

The Newsleaf

Odessa Community of Christ

April 2010

April Communion Service
___Time Change___

NOTICE Please notice . . .

Our only Communion this Easter Sunday will be served at a special Sunrise Service at 8:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Easter Communion
Sunrise
Service

8:30 - 9:10 am

Bruce Watson, pre-
siding



On the first Sunday of every month we have a communion service to help us remember our Lord Jesus Christ. Communion, also known as the Lord's Supper, is such a precious sacrament. By sacrament is meant to be kept holy. *The sacraments express the continuing presence of Christ through the church.* Jesus gathered His disciples together for a meal. These were His friends and travel companions, so there must have been general conversation around the room. But Jesus had gathered them for something special, something more.

If I travel to that time, in that place . . . as He stood to speak, the room must have hushed by the soberness of His face . . . those gathered hanging on every word the Messiah utters . . . the mood had changed, they would experience this sacrament for the first time. In the Bible in the book of Matthew chapter 26, it tells us the story. Jesus took the bread and said, "Eat, this is my body." And then He took the wine and said, "Drink, this is my blood which was shed for you." What must have been going through the minds of those in that room? Each one certainly touched by the Master.

I encourage you to come and

worship with friends, neighbors, new faces, old faces, young and old and in-between. I implore you to come and worship with Jesus the Christ. Come with quiet prayer on your heart and a smile of celebration on you face.

We will gather at the Odessa Community of Christ in the sanctuary at 8:30 AM. (I know, but isn't He worth it, aren't **you** worth it) The service will be one of quiet reflection of the sacrifice made on the cross mixed with uplifting songs of praise. We have the opportunity for deepening our relationship with our Heavenly Father if we but prepare ourselves and commit our lives to His teachings.

Following the Sunrise Communion, breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall. 9:45 am Sunday School Classes, followed by Easter Egg Hunt at 10:20 a.m. 11 o'clock service will be a celebration service mixed with music and inspiration from speaker, David Watson. He might have a difficult time hearing the TV but certainly knows the Lords words.

Come and be with us. Hear the story of Jesus Christ and experience His love as we fellowship one with another. *Bruce*

Family Night

It's An Egg-stravaganza!

Wednesday, March 31st
7 p.m.

Decorate! Decorate!

Easter Eggs And Baskets
for

"The Great Easter Egg Hunt"

For our children!

Each family should bring:

1 dozen boiled eggs &

1 bag of candy

Come, Join the
Fun!

Design the
No1 egg of the
night!



Easter Sunday Morning

It's
**The Great
Easter Egg
Hunt!**

Between

Sunday School & Church at

10:20 am

Children 6th grade
and down are invited
to hunt.



All are invited to
the church lawn for
this special
activity!

See you there!

Sharon



WORLD CONFERENCE

April 10-17, 2010

Register for World Conference. Register online at www.CofChrist.org/WC2010/registration2010.asp.

Registration forms are also available through your mission center.

Registration Booth opens Monday, April 5, at 9 a.m.

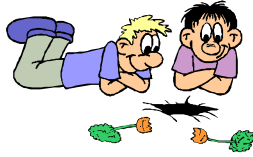


Serve Communion: Aaronic priests or melchisedec priesthood are encouraged to serve Communion on Sunday, April 11, at the 10 a.m. worship. Contact Van Wilson at vwilson@CofChrist.org or ext. 2361.

Y.O.U.

(Youth Onward & Upward)
Jr High/Sr High Youth

___Meet each
2nd and 4th
Sundays___



Ushering Ministries:

Many individuals and couples are needed to provide this special ministry during World Conference. Contact Rich and Wilma Osborn at rich-wilma@hotmail.com to sign-up or more information.

Youth Service Corps

Are you 12-18 years old and interested in helping World Conference run smoothly while meeting new friends from around the world? You will get to do all sort of cool things that will have a positive impact for those around you. Apply for Youth Service Corps at www.CofChrist.org/wc2010/registration2010, asap.

If you are youth worker certified and are at least a sophomore in college and would like to help in a supervisor position in the Youth Service Corps, please contact Edna, etivis@cmcofchrist.org.

Conference Kids Needs You!

