

# ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER FOR MAY 19 TO MAY 25, 2025



## MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

5/19 - John 4:46-54 "Miracle Monday - Healing of the Nobleman's Son."

5/20 - Psalm 107:1-2 "Giving Thanks to God in All Seasons." Read Ephesians 5:15-20, Philippians 4:6 and Romans 8:28.

5/21 - Romans 3:21-24 "The Gospel"

5/22 - Matthew 28 16-20 "The Culture of Being a Christ Follower." Read Proverbs 14:12.

5/23 - Luke 2:25-37 "Waiting on the Lord." Read Genesis 46:30 and Hebrews 10:26.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 23:1-3

## WELCOME

In the first worship service, we were privileged to see Mike & Carol Langdon come forward to be an official part of this church. Mike and Carol travel 53 miles to worship with us and have been an unofficial part of this church body for over a year. After they both

## SERMON SUMMARY

Memorial Stones – Joshua 3 & 4

Pastor Art felt the Lord leading him to preach out of Joshua 3 on "Memorial Stones." Our job as Christians is to tell the story of Jesus. Memorial Day seemed an appropriate time to revisit the book of Joshua. Memorial Day is a reminder to honor and respect those who sacrificed all for us.

When God makes a promise, He fulfills it. Every prophecy in the Bible has been fulfilled except one. The return of Christ is the only unfulfilled prophecy. We are waiting knowing that it will be fulfilled.

The book of Joshua comes on the heels of the time the Israelites travelled in the wilderness for 40 years. Why so long? Because they didn't trust God, except for Joshua and Caleb. All the adults who had crossed the Red Sea fleeing Egypt had died. Read Psalm 46:10. There are more prayers earnestly lifted to God in emergency or crisis situations than when we are waiting in line to ride amusement rides or purchase items. The first part of Joshua chapter 3 has three focal points. The first is waiting. It is important to communicate with God and wait for His answer. The second is understanding the way or to view where you are going. This reminds us that Jesus is the way! And third, is the importance of congregating. When the Israelites were all together, they were told to repent and be cleansed from sin (sanctification). Forgiveness is how we get into

## STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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. Church camp registrations have started. See Drew & Katie Gill about getting paperwork completed. Church pays for the camps from the Sweetheart Dessert Auction fundraiser. Deadline is June 8!
3. Mark your calendar for the Missions Team BBQ & Silent Auction in church parking lot following the second worship service on Sunday, June 8. Free will donation towards meals.
4. Volunteers are needed to help with OCC VBS. See attached flyer or contact Maddy Bennett (816) 590-7466.
5. Support our veterans service project with either donated items (towel sets or sheet sets) or money

reaffirmed their faith publicly, we welcomed them into our church family. Please extend the right hand of fellowship to them. In the second worship service, Mandy Yahtzee came forward to accept Christ as her savior and to become a part of this church. Her boyfriend, Stephen, came with her to reaffirm his own faith and be a part of this church. Also, three youth came forward to bear witness to their faith in Jesus as their savior and Lord. I will have the names of the youth for you next week. Praising God for all these new additions to the family of God and our church family!

heaven and away from sin. Read Proverbs 3:5-6. God makes a way.

Read Joshua 4:1-4, 6-7. What memorial stones do we have in our life today? Baptism is a memorial stone. The cross reminds us of the story of Jesus. Accepting Christ as Lord and Savior is a memorial stone that will last forever. Praising God for a pastor, who honors those who went before us and reminds us of the memorial stones in our own lives!




through the Fourth of July. Questions contact Mike Britt (816) 591-0534.

#### BAPTISM

Next Sunday, we will be filling the baptistry and having baptisms. If anyone is interested in being baptized, please see Pastor Art before next Sunday. You can reach out to him at (816) 935-8179.

