



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

## The Lake Chimes

January 2024



For I am about to create new heavens  
and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered  
or come to mind.  
But be glad and rejoice forever  
in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,  
and its people as a delight.  
-Isaiah 65:17-18

A new year is upon us, and we give thanks! As I write this, I am in the midst of frantically preparing for my upcoming wedding! No matter how much you make plans and prepare, something always comes up!

I have come to think of this as the beginning of the second half of my life. I feel extremely blessed for my life thus far, from a life-giving childhood, to my early adult years, always searching, always seeking for meaning, to finding love and starting a family and all the joys and frustrations of raising children, to experiencing great grief at the death of my first wife, and yet feeling the hand of God upon me the whole way, who brought me to this church at the Lake and a fresh start.

And now I have found love again and have pledged my life to Wendy. Our families are blending, and I am filled with hope and joy and gratitude. It's never too late for happily ever after.

I hope and pray that you will see the New Year as a chance to experience God's grace anew. Our Lord is always speaking and acting and creating, and every day brings new mercies.

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 JANUARY)

Sandy Wolfgang (573) 821-3925  
Dorothy Miller (573) 286-5422

### Christian Men's Fellowship

CMF's breakfast meeting is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up at the information table so we know how much food to prepare. The next breakfast meeting is January 20, 2024. Please join us.

### DISCIPLES WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

The DWM meets the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 am in the MPR. The next meeting is February 7, 2024. 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 is each Friday at 10:00 am.

### GAME DAY

Game Day January 5 and January 19 at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen. Bring your favorite beverage and a snack to share.



### HOPE HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

January 22 & January 24-27, 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 January 18, 2024

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 Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 1 pm. (MR)

Special request for January: Crackers and dish soap

**Deadline for information in the February Chimes is January 22, 2024.**

#### **New Bulletin Insert**

Everyone has hopefully had enough time to see the new insert in the bulletin. The prayer side did not change; however, the announcement side now shows reoccurring church events and special events/meetings.

Please watch for any email blasts or Friday Teasers for any cancelations or updates. As always, the online calendar is still available or call the office with any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you!

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,  
February 7, 2024 at  
10:30 am in the MPR.

**DWM LUNCH & OFFICER INSTALLATION  
JANUARY 6 AT 12:00 PM IN THE  
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

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)



## Sunday Morning

If you have an announcement that you would like shared, please contact the church office. Thanks!

## "OUR GIVING"

OPERATING FUND  
Weekly Need Budget  
\$5,060

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Nov 12	7,598
Nov 19	18,841
Nov 26	2,664
Dec 3	10,362
Dec 10	17,646

BUILDING FUND  
Weekly Need/Budget  
\$1,800

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Nov 12	470
Nov 19	10,625
Nov 26	200
Dec 3	700
Dec 10	6,270

Jan 1 to Dec 10 Budgeted Revenue surplus \$8,432  
Jan 1 to Dec 10 "Actual" Operating surplus \$6,127

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

**2024 Flower List is now available**

Please sign up at  
the information table.



The next breakfast meeting is  
Saturday, January 20, 2024.  
Please join us!



**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.

## Church Office

### NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 7:30 am - 3:00 pm  
Tuesday - Thursday 8:00 am - 2:30 pm  
Friday - Closed

These are the hours on the church doors. Angi is normally here before and after these times. If you need assistance or have any questions please contact her.

## 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

**No bible study on the following dates:**  
**January 2 and January 9**

## 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! I hope you will join us! The next service will be Thursday, January 25 at 2:30 pm.

## 55ALIVE UPCOMING EVENTS

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

**January 10 at 11:00 am – Chair Exercise begins on Wednesdays & Fridays in January**

**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.**



### 55 Alive Chair Exercise To Begin Soon

Everyone wants to be healthier and able to move better! Many of us set a new year's resolution to eat better and exercise more. We want to help you with the exercise. We are going to offer beginner's chair exercise starting on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. We will meet on Wednesdays and Fridays through January in the Multipurpose Room.

You will need to wear comfortable clothes so that you are able to move and stretch. Please bring a set of hand weights that are manageable for you. They have these at Walmart in the sporting goods section or you can order them online. Probably 1, 2, or 3-pound weights would work for most people. Also, bring a necktie or exercise band.

All exercise will be done while sitting. As we advance, some may want to stand. We will not be getting down in the floor! This is a class that everyone can do, no matter your physical ability. We hope to have a good time and be in better physical shape when we finish.

See you on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at 11:00 am in the Multipurpose Room!



