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WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024



Upcoming Events

May Outreach- Pentecost

Wednesday, May 8th

6:00 PM Board Meeting
6:45 PM Choir

Thursday, May 9th

6:30 PM Grief Support

Sunday, May 12th

MOTHER'S DAY
8:30 AM Worship
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship

Monday, May 13th

1:00 PM Prayers Arising

Tuesday, May 14th

6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, May 15th

5:30 PM Youth Night Celebration
6:30 PM Choir

Sunday, May 19th

ONE SERVICE WORSHIP BEGINS
PENTECOST SUNDAY
9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Sunday School



THANK YOU!



Thank you to our Edna Ricks ladies for hosting a wonderful reception for our graduating seniors this past Sunday - and to everyone who came to support them.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everybody who supported the Mission Team BBQ this past Saturday. We raised just over \$2300 for the mission trip to Lincoln, IL this summer. A special "thank you" to these businesses who bought lunch for their employees:

Peoples Bank & Trust
Witte Brothers
Bank of Old Monroe
TLG Peterbilt
Jim Trenary-Ford
Troy Furniture

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Jeff's weekly Wednesday Bible Study the 22nd, and the 29th, and then will cease for the summer months. Additionally, Pastor Jeff will be attending a conference on May 15th – so NO Bible study that day.

EDNA RICKS CIRCLE

Edna Ricks Circle will meet on Wednesday, May 20th @ 4:30 PM in the conference room. **Please remember to bring your blessing boxes.**

PASTOR JEFF'S JOTTINGS...

On Sunday, May 9, 1914 President Woodrow Wilson designated the second Sunday of each month as Mother's Day. Since that time, more greeting cards are purchased than for any other holiday. It is such a special day for all of us when we are afforded the opportunity to give honor to our mothers, step-mothers, grandmothers, mothers-to-be, mothers in law, and every other person who fills that role in our lives. For me, as I have shared many times, I was blessed to have a mother who loved me and raised me, but 57 years later found my biological mother and my step-mother (both still alive) whom I can share blessings and love with.

In many ways, I can look back upon my childhood and appreciate not only my mother's teaching, but also that of my grandmother's who were instrumental in my development – not only spiritually, but also as a respectful and honorable man. I value those opportunities when such women were instrumental in teaching me, encouraging me, challenging me, and providing for me the many ways of finding myself in life.

This Sunday, Mother's Day, we will honor and celebrate their presence in our life, whether still alive or now passed into God's eternal heaven. We will focus on all mother's, on all women, who contribute greatly to our community, and our community of faith. Here at FCC-Troy, we are blessed beyond measure by those women, (mothers of the church) who from the beginning helped create a solid foundation for teaching and learning about the ways of Christ. The list is many.

So let us come together as a church family ready to appreciate and show our love, and learn a little more about a very special mother – Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ. I will be in my place and I look forward to seeing you in yours.

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING – MAY

The Pentecost Special Offering, that we are receiving this month, supports Disciples new church development. Planning, nurturing and sustaining new congregations is part of the Disciples' vision. This offering supports the specialized ministry of new church development through both regional and general programs. Gifts for this offering are divided equally between our own Mid-America Region, and the New Church Ministry. This offering is vital to the continued growth of our church world-wide, and the sustaining and support of older congregations that are seeking a new vision for future ministry. Please be generous in your giving to this offering.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The Summer Worship Schedule will officially begin on Pentecost Sunday, May 19th, in which there will be several baptisms planned. The worship service each week (rotating between traditional and contemporary format) will commence at 9 am, followed by Sunday School at 10 am.

TUESDAY LUNCH BUNCH

The Tuesday Lunch Bunch will celebrate their final outing before the summer break on Tuesday, May 28th. The group will travel to the city of St. Charles to "Salt and Smoke" Restaurant, which after lunch, will also have time for some shopping in the area. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex area, or call the Church Office. The bus that day will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. for an 11:30 lunch. Sign up now!

OFFERING & ATTENDANCE MAY 5TH

General : \$ 7,938.95
Pentecost: \$ 280.00
Capital Campaign: \$ 666.00
Attendance: 106

GRIEF SUPPORT WILL WRAP UP FOR SUMMER

The final Grief Support group meeting before the summer break, will take place this Thursday, May 9th from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. The group will reconvene in September, if there is continued interest. Thank you to all who have attended and found the gatherings and discussion helpful.

THANK YOU!

We want to express our gratitude for the Edna Ricks Circle and Pastor Seth for making Senior Recognition Sunday so very special for Sara and all the Seniors! It is such a wonderful event and we know that a lot of time, money and thought went into preparing for the reception! Sara was delighted with her gifts and well wishes and will cherish them during her college years!

