

Campbellsburg Christian Church

Newsletter

A Family of Faith, Hope and Love

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Along the Journey

Along the journey, another minister sent me this recently, and I wanted to share it with you.

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT PASTORS

- 1) They love God and you a lot. (Be mindful.)
- 2) They are painfully limited human beings. (Be realistic.)
- 3) They probably have a pretty low view of their "performance." (Be kind.)
- 4) They wish they were a better preacher. (Be awake.)
- 5) They really do want God's best for you and your family. (Be open-hearted.)
- 6) Their work knows no time or locational boundaries. (Be patient.)
- 7) They hear much more negative information than positive. (Be encouraging.)
- 8) They have chosen a vocation in which few remain. (Be praying.)
- 9) They have chosen a highly leadership-intensive call. (Be lead-able.)
- 10) They need help. (Be available.)
- 11) Their God-given vision is bigger than themselves and the church. (Be faith-filled.)
- 12) They want to personally meet all the needs but know they can't. (Be understanding.)
- 13) They are going to say some dumb things every now and then. (Be forgiving.)
- 14) They are greatly encouraged by your faithfulness. (Be there.)
- 15) They are passionate for God's Word to be made practical to you. (Be hungry.)
- 16) They long for church to be your spiritual oasis. (Be loving.)
- 17) They dream for your and your family's spiritual health. (Be receptive.)
- 18) They need to hear that you pray for them. (Be interceding.)
- 19) They are just regular people. (Be real.)

Have a blessed May!

— Pastor Deke

From the Bench of the Organ Grinder

Last fall I purchased a couple bags of Spring bulbs; Tulips, Daffodils, and Hyacinths. I planted them in late October or early November.

This spring they were up and blooming beautifully. When I saw them and how beautiful they were, a thought crossed my mind: I never dreamed that Pam would not live to see them bloom.

However, it did not make me sad, but it reminded me of the Resurrection of Christ, and also of a hymn in our Chalice Hymnal, #638, "In the Bulb There Is a Flower." The words in this hymn are so beautiful and so meaningful. Verse #3 says it all!

*"In our end is our beginning,
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection,
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see."*

As a church musician for 59 years, I have found that the music can sometimes minister more than words. I have actually heard ministers say this. I believe it!

God works in HIS own time. When HE sent Pam and I back to Campbellsburg Christian Church it was in HIS timing. We were "Back Home." A place of support and comfort and a "Safe Place." At the time, really NOT knowing just how much this was needed. I certainly do now.

I hope each of you reading this somehow knows that You ALL have been a part and support of Pam, me, and our family and have helped us through the roughest time in our lives.

Thanks Be to God!

Blessings,
John
The Organ Grinder

Scriptures of the Month

Be brave and steadfast; have no fear or dread of them, for it is the Lord, your God, who marches with you; He will never fail you or forsake you.
Deuteronomy 31:6

Financial Info

As of April 30th:

Balance in the Checking Account: \$ 36,887.37
Total Offerings for the Month: \$ 4,727.00
Balance in the Memorial Fund: \$ 30,090.90
(includes an addtl \$2,000 in memory of Pam Ball)

May Calendar

May 1st: Packing bags for *Campbellsburg Kids' Kitchen* – 5:45 p.m.
Choir Practice 🎵 – 6:00 p.m.
“*The Christian Story*” Bible Study – 7:00 p.m.

May 2nd: **National Day of Prayer**
Happy Anniversary – Scott & Angie Southworth

May 3rd: *Happy Birthday – John Ellegood*

May 5th: **6th Sunday of Easter**
Call to Worship – Amanda Hornback
Elder – Kevin Mullikin
Deacon – Amanda Hornback
Musician – John Ball

May 8th: Supper Club A.D.M.er's –
Cattleman's Roadhouse –
1018 New Moody Lane, LaGrange, KY – 6:30 p.m.

May 12th: **7th Sunday of Easter / Ascension Sunday**
Mother's Day
Call to Worship – Patricia Carpenter
Elder – Tracy Carpenter
Deacon – Linda Schulten
Musician – Cheri Simpson
Kids' Kitchen Summer bag items due
Special Offering for Pentecost

May 14th: *Happy Birthday – Linda Schulten & Amanda Hornback*

May 15th: *Happy Birthday – Rory Allen Barnett*
Happy Anniversary – David & Sherry Cooper

May 16th: *Happy Anniversary – Jill & Eddie Bohman*

May 18th: **Armed Forces Day**
Campbellsburg Day – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Sue Price Memorial Service
Visitation – 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Celebration of Life – 11:00 a.m.
with a meal to follow

May 19th: **Pentecost Sunday**

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Call to Worship – Chet Lawrence
Elder – Kim Mullikin
Deacon – Jill Bohman
Musician – John Ball
Special Offering for Pentecost

May 21st: *Happy Anniversary – Doug & Mindy*

Lawrence

May 26th: **Memorial Sunday**

Call to Worship – Kevin Mullikin
Elder – Chet Lawrence
Deacon – Patricia Carpenter
Musician – Cheri Simpson
4th Sunday Luncheon following Worship

May 27th: **Memorial Day**

May 29th: Lunch Bunch A.D.M.er's –

The Farm Kitchen –

6562 Frankfort Rd, Shelbyville, KY –

11:30 a.m.

