

The Newsleaf

Odessa Community of Christ

May 2010

CENTRAL MISSOURI MISSION CENTER CONFERENCE

Sunday, May 2

3 pm

Warrensburg Church

PRIMARY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Hey kids, keep on coming, more fun to come. The kids receive an "Outreach International" button or some World Conference memento every Sunday when they are present until the teacher runs out.

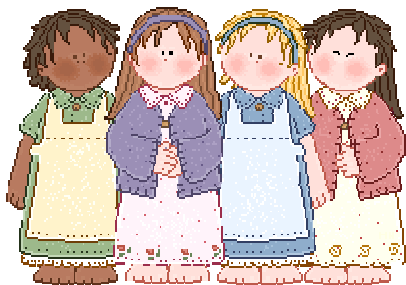
We are still working in our "Learning God's Way" and fast approaching the end.

Choir practice is starting again so hurry in early on Sunday. Can't wait to see you!

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

The month of May has really gotten busy for everyone, so we will try Powell Garden trip in June.

Watch your bulletin.



Friendship knows no boundaries

Mindy Day, Women's Leader

FAMILY NIGHT SENIOR NIGHT

Wednesday, May 26th 7 p.m.



Seniors 2010: Skylar Cutshall, Jared Green, Ashley Meyer, Gage Kramer, Jennifer Smith, Drew Kuenzli

April's celebration was a great time grilling burgers, hotdogs, games and visiting galore! Enjoyed all the kids and watching them have such fun!

Thanks Everyone!

JUNIOR CHURCH

Sunday

May 16th

at 11 AM

All kids, Kindergarten - 6th grade, are invited to Jr. Church

Pete & Cheryl O'Keefe

J.O.Y. BREAKFAST CLUB

Saturday, May 22nd

8:30 a.m. @ Hot Pot

We will meet Saturday, May 22nd this month due to graduation in May and will get back to our regularly scheduled 3rd Saturday next month.

Elaine

Y.O.U.

(Youth Onward & Upward)

Jr High/Sr High Youth

Meet each 2nd and 4th Sundays

High Adventure Trip

July 10 - 18th

\$100 per youth

4 Spots Left!

Sign up today!

Don't miss out on experience of a lifetime!



Our youth have been getting ready for an exciting experience as they make plans for their high adventure trip to Colorado with fundraisers, workdays and much planning! Youth will be hiking in the mountains, white water rafting, a high/low rope course and much more! Youth are signed up from Sedalia, Oak Grove, Pleasant Hill, Higginsville and Odessa as the excitement continues to build!



Fundraising has taken them to work at the Days, Norma Ewbank's home, Tracy Dyers' and to Pleasant Hill.

Any jobs you might have for our youth would be greatly appreciated!



Please call leaders, Jeff or Jenny Kramer @ 660-909-2477.

We ask for you to be Prayer Warriors as they move out on this venture together! *Honeycutts & Kramers*

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).



Congregation enters teams in Dodge Ball Tournament at Higginsville



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. Volunteer and for more information about camp, contact camp director Mary Kidd, mkidd@cmcofchrist.org.

EASTER__ ONE TO REMEMBER!

130 Attending Easter

Sunrise/Worship

Wonderful Easter celebration included an awesome Sunrise Service followed by Easter Breakfast to capacity crowd, Easter Egg Hunt for our children and an outstanding worship at our 11 a.m. Easter Worship Service! Everyone shared! Thanks!



WORLD CONFERENCE



Apostle Rick Maupin shared a letter with the church of the wonderful spirit throughout our Conference and Doctrine & Covenants 164 shared in that experience and a very supporting expression from the Conference. The Lord continues to lead.



KIDS CONFERENCE_ Jessica Slater had a special experience teaching children from all over the world at Kids Conference this year!

CONGRATULATIONS to John and Lindsey Corn, at the birth of their new little baby boy, Emery. Emery and mama are doing good and for this we are so thankful!

China McMex Dinner

THEY'RE READY!

