

ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 2 TO JUNE 8, 2025



MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

5/6/2 - Mark 1:21-28 "Miracle Monday - Jesus Casts Out an Unclean Spirit."

6/3 - Mark 14:32-42 "Watching and Praying." Read Galatians 5:17 and Psalm 9:1-2.

6/4 - Luke 13:1-5 "Repentance." Read Acts 2:38 and Matthew 7:1-5.

6/5 - Luke 13:6-9 "Fruit of Repentance or Thanksgiving." Read Romans 12:1 and Matthew 7:16-20.

6/6 - Revelation 14:6-7 "Sharing the Good News." Read Ephesians 4:14-15.

SERMON SUMMARY

Angels Proclaiming A Different Message – Rev. 14:8-13

Pastor Art continued in the 14th chapter of the book of Revelation with a sermon entitled "Angels Proclaiming A Different Message," based on Revelation 14:8-13. Pastor Art reminded us that the Holy Bible is true from the first word to the last word. To truly love someone, you must share the entire truth. Last week we heard about the proclaiming angel that preached the gospel everywhere on earth and in every language (see Rev 14:6). Pastor Art reminded everyone that you cannot work your way into heaven. You must make a choice. The heavenly choice requires you to submit to Jesus Christ and repent.

The spiritual passage this week addresses judgment and the non-choice of heaven, which is hell. Verse 8 describes the fall of Babylon, repeating Isaiah 21:9. It describes the things that take away our time from God. There is condemnation for worshipping the beast. The world makes sin less troubling. It is not our decision to pick a sin. God has already identified sins. The church or body of Christ is responsible for teaching the Bible to others. Ethical decisions will have to be made from a Biblical foundation. Verse 9 the third angel explains who will experience the wrath of God.

There are two places: either in Christ or in Hell. Verse 10 describes Hell as a place of torment and no rest. Read Matthew 25:41. Verses 12-13 tells

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. Our next WOW meeting is Monday, June 9 at 6:30 pm. Enjoy table fellowship prior to our time of crafting. Childcare provided. Reach out and invite others to join us.
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 (new towel sets or sheet sets) or

CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 123:1-4

ANOINTING WITH OIL BY THE ELDERS

In the first service, Robert Phillips came forward to be anointed with oil by the church Elders in accordance with James 5:14. Robert has been struggling with multiple health issues for months that have been puzzling his doctors. Pastor Art prayed for good health and discernment for his doctors. In the second service, Tyra Hill came forward to be anointed with oil and prayed over as she is coming back into her church family after fighting addictions. Pastor Art prayed that she would remain victorious in Christ as she is covered by the blood of Jesus.

us that believers will be persecuted when judgment is poured out on the world. Read Mark 1:42. Praising God for a pastor that shares the entire truth so that we all know the consequence of the decision we make regarding eternal life!

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

BAPTISM

For Pentecost Sunday, we were privileged to witness a number of young people come forward and be baptized. In the first service, Jackson Ray Elliott, age 8, was baptized wearing his mother's baptismal robe. Jackson had several family members attend his baptism as well as his new church family. May he continue to grow in faith each and every day. During the second service, we saw three more youth be baptized, all from the Beck family. Nicholas let Pastor Art know that they were being obedient to God's will and giving a public testimony with their baptism. His brother Clayton and sister Cadence were also baptized. Don't you know the angels were singing in heaven! May these young people be embraced by their church family and grow in their faith. We will be having more baptisms next Sunday. If anyone is interested in being baptized, please see Pastor Art before next Sunday. You can reach out to him at (816) 935-8179. Again, it is not too late to join the others being baptized.

Men's Fellowship



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

No one from OCC was able to attend "Christ, Coffee & Campfire" in Higginsville this month. Grid Iron Conference is this weekend. The next local men's fellowship event will be on the third Saturday in June (June 21). All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.



PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE

"Lord, You are the Vine, and we are the branches. You appointed Christ as the head of the Body, the head of the Church, and we rejoice in the unity we experience together as believers. Thank You for pouring out this fresh vision for the city of Ocean Springs, and for uniting the body of Christ there. This display of Your glory and goodness is what we desire to see in every single community and city in this nation! Start with us, Lord, in the work of uniting our communities in prayer, and strengthen the prayer leaders in every community who You are calling and equipping to do the same. In Jesus' name, Amen."

