

October 2024



Do you believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God? And do you wish to participate in the ministry of this church as it serves this community and the world?

Those are the questions I ask any who want to join this congregation as members. We also require the person be baptized, but we accept any prior baptism. Some folks may want to retain their membership elsewhere at another church and so join as associate members. Others may have other reasons for not formally joining, and yet share regularly in worship, fellowship, and service.

Why are you a member? Or why have you not joined? What does membership mean to you? To me, membership shows a level of commitment, saying that this is the congregation where you wish to share in the ministry of Jesus Christ, your spiritual home. But there are more ways to express that commitment than simply making a statement before others on Sunday morning. Participating in worship or bible studies or fellowship events, assisting with children's ministry or helping shelter in a storm, volunteering in the office, or being part of the prayer team—these are all ways to participate in the life of Lake Ozark Christian Church and you don't have to be a formal member to do so!

Currently, one must be a member to vote at congregational meetings, serve on leadership council, be an Elder or Deacon, or serve as chair of a standing committee. At our last Leadership council meeting, we discussed membership. We agreed that membership should not be required to take part in any activity at our church. But we wondered if it was absolutely necessary to hold certain positions. We decided that for Deacons and the chairs of committees, it was not, especially since these people are still selected through a church process. Thus, the council is drafting an amendment to the bylaws to make this change. These changes will be voted upon at the next congregational meeting in November.

Talking of membership, we also agreed that one does not need to come forward on Sunday morning to join the church. Some folks may not feel comfortable coming down the aisle and standing before the congregation on Sunday morning. If you would rather express your commitment to the church in a more private setting, that's fine. Simply talk to me. And even if you just have some questions about membership, I would love to visit with you.

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!

Blessings and Peace, Pastor Ron

CARE CONNECTION (FOR OCTOBER)

Paula Elkin (573) 375-2496 JoAnn Brown (573) 999-6815

Christian Men's Fellowship

CMF's breakfast meeting is the 3rd 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 October 19th.

DISCIPLES WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

The DWM meets the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 am in the MPR. The next meeting is November 6, 2024. All women are invited. Please join us.



DIRECTORY

New photo and/or corrections may be submitted at any time: <u>office@lakeozarkdisciples.org</u> 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

October 21 & October 23-26, 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

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING

Decker (573) 268-1141

Date October 17, 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 October – pasta sauce, toothbrushes and cash donations.

Deadline for information in the November Chimes is October 18, 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.

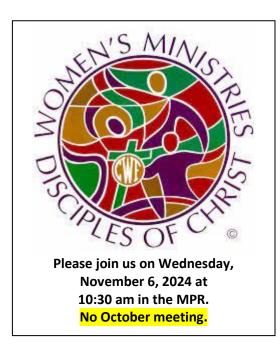
Blessings

Michael

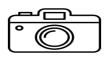
P.S. Looking for vocal soloists, instrumentalists(guitar, strings, brass, woodwinds) AND,

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







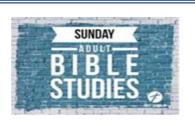
Sunday Morning

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

OPERATING FUND Weekly Need Budget \$5,560		BUILDING FUND Weekly Need/Budge \$1,800	
WEEKLY	OFFERING	WEEKLY	OFFERING
Aug 25	2,470	Aug 25	1,200
Sep 1	6,410	Sep 1	2,100
Sep 8	5,392	Sep 8	1,250
Sep 15	4,845	Sep 15	720
Sep 22	4,045	Sep 22	1,300
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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. I hope you will join us!

-Pastor Ron

55ALIVE UPCOMING EVENTS

October 18, 9:00 am – Dutch Country Store Apple Days, Barnett, 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.



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.



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

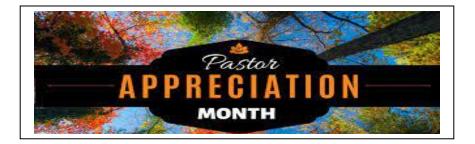
Highlights from the Leadership Council Meeting on September 12, 2024

- There were some maintenance issues:
 - The van back door was fixed
 - Matt Bentz will be contacted about restroom doors (MPR) that are hard to open for someone using walker or wheelchair.
 - Matt Bentz will be contacted about restroom lights which are staying on; they are activated by a motion sensor
- The pickleball group was given permission to purchase a new net with wheels that will be stored in hallway or fellowship hall.
- Permission was given to the DWM to have an extra week to prepare for the annual rummage sale.
- Pastor Ron reported that the After-School program is doing very well; 22 kids have attended with more
 interested. The Shelter in the Storm agreed to switch rooms with Art room to accommodate this growing
 ministry. The playground has been cleaned and updated. If the program continues to grow they will need more
 space. Also, with the growing program, we need to be prepared to offer nursery services on Sunday in case
 families visit. Volunteers would be appreciated. We will look into using company recommended by Church
 Mutual Insurance (our carrier) for our background checks.
- Funerals: When a grieving family requests a luncheon, the church will provide fried chicken. Members are expected to provide a side dish or dessert.
- Pastor Ron noted that the nominating committee is having trouble filling positions. There are people who are regular participants who might be interested but are not yet members. The council decided that membership should not be required to be a deacon or chair a committee, and voted to recommend changes to the bylaws which will be voted upon at the November meeting.
- Treasurer Matt Redd provided financial information. We currently are running a deficit of approximately \$27,000. We did pass a deficit budget (-\$12,494) so this is to be expected. Matt shared that he was not terribly alarmed as we tend to make up a lot of ground in December, but it should be watched.
- Upcoming Events:
 - o Last Early Worship Service of the season, September 22, 2024
 - o Jeep Invasion Parking Event, September 27, 2024
 - o DWM Quilt Show and Raffle, September 28, 2024
 - Church Fellowship Dinner, after church on September 29, 2024
 - Congregational Meeting, November 17, 2024
 - Putting up Christmas Decorations, after church on November 24,2024
 - Thanksgiving Community Service at Faithbridge at 6 pm, November 24, 2024
- Our next council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 17 at 4:30pm.

