

E-Messenger

First Church of Christ

With 24-hour news cycles and social media, it feels like we are exposed to everything going on in the world. No matter what happens, there is an expert to explain what is going on. An example would be covid and Dr. Fauci.

We appreciate the very serious issues going on in our nation/world, and we respect those seeking answers to those pressing questions. One of the problems as I see is that far too often we want to trust the wisdom of man to resolve the issues we are encountering. Because they are so often spiritual in nature at their roots, the real answer will be found in the wisdom of God.

Isaiah 17: In that day people will

look to their Maker and turn their eyes to the Holy One of Israel.⁸ They will not look to the altars, the work of their hands, and they will have no regard for the Asherah poles and the incense altars their

to other gods. They would try to fix their problems by feeding their sinful appetite, but that did not resolve anything. When they could not resolve the issues they were encountering by the work of their hands, the question became,

"where do we turn?" The prophet Isaiah told the people that a day is coming when they will "turn their eyes to the Holy One of Israel."

When the wisdom of man has been exposed, and people seek real answers to issues we are facing, we will find ourselves turning to the wisdom of God. When the counsel of man runs contrary to

fingers have made. The nation of Israel would try to resolve their issues by looking



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the wisdom of God, please do not be surprised when the wisdom of God prevails.

Destined to Win,

Larry Snavelly

Serving in May

Prayer Warriors:

Jane Runyan & Erica McNamara

Elder Schedule:

2—Dave Beerbower
9—Ryan Beerbower
16—Dan Gallagher
23—Jon List
30—Mark Rhodes

Nursery:

2—1st—Angie & Eric Murphy
SS—Kelly & Barry VonDeylen
2nd—Stacie & Ryan Beerbower
9—1st—Stacie & Ryan Beerbower
SS—Cody & Ashley Grimm
2nd—Teresa Gambler
16—1st—Jon & Kristi
SS—Beth & Terence Clingaman
2nd—Sharon Blinzler
23—1st—Sandi Oberlin

SS—Deb Rhodes
2nd—Jane Runyan
30 1st—Judy Handy
SS—Kelly & Barry
VonDeylen
2nd—Vickie Grimm

Children's Church:

4—TBA
11—TBA
18—TBA
25—TBA

Birthdays & Anniversaries



2 Linda Hill
3 Gail Wyrick
4 Dean Smethurst
6 Jon List
8 Deb Hallett,
Dick Kuszmaul
10 Ron Brown, Brienne
Hetrick
12 Kortney Hartman, Nor-
ma Lorentz
14 Megan Grimm
15 Troy Hug
16 Presley Tonneas
20 Dave Cunningham, Kayla
Sanders, Kim Snavelly
22 Mary Pinckley

26 Scott Hartman
28 Tanya Barnes, Cadance
Ryan
29 Janet Leppelmeier
31 Vickie Rhodes



15 Doug & Vickie Grimm
(28)
16 Jacob & MaKenzie Mang-
es (6)
21 Joe & LuAnn Jerger (33)
25 Steve & Connie Tressler
(53), Harm & Brienne
Hetrick (19)

Attention Senior Saints: Given the current situation with COVID, all Senior Saints activities are still on hold except Craft Group. Hopefully, we will soon be able to gather together for Lunch Bunch without the worry of illness. We hope to see you all soon.

Family News

SYMPATHY

The church family extends her sympathy to Gerry & Gail Wyrick and family on the death of Gerry's mother, Deloris Wyrick.

Congratulations!

♥ Congratulations to Jon & Kristi List and Adam & Sarah Perry who were

married March 27th.
♥ The church family rejoices with Kory & Andi Gienger on the safe arrival of Lucy Rae. Lucy was born Monday, April 19, weighing in at 7# 11 oz. Delighted maternal grandparents are Dan & Dottie Yahraus. Great-grandma is Judy Yahraus.

♥ **Congratulations to Merlene McCoy and Rob & Sandie Baker who were baptized February 14th. Welcome to the family!**