You're Invited to a



BBQ FOR MISSIONS

Mission Team wants to thank everyone for all that they did to generate a great fundraiser for our missions. There was a great turnout and the weather cooperated. Early estimates are that this fundraiser generated \$4,000 toward missions. Thank you!



GLORY STORY FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

In the last two years, Ocean Springs, MS has seen their National Day of Prayer gathering grow from 30 to over 350 prayer participants, as God has given a fresh vision and outpouring of his unity. For many years, a small but faithful group gathered at city hall each year on the National Day of Prayer to ask God to pour out on our nation and their community, seeking revival and a fresh desire for prayer.

At the 2025 Ocean Springs National Day of Prayer, coordinator Ginger Magruder stood in awe of God's glory on display as the local high school football stadium was filled with the sounds of worship and intercession. The gathering included believers from all the denominations in the city, as well as students, families, and community leaders. In early 2024, Magruder stepped up as the new National Day of Prayer coordinator for Ocean Springs. She had been a regular attendee of the annual gathering for many years, and her first order of business in the new position of leadership was to humbly seek God in prayer for His direction. "As I began to pray about it, the Lord gave me a vision of [the National Day of Prayer] being held at the football stadium," Magruder recalls. This was a completely new direction for the Ocean Springs National Day of Prayer! Magruder reached out to the Mississippi National Day of Prayer State Coordinator Debra Brown, and the two women set up an appointment with the Ocean Springs' new district superintendent.

As the meeting began, the superintendent and assistant seemed quiet and reserved during the initial outline of the request to use the high school football stadium for an evening prayer gathering. After Magruder explained the rich history of the National Day of Prayer and the opportunity for the entire community to be blessed by praying together, the two leaders caught the vision and jumped on board. They explained that by partnering with a student group, they would be able to use the stadium for free and made other suggestions. Magruder connected with a Christian student campus group, Greyhounds for Christ. They discovered that the club was full of incredible young believers who were thrilled to participate in the National Day of Prayer. She began to connect with local church leaders, business leaders and school district staff. She worked hard to include the school staff by placing baskets in teachers' lounges with sweet treats, NDP prayer guides and an invitation to attend the prayer gathering.

When it came time to plan the details of the prayer gathering, provision flowed from the Lord. The school district pressure washed the stadium, provided seating options, and coordinated for the football team to clear off the field early that afternoon. A local church brought in and set up a sound system while business leaders allowed the placement of signage and invitations in their establishments to generate increased publicity. "He kept providing favor, favor, favor," said Magruder. Over 350 believers from Ocean Springs united in prayer at the 2025 National Day of Prayer covering all seven areas of influence, with a special segment of prayer to lift up the young people of the community. Magruder saw participants stepping out of their comfort zone to participate in prayers and rejoiced as their prayer lives grew before her eyes! God has truly answered prayers for a new hunger and passion for prayer in Ocean Springs!



WOW – WOMEN OF WORTH

Join us on Monday, June 9 at 6:30 pm for our next WOW gathering. Create, connect and craft together! We will enjoy table fellowship as we eat dinner then start creating prayer boards and Bible bookmarks. All crafting supplies provided. Childcare provided. Reach out and invite someone to join us for this evening of fellowship and creativity.



ASHES TO BEAUTY

Eleven ladies attended the May 30 – June 1 Ashes to Beauty.

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.



PRAYING FOR ISRAEL NIGHT AND DAY

Our next 24 hr prayer vigil is scheduled for Thursday, June 12 beginning at 4:00 am and ending Friday morning at 4:00 am. We will be circulating a sign up sheet during our worship services. 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, one will be attached to the newsletter for that week. Thank you in advance for your prayerful intercession for Israel.