With World Conference just a few weeks away, the Conference Kids program needs 5-10 teachers to make this ministry work. All program materials and supplies will be provided. Staff/teacher volunteers must be 21 or older and a Registered Youth Worker. The morning program runs from 8:30—12:15 Monday-Friday and 8:00-10:15 on Saturday. The afternoon program runs from 1:30-5:30 Sunday-Friday. Contact Conference Kids Director Brenda Strickland at bstrickland@CofChrist.org or at 740-464-481 if you can help!

Young Adults ___age 21 or

older, interested in helping at a youth camp this summer, contact Anita at anorman@cmcofchrist.org.

Liahona Traveling Around Mission Center _____

Our college students from UCM have been sharing their testimonies and vibrant witness with congregations around the Mission Center. Several of our students from Odessa are participating in these services and we applaud their commitment in witness to others. We enjoy the ministry our young adults are offering not only to the Odessa Congregation but to others beyond our doors in outreach!

2010 Family Camp

June 30 - July 4

at Lake Doniphan

"Sharing in Community of Christ"

Steve and Cathi Cackler-Veazey will be guest ministers

Start making plans with your friends to be there!

Registration form on table in foyer or on website odessacofchrist.org. Mail registration and a minimum \$100 to Central Missouri Mission Center, PO Box 350, Warrensburg, MO 64093. All fees need to be paid by Tuesday, June 22. Volunteer and for more information about camp, contact camp director Mary Kidd, mkidd@cmcofchrist.org.

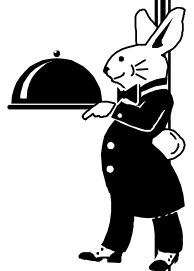
Sharing in Community of Christ is the 2010 Reunion theme. Check out daily themes and scriptures at www.CofChrist.org/online/resources/reunion10/. Free downloadable reunion resources will be available in mid-March, including worship helps, an adult facilitator guide with a PowerPoint presentation, children's resources (ages 3-5, 6-8, and 9-11), and youth resources (junior and senior high).

China McMex Dinner

A Building Fundraiser!!

Baked Ham
Chicken Tenders
Sweet Potato Balls
Green Beans
Pasta Salad
Broccoli Salad
Homemade Rolls
Dessert
Coffee Punch

Sunday, April
25th
at noon



Blessings, ___E-mails and phone calls tell us we have received many rich blessings! Blessings of healing and answers to daily needs solved as answer to your prayers. We thank the Lord for his watch care and protection. Thanks for getting the word out so all may hear!

Junior Church

Sunday
April 18th at 11 AM



Winter has been dragging it's COLD feet, but today is sunny with promise of more warmth to come. When I'm warm I have JOY, when I have JOY, I SMILE. When I read & learn about Jesus I am WARM, have JOY & SMILE! All kids, Kindergarten - 6th grade, are invited to Jr. Church April 18 to learn how & why Jesus gives us WARMTH, JOY & lots of SMILES. Bring a friend too.

Bible Word Search:

ENIYDKLOCQV
PZJOBKYUOYN
OSOUKMKDQJY
GGVB JT Z XGXL
CSERPENTDRX
LLNFOPACABE
CCGARDE NTRG
UPOECOMMAND

**COMMAND, SERPENT, GOOD
GARDEN, ABE, UP**

Pete & Cheryl O'Keefe

Pre-baptismal Class Con- tinues their Studies__What

a wonderful Children's Choir we have, thanks to Patty Watson and her diligent efforts. Thank you so much Patty.

About the pre-baptismal class . . . Well, as soon as we get everyone on the same page (get it?) so that we can get all the way through our book, with some degree of remembering what we are trying to learn, then the books will come home. In order to do that the children need to be in

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class as much as possible or our wonderful parents will need to review with them when the books come home. Years ago there were cottage meetings that taught persons about the church. The picture that I remember the most was the foundation that our church was built on. I think of our class as part of that foundation.

Ilene Sheets, Teacher

Summer Camps 2010

June 4-6 ~ Children's ~ K,1,2
July 5-8 ~ Sr. High ~ 9,10,11,12
Aug. 2-6 ~ Junior ~ 3,4,5
Aug. 2-6 ~ Jr. High ~ 6,7,8
July 24-31 ~ Spectacular ~ 10,11,12

Junior and Jr. High Camps will be separate camps at the same camp grounds (Camp Farwesta).

