



LAKE OZARK  
**CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH**  
*Disciples of Christ*

## The Lake Chimes

September 2023



Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to the man to see what he would call them, and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle and to the birds of the air and to every animal of the field, but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore, a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. – Genesis 2:18-24

I am excited to announce that I am to be married!

Wendy McGinnis and I graciously request the honor of your presence to celebrate as we unite in the covenant of marriage in our sanctuary on December 30, 2023 at 2 pm.

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Ron

**WORSHIP SERVICE – 8:30 & 10:30 A.M.**

## **MINISTRIES & COMMITTEES UPDATES**

### **BIBLE STUDY**

We have Bible Study each Tuesday at 1:30pm. We will be studying the Gospel of Luke.

I hope you will join us!

Blessings and Peace,  
Pastor Ron

### **CARE CONNECTION (FOR SEPTEMBER)**

Susan Bowden (573) 434-0669

Janell Jones (417) 693-0229

### **Christian Men's Fellowship**

CMF's breakfast meeting will be Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up at the information table so we know how much food to prepare.

### **DISCIPLES WOMEN'S MINISTRIES**

The DWM meets the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 am in the MPR. The next meeting is September 6, 2023. All women are invited. Please join us.



### **DIRECTORY**

New photo and/or corrections may be submitted at any time: [office@lakeozarkdisciples.org](mailto:office@lakeozarkdisciples.org). There are directions to download an app for the Instant Church Directory to your phone. Once you have this app on your phone, it will allow you to call someone or get directions to their home directly from your cell phone.

### **PICKLEBALL**

Pickleball will resume each Friday starting September 8, 2023 at 10:00 am.

### **GAME DAY**

Game Day September 15 at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen. Bring your favorite beverage and a snack to share. No game day September 1.



### **HOPE HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

September 25 & September 27-30, 8:30 am – 2 pm  
Volunteers are needed for the Thrift Store & Food Pantry: cashiers, sorting, restocking, bread pick-up, order fulfillment, etc.  
Sign up or contact LOCC church liaison: Barb Davis (573) 280-4435

### **LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING**

Date September 28, 2023  
Chair: Tim Kirchner (563) 929-1217

### **PRAYER GROUP**

We meet every Tuesday at 3 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. We are honored and privileged to pray for the concerns of the church. We believe God hears and answers prayers. Because the list has become very lengthy, we have determined to return to the previous policy of removing the concerns after 30 days. If the concern has been updated, it will remain on the list as we know there are some requests that are on our hearts for extended periods of time. The military and nursing home residents will remain on the list until notified otherwise.

### **SHELTER IN A STORM/PANTRY OF BLESSINGS**

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 7 at 3 pm. (MR)  
Special request for *September: pasta sauce and jelly*

**Deadline for information in the October Chimes is September 25, 2023.**

from "The Nest"

## a few Notes:



LOCC Choir rehearsals are on Wednesdays at  
5:30 pm in the choir rehearsal room. New members are welcomed.

**Come and make sweet music to the Lord with us.**

Blessings

Michael

P.S. Looking for vocal soloists, instrumentalists(guitar, strings, brass, woodwinds) AND,  
Bell Ringers! [Leave a message for Rich Reinwald at the church's phone]

Call or leave a message for Michael at 573-365-3366 or text 573-480-7492 (Michael's  
phone). Email Michael at: [musicdirector@lakeozarkdisciples.org](mailto:musicdirector@lakeozarkdisciples.org) OR [mical2274@charter.net](mailto:mical2274@charter.net)



Please join us on Wednesday,  
September 6, 2023 at  
10:30 am in the MPR.

**We have recently updated our website,  
but we are still in need of pictures,  
especially ones highlighting fellowship  
events. Please email these pictures to  
the office!**

[office@lakeozarkdisciples.org](mailto:office@lakeozarkdisciples.org)



## ***"OUR GIVING"***

**OPERATING FUND**  
Weekly Need Budget  
\$5,060

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Jun 25	6,565
Jun 2	3,986
Jul 9	2,272
Jul 16	5,459
Jul 23	2,159

**BUILDING FUND**  
Weekly Need/Budget  
\$1,800

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Jun 25	1,500
Jul 2	800
Jul 9	600
Jul 16	200
Jul 23	125

Jan 1 to Jul 23 Budgeted Revenue Deficit -\$10,875  
Jan 1 to Jul 23 "Actual" Operating Deficit \$-7,485

Set up Automatic Giving @ [www.lakeozarkdisciples.org](http://www.lakeozarkdisciples.org)

LOCC received a generous gift from an estate this month in the amount of \$35,000! These funds are "NOT" Included in this summary. LOCC Leadership has not decided how to distribute the funds.

**2023 Flower List is now available**

Please sign up at  
the information table.



The "Our Giving" listed above is last month's information.  
A new one will be provided soon.