MAY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:15 Worship	3	4	5 5:45 Supper 6:30 Youth Life Groups	6  NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER	7 6:30 Prayer Night	8
9 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 	10	11	12 5:45 Supper 6:30 Youth Life Groups	13	14	15
16 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:15 Worship	17 	18	19 5:45 Supper 6:30 Youth Life Groups	20	21	22
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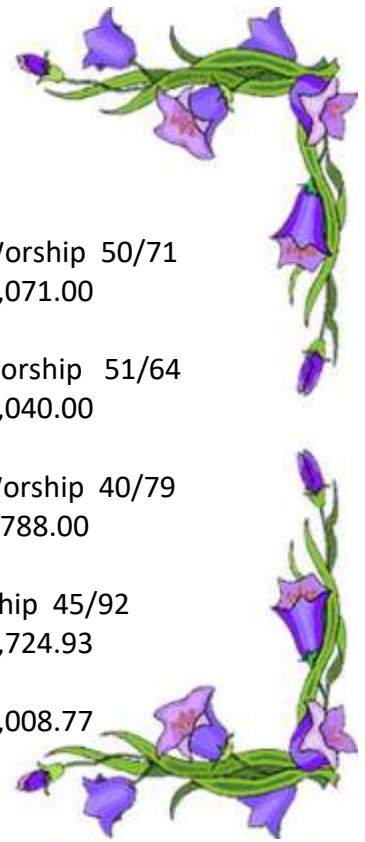
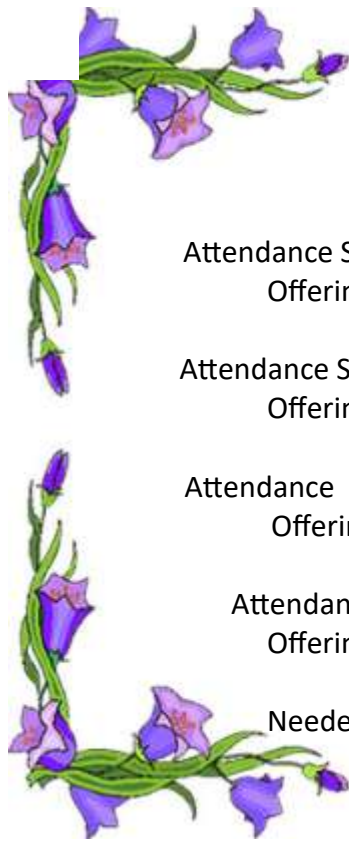
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Love All, Worship One,
Make Disciples



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Thursday 8:00 AM-5:00
PM



Facts & Figures

April 4		
Attendance SS	21	Worship 50/71
Offering		\$6,071.00
April 11		
Attendance SS	31	Worship 51/64
Offering		\$4,040.00
April 18		
Attendance SS	N/C	Worship 40/79
Offering		\$3,788.00
April 25		
Attendance SS	35	Worship 45/92
Offering		\$3,724.93
Needed for Budget		\$5,008.77

Love All

Our Service Personnel: Lindsey Carter (FL), Caleb Lloyd (Japan), Josh Severs (S. Korea), Braxton Singer (NC), Katie Sparks (PA), Jessie Stillman (OH), Josh Tonneas (TX)

Cancer: Gwen Acker-Dickinson, Joyce Bailey, Nathan Bailey, Sue Bever, Tim Bight, Brent, Sherry Buchsteiner, Jennie Case, Andrew Dell, Adam Farger, Carrie H., Molly Johnston, Kent, Chuck Lees, Ron Lewis, Tim Mavis, Jim McPeak, Chloe Merrilet, Crystal Miller, Aaron

Nartker, Ruth Ordway, Mary Pinckley, Anna Pitman, Elaine Purdue, Steve Ringer, Bob & Sue Secoy, Elizabeth Shetler, Terry Shinaberry, Dean Smethurst, Lyle Snavely, Ron Stark, Amy Tobin, Linda Walker, Kathy Walton, Drew Wayman. *Other Concerns:* Jennifer Mavis, Trevor Bailey, Neighborhood, Arlene Boyer, Dale Boyer, Danielle Strouse, Asher Cravens, Brenda Ridgway, Cindy Wolf, Zach Swisher, Cheryl Towers, Keller Gardner, Gene Nash, Kim Beek, Joshua Taylor, Keely Strouse, Carson Strouse, Gene Craw-

ford, children's ministry, Danny Hull, Bryan Tonneas, Cindy Webber, Kevin Ayre, Ramon Alpaugh, Kathy Moog, Marsha Fisher; Charlotte Brandt, Charlene Gambler, Randy Fisher *Shut Ins:* SKLD: Gloria Wright; *Home:* Barb & Ramon Alpaugh, Shirley Bard, Annie Engel, Ron & Linda Lewis, Marilyn Lundy, Leona Puff, Esther Rosendaul, Edith Wagner; Ottawa Riverview: Barbara Hake, Hawthorne Glen: Roy Koerner.





The winter is past; the rain is over and gone.
The flowers appear on the earth, the time of
singing has come... Song of Solomon 2:11-12

Pantry Collection for Lake James Christian Assembly

We will be collecting pantry items for Lake James May 2-23. Put your donations in the box in the foyer. Here is a list of items they need:

Cocoa Mix Packets, Vegetable Oil, Shortening, Flour, Sugar, Chocolate Chips, Drink Mix, Jelly, Crackers, Tea Bags, #10 Cans of Green Beans & Corn, Brown Sugar, Powdered Sugar, Honey, Kid-Friendly Cereal, Lemonade Mix, Paper Towels, The Works Toilet Bowl Cleaner, The Works Shower Cleaner, Scrubbing Bubbles, 13 & 55 Gallon Garbage Bags, Gallon Zip-lock Freezer Bags, Kleenex, Dawn Dish Soap.



Thank you!

“Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, and cards at the time of Mom’s passing.”

Gerry & Gail

“Dear Church friends, Thanks to all for your prayers and cards. They meant so much to me. Also, a big thank you to Larry Snavelly for his help. God bless you all.

Joanne Allison”

From everyone who has been given much,
much will be demanded; and from the one
who has been entrusted with much,
much more will be asked. Luke 12:48 (NLT)



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