HELP NEEDED – CARE CONNECTORS

We are needing one Care Connector for the months of August, September and October starting next year. One month per year you and your month team member receive a bag that has everything you need including a list of names with all information, cards and stamps. Some team members prefer to just send a card, other may write notes or call members and/or former members. We pray out effort will bring some joy by letting them know we think, care and pray for them.

If you would like to be a Care Connector, please contact JoAnn Brown at 573-999-6815.



October is a month filled with spooks, goblins, and pumpkin spice everything. But it is also PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH.

Sometime this month you should show Reverend Ron Trimmer your appreciation with a kind word, card, gift, casserole, or some other token of thanks for serving as our pastor. He's here for you. Let him know we are here for him!

Thank you from the Pastor Relations Committee



The Congregation meeting is set for Sunday, November 17, 2024 following the 10:30 am service. Hope to see you there.





Christmas Shoebox Ministry Planned

Summer is over and the holidays will be here before we know it! Our Disciples Women's Ministry organization will again be sponsoring the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Ministry. We are asking all members of our congregation to take part. In these uncertain times, it's now more important than ever for children around the world to know that God loves them and has not forgotten them! Our goal is to fill at least 75 shoe boxes!

You can use your own shoe boxes, or we will have some available beginning Sunday, October 6^m. You can decide if you want the box to be for a boy or a girl. They can be for a 2-4-year-old, a 5-9-year-old, or a 10-14-year-old. Items to include in the boxes are:

- A "Wow" item such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or a stuffed animal
- · Pack fun items such as toys, cars, jump rope, yo-yo, & musical instruments, etc.
- School Supplies: Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, coloring and picture books, solar calculators etc.
- Accessories: socks, sunglasses, jewelry, comb, washcloth, watches, flashlights with extra batteries, flip flops, clothing, etc.

Please do not include candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items or war related items, seeds, food, liquids or lotions, medications, vitamins, glass or breakable items, or aerosol cans.

We asked that you bring your filled shoe boxes to church on either Sunday, November 3" or November 10th. The boxes will then be taken to our local collection site and will finally be distributed to over 100 countries around the world. Our DWM group will pay a donation of \$10 per box to help cover the processing and shipping costs. Since 1993, Samaritan's Purse has collected and delivered over 220 million shoebox gifts to children in more than 170 countries and territories. Join us in helping make this LOCC project a success to bring Christmas joy and God's love to children around the world!



If you haven't heard, the LOCC After-School Children's Program Rocks!









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 OCTOBER: Pasta sauce, toothbrushes, 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 Tyler Gift – Peggy Strauch Patrick Brewster – Jane Daniels Wednesday Children's program/Leaders – Sloan's & Robinson's - LOCC Suzanne Jones – Tim Kirchner Carson family - Paula Elkin All Law Enforcement Officers – Paula Elkin Jeff Boston – Joan Zimmerly Linda Blades - Mike & Janell Jones Terry Tabor – Tim & Teresa Tabor Gail Vance – Cliff & Marge Worthy Gail Gonella – Joan Zimmerly Margaret Weber – LOCC John Edwards – LOCC David Kirchner – LOCC Benny Box – Mark & Debbie Hesley Scott Denewelles - Victoria Kennedy Rita Fettes - Cliff & Marge Worthy Isaac Iverson – Mary Reeves Brenda & Tripp Brinkley – Sue & Murray Frick Jabe, Pat, Dixie, Bob & Shell - Chad Hooker Charley Murdock - Mike & Janell Jones

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. Janice Miller - Stonebridge

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 KirchnerVice Chair: Joe WeberTreasurer: Matt ReddElder Representative: Tim TaborDirectors: Susan Bowden, Donna Foster, Tom Robinson, Barb Reinwald, Mariam Decker, Paula Elkin, Greg Gage

COMMITTEES

Elders/Deacons: Tim & Teresa TaborCommunications: Patty SavageEducation: Sandra Sloan, ChairMembership and Evangelism: George & Kris WalkerOutreach: Chair – Vacant, Debbie Andrews
Pastoral Relations: Tom WiltshireWorship: Susan Rader/Debbie AndrewsPersonnel: Rich ReinwaldHospitality 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, 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 Programs and Youth: Sandra Sloan
Pickleball: Fridays 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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20 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (MPR) 10:30 am Worship (S) 7 pm AA Meeting (MPR)	21 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH, K, G)	22 10:00 am Staff Meeting (VR) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch – Silver Dollar 1:30 pm Adult Bible Study (MPR) 3:00 pm Prayer Team (MPR) 5:00 pm Orchestra (FH)	23 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 3:30 pm After-School Program (C, FH, K, G, CRM) 4:30 pm Handbells (S) 5:30 pm Choir (CR)	24 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 1:00 pm Shelter in a Storm (MPR) 2:00 pm 55Alive Planning Meeting (FH) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH, G)	25 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers 10:00 am Pickleball (FH, G)	26 8:45 am-2 pm Hope House volunteers
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