

# N The Lake

September 2024



Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

-Romans 12:2

I remember traveling to Silver Dollar City where they have a number of different craftsmen practicing their craft like they did a hundred years ago. One was a stonecutter. As I watched him work, I noticed there were places where his chisel never marred the stone's surface. The untouched areas served to shape the project and add character, much the same as did the deep cuts that removed large chunks of stone. The artist used both strategies to construct his masterpiece.

All that day, God seemed to explain to me that we go through a similar procession in life. Character is shaped not only by events that transpire in our lives, but also by the situations we avoid. If every circumstance we go through is a stroke of the chisel, then avoiding negative influences also can be a defining attribute.

Our surroundings have a lasting effect on us. Experiences don't just shape us; they can also mar us, leaving scars that can be difficult to erase. That's not to say God does not forgive our sins. We can trust in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and truly, there is no greater gift. But at the same time, we realize that there are consequences to sin, and these can have lasting effect. For that reason, we are wise to choose experiences and settings that will help keep us unblemished. If we are careful, following the path of Jesus, walking in humble service, we find it easier to be Christ's servant.

Blessings and Peace, **Pastor Ron** 

WORSHIP SERVICE - 8:30 (SEASONAL) & 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!

Bible study will resume September 3, 2024.

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 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. Please join us September 21st.

### **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 4, 2024. All women are invited. Please join us.



#### DIRECTORY

New photo and/or corrections may be submitted at any time: <a href="mailto:office@lakeozarkdisciples.org">office@lakeozarkdisciples.org</a>. 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.



### HOPE HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

September 23 & September 25-28, 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: Mariam Decker (573) 268-1141

### **LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING**

Date September 19, 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, October 24, 2024 at 1:00 pm. (MPR)

Special request for September – cereal, body wash and cash donations.

Deadline for information in the October Chimes is September 19, 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!



## 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.

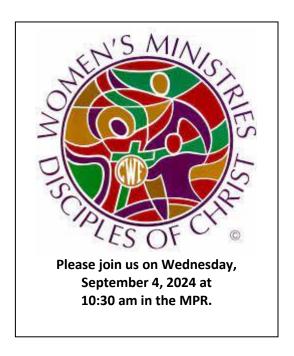
### **Blessings**

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



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



# **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 \$5,560 BUILDING FUND Weekly Need/Budget \$1,800

WEEKLY	FFERING	
Jul 28	3,160	
Aug 4	5,165	
Aug 11	5,175	
Aug 18	4,238	
Aug 25	2,470	

WEEKLY	OFFERING
Jul 28	300
Aug 4	450
Aug 11	1,400
Aug 18	925
Aug 25	1.200

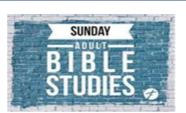
Jan 1 to Aug 25 <u>Budgeted Revenue</u> deficit -\$22,631 Jan 1 to Aug 25 "Actual" Operating deficit -\$23,778

# 2024 Flower List is now available Please sign up at the information table.



Saturday, September 21, 2024 at 8:30 am.





### 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.



### **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 will start at chapter 15
I hope you will join us!

Tuesday Bible Study will resume in September 3, 2024

-Pastor Ron

# **55ALIVE UPCOMING EVENTS**

September 20, 10:00 am - Miller Co. Historical Society, Tuscumbia, lunch at Silver Dollar, Willmore Lodge museum in afternoon

Friday in October TBD, 8:00 am - Mennonite Apply Days/Mennonite shops, lunch at Gathering Grounds Coffee Co., Versailles

November 9, 11:30 am - Capital City Productions Dinner Theater play "Church Basement Ladies," Jefferson City

December 8, after church - Christmas Dinner, Porta Cima Club

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

### DWM Rummage Sale Was A Success!

Our Lake Ozark Christian Church's women's organization, now known as the Disciples Women's Ministry, has held an annual Rummage Sale for more than 50 years! We did miss a year due to the COVID Pandemic. It is a great fundraiser and helps everyone get rid of unwanted treasures.