"Rain or shine" our ladies are there cooking and sharing in building our new church one meal at a time! One of our little "mascots" dressed in Elmo raincoat and umbrella, invited and



led us to a meal fit for the king himself! Rain showering from umbrellas and bubbling from windows brought great food and fellowship to but yet another wonderful Building Fund dinner! Ham dinner was superb! Wow strawberry shortcake! Another great one ladies! Thanks so much, and to all who were able to stay and share in this fundraiser meal with us!

ORDINATION



Heather LaRue was ordained to Priest by her grandmother and Duane Rogers at Pleasant Hill church. We welcome her to our congregation and look forward to sharing with her in ministry.

Please turn in Newsletter info by **20th** of the month to Pauline Watson: dpwatson@embarqmail.com or Phone 816-633-3250

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

Levi Corn was baptized Sunday, April 18th by his mother, Priest Pam Corn and confirmed by Elders David Honeycutt and Bruce Watson.

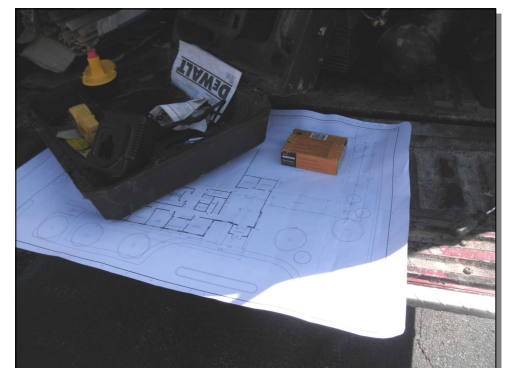


May Birthdays

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| 01- Lily Anthony | 15- Harold Watson |
| 05- Michael Baldwin | 20- Phyllis Christensen |
| 05- Doug Green | 22- Alicia Retana |
| 07- Jane Matney | 25- Allen Twilligear |
| 11- Ron Mills | 27- Jacob Quick |
| 13- Sunny Day | 28- Danike Dutel |
| 13- Debbie Kaat | 28- Darshaun Dutel |
| 14- Shelly Coffey | 28- Christina Ramsey |
| 14- Andy Oakes | 29- Jennifer Smith |
| 15- Alejandro Retaro | 30- Elaine Smith |

What's That On The Church Lawn?

It couldn't be! It is!! A TRANSOM!!! On OUR church lawn! It's been a long time in coming but WOW, this is looking good. Building Committee is giving time, talent, and efforts moving



Camera? No... Look again!

toward our goal of building. Hang in their guys! We're getting there!



Community of Christ



515 S First
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

It's Raining

It's raining outside. I can hear the drumming on the window pane. I hear the rumblings of thunder off in the distance. Water rushes down the gutter as a cool-



ness fills the air. It's fresh. I might be inside but I swear I can smell the familiar aroma of a rainstorm. Mom always said good things happen in the rain.

Rain is a powerful thing. It holds a danger while it brings growth and renewal. The world comes alive with the life-giving power of water. Somehow it has always been a bit of a reminder from God to me, of His involvement in my life and His presence in our world.

This rain seems just the same rain as when I was a boy. God pulls me from my focus and redirects me to His love. God calls to me, I need only to pause and respond. God calls to you, you

need only to lift up from where you are ... and listen. Each little drop is a word, a touch from the Heavenly Father. He washes over me, taking the dirt and filth away and replacing it with the purity of His grace.



Somehow I knew this as a boy but now I have more to wash away.

Next time it rains. Go outside and give God the moment He asks for.

Bruce Watson, Pastor



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 3 pm Mission Ctr Conference	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Mother's Day No Potluck 2pm Odessa Baccalaureate	10	11	12 7 pm Prayer Ser	13 7 pm Praise Worship	14 Odessa Graduation	15
16 11 am Jr Church MC Council	17	18	19 7 pm Prayer Ser	20	21	22 8:30 am J.O.Y. Breakfast
23 Y.O.U. Mtg	24	25	26 7 pm Family Nite	27	28	29
30	31 Memorial Day					