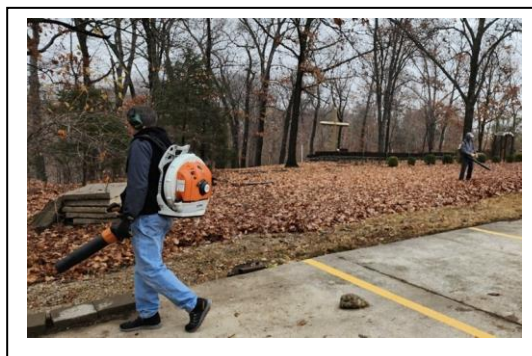
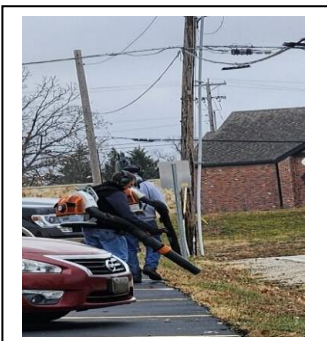
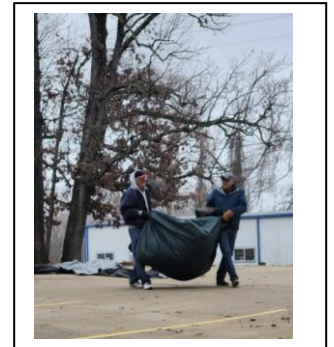
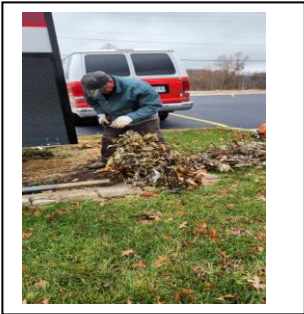
## Christmas Brunch and Gift Exchange

We had 30 people at Porto Cima and had a great time. You were able to “steal” a gift when it was your turn.





# FALL CLEAN UP 2023



**A BIG THANK YOU TO  
EVERYONE THAT  
HELPS WITH THE FALL  
CLEAN UP.**

## Thank You to our Congregation!

Three of our Lake Ozark Christian Church groups combined to make a local Christmas outreach project possible. Our Shelter In A Storm, Disciples Women's Ministry, and the Christian Men's Fellowship groups combined to share the cost of providing \$100 Walmart gift cards to the senior citizens at Fish Haven Estates in Lake Ozark. The gift cards will be used for food, clothing, household goods, prescription copays, etc. Fish Haven Estates is a 44-unit, low income apartment building for senior citizens.

A group of our church volunteers delivered the gifts to each Individual apartment. Christmas carols were sung when the residents opened their doors. Many encouraged us to continue singing and they sang along with us. Happy tears were shed by both surprised gift card recipients and our caring church members. We also shared Lake Ozark Christian Church information with them. All were invited to attend our worship services and Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. Again, thank you to everyone that made this local Christmas outreach ministry possible!









## CHRISTMAS 2023



*No cooking on Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>!*

*ALL women of the church invited to the DWM Luncheon on Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm.*

*ALL food will be furnished, so just bring yourselves and a friend. Sign-up sheets will be available on the table in the Narthex.*

*ALL new officers will be installed.*

*ALL information on the women's mission trip to Japan and South Korea will be presented by Rev. Jennifer Long, our Mid-America Region DWM head.*

*ALL you need to know about Blessing Boxes will be presented by June Heckel.*

*ALL fun, no business meeting.*

*ALL ladies, please come and have fun on Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm.*

## 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/or emergency short-term lodging or long-term housing assistance. After the fire occurred on November 17th at Lake Ozark Village (a senior living, income-based apartment complex), the "Shelter in a Storm" was able to provide two tenants with shelter for a month! And moving forward, they have found permanent apartment housing in the area. We were also able to help a family of four stay in their home after the husband lost his job a couple of months ago. He has since gotten a new full-time job! Because of your cash donations, we were able to help these neighbors through their personal storm. Thank you!

**OUR NEEDS FOR JANUARY: Crackers and dish soap. Cash donations** are also extremely encouraged to sustain this ministry's work helping people in our community.

Audrey Tanner is the Committee Chair of "Shelter in a Storm". Other committee members are Paula Elkin, Joe Weber, Margaret Weber, Gregg Andrews, Barb Davis, Gayle Sheffer, Cindy Wiltshire, Connie Schluter, Pastor Ron Trimmer.