Thank you to everyone that helped in any and every way with this year's Rummage Sale! Whether you moved tables and chairs, set up clothing racks, donated items, helped sort and set up, priced items, helped on sale days, assisted with clean-up, etc. We appreciate what you did! What you did was important, and we thank you! Also, a big thanks to everyone that provided food for our workers and items for our Bake Sale!

Unsold items have been donated to the Free Store in Camdenton and other not-for-profit thrift stores. This way, your donated items will continue to help others in our community. We have currently made **\$6,000**, with a few items still being offered for sale. This is the most that we have ever made! You made this happen!

Sunday, September 22, 2024, will be the last 8:30 am service for the 2024 season.



**SOUP SUNDAY – FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON** 

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 AFTER THE 10:30 AM SERVICE

Italian Sausage Soup with Tortellini and Potato Soup will be provided along with rolls.

Please bring a salad or dessert – sign up at the information table in the Narthex.



### Quilt Show & Raffle Scheduled for September 28

DWM will have a Quilt Show on Saturday, September 28. Do you have a quilt or quilts that we can show? The quilts will be displayed over the pews in the sanctuary. No one will be allowed to touch them. Feel free to attach a note with information about your quilts.

Have you seen the beautiful quilt that is on display in our sanctuary? It is a king sized, reversible quilt. It was made by Linda Blanton, and donated to our Disciples Women's Ministry group.

We are currently selling raffle tickets for it. You may purchase tickets on Sunday morning or from various members of the DWM group. If you would be willing to help sell tickets, that would be much appreciated! Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$20.

The proceeds of the raffle will be used for DWM and church projects along with donations to local ministries. The drawing for the quilt will be at the Quilt Show on September 28.



The Nominating Committee for the upcoming 2024 Election of Elders/Deacons/Leadership Council.

- Joe Weber (Vice Chair of LC) Lead
- Tim Tabor Committee member
- Janell Jones Committee Member
- Jane Daniels Committee Member
- David Kirchner Committee Member

We will need Elders, Deacons and Leadership Council members. Please contact one of the above members if you wish to serve.



Visit to Local Museums Planned for Friday, September 20th

Have you lived in the Lake of the Ozarks area a long time or are you new to the area? Did you know that there are local museums with displays about the history of the local area, Bagnell Dam, and Lake of the Ozarks? Our 55 Alive committee has planned a visit to two of our local historical locations. On Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, we will meet at church at 10 a.m. We will either take the church van or carpool to the Miller County Historical Museum located in Tuscumbia. It has displays about the history of our area, the Civil War, local schools and churches, among other items. When we are finished in Tuscumbia, we will stop at the Silver Dollar's Restaurant for lunch. Our next stop will be the Willmore Lodge Bagnell Dam Museum. We will then return to church about 2 p.m.

Even if you have been to these locations before, we encourage you to join us. They are always changing the displays and adding new photos and information. Each time you visit you will see something you missed before. If you plan to go with us, please sign up on Sunday morning. The sign up sheet will be located on a clipboard just outside the sanctuary. Come join us for the fellowship and an added appreciation of the Lake of the Ozarks community! Family and friends are also welcome!



A new service program is being started at LOCC.

"Helping Hands"

It will provide assistance to our members who need handyman type help around the home. **Anyone can become a helping hand**, especially if they have a particular skill or knowledge about some basic problem or issue.

Larry Blanton of Christian Men's Fellowship will coordinate members' needs with participants' and volunteers' abilities. His Phone # is 303-689-9087

### 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.

\*Last month, we were grateful to see our food pantry being used by some local people who are homeless, to distribute multiple gas cards to individuals in need, and to help two homeless veterans with emergency lodging we offered them through this ministry.

OUR NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER: Cereal, body wash, and cash donations.