Thank you so much-
The Diemer Family

2024 Camp Dates

<p>Faith Adventures July 22- 26th - \$195 JYF, Chi Rho, and CYF</p> <p>Try It- \$95/pair July 25-26 Adult or parent must come with Child</p> <p>Regional Canoe Camp \$280 July 14-18</p>	<p>Jo Ota Try It Camp- June 7-9 \$225/pair Adult or parent must come with Child</p> <p>CYF - July 8-13 \$375</p> <p>Elem \$185/ Jr \$335 - July 15-19</p> <p>Chi Rho - July 28-August 2 \$375</p>	<p>North West Chi Rho- June 29-July 3 \$230</p> <p>CYF- July 6-11 \$230</p> <p>123 Go- July 13-15 \$150</p> <p>Junior - July 17-21 \$230</p> <p>Combo (Junior & Chi Rho) July 23-27 \$230</p>	<p>Our Bodies Our Faith \$385 July 28-August 2 at Camp MOVAL 8th grade (9th graders are welcome is they have never attended)</p> <p>Regional Sons & Fathers Retreat Oct. 11-13 at Shannondale \$190 for son and father together; \$99 per single adult</p>
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Regional Young Adult \$185
(ages 18-24)- Eve of 6- 24- Morning 27th @ Jo Ota

If your child is interested in going to camp this summer, please contact Pastor Seth.

Prayer Concerns:

- Bob Strode
(friend of Jeff & Naomi)
- Nathan Voss
(friend of the Larsons)
- Bob Hall
- Continued Prayers:**
- Dave Duncan
(friend of Wayne Kollar)
- The family of Dale Skeens
(Pastor Jeff's brother in law)
- Darrell Faires
- Betty Guzinski
- Melody
(niece of Mary McCann)
- Camden Davenport
(Jeran Davenport's brother)
- Alfred Chilton
(Donna Loughridge's brother)
- Helen Lester
(friend of Betty Guzinski)
- Theresa Dearing
- Jessica Rentfro's mother
- Mary Roberts
- Arlene Smith
(friend of Bart & Linda Creech)
- Joseph Lovette
(friend of Bart & Linda Creech)

- David Jackson
(friend of Naomi)
- James Gant
(cousin of Brenda Monse)
- Morgan Groves
(friend of Annette & Mike Walton)
- Susan Noelkin
(friend of Coral Ballack)
- Harry Jones
- Nancy Lacey
- Jim Finger
(Marilyn Menne's brother in law)
- John Barnhart
(uncle of Karen Starr)
- Anna Riley
(cousin of Christy Harper & Cindy Davenport-Bertels)
- Jerry & Ann Watts
- Lucas Carroll
(Bob Hall's son-in-law)
- Rick Gritz
(brother in law of Rocky Collins)
- Karl Berger
(friend of Mike Walton)
- Bill Carr
(Cathy Whitworth's brother in law)
- Jerry Faires
(brother of Darrell Faires)

- Bev Kersting
(Matt's mom)
- Angela Collins
(Rocky's daughter)
- Caiden Thies
(Friend of Brandi Rash)
- Tab Militello
(friend of Donya Gress)
- Anita Darnell
- Katie Bruening
(niece of Brenda Monse)
- Shelby Jones
(Harry Jones' brother)
- Russ Mudd & Doug Mudd
(family/friend of Tom & Lynn Sullivan)
- Brittany Filsinger
(friend of Jim & Karen Diemer)
- Robert Stuckey
(Cathy Pieper's brother-in-law)
- Bill Dahlheimer
- Pat Ind & Judy Myers
(friends/family of Garry & Glenda Martin)
- Courtney Carroll
(friend of Rocky Collins)
- Helen Bowen
(Annette Walton's sister)
- Geneva Fetch
(Jessica Colbert's grandmother)

- Stephen & Marin Justice
(Leslie Lindsay's parents)
- Rebecca Galmiche
(friend of Scott & Sharon Falls)
- Sal Toro
(Cindy Finley's brother-in-law)
- Denise Gannon
(Donna Raeman's daughter)
- Cindy & Edward Stumpe,
Angie Gralnick, Nicole Licary,
Jean McCann *(family of Mary McCann)*

Homebound:

- Delmar Gardens: Dorothy Graeler
- Sugar Creek: Mary Roberts
- Lincoln County Nursing & Rehab:
Helen Stice
- Elsberry Heath Center: Donna Lewis
- Home: Dottie Westermann

Active Military: Jamison Lallis, Merrill Soundararajan *(Becky Wilhoit's son in law)*, Nicholas Hutton *(Grandson of Norma Campbell)*

Please call the church office if you have any additions or updates to the prayer list.



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:45 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

SERVING SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 12

8:30 AM

Elder: Cindy Finley
Deacons: Renee Martin & Clint Wilson
Greeters: Charla & Harry Jones
Musicians: Pam Hall, Kathy Hardy & Cathy Whitworth
Slides: Jim Diemer
Sound: Naomi Uy-Moore

10:45 AM

Elder: Jane Kelley
Deacons: Naomi Uy-Moore & Cindy Davenport-Bertels
Greeters: Nori Rasmussen & Cindy Mohorc
Musicians: James Bertels, Denny Gibson, Andrea Lallis, Brett Mossotti & Chris Stark
Slides: Rocky Collins
Sound: Tad Wasowicz

Sunday, May 19

9:00 AM

Elder: Cindy Finley
Deacons: Renee Martin & Clint Wilson
Greeters: Charla & Harry Jones
Musicians: Pam Hall, Kathy Hardy & Cathy Whitworth
Slides: Colin Lindsay
Sound: Jeni Young

Preparing Deacon: Tad & Hollie Wasowicz