mission Statement: to proclaim Christ's love to all people through Worship, Study, Fellowship, and Service.

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May Worship Information

May 7, 2023

Matthew 16:24-26

“disciples”

Regional Minister Ron Routledge

8:30 am Worship Outdoors

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary

May 14, 2023

Mother's Day

John 14:5-21

Keep My Commandments

8:30 am Worship Outdoors

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary

May 21, 2023

Acts 1:6-14

Devoting Themselves to Prayer

8:30 Worship Outdoors

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary

May 28, 2023

Pentecost

1 Corinthians 12:3-13

One Spirit

8:30am Worship Outdoors

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary



Missions in the Middle

God's Creation and Missions?!?! The 15th of every month brings our focus on missions. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!** This month, we will be meeting at the Ha Ha Tonka State Park parking lot closest to the castle on Monday, May 15 at 10:30 am. We will take a short walk (less than a mile) and discuss the importance of creation care, public lands, and missions. See you there!

Pastoral Support Team

Pastor Brown meets monthly with his Pastoral Support Team. This is an opportunity for the team to check in on Pastor Brown personally, and also to share what is happening at CCC. The Pastoral Support Team welcomes feedback (positive and constructive) from the congregation to be able to share with Pastor Brown, so that relationship and covenant remain strong between the congregation and the clergy person. Please contact any of the members of the Pastoral Support Team if you have a question, concern, or joy about pastoral leadership at CCC. Team members for Pastor Brown include Wanda Ford, Jan Amos, Tom Cravens, Vince Travnichek, and Cindy McKay.

Words from the Wilderness

April was quite a month and I am exhausted. It has been a wonderful month of relationship and community! Thank you for participating in worship, attending youth groups or Wednesday Night Meals, helping with the landscaping project, attending Bluegrass and BBQ, volunteering at LAMBHouse, and/or attending Missions in the Middle. There are so many ways to be church, and these are just a few of them!

As I search for some moments of quiet and rest, I wonder how you might find your quiet and rest. We have the lived experience of community and the joy of Easter, but as humans, we also need quiet times of rest like Jesus modeled for us. How do you find quiet and rest? Do you turn off your television for the entire evening? Do you walk the boardwalks of Ha Ha Tonka State Park to see the wildflowers? Do you call a friend and enjoy a meal and conversation? Do you find a comfortable spot and read a book? How do you find quiet and rest?

As Christians, we are not to be only head-smart or only focused on hands-on work. We are to be a balance of work, relaxation, fun, and activity. How is your balance going?

Our God, Our Community, Our Church!

Pastor Brown



May Focus Scripture

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages,
as the Spirit gave them ability.

Acts 2:4

COMMUNITY MEAL AND YOUTH GROUPS
EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT

There is a meal EVERY Wednesday night. You can dine-in, pick-up in the parking lot, or have your meal delivered. Please RSVP if possible if you plan to attend. It takes a community to prepare, serve, deliver, eat, and clean-up. Join the fun! We have 3 youth groups that meet from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. JYF (Junior Youth Fellowship) includes 2nd through 5th grades, Chi Rho includes 6th through 8th grades, and CYF (Christian Youth Fellowship) includes 9th through 12th grades. We will have our end of year party for the youth on May 24th, and then go on our summer Wednesday Night schedule starting on the 31st.

**Directory Updates for
May 2023 Newsletter.**

* Dear Sister Leanna Harrison, *
* The Camdenton Community Christian *
* Church, DOC, appreciates your donation of *
* warm blankets for the families that we serve *
* in the community through the Christmas is *
* Sharing Program. *
* Your kindness is an awesome reminder that *
* many of the items in our closets are necessi- *
* ties for others and will provide warmth and *
* comfort to people who have limited access *
* to services and resources. *
* God bless you for your generosity and being *
* a shining example for likeminded disciples *
* of Christ. *
* Sincerely, *
* Camdenton Community Church *

Worship Opportunities Abound

8:30 am Worship Outdoors
9:30 am Sunday School (all ages)
10:45 am Worship Indoors (Facebook Live)
Please join us in-person,
via Facebook Live at 10:45 am,
or watch on YouTube on Sunday afternoon.
via Facebook Live at 10:45am, or watch on
YouTube on Sunday afternoon.

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 Director Tammy Lupardus
 Director Judy Crawford
 Director Dick Mellencamp
 Director Ron Davis
 Director Eric Faes
 Director Jodi Layman
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2023 Elders

Elder Matt Gutierrez
 Elder Tom Cravens
 Elder Linda Calcari
 Elder Vince Travnichek
 Elder Kathy Howard
 Elder Nancy Sasseen
 Elder Betty Gerdes
 Elder Mindee Kramer



REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

5 Ways to Reduce Plastic Use:

"It's all about reducing single-use plastics."

- 1. Take your CCC cloth bag to the grocery store, drugstore, outlet mall and anywhere else you may be given a plastic bag.**
- 2. Buy in bulk to avoid excessive food packaging.**
- 3. Buy solid bars of shampoos and conditioners. Buy pods or strips of laundry detergent in recyclable bags.**
- 4. Use plastic-free containers. Use glass or metal jars to store nuts, flour, and other foods, as well as dish soap and body creams.**
- 5. Recycle "good" plastics. Plastic bottles and tubs (marked #1-7) can be recycled in the outside bin at church.**

Bear Market Sales

Do you have items in your home you are no longer using? You can turn those items into cash by taking them to Bear Market, and leaving them for CCC resale. Bear Market usually accepts items every day except Thursday, but you may want to call 573-346-3608 to be sure before taking your item(s). Just place your item(s) in the designated place just to the right after you enter. Give the Bear Market employee the church's sale number (19934).

All cash from Bear Market sales this year will be designated for the CCC Keep Cool fund—in anticipation of replacement of or more air conditioners later this year.

Questions may be directed to Kathy Howard (262-672-9682) or Nancy Johnston (573-346-7986).