

ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 17 TO JUNE 23, 2024



MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

Monday 6/17 - Colossians
1:16-18 "Reflecting
God." Read Daniel 6.

Tuesday, 6/11 - None.

Wednesday, 6/19 - I
Thessalonians 5:16-18
"United in Prayer." Read
Matthew 6:5-8, John 11:9,
and John 8:12.

Thursday, 6/20 - Matthew
13:31-32 "Planting Seeds."
Read Psalm 23:6.

Friday, 6/14 - Isaiah 54:10
"God's Covenant." Read
Proverbs 3:5-6 and
Zephaniah 3:17.

SERMON SUMMARY

Revelation 6:7-8 – 4th Horseman of the Apocalypse

Pastor Art continued his sermon series from the book of Revelation with a sermon entitled: "Fourth Horseman of the Apocalypse," based on Revelation 6:7-8. The fourth horseman lays out the importance of preparing for the tribulation by revealing the light of Christ. As a precursor to the message, he asked the question "Why do we study the scriptures?" Then he directed our attention to Paul's letter to his protege Timothy. Read II Timothy 3:1, 12-13, 16. Iron sharpens iron. Bible study sharpens us. The Bible speaks clearly every time you open it.

Persecution, trials and tribulations are all present in our world but remain a precursor for what is to come as revealed in the book of Revelation. Then Pastor Art reviewed the four horses of the apocalypse. The first was the white horse, which represents deception. The second was the fiery red horse representing war. The third was the black horse representing famine. The last one, the pale horse, represents death. The Greek word representing this horse was 'chloro,' which was the color of rotting flesh. With the release of this horseman, 25% of the world is slaughtered immediately. The scripture notes that Hades follows this horseman. Hades is not hell. It is merely a holding place for the wicked awaiting final judgement. But it is a place of torment and fire. Satan desires the souls of the unbelievers. Read Luke 16:19-31 and Ezekiel 14:21. What are we doing to tell others about the Good News? The evangelist, Billy Graham, stated that it was not God's intent that any

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ONGOING

1. If you are interested in serving on any of the church teams listed in our bulletin, please contact us at this email address and we will be glad to put you in touch with the team leader or contact them directly.
2. **Less than 2 weeks left on our veteran's service project.** We have kicked off our veteran's service project by collecting new packages of men's t-shirts, underwear, socks, and good men's used shoes. Of course, cash donations are always welcome,

CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 1:1-3




WELCOME

In the second worship service Sunday, Connie Carolyn Boren came forward to rededicate her life to God and to place her membership in this church. Connie was invited to church by Julia Nesselhuf. Please extend the right hand of fellowship to Connie and help her to become an active part of our church family.

should perish but those who refuse to acknowledge Him will indeed be held accountable and punished. As born again Christians we are to reflect Christ's love and light. We are called to share the light of Christ. Christians are to be humble yet stand firm and share the light of Christ. Satan's goal is to catch you unaware. Pastor Art closed with a blessing from Ephesians 5:8. Praising God for a pastor, who has an authentic heart for the lost and provides encouragement and guidance to all his flock.

- too for Valor Ranch.
3. Remember to catch those after Father's Day sales to pick up gift items for men for the Kids' Christmas store in December. It is always a challenge to have enough items for men so take time to look around and see what is available. Mission team thanks you for doing this.