Thank you for your patience.



**Adult Sunday School at 9:30 am!**

Adult Bible Study meets every Sunday morning at 9:30 am. Tim Tabor and Joe Weber will lead the class. We'll be using the Augsburg Adult Bible Studies. You can pick up your booklet in the office, in class, or see Tim or Joe.

CMF's breakfast will be Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up at the information table so we know how much food to prepare. Joe Weber will lead the meeting.



## **Gospel of Luke Bible Study**

Each Tuesday, we have our study on the Gospel of Luke. We start at chapter 1 and the subsequent story of Zechariah.

I hope you will join us!

Bible Study on Luke  
Tuesdays at 1:30pm in the Multi-Purpose Room

-Pastor Ron





**A BIG THANK YOU TO  
EVERYONE THAT HELPED  
WITH THE 2023 ANNUAL  
RUMMAGE SALE.  
IT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!!**



Cindy and Tom Wiltshire at the General Assembly of the Disciples of Christ in Louisville, Kentucky. The gentleman pictured with them plays for the Kentucky Derby. He also attended the assembly.



## Sharing the Moments when God touches our Lives

### Invitation to Share

Many appreciated Debbie Robinson sharing about answered prayer in the Chapel and how she experienced the working of the Lord in her life. It is good to share our encounters with the mystery of God's grace, letting others know that the Lord is at work in our lives. If you have an experience you feel moved to share, let Pastor Ron know!

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Ron

## Sermon Series on Exodus

When a new Pharaoh came to power, life became hard and bitter for the Israelites, forcing them into hard labor. Further, every male Hebrew child was to be thrown into the Nile.

When Moses was born, he was hid away, eventually placed in a basket, where he was found and adopted by the daughter of Pharaoh.

“When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, ‘because,’ she said, ‘I drew him out of the water.’” – Exodus 2:10

What’s in a name? Out of all the Hebrew pillars of faith, none rank as high as Moses, God’s messenger and deliverer, bearer of the Law, who would converse with God, even argue. At first, our hero couldn’t even speak very well—his brother had to do the talking for him. And yet, this man of God was the Lord’s instrument to save the Israelite people, teach them about God, make an everlasting covenant, and lead them through the wilderness to the edge of the Promised Land.

This month, we begin a series on Exodus. We will look at a sampling of passages, beginning with Moses’ encounter at the Burning Bush.

# ***Christians***

By Maya Angelou

When I say... "I am a Christian" I'm not shouting "I'm clean livin'."  
I'm whispering "I was lost, Now I'm found and forgiven."

When I say... "I am a Christian" I don't speak of this with pride.  
I'm confessing that I stumble and need Christ to be my guide.

When I say... "I am a Christian" I'm not trying to be strong.  
I'm professing that I'm weak and need His strength to carry on.

When I say... "I am a Christian" I'm not bragging of success.  
I'm admitting I have failed and need God to clean my mess.

When I say... "I am a Christian" I'm not claiming to be perfect,  
My flaws are far too visible but, God believes I am worth it.

When I say... "I am a Christian" I still feel the sting of pain.  
I have my share of heartaches, so I call upon His name.

When I say... "I am a Christian" I'm not holier than thou,  
I'm just a simple sinner Who received God's good grace, somehow!

## Announcements on Sunday Morning

With so much happening at Lake Ozark Christian Church, sometimes our announcement time seems very long. Please note that key announcements are in the bulletin and the insert. They also appear in the Chimes and the weekly email teaser. If you have an announcement that you would like shared, please contact the church office.

We need the information by Wednesday evening. Thanks!

## Nursing Home Services at Stonebridge

We are now providing a short worship service at Stonebridge (872 College BLVD, behind Hy-Vee) on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 2:30 pm. Pastor Ron will offer a brief reflection and prayer, and we will sing! We need your welcoming presence! A kind word, a welcoming smile, and an encouraging Spirit can bring great comfort, assurance and joy to the residents!

## 55ALIVE UPCOMING EVENTS

**Signups are now being taken for the following events:**

Painting Classes continue each Thursday at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions, please contact Mary Andeline. Once classes end, there will be an Art Display for everyone to view September 22-30.

September 21 - Sight and Sound Theater presentation of QUEEN ESTHER.

Additional events are being planning, please watch for details coming soon.

**Invite your friends and family to join 55Alive events.  
Everyone is welcome and these are great  
opportunities for fellowship and fun.**

## Highlights from the Leadership Council Meeting on August 24, 2023

- The Leadership Council met to consider the proposed changes to the bylaws.
- The council had about a month to look through the proposed changes.
- We had a good discussion and made a few changes, often for clarification. Although David Sallee had looked it over as an attorney, there were some points we wanted him to review.
- We are very close to having a final version of the proposed changes to our bylaws and anticipate being able to share these after our next meeting in September.
- We want to offer special thanks to all those who worked on the bylaws: chair Jane Daniels and her team: Rebecca Collins, Barbara Davis, Paula Elkin, and Ron Trimmer as well as consultants: Susan Rader, Matt Redd and David Sallee.