June 2nd: Call to Worship – Linda Schulten

Elder – Kevin Mullikin

Deacon – Amanda Hornback

Musician – John Ball

June 3rd: *Happy Anniversary – Chet & Cathy*

Lawrence

June 4th: *Happy Anniversary – Kevin & Kim Mullikin*

June 5th: Choir Practice 🎵 – 6:00 p.m.

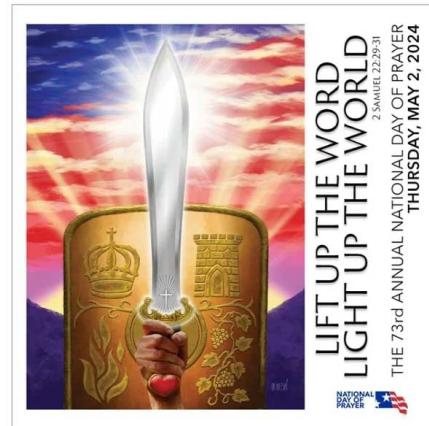
“*The Christian Story*” Bible Study – 7:00 p.m.

National Day of Prayer

LIFT UP THE WORD - LIGHT UP THE WORLD

For you are my lamp, O Lord, and my God lightens my darkness. For by You I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. This God — His way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him.

2 Samuel 22:29-31



On May 2, 2024, join thousands of intercessors across our nation pray for America on National Day of Prayer. This is the 73rd annual observance of the National Day of Prayer which began in 1952 by a joint act of Congress.

2024 National Prayer

Jesus, we profess our faith in You. You are the Light of the world, and in You there is no darkness. For You are our lamp, O LORD, and our God who lights our darkness. Forgive us for fearing and focusing on the darkness around us instead of being filled with faith and shining like the city on a hill You have called us to be. Forgive us for the times when we have been the absence of light, allowing darkness to dwell in America. Lead us forward to dispel the darkness and bring light throughout the Church, Family, Education, Business, Military, Government, and Arts, Entertainment, and Media.

We are saved by grace through faith, released from the darkness that once held us captive and now free to walk in the newness of life in You.

Light dispels darkness and exposes what is hidden and wicked, so we commit to rise and shine! For by You, Lord, we can take courage to run against the enemy, and by our God we can fight the good fight and keep the faith as living lampstands in our communities and country.

We fear no evil for You are with us. Lord, Your way is perfect, You lead us on paths of righteousness for Your name's sake. Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Your Word is Truth, instructing and inspiring us to live in the abundant life You gave when You saved us from the death and destruction of the enemy. Fill us with Truth as we read, study, and live Your Word.

God, You are a shield for all those who take refuge in You. As we abide in You and Your Word abides in us, we take up our shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God and run boldly into the darkness to Lift Up the Word and Light Up the World! In the Mighty name of Jesus we pray, amen!

Kathy Branzell

President, National Day of Prayer Task Force

Mother's Day



A Mother's Day Blessing

Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all. — Proverbs 31:29

Lord, we thank You for each woman in our lives that has been a great example of Your love. For those who are moms, long to be moms, and are like moms — we are so thankful for their impact on us. We pray that You will continue to bless their lives as they honor You. Amen.

Outreach & Evangelism

Campbellsburg Kids' Kitchen –

We received the following email on April 25th from our Kids' Kitchen coordinator:

Good Afternoon, Friends!

Another year has flown passed us and we are closing in to the final stretch. The last day of school is Tuesday, May 21st. We will pack regular weekend bags on Wednesday, May 15th. Merlyne has offered for her church group to pack the long summer break bags on Sunday, May 19th and deliver those to the school on Monday, May 20th.

Please be sure to have all items from your church group delivered to Campbellsburg United Methodist Church by Wednesday, 5/15.

We will reconvene for our annual meeting in late July / early August to review the plans for the 2024/2025 school year.

Thank you so much for your continued support! I know God is touching these families through your service!

Enjoy your summer!