	<p style="text-align: center;">OCC MENS' FELLOWSHIP</p> <p>The Fourth Saturday Men's Fellowship was hosted by Drew Gill with seventeen men in attendance. Mark your calendar for the next "Christ, Coffee & Campfire" men's fellowship event on Saturday, July 6. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">CHURCH PICNIC</p> <p>Just a reminder that our church picnic is scheduled for Sunday, June 30 at the Home Place at Valley View Farms. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish and a dessert. Meat, drinks, tableware, and paper goods will all be provided by the Social Team. Remember: Only one worship service on Sunday, June 30. Plan to be there at 9:45 for the VBS program with worship starting at 10:15 am. You might want to bring your comfy lawn chair. Meal will follow the service. Swimming available from 1:30 to 4:30 pm with lifeguards watching. There may even be horseshoes for those interested. This is a day set aside for fellowship.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">VETERAN'S SERVICE PROJECT</p> <p>Only two weeks remaining on our veteran's service project. This year our service project goes to help Valor Ranch, also a transitional housing program for veterans but based in rural Clay county at present. Their top needs are men's t-shirts, underwear, socks, and good men's used shoes. Of course, cash donations are always welcome, too. Valor Ranch strives to restore the dignity and self-worth of homeless veterans by providing transitional housing, job readiness and reintegration programs. Debbie Childress, Founder of Valor Ranch, shared information with us about how Valor Ranch came to be and the ideas she has for the future.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">FIELD TRIP TO THE NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL MUSEUM & AMERICAN JAZZ MUSEUM</p> <p>This field trip was cancelled due to repair work on the church shuttle bus. Next field trip is already scheduled for Thursday, July 11 at the Kansas City Museum.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – JUNE 24 – 28</p> <p>VBS starts Monday, June 24. PRAY for VBS participants, teachers, and all those working behind the scenes. The Story of Jonah: Over the 5 days, your kids will learn about a rebellious prophet, a compassionate God, and a miraculous Savior! They'll also learn that the amazing story of Jonah was just a preview of an even greater story. The story of Jesus! Children from the Orrick Christian Church, school, and the community are invited to join us for a fun week of Bible Stories, Crafts, Music, Games, Food & more! June 24 - 28 starting at 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Food will be provided for families every night starting at 4:30 pm. A bus will be provided every night for transportation as well if you are interested. Registration forms can be found on our facebook page, website, or at the church. You can email them to orrickcc4christ@gmail.com or give them to Kristin O'Dell or Madison Bennett.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">CHURCH CAMP</p> <p>First church camp coming up is Encounter Kids Church Camp on July 10-13. This is for children entering 3rd grade through entering 7th grade. There are 9 children from OCC attending this camp. We are asking that you lift all these children in your prayers as they prepare, attend and return from camp. Satan is very aware of how life changing these experiences are and will seek to disrupt them. So your prayer support is much appreciated and needed!</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">PRAYING FOR ISRAEL NIGHT AND DAY</p> <p>Our next 24 hr prayer vigil is scheduled for Thursday, July 11 beginning at 4:00 am and ending Friday morning at 4:00 am. Sign up sheet will be circulated during worship service on Sunday, July 7. Please sign up and take a printed prayer guide. More than one person can sign up during a time slot. There is no limit to the number of individuals that can participate in this prayerful intercession. If you failed to take a prayer guide, contact Barbara Britt at pray4occ@gmail.com and she will send you one by email. Thank you in advance for your prayerful intercession for Israel.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">UPDATE FROM NEW HOPE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL</p> <p>What a joy to share with you the progress NHMI is making in advancing kingdom service in Haiti through quality education. FYI. Mandatory government exams for 9th and 13th grades are scheduled for August 8th which means students will still have about 6 weeks to study in final preparation to achieve their certification for graduation into secondary school or from secondary school itself. By His grace we are making a profound and lasting impact empowering the Next Generation of Christian leaders to break the cycle of poverty and build a better tomorrow. Because evangelism and discipleship remain at the heart of our core focus, our field pastoral staff have sensed and obeyed the call of God to collectively evangelize the area in and around the NHMI church community of Barrier Battant for the last month. A victorious pastoral text read, "Last Saturday 15 people accepted Jesus Christ as Savior which brings the Gospel message to those who believe to 174 people. We thank you for your prayer and support. May God bless you abundantly."</p>



DIALOGUE & PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE

Throughout the Gospels we see that Jesus filled His conversations with questions. Some were rhetorical, challenging listeners to ponder the underlying truth, while others were direct, intended to bring to light what is in a person's heart and mind. Jesus modeled for us how we might go about inviting others into meaningful conversations that can lead to spiritual conversations. When we ask genuine questions, the other person is invited to get their ideas, the thought processes, or the beliefs out in the open - out into the light.