Audrey Tanner is the Committee Chair of "Shelter in a Storm". Other committee members are Paula Elkin, Joe Weber, Margaret Weber, Gregg Andrews, Gayle Sheffer, Cindy Wiltshire, Connie Schluter, Janell Jones, Mariam Decker, Katherine Sebrasky, and Pastor Ron Trimmer.

Our next quarterly meeting is October 24, at 1:00pm in the MPR. 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**

U.S. Election – Prayer team Steve Carson – Rich & Sandy Wolfgang Michael Lindeman – Carol Cummings

Myles Gift - Peggy Strauch

Devin Nelson – Barbara Nelson

Ella Jean Cline – Sandy Wolfgang

Jim Biggs – Stephanie Biggs

Ayers family - LOCC

Paul Fairhurst - LOCC

Gayle Sheffer - LOCC

Tyler Gift - Peggy Strauch

Patrick Brewster - Jane Daniels

James Marco family - LOCC

Kevin Fitzgerald – Sharon Spencer

Bill & Carole Nowicki - Cindi Conley

Wednesday Children's program/Leaders - Sloan's &

Robinson's - LOCC

New School Year Student/Teachers/Administrators - LOCC

Heather Henry – Donna Henry

Dick Taylor - Tom & Debbie Robinson

Steven Swehla - Debbie Swehla

Sarah Raciti – Debbie Swehla

Thankful for children who help each other – Wiltshire's

Suzanne Jones - Tim Kirchner

Jerry Rader - Gregg & Debbie Andrews

Dale Miller family - LOCC

Sharon Spencer - Jane Daniels

Karen Conley - Paula Elkin

James Muff - Lois Muff

Bob – Tom & Cindy Wiltshire Linda Blanton - LOCC

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

Nancy Woodward - Lutheran Manor

Dwight Ayer - Pines Adult Care Center

Maureen Milligan - Orchid Terrace

Jean Smithson - Wilton, CT

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

Bette Schreiner – Rock Island Village

Virginia Westphal – St. Robert Apts.

### Military

Blake Barrow - Fred Braun & the late Helen Barrow

Tammy Cramer - Bob & Wally Balfanz

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

Brett Bowman - Debbie Ferrell

### **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, Mariam Decker, Paula Elkin, Greg Gage (Becky

Collins)

#### **COMMITTEES**

Elders/Deacons: Tim & Teresa Tabor

Communications: Patty Savage

Education: Sandra Sloan, Chair

Membership and Evangelism: George & Kris Walker

Outreach: Chair – Vacant, Debbie Andrews

Worship: Susan Rader/Debbie Andrews

Pastoral Relations: Tom Wiltshire

**Property: Matt Bentz** 

Personnel: Rich Reinwald

Hospitality and Fellowship: Terry Edwards, Chair

### **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 (vacant), Paula Elkin, Matt Redd, Katrina Redd, Debbie Andrews, Gregg Andrews, Dale Homan, Marcia Homan, Steve Carson (?), JoAnn Brown, Gayle Sheffer, Becky Collins (Kathy Gage)

### **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 11:30 am at a local restaurant

Shelter in a Storm, Audrey Tanner – Quarterly meetings at 1:00 pm

Hope House Volunteers: Mariam Decker

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

Care Connection Coordinator: JoAnn Brown Special Event Coordinator: Debbie Andrews

Kids Program and Youth: Sandra Sloan Pickleball: Fridays 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

## SEPTEMBER 2024

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 Culvers 1:30 pm Adult Bible Study (MPR) 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 Program (C, FH, K, G, CRM) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	5 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	6 10:00 am Pickleball (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) 10:30 am Pages for All Ages Book Club (FH) 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G, CRM)	10 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Bonnie's 1:30 pm Adult Bible Study (MPR) 2:30 pm Pastoral Relations Meeting (MR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH, G, K, CRM)	11 3:30 pm After-School Program (C, FH, K, G, CRM) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	12 1:30 pm Nomination Committee Meeting (MR) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	13 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, K)	14
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