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**MAY
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**“Making disciples by
reaching the lost for
Jesus Christ so that all
experience help, hope,
and home”**

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MAY CHURCH CALENDAR



**From Pastor
Ron's Desk**

How Committed are You?

The news is filled with accounts of churches struggling because church attendance is at an all-time low. Since Covid, some have felt that it is unnecessary to meet in person and have chosen to catch the service online, if at all. But in-person meeting is so important for several reasons, but the most critical is that Christ commands this. He commands that we should not forsake the gathering together as some have chosen to do. (Heb 10:25) Personal and regular church attendance is as much for us as it is for others. In the company of others, we worship together, we encourage one another, we fellowship together, and we serve one another and we serve with each other. Some argue that this is unnecessary, but I have never witnessed a healthy Christian that does not make regular attendance a high priority, but I have witnessed so many that struggle and are unhealthy that choose not to. Sunday attendance, unless home bound, is an evidence of commitment.

So I ask the question, how committed are you? I was fishing the other day at a pond. I had one pole out in the water waiting for a bite while I was actively casting and retrieving with the other, when suddenly my other rod took off and was headed out on the water.

Now, you have to know that it was my best casting rod and with my best casting reel on it that I had received as a gift and I did not want to lose them so I just dove in to save that rod and reel. In the process, I got a hold of it, but I marred up in yucky stinky mud and my right knee landed on the bottom. When I got up off the bottom I had my rod in hand but I had this yucky mud nearly up to my waist and as I stepped back out of the pond my left shoe stayed in the mud. Needless to say, I was a real mess and that ended the fishing day, but, I was determined not to lose that rod and reel and I didn't. Oh, if we were only as committed to following Christ as we are to our material goods and comforts.

Blessings, Pastor Ron

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Trustee Mtg 7:00 pm	Worship Committee meeting 6pm			
7 Communion	8	9	10 Christian Ed 7:00 pm	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15 Membership 6:00 pm Missions 7:00 pm	16 Church Council 7:00 pm	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Deacons Meeting 12:00 PM	29	30	31			
<p>Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do whether in word or deed, do it in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Colossians 3:16-17</p>						

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT COUNTRYSIDE

SUNDAY	Sunday School	9:30 A.M.
	Morning Worship	10:45 A.M.
WEDNESDAY	Bible Study	7:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY	Disciples of Wisdom Youth Group	6:30 P.M.

KID'S COUNTRY VOLUNTEERS

May

- 7 Carol Kirk & Susie Ratzlaff
- 14 Dena Miller & Robin Lawrence
- 21 Gordon & Jane Warnken
- 28 Linda Cox & Heidi McCullers

GREETERS & TECH BOOTH

May

- 7 Marilyn Minks & Shirley Sills
- 14 Bob Lyon & Louise Lyon
- 21 Judd & Heidi McCullers
- 28 Chris & Carolyn Moore

Video/Sound Samuel Kyker

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

May

- 7 Adam Fortna
- 14 Jamie Standage
- 21 Judd McCullers
- 28 Melissa King

MAY

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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|--------------------|-----------------|
| 6 Rochelle Calhoun | 29 Madison Kirk |
| 13 Mary Pohlman | 30 Jeanne ross |
| 17 Sharon Breneman | Melissa DeWitt |
| 19 Peggy Sneath | 31 Jerry Hidde |
| 20 Clark Kirk | |
| Stacey Lyon | |

SALT HAWK COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The Mission Committee is asking for items to help kids in need. The needs are for chap stick and men & women's deodorant. There is a table in the foyer for your donations.



To God be
THE GLORY

BIBLE BUDDIES

Kid's ages K-5th grade will not be meeting for Bible Buddies starting May 3rd through the summer. Contact Jamie Standage

MOTHER'S DAY

The Christian Education Committee will be honoring the Mothers and Ladies of the church on May 14th in the morning worship service.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 26-29
6:45 PM K-5th grade
The theme is
"Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light"

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

All men are invited to the Men's Fellowship on Wednesdays at 8:00 AM at Scuttlebutts Coffee. Join in the time of fellowship, building up, and loving one another for the glory of Christ.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study is meeting Wednesdays at 9:30 AM in the parlor. May 3rd will be their last meeting with a luncheon. Contact is Marilyn Minks

DISCIPLES OF WISDOM YOUTH GROUP

The youth are meeting on Wednesday night at 6:30 PM. Contact is Adam Fortna

LADIES SPRING TEA

All Ladies are invited to the Spring Tea, May 6th at 2:00 PM. Our guest will be "Esther" an impersonation by Natalee Ganyon. Please bring your Spring dessert. Also wear your favorite hat or bring your favorite hat.

Invite a Friend. Please help us setup for the tea on Friday May 5th at 10:00 AM



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT "FAITH CONQUERS FEAR"

"In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence, and his children will have refuge" (Proverbs 14:26)

"The opposite of fear is faith. Therefore, when dealing with fear, one must first understand faith. In Hebrews it is described as "things we hope for and things that we do not presently have." So, if we have no needs, we have no need of faith.

Martin Luther said, "Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace." It is God's plan that we have some needs in order that we may develop faith in Him, and it is vital that we view these future needs as opportunities to exercise and develop our faith.

We are told in God's Word that He is a rewarder of those who diligently serve Him. We must decide if we believe that or if those are just words.

F.B. Meyer said, "God incarnate is the end of fear; and the heart that realizes He is in the midst will be quiet in the middle of alarm."

No Christian can truly serve God and live in fear. It's a choice." (*Faith Conquers Fear* by Larry Burkett)

In March, the Unified Budget giving of \$16,514 exceeded the actual expenditures by \$74 and for the year giving has exceeded the actual expenditures by \$1,807. Several non-recurring expenditures caused expenditures to run a little higher this month. Designated funds were used to purchase a new computer for the Pastor's Office and to buy a new baptistry heater. The 2023 America for Christ offering was \$395.

Many times in my life I have faced what seemed like insurmountable situations that I just had to turn over to God and have faith that He would take care of them and He has. I have things today that I am dealing with and I just have to put aside fear and have faith that God will take care of them. May we all put aside fear of the future and have faith in God to meet all our needs. – Rich McCullum

FINANCIAL REPORT MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Unified Budget	March 2023	Year-to-Date
Budget Goals	15,754.59	47,263.77
Tithes & Offerings	16,514.33	49,011.38
Actual Expenditures	16,440.79	47,203.44
Overage (Shortfall)	73.54	1,807.94

HERE'S A LITTLE HUMOR

What does Jesus say about humor and laughter . . . He will enjoy the humor about these songs.

The Contractor's hymn—How Firm a Foundation.

The IRS agent's Hymn –I Surrender All

The Electrician's Hymn –Send The Light

The Paramedic's Hymn –Revive Us Again

The Geologist's Hymn –Rock of Ages

The Fisherman's Hymn– Shall We Gather at the River?

Laugh a lot, and when you are older, all your wrinkles will be in the right places.

Laughter is a mini-vacation

Humor is to life what shock absorbers are to automobiles.

He who laughs, lasts.

Psalm 126:2 says "Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy."

THE BIBLE, ESV

"This Book is the most valuable thing that this world affords. Here is Wisdom, this is the royal Law; these are the lively Oracles of God. "With these words the Moderator of the Church of Scotland hands a Bible to the new monarch in Britain's coronation service. These words echo the King James Bible translators, who wrote in 1611: "God's sacred Word. . . is that inestimable treasure that excellet all the riches of the earth." This assessment of the Bible is the motivating force behind the publication of the English Standard Version