Kayla

Our church is scheduled to pack bags on Wednesday, **May 1st**. We are responsible to provide boxes of cereal and 5-packs of Ramen noodles for the summer bags. We are currently serving 41

children. We have 17 boxes of cereal left over from the Spring Break boxes, so we will need an additional 24 boxes. We also have some Ramen noodle packs on hand, so we will about need 5 12-pack boxes. Please have any Kids' Kitchen items to church by Sunday, May 12th. We are currently serving 41 children. Thank you so much for your dedication to this wonderful outreach!

Pentecost Offering –



RESTORE AND REWIND

When it comes to church, we have a lot of negative tapes playing in our heads:

“Church is judgmental.”

“Church is hypocritical.”

“They think they’re better than everyone else.”

It’s time for restoration.

Rewind the tape by participating in the 2024 Pentecost Offering. Your gifts support emerging and affiliating congregations – places of generosity and justice – in your region and afar.

[New Church Ministry](#) is dedicated to fostering faithful communities marked by deep Christian spirituality and a passion for God’s love and justice.

Like our ancestors, we’re going back to the beginning, when new Christian communities gathered together and shared all they had, organizing everything around the Spirit’s dreams for their lives and their communities.

Yesterday, today, and tomorrow, God is singing a new song: not a song of judgment, but of welcome and forgiveness; not a song of superiority, but of humility and grace; not a song of hoarding, but of sharing everything we have!

God’s movement for wholeness is already underway. Our job is to listen, and learn, and follow – supporting leaders and communities as the Spirit calls them into being, laying down a new song for a new generation.

Church as a place of generosity and justice. Church as a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

Your gifts to the 2024 Pentecost Offering, received in most congregations on Sunday, May 12, and Sunday, May 19, are divided equally between your regional ministry, which supports local new churches, and New Church Ministry, which trains, equips, and assists emerging leaders to be “movement initiators.”

<https://disciplesmissionfund.org/special-offerings/pentecost/>

A.D.M.er’s

This month’s **Supper Club** outing will be held on Wednesday, May 8th, at **Cattleman’s Roadhouse**, 1018 New Moody Lane in LaGrange at 6:30 p.m.

This month’s **Lunch Bunch** outing will be held on Wednesday, May 29th, at **The Farm Kitchen**, 6562 Frankfort Road in Shelbyville, at 11:30 a.m.

Please let Kim or Pastor Deke know if you plan to attend either of these outings so we can give each of the restaurants a heads up that they will be having a group. Also be sure to speak up if you need a ride to either outing!

Luncheon

Our 4th Sunday Luncheon for May will be held on Sunday, May 26th, following our worship service. This luncheon will be totally potluck with only drinks provided. Be sure to bring your favorite main dishes, side dishes and desserts and join in for great food and fellowship.

Church Camp

CAMP WAKON’ DA-HO REGISTRATION

Mini Camp (Grades 2-3) – May 31st – June 2nd

CYF 1 (Grades 9-12) – June 3rd – 8th

Eighters’ Camp (Grade 8) – June 9th – 15th

Junior Camp (Grades 4-5) – June 17th – 21st

Camp 101A (Grades K-2*) – June 21st – June 23rd

CYF 2 (Grades 9-12) – June 24th – June 29th

Chi Rho 1 (Grades 6-8) – July 1st – 6th

Chi Rho 2 (Grades 6-8) – July 8th – 13th

Camp 101 B (Grades K-2*) – July 20th

All Y’All Camp (All Ages) – Aug. 30th – Sept. 1st

Fall Family Fest (All Ages) – October (Dates TBA)

*Camps 101 A & Camp 101 B require a Parent, Guardian or Grandparent to attend with the camper. Registration instructions and camp information can be found at

www.ccinky.net/ministries/camp/wankonda-ho

With Our Sympathy

The following is from the website of Wolfersberger Funeral Home.

Bobbie J. Spinks, age 80, of Fairview Heights, Ill., born November 16, 1943 in Defoe, Ky., passed away Thursday, April 11, 2024.

Bobbie moved to the area in 1976 when her late husband Bennie was stationed at Scott AFB. She was a bus monitor for O'Fallon's special needs students and was a constant source of guidance for her bus-kids. She always had a bright smile. Bobbie was a loving sister, mother, grandmother, aunt, and friend.

Bobbie was preceded in death by her dear husband Bennie in 2017, daughter Brenda, father Robert Rucker, mother Edith Humphrey, sisters Joyce Gribbins, Sue McQuillen and Patsy Rucker.