Our next quarterly meeting is February 1st, at 1:00pm 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  
After-school program - LOCC  
William Davis - Mary Kay Quiett  
Hamas Israel conflict – LOCC  
Michael Lindeman – LOCC  
James Marco – LOCC  
Gary & Mary Andeline – LOCC  
Ted & Martha Sloan – Cliff Sloan  
Charli Elkin – Paula Elkin  
Bodi Lee Ochs – Paula Elkin  
Tate's family – Sharon Spencer  
Lou Thoma – LOCC  
Conway Jones – Mike & Janell Jones  
Patrick Brewster – Jane Daniels  
Prayers for the release of all the captives on 10/7 –  
Terry Edwards  
Marilyn Merlo – Paula Elkin  
Carissa – Donna Foster  
Eisa Hope – LOCC  
Ginger Henry – LOCC  
Misenheimer family – LOCC  
Becky Sessums – Barb Davis  
All who are ill & suffering – Tom & Cindy Wiltshire  
Doug & Connie Smentkowski – Matt Bentz  
Tessa McGregory – Patty Savage  
Buffy Thomas - LOCC  
Steve Carson – Rich & Sandy Wolfgang  
Andrew Turkington – Victoria Kennedy

Sam Breckenridge – Lloyd B. Cunningham, Jr.  
Bob & Linda Wiltshire – Tom & Cindy Wiltshire

### **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 – Eldon Nursing & Rehab  
Darwin Bjorge – Stonebridge Senior Living

### **Military**

Blake Barrow - Fred Braun & the late Helen Barrow  
Tammy Cramer - Bob & Wally Balfanz  
John Michael Hubbard - 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/Jayden Hartwick

Sunday Morning Nursery: Wendy Trimmer

### **LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**

Chair: Tim Kirchner

Vice Chair: Joe Weber

Treasurer: Matt Redd

Elder Representative: Tim Tabor

Directors: Susan Bowden, Donna Foster, Tom Robinson, Barb Reinwald, Barb Davis

### **COMMITTEES**

Elders/Deacons: Tim & Teresa Tabor

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**

Tim & Teresa Tabor (Co-Chairs), Stephanie Biggs, Todd Miller, Joe Weber, Matt Bentz, Randall Bunch, Susan Rader, Shirley Wicker, Sandy Wolfgang Tim Kirchner, Matt Hendon, Heather Hendon, Patty Savage, Terry Edwards, Sandra Sloan, David Kirchner

### **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, Gayle Sheffer

### **PASTORAL RELATIONS**

Tom Wiltshire (Chair), Randall Bunch, Jane Daniels, Sue Rader, Shirley Wicker

### **MINISTRIES**

Disciples Women Ministry (DWM) meets on 1st Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am  
in the multipurpose room, chair Marcia Homan.

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 1:00 pm

Hope House Volunteers: Barb Davis

Prayer Group Meeting – Each Tuesday at 3:00 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room

Care Connection Coordinator: Jo Ann Brown

Special Event 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

# JANUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Vista Grande 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	<b>3</b> 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>4</b> 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	<b>5</b> 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G) 1:00 pm Game Day/Mexican Train (FH, K)	<b>6</b> 12:00 pm DWM Luncheon and Installation (FH, K)
<b>7</b> 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>8</b> 8:30 am PEO-NF (MPR) 10:30 am Pages for All Ages Book Club (FH) 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	<b>9</b> 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Outback Steakhouse 12:30 pm PEO- MZ (FH) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 3:00 pm Pastoral Committee (MR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	<b>10</b> 11:00 am 55Alive – Chair Exercise (MPR) 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>11</b> 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	<b>12</b> 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G) 11:00 am 55Alive – Chair Exercise (MPR) 6:00 pm – 10:00 am Scout Lock In (K, FH, G)	<b>13</b> 12:00 am – 10:00 am Scout Lock In (K, FH, G)
<b>14</b> 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>15</b> 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	<b>16</b> 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Applebee’s 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	<b>17</b> 11:00 am 55Alive – Chair Exercise (MPR) 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>18</b> 10:00 am Parkinson Support Group (MPR) 1:30 pm Hospitality Committee (MR) 4:30 pm Leadership Council (MPR) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G) 7:00 pm Scouts Round Table (CRM)	<b>19</b> 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G) 11:00 am 55Alive – Chair Exercise (MPR) 1:00 pm Game Day/Mexican Train (FH, K)	<b>20</b> 8:30 am CMF Breakfast (FH, K)
<b>21</b> 9:30 am Adult Bible Study(MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>22</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	<b>23</b> 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)	<b>24</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 11:00 am 55Alive – Chair Exercise (MPR) 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	<b>25</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 2:30 pm Stonebridge Senior Living Service 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	<b>26</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G) 11:00 am 55Alive – Chair Exercise (MPR)	<b>27</b> 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers
<b>28</b> 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 11:45 pm Fellowship Luncheon (FH, K) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	<b>29</b> 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G)	<b>30</b> 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Pappo’s Pizzeria 1:30 pm Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH)	<b>31</b> 11:00 am 55Alive – Chair Exercise (MPR) 3:30 pm After-School Kids Program (FH, K, G) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)			