	<h4>MEN'S FELLOWSHIP</h4> <p>Twenty-four men came together for "Fellowship on the Farm" hosted by Drew Gill this past Saturday. There is no men's fellowship event for the last Saturday in May. The next fellowship event will be "Christ, Coffee &amp; Campfire" event in Higginsville on the first Saturday in June (June 7). All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.</p>
	<h4>TRIBUTE TO THE FALLEN</h4> <p>Each year on the eve of Memorial Day, our church pays tribute to those who died for this country and those who died as a first responder in our communities. The names that we read aloud have a personal connection with someone in our church. We will honor these individuals in perpetuity for their sacrifice. Veterans, Mike Britt and Greg Laughlin, acknowledged those who died in service to our country and our community and rang a bell after each name during the first service. In the second worship service, veterans Mike Britt and Ron Smith, did likewise. Also, thank you to Ron Smith for the special flag display recognizing each branch of service that he set up in front of the church. It is a great visual reminder to pray for our military.</p>
	<h4>PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE ON MEMORIAL DAY</h4> <p><i>"Heavenly Father, we lift up every family who bears the deep sorrow of losing a loved one in the line of duty. Surround them with Your comfort and strength. Remind them that their loved one's sacrifice is not forgotten and that their pain is not unseen. We ask You to pour out Your peace that surpasses understanding and fill their hearts with the living hope found only in Jesus. May they be sustained by Your presence, encouraged by Your promises, and embraced by a grateful nation. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen."</i></p>
<p><b>You're Invited to a</b></p> 	<h4>BBQ FOR MISSIONS</h4> <p>Mark your calendar now for a special dinner opportunity on Sunday, June 8 to support our Missions Team. Elder Martin Griffin will be grilling dinner for everyone. Freewill donation to offset the costs of the meal. There will also be a competition between all the different teams of the church as they prepare silent auction baskets. Join us for a great time of table fellowship and fun plus get a chance to support the ongoing Mission work of our church.</p>

	<h3 data-bbox="695 107 1414 136">ASHES TO BEAUTY WOMEN'S ENCOUNTER WEEKEND</h3> <p data-bbox="597 149 1502 394">Ashes to Beauty weekend is designed for every women 18 years and older. It is about encountering Jesus at the Cross in a new and personal as well as intimate way. There are 12 sessions that relate to a woman's life. Each session will include praise and worship, personal testimonies, teachings from God's perspective, and a time of reflection. Next weekend encounter in 2025 is May 30-June 1. Contact Laura O'Dell (816) 868-3875 if you are interested in attending. She will assist you with making arrangements.</p>
<p data-bbox="267 520 409 546">GOAL: \$1,500</p> 	<h3 data-bbox="862 466 1247 495">VETERANS SERVICE PROJECT</h3> <p data-bbox="597 508 1513 961">Each year our church supports a veterans project. The collection period covers six weeks beginning with Armed Forces Day (May 17) and ending on the Fourth of July. This year we will once again be supporting the veterans of Valor Ranch. Here is what they have asked us to collect: towel sets and queen size sheet sets. Each veteran who stays at Valor Ranch will be assigned a color. That color will be reflected in the linens that are used by the veteran. When the veteran moves away from Valor Ranch, he/she will take the sheets and towels with them for setting up their new place. Also, we will collect any money you wish to donate. Right now they need funds to cover the expense of fencing the entire property. A fence company has offered to build the fences as their company wide service project but will not donate the actual fencing materials. So they need about \$1500 to cover fence supplies. Unfortunately, Valor Ranch has some hostile neighbors so a good strong fence is very important. If you want to make a monetary donation, please see Mike or Barbara Britt or Linda Marmoy.</p>
	<h3 data-bbox="911 1008 1198 1037">VBS – "TRUE NORTH"</h3> <p data-bbox="597 1050 1464 1197">Maddy Bennett announced that VBS at OCC will be the week of June 23-27. There is a QR code on the church bulletin boards. Accessing the QR code allows you to volunteer to help with VBS or to sign up a child participant. Need more information, contact Maddy Bennett at (816) 590-7466.</p>
	<h3 data-bbox="935 1243 1174 1272">CHURCH WEBSITE</h3> <p data-bbox="597 1285 1513 1432">Have you checked out the church website lately? There's all kinds of information available at <a href="https://www.orrickchristianchurch.com/">https://www.orrickchristianchurch.com/</a>. You can find our church newsletter listed there under the OCC tab. You can order OCC Kingdom coffee. Save the date for our upcoming 2025 Tent Revival. Take a moment to check it out.</p>
	<h3 data-bbox="971 1480 1141 1509">SHINE OF KC</h3> <p data-bbox="597 1522 1513 1732">If you missed the production by SHINE last week, then you missed an opportunity to be blessed. There were actually two plays each evening. The first through third graders did an original production entitled "EXTRA, EXTRA, Read All About It - God Sent His Only Son to Save the World!" Then the older kids performed "Newsies, Jr." They did a fantastic job. If your child shows any interest in drama, they are having a one week drama camp in July. SHINE's Mission statement is Matthew 5:16.</p>

