



LAKE OZARK
**CHRISTIAN
CHURCH**
Disciples of Christ

The Lake Chimes

October 2023



The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there and proclaimed the name, "The LORD." The LORD passed before him and proclaimed,

"The LORD, the LORD,
a God merciful and gracious,
slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,
keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation,
forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin,
yet by no means clearing the guilty,
but visiting the iniquity of the parents
upon the children
and the children's children
to the third and the fourth generation."

-Exodus 34:5-7

This description of God occurs often in the Hebrew Testament. The Great I AM comes before Moses, declaring this explanation of God, who God is, and what God is all about. It is comforting to know that the Lord leads with grace. Mercy and grace--this is the fundamental nature of God, and the Lord follows that up with being slow to get angry. Thank God for that! Whenever the Lord seems slow to respond to a problem or prayer, let us remind ourselves how patient God is with us! God then offers more blessing. Our Lord abounds in steadfast love--pure, unconditional, everlasting love, and the Lord is absolutely faithful. Steadfast love and faithfulness is actually one word in Hebrew. It's translated love *and* faithfulness because the word encompasses both. In God, steadfast love and faithfulness are forever linked. God does indeed forgive, but the Lord reminds us that sin always has consequences. The Lord forgive but cannot make it like it never happened, and unfortunately, some of our sins have lasting consequences even to the third and fourth generation.

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 OCTOBER)

Paula Elkin (573) 375-2496
Peggy Strauch (573) 480-6503

Christian Men's Fellowship

CMF's breakfast meeting will be Saturday, October 21, 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 October 4, 2023. All women are invited. Please join us.



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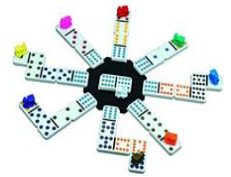
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PICKLEBALL

Pickleball is each Friday at 10:00 am.

GAME DAY

Game Day October 6 at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen. Bring your favorite beverage and a snack to share.



HOPE HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

October 16 & October 18-21, 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 November 16, 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 October: No special request due to the food drive on September 30.

Deadline for information in the October Chimes is October 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 OR mical2274@charter.net



Please join us on Wednesday,

October 4, 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



"OUR GIVING"

OPERATING FUND
Weekly Need Budget
\$5,060

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Aug 27	6,014
Sep 3	6,028
Sep 10	3,369
Sep 17	2,639
Sep 24	4,161

BUILDING FUND
Weekly Need/Budget
\$1,800

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Aug 27	825
Sep 3	200
Sep 10	760
Sep 17	500
Sep 24	675

Jan 1 to Sept 24 Budgeted Revenue **Deficit -\$18,231**
Jan 1 to Sept 24 "Actual" Operating Deficit **\$-21,231**

Set up Automatic Giving @ www.lakeozarkdisciples.org

2023 Flower List is now available

Please sign up at
the information table.



CMF's breakfast will be Saturday, October 21, 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.



**The last 8:30 am early service
for the season will be
October 22, 2023.**



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.

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

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 4th 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:

Our next event is a day trip to Hermann on October 19.
The van will depart LOCC parking lot at 9:30 for lunch and a tour of Stone Hill Winery.
After our time at Stone Hill Winery we will visit downtown Hermann.
Signup sheets are now available for this event.

55ALIVE UPDATE

Last week nineteen (19) of us attended the spectacular production QUEEN ESTHER in Branson. It was a long day, but a very good day.

This week fourteen (14) of us were hosted at the Mistler's in Eldon at Michael's Artistic Creations studio where he not only makes amazing spinners, but brilliant, metal sculptures. Thank you, Michael, and A.J. for the tour of your studio and home.

Recently, we have been experiencing a showing of the paintings completed by those who participated in Mary Andeline's painting classes. Thank you, Mary, for your time and wonderful guidance.