LAKE OZARK CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Kindergarten – 2nd grade

Wednesdays  
3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

We can even pick your  
child up from school!

This program is FREE!

Your child will learn about faith  
and have a snack.

**Register online**



If you have additional questions, please contact  
Lake Ozark Christian Church  
1560 Bagnell Dam Blvd.  
Lake Ozark, Missouri 65049  
573-365-3366

## TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NEWS

The LOCC Transportation Ministry began approximately 4 years ago. Initially, the primary purpose was to assist members of LOCC by providing rides to medical, dental, and physical therapy appointments in Lake Ozark, Osage Beach, Camdenton, Eldon, Jefferson City, and Columbia. A second purpose was to provide rides to members needing transportation assistance in order to attend services at LOCC.

A survey of LOCC's membership was conducted and many members offered to provide transportation to one (1) or more of the locations listed above. Over time, several of our original group of volunteers have relocated, had changes in their family, or unfortunately passed away. This has created a much smaller "pool" of volunteers.

As a result, we are once again asking for volunteers to provide transportation to locations. Please consider helping us by selecting one (1) or more locations on the sign-up sheet at the information table so we can continue to assist LOCC church members.

## SHELTER IN A STORM



### Have you ever had a "storm" in your life?

Many people in our area have storms of life and need some help. We are able to help with gas cards, motel nights, notes of encouragement, Bibles, food and clothing from monthly donations of our members, and donations of coats, sleeping bags and food boxes from Hope House. Thank you for helping people make it through their personal storms.

**For SEPTEMBER, PASTA SAUCE & JELLY.** Please put any other donations in the bin outside the sanctuary, so it may be inventoried. The committee keeps an account of what has been donated and what goes out, so please put donations in the bin to have it counted. A report is given at each Shelter in a Storm meeting to let us know how many items have been donated, how many used, and how many people have been helped with travel expenses, food, clothing, and motel rooms. Hope House is helping us with boxes of food for families, toiletries, sleeping bags and coats. Bibles have been added to the Pantry. We also have gas cards and motel room arrangements for those in need, as well as showers here at church.

Audrey Tanner is the committee chair of Shelter in a Storm. Other committee members are Sandy Wolfgang (clothing, shelter), Cindy Wiltshire (communications), Paula Elkin (administrative assistant), Joe Weber (gas cards), Margaret Weber (grants), Greg Andrews (donors), Connie Schluter (warming center assistance), Pastor Ron Trimmer (advisor), Barb Davis and Gayle Sheffer (pantry stocking).

Our next quarterly meeting is November 7, at 3pm in the MR. Please plan to attend if you have an interest in this outreach project. We ask for your prayers for those we are helping and for those who are serving in this way. This church is making a difference in lives that are important and loved by God, including all those served and those serving and praying.



## ***Our Prayers***

### **Prayer Requests**

Ukraine – LOCC  
Steve Carson – LOCC  
Susan Schafer – Susan Bowden  
Rich Reinwald – LOCC  
Debbie Ferrell – LOCC  
Petruso family – Jerry & Susan Rader  
Sue Walter LeVota – Lloyd B. Cunningham, Jr.  
Ellis Gorden – Lloyd B. Cunningham, Jr.  
Santana – Ramona Butler  
Lahaina Maui – LOCC  
Susan Baker – Bob & Wally Balfanz  
Rod Neuman – Bob & Wall Balfanz  
Eileen Butt family – Bob & Wally Balfanz  
Jim Biggs – LOCC  
Bea Black – LOCC  
Becky Sessums – Barb Davis  
Jerry Rader – LOCC  
After-school program – LOCC  
Jim Self – Shirley Wicker

### **Nursing Home & Senior Care**

Nancy Woodward - Lutheran Manor  
Dwight Ayer – Pines Adult Care Center  
Maureen Milligan - Orchid Terrace  
Jean Smithson – Bridges by EPOCH at Norwalk  
Ruth Payne – Garden Villas of O’Fallon  
Jill Ward – Rock Island Village  
Sandie West – Miller County Care & Rehab Center  
Verna Woodson – St. Agnes Home  
Mark Woodson – Heritage House  
Dale Miller - Stonebridge

### **Military**

Blake Barrow - Fred Braun & the late Helen Barrow  
Tammy Cramer - Bob & Wally Balfanz  
John Michael Hubbart - Debbie Ferrell  
David Kuffel - Kuffel's  
Alex Mitchell - Rader's  
Chris & Stephanie Thibeault - Green's  
Brendon Owings - Wicker's  
Sam LaChance – Miller's  
Brandon Miller – Carson's