Women's Ministries

Mindy Day led the ladies in discussion this past month of spring activities. It was decided not to have a meeting in April due to Conference activities etc.. Refreshment, visiting and fellowship enjoyed by our ladies.

In May our women plan a trip to Powell Gardens. Watch for further information coming. *Mindy Day*

Building Committee

The Building Committee has been very busy with renewed vigor and expectation! They have met with Civil Engineer, Steel company and architect with information and those expectation coming to the congregation soon. New steps and accomplishments have stirred our Building Committee with new vision. Watch your bulletin for upcoming expectations.



J.O.Y. Breakfast Club

Changed Breakfast to Saturday, March 27th at 8:30 a.m. due to the weather! ENJOY!

Congratulations to our proud parents, Michael and Nicole Corn, at the birth of their new baby boy, Emjay Braxton Corn. Such a beautiful addition to their family.



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| 04- Jessica Thomas | 16- Harry Meierarend Jr. |
| 07- Shannon Honeycutt | 21- Cody Sheets |
| 07- Ray Morris | 22- Margaret Martin |
| 07- Karen Sawdon | 22- Christina Quick |
| 09- Anita Banes | 27- Rolana Frank |
| 10- Brylly Coffey | 27- John Hallier |
| 16- Michael Marshall | 27- Sherry Fisher |



Community of Christ



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Odessa, MO 64076

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday:

9:15 AM Breakfast Gathering
9:45 AM Sunday School Classes
10:45 AM Worship Service

1st Sunday of the Month:

8:45 AM Family Prayer Service
9:30 AM Preparation
9:45 AM Sunday School Classes

Wednesday:

7:00 PM Prayer Service
Praise Worship 2nd Wednesday
Family Night last Wednesday

Pastor: Bruce Watson 816-520-7493

Mission Statement — "We proclaim Jesus Christ and promote Communities of Joy, hope, love and peace."

Church Website:

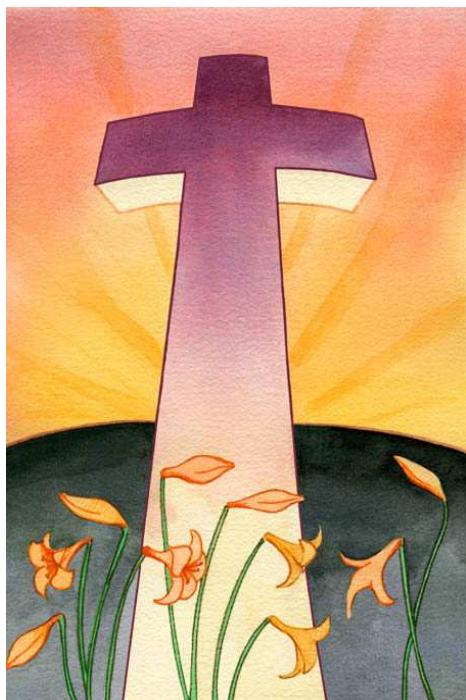
www.odessacofchrist.org



Easter Schedule

March 28th Palm Sunday Worship - 11:00 a.m. Speaker, Jeff Kramer

Maundy Thursday - 7:00 pm April 1st @ Oak Grove



Easter Sunday Schedule

8:30 - 9:10 am Sunrise Service

9:15 - 9:45 am Easter Breakfast

9:45 - 10:15 am Sunday School Classes

10:20 - 10:40 am Easter Hunt - Church Lawn
(all classes dismiss to lawn please)

10:45 am Welcome & Announcements

11:00 am Easter Celebration

Message- Evangelist David Watson

& Special Performance by our Kid's Choir

3:00 pm Service to Golden Living Center



April 2010

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Maundy Thursday	2 Good Friday	3
4 Easter 8:30 am Sunrise Ser 9:15 am Breakfast 9:45 am S School 10:20 am Egg Hunt 11:00 am Worship 3 pm Service to Golden Living Ctr	5	6	7 7 pm Prayer Ser	8	9	10 W Conference
11 Y.O.U. Mtg	12	13	14 7 pm Prayer Ser?	15	16	17 Girl Scouts All Day Activity at The Church
World Conference April 10 - 17th						
18 11 am Jr Church	19	20	21 7 pm Prayer Ser	22	23	24
25 Y.O.U. Mtg Pastor's Mtg	26	27	28 7 pm Family Nite	29	30	