GOAL: \$1,500



VETERANS SERVICE PROJECT

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 style="text-align: center;">VBS – “TRUE NORTH”</p> <p>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>
	<p style="text-align: center;">WATERFEST</p> <p>OCC will once again be having an evangelism booth at Waterfest in Excelsior Springs on June 27th and June 28th. We had a very positive response to our booth at the Mushroom Festival in Richmond last month. If you are interested in sitting in the booth for an hour or two, please contact Phil Boude (816) 204-7782.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">DEVELOPING KIDS GHANA (DKG) UPDATE</p> <p>Congratulations to the newest DKG graduate, Lydia! We are so proud of her hard work. Thank you to everyone who has supported our scholarship program, Lydia could not have done it without You!</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">VALOR RANCH – VOLUNTEER WORK DAY</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 https://www.signupgenius.com/.../10C054EA8A723A1F4C07... Lunch will be provided as in the past.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">MOMS IN PRAYER MEET & GREET KANSAS CITY</p> <p>You are cordially invited to an evening of desserts to learn more about Moms In Prayer International. Join other area moms and meet Debbie Smith, Missouri State Coordinator. She will share updates about this amazing ministry, answer questions, and tell how each individual can make an impact for the Kingdom of God. This event is scheduled for Friday, June 20th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Evangel Church in Kansas City. If you are interested in going, contact Barbara Britt (816) 826-8832 so that we can reserve our spots for this event.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">ANSWERED PRAYER</p> <p>Chad Stirling has recovered from shingles and is back at work. Praising God for his healing touch! Linda Marmoy reports that her daughter-in-law, Tiffany Marmoy, has fully recovered from her surgery last month. Thank you for blessing these individuals with prayer for their respective health issues. Melissa Paulson is still recovering from her mastectomy but did get a good report back from some of the lab work. Praising God for his provisions for Melissa! God is good! I have to share how good God was to the Britt Family. This past week we went to Duluth, MN to pick up Lumen. Tuesday night we get a phone call from our neighbor saying that a tree came down on our house during the afternoon storms. Our daughter and son-in-law went to check on our house and see if the roof had been punctured or if we had water coming through the ceiling. There definitely was a tree on the house but for the most part there didn't seem to be any extreme damage. Mike called our insurance agent and then spoke with an insurance adjuster, who came out on Friday morning. Mike and the insurance adjuster tramped all over the roof and up and down our backyard. The insurance agent kept saying that this was unbelievable! The tree missed the electric line to the house by several feet. The turbine on the roof was not touched as there was a fork in the tree with branches on either side. The air vent for the</p>

	furnace was a little scratched up but not damaged. A tree limb held the body of the tree above our gate and the fence was undamaged as the tree lay parallel to the fence. The gutter was pulled a few inches from the house but can easily be re-secured and does not need to be replaced. The tree removal expert who is getting rid of our tree told us that we were fortunate that the tree came up by the roots as this slows the fall of the tree, which lessens damage. We were not fortunate, we were BLESSED! God is good! Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list and send updates. Your prayers do make a difference!
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COMING IN JUNE

June 9 - WOW
 June 13-15 - Grid Iron Conference
 June 20 – Dessert night Moms in Prayer
 June 21 – Volunteer workday at Valor Ranch
 June 22 - Baby Shower for Kristin Wilson
 June 23-27 – VBS
 June 27–28 - Waterfest

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tune in for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" each weekday on facebook or youtube.
- Monday, June 9 - 6:30 pm - WOW evening of Christ, crafts and connection. Table fellowship at 6:30. Childcare provided.
- Wednesday, June 11 - 6:00 pm - Men's Bible Study with Tim O'Dell.
- Wednesday, June 11 - 6:00 pm - Women's Bible Study with Deanne Townsend.
- Thursday, June 12 - 4:00 am - **24 hr Prayer Vigil for Israel begins**
- Thursday, June 12 - 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 13 - Grid Iron Conference begins
- Friday, June 13 - 4:00 am - **24 hr Prayer Vigil for Israel ends**
- Sunday, June 15 - Father's Day!
- Sunday, June 15 - 8:15 am - Traditional worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, June 15 - 9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages.
- Sunday, June 15 - 10:45 am - Contemporary worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5)

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