### **Our Community and Our World**

Military, Police & Firefighters  
Community & Government Leaders  
Those affected by natural disasters & war  
The poor, hungry, homeless & disenfranchised

## **Lake Ozark Christian Church**

Senior Minister: Rev. Ron Trimmer  
Administrative Assistant and Office Manager: Angela Edwards  
Music Director: Michael Lindeman  
Cleaning: Shelley Belk    Sound and Video: Patty Savage/Ben Trimmer  
Sunday Morning Nursery: vacant

### **LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**

Chair: Tim Kirchner    Vice Chair: Joe Weber  
Treasurer: Matt Redd    Elder Representative: Joe Weber  
Directors: Susan Bowden, Donna Foster, Tom Robinson, Barb Reinwald, Barb Davis

### **COMMITTEES**

Elders/Deacons: Sandy Wolfgang    Communications: Patty Savage  
Education: Patty Savage    Membership and Evangelism: Open  
Outreach: Debbie Andrews    Worship: Susan Rader/Debbie Andrews  
Pastoral Relations: Tom Wiltshire    Property: Matt Bentz  
Personnel: Rich Reinwald    Hospitality and Fellowship: June Heckel, Joe and Margaret Weber

### **ELDERS**

Sandy Wolfgang (Chair), Stephanie Biggs, Jane Daniels, Todd Miller, Sharon Spencer, Joe Weber, Matt Bentz, Randall Bunch, Susan Rader, Teresa Tabor, Tim Tabor, Shirley Wicker, Tim Kirchner, Matt Hendon, Heather Hendon, Patty Savage

### **DEACONS**

Donna Foster, Velma Kirchner, Jerry Rader, Jerry Wicker, Rich Wolfgang, Bea Black, Paula Elkin, Matt Redd, Katrina Redd, Debbie Andrews, Gregg Andrews, Dale Homan, Marcia Homan, Steve Carson, Becky Collins, JoAnn Brown

### **PASTORAL RELATIONS**

Tom Wiltshire (Chair), Randall Bunch, Jane Daniels, Sue Rader, Sandy Wolfgang

### **MINISTRIES**

Disciples Women Ministry (DWM) meets on 1st Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am  
in the multipurpose room, chair Cindy Wiltshire.  
Christian Men Fellowship (CMF) meets on 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:30 am  
for breakfast in the fellowship hall, chair David Kirchner.  
Bell Choir meets on Wednesday at 4:30 pm in the sanctuary  
Choir meets on Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the choir room (behind organ)  
Lunch Bunch meets every Tuesday at 11:45 am at a local restaurant  
Shelter in a Storm and Pantry of Blessings, Audrey Tanner – Quarterly meetings in MR at 3:00 pm  
Hope House Volunteers: Barb Davis  
Prayer Group Meeting – Each Tuesday at 3:00 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room  
Care Connection Coordinator: Georganna Carson  
Wedding Coordinator: Debbie Andrews  
Kids Program and Youth: Patty Savage  
Game Day in Fellowship Hall: 1 pm First and Third Friday of month  
Pickleball: Fridays 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

# SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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<b>3</b> 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>4</b> 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G)	<b>5</b> 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Outback Steakhouse 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH)	<b>6</b> 10:30 am DWM Meeting (MPR) 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>7</b> 10:00 am 55Alive Event – Painting (FH) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	<b>8</b> 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G)	<b>9</b> 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Savage Event (FH, K, G)
<b>10</b> 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>11</b> 8:30 am PEO-NF (MPR) 10:30 am Pages for All Ages Book Club (MR) 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G)	<b>12</b> 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Shorty Pants 12:30 pm PEO Chapter MZ (FH) 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH)	<b>13</b> 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>14</b> 4:00 – 8:00 pm Real Encounter Event (LOCC – Front Lot) 6 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	<b>15</b> 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G) 1:00 pm Game Day/Mexican Train (FH, K) 4:00 – 8:00 pm Real Encounter Event (LOCC – Front Lot)	<b>16</b> 8:30 am CMF Breakfast (FH, K) 4:00 – 8:00 pm Real Encounter Event (LOCC – Front Lot)
<b>17</b> 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>18</b> 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G)	<b>19</b> 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Vista Grande Mexican 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH)	<b>20</b> 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>21</b> 10:00 am Parkinson Support Group (MPR) 10:00 am 55Alive Event – Branson/Queen Esther 1:30 pm Hospitality Committee (MR) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	<b>22</b> 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G)	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>25</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G)	<b>26</b> 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH)	<b>27</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – R.J.'s Restaurant 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>28</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 2:30 pm Stonebridge Senior Living Service 4:30 pm Leadership Council (MPR) 6 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	<b>29</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G)	<b>30</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers



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