 <p>DEVELOPING KIDS GHANA</p>	<p><b>DEVELOPING KIDS GHANA (DKG) UPDATE</b></p> <p>DKG is so grateful to our supporters for helping us to purchase a copy machine! Offering copy services to our surrounding communities helps individuals and schools to get work done in a timely manner. Our ICT specialist Mr. David has been working hard to get it online and working properly. Prayers needed for our area which endured a strong storm Tuesday night. A huge tree close to the library was completely uprooted. Many houses lost their roofs and sustained other damage as well.</p>
	<p><b>VALOR RANCH – VOLUNTEER WORK DAY</b></p> <p>The next community volunteer work day is Saturday, June 21 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. They are using an electronic sign up sheet so that you know what volunteer jobs need to be done. The link is <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/.../10C054EA8A723A1F4C07...">https://www.signupgenius.com/.../10C054EA8A723A1F4C07...</a> Lunch will be provided as in the past.</p>
	<p><b>ANSWERED PRAYER</b></p> <p>Shelly Hoskins gave an update on Jayme Russell's surgery. It went well and the staff called her a little trooper. Jayme is recovering at home and family continues to ask for prayers that her body will not reject the bone graft. Kathie Paige gave an update on her son-in-law Matt Bailey. Matt's cancer is metastasizing to other areas of his body and his pain levels are increasing. While we still pray for his healing, we want to encourage prayer for his comfort and peace. When Matt was diagnosed with a terminal illness, he was given a short time to live. That diagnosis came several years ago. The family was blessed by God to have Matt longer and to create more memories together as a family. While we pray for healing upon this earth, sometimes the healing occurs in the afterlife. God has been faithful to attend to the prayers lifted on Matt's behalf and the family asks you to continue to lift him in your prayers. Mike Stoenner shared that April's knee surgery was successful and she came home the same day that she had surgery. She has begun physical therapy and still needs prayer for pain management. They so appreciate their praying church family! Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list and send updates. Your prayers do make a difference!</p>

## COMING IN MAY & JUNE

May 30-June 1 - Ashes to Beauty  
June 8 - Missions BBQ Fundraiser  
June 9 - WOW  
June 13-15 - Grid Iron Conference  
June 22 - Baby Shower for Kristin Wilson  
June 23-27 - VBS

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tune in for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" each weekday on facebook or youtube.
- Wednesday, May 28 - 6:00 pm - Men's Bible Study with Tim O'Dell.
- Wednesday, May 28 - 6:00 pm - Women's Bible Study with Deanne Townsend.
- Thursday, May 29 - 6:00 am - Morning devotion with Pastor Art on facebook.
- Thursday, May 29 - 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, May 30 - 6:00 am - Morning devotion with Pastor Art via facebook.
- Friday, May 30 - 1:30 pm - Departure from church parking lot for Ashes to Beauty women's encounter.
- Sunday, June 1 - 8:15 am - Traditional worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, June 1 - 9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages.
- Sunday, June 1 - 10:45 am - Contemporary worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5)
- Sunday, June 1 - 5:00-7:00 pm - Doctrine Bible Study Group at church with Phil Boude.
- Sunday, June 1 - 5:00-7:00 pm - Youth groups at church

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