*Surviving are her son Brian Spinks and daughter Tara Spinks, brother **Rev. Carl (Joann) Rucker**, sisters Jennie Cook and Maxine (Tom) Hardesty; grandchildren Piper (Blake) Berger, Kristen and Marissa Allgire, Tiffany (Bubba) Smith, Stacie Allgire, Brittany Parker, and Geoffery Allgire; great-grandchildren Sienna Berger, Sky Allgire, Cameron and Chase Polach, Victoria Esparza, Zayden and Raelyn Polach, Mackenzie McCarthy and Maddox Davis, and her very dear friend Tina.*

Your wings were ready; our hearts were not.

No public services are planned.

The following is from the website of Newcomer Cremations, Funerals & Receptions.

Sue Price, 86, of Campbellsburg, Kentucky, passed away on Tuesday, April 9, 2024.

She was born on June 30, 1937 in Henry County, Kentucky to the late Cline and Eva Mae Mahoney. Sue was a member of Campbellsburg Christian Church.

She is preceded in death by her parents; and her sisters, Sylvia, Janie, Snookie, and Jo.

*Sue is survived by her daughter, **Cynthia Capito** (Phil); brother, James Mahoney; sister, Marie Burd; brother, Wayne Mahoney (Diane); sister, **Linda Wolfe (Jimmy)**; and numerous nieces and nephews.*

Visitation will be from 9:00 am to 11:00 am on Saturday, May 18, 2024 at Campbellsburg Christian Church (225 Maple St, Campbellsburg, KY 40011). A service to celebrate Sue's life will follow that day at 11:00 am at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Campbellsburg Christian Church and the Henry County Animal Shelter.

E. Louisville Chapel (502-245-0095) is assisting the family.

We will be hosting a meal for the family in our fellowship hall following the celebration of Sue's life. The church will be providing fried chicken and we are asking all who are able to bring side dishes. Marion Taylor has volunteered to organize this effort.

May God comfort all those who mourn.

Odds and Ends

Congratulations to **Mattie Smith** for being accepted into the Governor's Scholar Program! The Governor's Scholars Program is a summer residential program for outstanding high school students in Kentucky who are rising seniors.

Many Thanks to **John Ball, Jill Bohman, Patricia Carpenter** and **Linda Young** for preparing snacks for our recent **Diersen House** Worship service. Also to **Pastor Deke** for leading the service, **John Ball** for providing the music, and **Tracy** and **Patricia Carpenter, Chet Lawrence** and **Kim Mullikin** for attending. We were all very blessed by our fellowship with the ladies living there.

Hallelujah!! As of April 15th, our elevator is back up and working **"So That All May Enter!"** After many phone calls, emails, meetings and struggles, **Tracy Carpenter** was finally able to get in touch with the **right** company with help from **Brandon Boyer (Barbara Boyer's grandson – Brandon is Director of Construction & Sr. Project Manager at Wehr Constructors)**. Tracy and Chet met with a repair technician from Elevator Solutions. This technician was able to make adjustments so that the elevator is operating as it should be!! Tracy and Chet were also able to garner valuable information on the operation of the doors to help alleviate unnecessary service calls. As a result, we have entered into an annual service contract with Elevator Solutions AND have saved money avoiding unnecessary repairs / replacements!

Chet Lawrence met with Kings III Emergency Communications to switch the elevator telephone from an AT&T landline phone to an internet-based phone. This too is in an effort to save money.

We received an enormously high water bill for March. It was determined that the extra usage of around 400 gallons per hour occurred around the end of February. As a result, locks have been placed

on all outside water faucets. Henry County Water District has graciously adjusted our bill back down to the normal billing and contacted Carrollton Utilities as well to adjust our sewer billing. Be sure to thank **Keith Morris** if you see him out and about!! Any church member needing the lock combination may get it from Pastor Deke, Chet, Tracy or Kim.

Prayer Concerns

Please See Bulletin in Church
For Specific Prayer Concerns
Due to Confidentiality

All our military personnel

Our Church

Our Nation

OUR WORLD

Something to Think About

You are holding a cup of coffee when someone comes along and bumps into you or shakes your arm, making you spill your coffee everywhere.

Why did you spill the coffee?

"Because someone bumped into me!!!"

Wrong answer.

You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup. Had there been tea in the cup, you would have spilled tea. Whatever is inside the cup is what will spill out.

Therefore, when life comes along and shakes you (which WILL happen), whatever is inside you will come out. It's easy to fake it, until you get rattled. So, we have to ask ourselves... "what is in my cup?" When life gets tough, what spills over? Joy, gratitude, peace and humility? Anger, bitterness, victim mentality and quitting tendencies? Life provides the cup; YOU choose how to fill it.

Today let's work towards filling our cups with gratitude, forgiveness, joy, words of affirmation, resilience, positivity; and kindness, gentleness and love for others.

Author Unknown

