

2025 Board Members

President	Tammy Lupardus
Vice President	Judy Crawford
Director	Lori Ballard
Director	Sandy Cravens
Director	Eric Faes
Director	Nyk Farris
Director	Rusty McKay
Director	Dick Mellencamp
Director	Karen Rowe
Director	Karon Watts

2025 Elders

Elder Co-Chair	Linda Calcari
Elder Co-Chair	Darrell Lewis
Elder	Tom Cravens
Elder	Melissa Dandridge
Elder	Jackie King
Elder	Mark King
Elder	Jodi Layman
Elder	Bev Lewis
Elder	Jane Martin
Elder	Carolyn Thompson

Church Staff/Leaders

Senior Minister	Rev. William R. Brown
Music Director	Judy Wingate
Administrative Asst.	Stacy Lynch
Custodian Mgr.	Jenny Gum
Treasurer	Sarah Faes
Gym Coordinator	Annie Daniels
Activities Coordinator	Mason Farris



Have A Question

Community Christian Church is a busy place as we serve God together! We have so many things going on that no one knows *everything* that we do. So....if you have a question or a curiosity, please ask Pastor Brown, a Board Member, and/or an Elder. We want to create an environment of asking questions and learning together. What a great church we have!



LAMB House

volunteering this month will be Tuesday, January 28 from 9:15 am to 1:00 pm. Please come join the fun as we serve God in our community!

Financial News @ CCC

If you have any financial questions including your end-of-year giving statements, please contact Sarah Faes by email (cccfinancial@yahoo.com).

Hygiene Products

We are collecting any hygiene products to give to local people. Please place any items in the shopping cart located in the narthex.



Worship Times

9:00 am Sunday School (all ages)

10:00am Worship Service (Facebook Live)

Please join us in-person or via Facebook Live at 10:00am

We Welcome All



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"To proclaim Christ's love to all people through Worship, Study, Fellowship and Service"

Leadership Conference February 1, 2025

All CCC leaders (this means you!!!) are invited to attend our annual Leadership Conference. This is special time where all the Lake of the Ozarks Disciples of Christ churches come together to worship, to learn, and to listen. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, February 1, 2025. This year's event will be at Golden Beach Community Church in Barnett, Missouri, and will be from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please RSVP with Pastor Brown ASAP.



Lake of the Ozarks Fishing Expo
Everything you need for LOTO fishing!

Saturday; February 8th; 9:00 – 3:00

Custom tackle makers; fishing guides; special outdoor sport equipment. Raffles for a fishing kayak & high value fishing packages

Community Christian Church

Words From The Wilderness

February is here and 2025 is for real! Are you excited for this year? What plans did you make for 2025, and are you on schedule to follow those plans?

As a church, we are very fortunate to have one another through the ebbs and flows of life. Thank you for being there for one another. For February, the hymn Amazing Grace will be our song of the month...

Amazing grace!
How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

According to dictionary.com, grace means “favor or goodwill”. YES, God’s grace is amazing. YES, God’s grace is favorable to you, to me, to everyone. With this amazing grace and with the relationships we have with one another, will not 2025 be wonderful? Praise be to God! I know I am very excited!

Our new board of directors has now met, as well as our new elders. We should be very proud of the people who said “yes” on everyone’s behalf here at CCC. Thank you! Tammy Lupardus, our new board president, has us off to a great start of leadership, listening, and love. Linda Calcari and Darrell Lewis, our elder co-chairs, are ready to lead in any spiritual matters we encounter as a community. We are thankful for our current leaders, and our past leaders. May we continue to share power, and appreciate one another’s diverse gifts.

Finally, let’s talk about mental health. How is your mental health? Have you ever prayed about or analyzed your mental health? With all ages and all backgrounds, mental health is important for the individual, but also for us as a church. Let’s work on our mental health together. What can we do to help ourselves and build a stronger community? What ideas do you have? What resources do you need? I invite you to jump into conversations about mental health with me and with each other, and also to include your growing spirituality in these conversations.

Our God, Our Community, Our Church!!!
Pastor Brown

SARA BROWN IS VOLUNTEERING AT THE CHANGING TABLE—
WHAT ABOUT YOU? WHERE DO YOU VOLUNTEER?

SEND US A PICTURE OF YOURSELF VOLUNTEERING AND LET US



·FREE STORE?

·LAMB HOUSE?

·SALVATION ARMY?

·SHARE THE HARVEST?



INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF BOARD MEMBERS



JUDY CRAWFORD

TAMMY LUPARDUS

ERIC FAES

DICK MELLENCAMP



KAREN ROWE
KARON WATTS
SANDY CRAVENS



February Worship Information



February 2, 2025

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Love Never Ends

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary

February 9, 2025

Mark 12:38-44

Are You A Sincere Christian?

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary

February 16, 2025

Psalm 1

Trees Need Water

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary

February 23, 2025

Luke 6:27-38

Do you love your enemies?

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary

February Focus Scripture

But I say to you who are listening:

Love your enemies;

do good to those who hate you...

Luke 6:27

SUNDAY SCHOOL



You are never too old for Sunday school!

Every Sunday morning at 9:00 am,
there are two Adult Sunday School classes.

Wedding Room

Open Door uses that day's scripture and the questions posed by our pastor relating to the scripture as a starting point for prayer, discussion, and sharing our faith stories.

Any questions about this Adult Sunday School class, please reach out to Lee Ann Mitchell.

Library

An in-depth study of the book of Genesis with Lifeway "Explore the Bible" study books.

Any questions about this Adult Sunday School class, please reach out to Jane Martin.



Women's Literary Club Meeting

 **Location:** Fellowship Hall

 **Date:** Tuesday, February 11, 2025

 **Time:** 12:00 PM

Program: Pastor William Brown will present on Bear Hunting in Ontario.

Guests are welcome to join us!
For more information, please contact Bonnie Black.



Sunday Worship Leaders

February

- 2/2 Kathy Howard
- 2/9 Steve Calcari
- 2/16 Dick Mellencamp
- 2/23 Bonnie Black

March

- 3/2 Lee Anna Mitchell
- 3/9 Rob Lupardus
- 3/16 Hana Brown
- 3/23 Jan Amos
- 3/30 Tammy Lupardus



To All Board Members Who Served With Me,

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering dedication, service, and leadership as a valued member of our Board of Directors. Your

commitment to advancing our church's mission and guiding our congregation in faith and fellowship has been truly inspiring.

Over the past four years, we have accomplished so much together, particularly with our finances, and successfully met numerous goals. Your leadership has been a shining example of what it means to serve selflessly, and your dedication to both the spiritual and practical needs of our congregation has not gone unnoticed.

As the new Board Members step into their roles, I am confident that the strong foundation we have built together will empower them to continue enriching the lives of our church family and the wider community we serve.

Thank you for your hard work, prayerful discernment, and the unique perspectives you brought to our team. It has been a true privilege to serve alongside such compassionate and devoted individuals.

May God bless you abundantly for your contributions and commitment.

With deepest gratitude,
Roger House



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

There is a community Wednesday night meal nearly every Wednesday at 5:00 pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

If you would like to help prepare the meal, eat the meal,

WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUPS

(2nd through 12th grade)

We will have food at 5:00 pm and youth groups last until 7:00pm. Thank you for your support through prayer and presence for this important ministry of CCC.

Invite your neighbors and friends.

ALUMINUM CANS

Did you know, we collect aluminum cans to raise money for our youth? If you would like to support our youth, then please leave cans under the carport by the van. If you have recycling other than aluminum cans, PLEASE put those non-aluminum recycling items in the large bin outside.

Questions?

Contact Pastor Brown or Roger House.



INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF ELDERS

JACKIE KING
LINDA CALCARI
TOM CRAVENS



MARK KING
DARRELL LEWIS
BEV LEWIS





Spring cleaning

At Community Christian Church

Volunteers needed!

Join us this March (dates to be announced) for
Spring Cleaning Friday!

We need your help with deep cleaning inside the church.

How to Sign Up:

- A sign-up sheet will be available in the **Narthex on Sundays.**
- During the week, you can sign up at the **church office** (Monday–Friday, 9 AM to 3 PM).

Questions?

Please reach out to **Jenny Gum** for more details.



jennyreid22@hotmail.com



**THE SNOW AT
CCC WAS BEAUTIFUL!
WE APPRECIATE THOSE WHO
COULD MAKE IT OUT
SAFELY AND COME HELP**





BRAD GROVES AT JOURNEY CC IN LEBANON

PASTOR BROWN ENJOYS TIME WITH HIS CLERGY COLLEAGUES



The CCC Board held its January 2025 Board Meeting on January 16, and the highlights of that meeting are as follows:

- Welcomed the following five new board members:
 - ◊ Lori Ballard
 - ◊ Nyk Farris
 - ◊ Rusty McKay (returning former CCC board member)
 - ◊ Karen Rowe (returning former CCC board member)
 - ◊ Karon Watts;
- Appointed/approved one year commitment of Board Secretary as Eric Faes (Nyk Farris to serve as back-up);
- Affirmed/Honored work of Property Committee resulting from their submitted board report;
- Reviewed CCC Bylaws to build foundational understanding of board's role and scope of responsibility;
- Reviewed finance and budget to establish broad understanding (huge THANK YOU to Treasurer Sarah Faes for facilitating this discussion!);
- Approved Judy Crawford's request to begin surveying interest rates from local banks related to CCC's commercial loan;
- Approved Pastor Brown's 2025 Call Letter & package breakdown
- Approved Pastor Brown's Sabbatical (see "What is Sabbatical?" below for additional information) dates as follows:
 - ◊ August 25, 2025 to November 22, 2025

What is Sabbatical?

Excerpts from a resource published by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) offers the following information:

- Sabbatical is supported through the following scriptures:
 - ◊ --Exodus 20: 8-11;
 - ◊ --Leviticus 25: 1-5;
 - ◊ --Matthew 14:23;
 - ◊ --Mark 1:35;
 - ◊ --Luke 5:15-16;
 - ◊ --Luke 6:12

- Sabbatical/Renewal Leaves have proven to be a blessing to both congregations and pastoral leadership. Sabbath is a central biblical concept. The word "Sabbath" means "stop." As God rested from the work of creation, God also commands that very creation to stop working and rest.
- Renewal provides those opportunities for the heart to sing but Sabbath rest has become a lost concept in modern life. Current technology and multitasking have inhibited the ability to balance periods of work and rest. Many faithful people feel that they must work ever longer and harder even though this is contrary not only to the wisdom of biblical teachings but to all we know about learning, productivity and creativity. For peak performance, all humans need a good rhythm of work/rest. God's people today need to re-learn the importance of Sabbath.
- A Sabbatical/Renewal Leave offers the minister time for reassessment of his/her ministry, which can be difficult to do while engaged in the day-to-day tasks for ministry. By changing the scene and the pace as well as engaging in different activities, ministers find themselves enriched spiritually, mentally and even physically.
- When a minister takes a Sabbatical/Renewal Leave, the congregation will benefit from the opportunity to reflect on its mission and ministry, experience different gifts of leadership and perhaps discover their own unique areas of ministry.
- Most Regions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) encourage a three-month Sabbatical/Renewal Leave after five years of ministry. Regardless of the duration, it is vital the leave be taken as a continuous, uninterrupted block of time. Sabbatical is a no contact time between pastor and church.
- Over the past nearly ten years of service to CCC, Pastor's Brown's Call Letter continues to afford a three-month sabbatical every five years. A commitment to at least one year of service with CCC after returning from sabbatical is also included in Pastor Brown's Call Letter.
- Efforts are underway to develop a Sabbatical Committee to begin planning for this exciting time of August 25 -November 22 at CCC.

LEADERSHIP

CAMDENTON COUNTY



Thank You

Dear Church Family-

On behalf of all the church employees, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for the generous Christmas bonus you bestowed upon us. Your thoughtfulness and kindness are a true reflection of God's love and provision.

It is an honor and a blessing to serve this wonderful congregation. Your generosity not only affirms our efforts, but also inspires us to continue serving with dedication, joy, and faith.

May God richly bless each of you and your families this season and in the year ahead. Thank you for your continued support, prayers, and encouragement—it means more to us than words can express.

With deepest appreciation,

Senior Pastor William R. Brown , Choirs Director/Pianist Judy Wingate,
Treasurer Sarah Faes, Administrative Assistant Stacy Lynch, Custodian Manager Jenny Gum,
Gym Coordinator Annie Daniels & Activities Coordinator Mason Farris



Have any 

contact the church Activities Coordinator

Mason Farris

If you would like to use the gym for



practices or pickleball

contact the church Gym Coordinator

Annie Daniels



Dear Members,

Unfortunately, Marilyn Thomas's picture did not make it into the 2024 picture directory. To address this, we have printed individual pictures that can be taped into the appropriate spot in the directory.

These pictures are available in the narthex and the office. Feel free to stop by and pick one up at your convenience.

Thank you for your understanding!



“Veterans, We Got Your Back”

Presents

Veterans Talk

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From 3pm to 5pm

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All Veterans are welcome!!!

Women's Fellowship Opportunity

Come for the Coffee,
stay for the conversation!

all women in the church are invited to gather for
coffee/tea and conversation at 9:30 am at

The Funky Buffalo

498 W Highway 54 Camdenton, MO 65020

February 4th and 18th

Come early, come late; come every time,
come when you can...

We Look forward to seeing you!