*When we progress in a conversation, we might thoughtfully respond, and **ask a question that could reveal their attitude toward God:***

- *Have you ever considered what the Bible says about that topic? Why or why not?*
- *That sounds like a deep hurt in your life. Do you feel like you can experience love from God?*
- *You seem really worried about this situation. Would you mind if I prayed for you right now?*

*You might also **consider the same questions Jesus posed:***

- *What have you heard about Jesus?*
- *What do you believe about Jesus?*

*Our Christian brothers and sisters need this type of question-based conversation and fellowship as well. They may be struggling with pride, fearfulness, or hopelessness. **By asking questions, we can see the places where we can hold them accountable in striving towards righteousness, and where we can speak the truth of Scripture to further their walk with Christ.** Consider questions like:*

-What have you been praying for in this situation?

-Could we look at Scripture together to find verses that show God's will for us?

-Are fear and worry dominating your thought process here?

When we ask these heart-revealing questions, we have the opportunity to shine the light of Christ and fan the flame of faith!

"Lord Jesus, You are my Teacher, instructing me in all things, inviting me into relationship with You as You ask questions for me to share with You, and ultimately submit to You. I ask that You would fill me with courage, to step out of my comfort zone and engage others in conversation, asking questions that provide opportunity to shine Your light. Guide me in graciousness to respond with grace and truth when someone answers my question in a way that I disagree with. I want to live as a bold witness for You, demonstrating from the moment a conversation starts that You so loved each person in the world, You died for their sins, so anyone who believes can have eternal life with You. In Jesus' name, Amen."



ANSWERED PRAYER

Praising God for bringing Maddy Greer successfully through her back surgery. There have been so many medical advancements in the treatment of scoliosis. Maddy is now recovering at home. Her family so appreciated the prayer support during surgery and for her continued recovery. Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list. Your prayers do make a difference!

COMING UP IN JUNE & JULY

OCC is having VBS on June 24-28. Please make plans to be involved in this special outreach.

All church picnic is Sunday, June 30 at the Home Place at Valley View.

Encounter Klds Church Camp 2024 will be July 10-13.

Field trip on Thursday, July 11 to Kansas City Museum.

On Sunday, July 14 at 1:00 pm, there will be a wedding shower for Kristin O'Dell and Blaine Wilson at the church. All are invited.

Tri-State Church Camp will be July 15-19.

Encounter Youth Church Camp 2024 will be July 16-20.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tune in each weekday morning for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" on facebook.
- Monday, June 24 - 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Meal for VBS participants & families prepared and served by Social Team.
- Monday, June 24 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm - VBS
- Tuesday, June 25 - 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Meal for VBS participants & families prepared and served by Social Team.
- Tuesday, June 25 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm - VBS
- Wednesday, June 26 - 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Meal for VBS participants & families prepared and served by Social Team
- Wednesday, June 26 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm - VBS
- Thursday, June 27 - 10:00 am-3:00 pm - Good Samaritan Emergency Outreach Mobile Unit will be in the church parking lot to help out. Questions contact Kriston Mosley (816) 310-9651.
- Thursday, June 27 - 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Meal for VBS participants & families prepared and served by Social Team.
- Thursday, June 27 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm - VBS
- Thursday, June 27 - 7:00 pm - Celebrate Recovery Lexington Group, First Baptist Church, 525 S Business 13, Lexington, MO. Contact Tamara Lane (660) 570-3761 for more information.
- Friday, June 28 - 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Meal for VBS participants & families prepared and served by Social Team.
- Friday, June 28 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm - VBS
- Sunday, June 30 - 9:45 am - VBS program kicks off Sunday Worship at the Home Place at Valley View

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