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 September 28, 2023

- After the last council meeting, Pastor Ron worked with Barb Davis to make the necessary edits and revisions to the proposed changes to our constitution and bylaws. He also looked at the building use and wedding policies. He has started leading monthly worship services at Stonecrest.
- Pastor Ron reports that the new after-school program on Wednesdays is doing well, and several people have been helping. It does take up several hours of Pastor Ron's time, as he writes the Amos skits for the kids, setting the theme of the day. There also structured crafts and activities. We are providing an excellent ministry to these kids.
- Treasurer Matt Redd said the church is running at a deficit of over \$20,000, but he believes we will hopefully make that up in the next few months. We did note that, compared to last year, we have increased our general fund contributions by about \$4,000 thus far.
- We decided that we would try passing the plates for offering again, starting in November. The Elders and Deacons will need to be informed. We discussed also passing trays for communion, but decided to table that decision.
- Donna Foster will be the lead person on our trunk or treat event, which will be held October 28, from 2-4pm.
- We went through the proposed changes to the bylaws again. Points were clarified and we made some minor edits and revisions. The council approved the proposed changes to the bylaws as revised. A simple version will be shared with the congregation. A blue/red version clearly showing changes will also be made available upon request. At the next potluck at the end of October, we will invite any who have questions or comments to sit at a table with people from the committee. The congregation will vote upon these proposed changes at the November meeting.
- We looked again at the building use agreement. We also considered weddings for nonmembers and looked into updating and modifying our wedding policy. After much discussion, we decided to table our discussion until next meeting. For outside weddings, we would like to have someone serve as a wedding liaison. Different than a wedding coordinator, this person would represent the church when dealing with the wedding party.

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. Through this ministry, we are able to help them by providing food and toiletry items, gas cards, and emergency short-term lodging or long-term housing assistance. A client who uses our Food Pantry, came to our church during our Annual Rummage Sale in need of a couple pair of jeans (as he only owned a pair of jeans that were very worn) and a razor to shave his beard. We were able to give him some nice-looking jeans, a razor and shaving cream. These items that we had in stock put a smile on his face and helped him feel better going to his new job. Thank you for helping people, like this client, make it through their personal storm.

OUR NEEDS FOR OCTOBER: Because a Food Drive was held on September 30th, we are not asking for any specific food items this month. Cash donations are extremely encouraged to sustain this ministries' work to provide our clients food, gas cards, and/or lodging assistance.

Audrey Tanner is the Committee Chair of "Shelter in a Storm". Other committee members are Sandy Wolfgang (shelter support), 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
U.S. Country leaders – Prayer team
Steve Carson – LOCC
Lahaina Maui/Morocco – 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
After-school program - LOCC
Jerry Rader – LOCC
Jim Self – Shirley Wicker
Dave Lauer family - Jane Daniels
Dr. Thomas Levek family - Audrey Tanner
William Davis - Mary Kay Quiett
Trish Whittle - Gayle Sheffer
Kim Weatherford - Gayle Sheffer
Barb Hannibal - Gayle Sheffer
Steve Stith - Gayle Sheffer
Gary Andeline - LOCC
Blaine Corners - Tom & Debbie Robinson
Janice Miller - LOCC

Nursing Home & Senior Care

Nancy Woodward - Lutheran Manor
Dwight Ayer – Pines Adult Care Center
Maureen Milligan - Orchid Terrace
Jean Smithson – Ridgefield Station
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
Tyler Gift – Peggy Strauch

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, 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

OCTOBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	2 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	3 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Pappo’s Pizzeria 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Pastoral Relations (MR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	4 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)	5 4:30 pm Ministry Council (MPR) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	6 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G) 1:00 pm Game Day/Mexican Train (FH, K)	7
8 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	9 8:30 am PEO-NF (MPR) 10:00 am Boy Scouts Outdoor Chapel Project 10:30 am Pages for All Ages Book Club (MR) 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	10 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Encore Lakeside Grill 12:30 pm PEO Chapter MZ (FH) 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	11 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	12 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	13 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G)	14
15 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	16 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	17 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Tucker Shucker’s 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	18 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	19 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 9:30 am – 55Alive Event – Historic Herman 10:00 am Parkinson Support Group (MPR) 1:30 pm Hospitality Committee (MR) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G) 7:00 pm Round Table Scout Meeting (CRM)	20 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G)	21 8:30 am CMF Breakfast (FH, K) 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers
22 8:30 am Early Worship (OC) 9:30 am Adult Bible Study(MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	23 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	24 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Chilis 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	25 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	26 2:30 pm Stonebridge Service 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	27 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G)	28 2:00 – 4:00 pm Truck or Treat – LOCC parking lot
29 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 11:30 am LOCC Fellowship Lunch (FH, K) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	30 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G)	31 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Silver Dollar Restaurant 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH)				
