

A Newsletter from the  
Old State Road Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
Of Charleston, Illinois  
March 29, 2007

# The Disciple Harbinger



**FROM PASTOR PHIL**

## **The Face of Ministry**

The face of ministry is the face of Eva Bacon and Emily Zuniga. It is the face of Kyle Bess and Amanda McGowan. Ministry is the face of George Denham, Florence Giffin, Molly Evans and Jeff Endsley. The face of ministry is the face we see at the Soup Stop, the Food Pantry or HOPE. Ministry may be to those whose face we will never see. But more often, it is the face of the one delivering meals and the face of the one receiving meals. These are faces we will see but for a moment or a portion of our life. Faces that appear and then are gone forever.

Our ministry, in the now, has great power to show love, impact life and the future.

It is time for the church to find its ministry to those whose faces are before us. For the opportunity is but in the moment. If we let the moment go by, how will those we face know of our love or care for them?

Agape,  
Phil

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Will be at 6:30 p.m. at the church on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Will be held at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Charleston at 7:00 p.m. on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE**

Will be Easter morning, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 a.m. The service will be held at Ed Buxton's home (25 Kickapoo Place, Charleston). Please bring a breakfast dish to share.

## **EASTER SERVICE**

Will be at the usual time (9:30 a.m.) at the church on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **EASTER SPECIAL OFFERING**

Will be taken Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 8<sup>th</sup>. Disciples general units, whose work translates your gifts into mission and ministry that changes the lives of uncounted thousands. Your gifts help to share the Good News of Jesus Christ from your doorsteps to the ends of the Earth.

## **WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**

Will be Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at the church

## **FISH FRY**

Will be held Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Chuck Cole will be the chef. Be sure to put it on your calendar. This has been changed from the April 20<sup>th</sup> original date. Sponsored by the Congregational Life Committee.

## **NEW ADDRESS FOR JEANETTE**

Jeanette is in the hospital in Florida but when she leaves the hospital, she will reside at **Summerville Senior Living, % Jeanette Shannon, 80 N. Clarke Road, Ocoee, FL 34761-9163.**

## **NEW CHURCH VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS**

*VISION: To be a faithful, growing church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian Spirituality and a passion for justice. (Micah 6: 8)*

*MISSION: To be and share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving and serving from our doorsteps "to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1: 8)*

## **POCKET MONEY MISSION**

January thru March was for SBLHC's Grief Counseling and \$ 28.59 were collected. April thru June will be for Lake Land College Dental Health Clinic. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**ELDER BREAKFAST**

On Saturday, **April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m.**, breakfast will be served at **8:30 a.m.**

**MINISTERING WITH AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE AND ENCOURAGEMENT**

This new ministry is a time to share by writing a note of appreciation, etc. to someone who has touched you in a special way and blessed you or maybe needs encouragement. There were **28** notes written and mailed in March, a **ministry of love**.

**SECOND SUNDAY SING**

The Second Sunday Sing will be **Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m.**, a day to sing the Lord's praises with our voices.

**FOOD PANTRY AND SOUP STOP OUTREACH DAY**

Please bring to the church on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 8<sup>th</sup>, **canned vegetables** and/or **canned soups** for the **Food Pantry** and/or for **Soup Stop**, **individual soups to microwave** and/or **jar of peanut butter**.

**BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING (OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS)**

The next Board of Elders meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. Please have all reports into the office for the booklet no later than **Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**.

**MEN'S LUNCHEON & SCRIPTURE STUDY**

Disciples Men's luncheon will be Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. This month will be a study of Matthew 5: 27-32.

**NEXT HARBINGER**

The next Harbinger will be mailed on **Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**. Please have all items into the office no later than **Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you.

**SHUT-IN COMMUNION MINISTRY**

If you or someone you know would like to receive communion on **Sunday, April 1, 2006**, please call the church office at 345-3003. If no one answers, please leave a message on the voice mail that you would like to receive communion on this Sunday. This will be greatly appreciated. Whenever you would like to receive communion from the Shut-in Communion Ministry, please let the church office know. It is done the first Sunday of each month.

**PRAYER LIST**

**Those to lift up in prayer:** Jon Adams, Elbert (Butch) Chron, Doris Lloyd, Diane Wright, Al McLaughlin, Sara Henry, Margaret Cresch, Rachael Brown, Bill & Cecile Cooper, Cindy Huckstep, Connor McManus (a baby in South Carolina), Gabriel Starwalt (1 year old), Robert Connour, Tonya Norviel, Kyle Schroeder, Yvette Brown, Shirley & John Melton, Jeanette Shannon, Jim Miller, Chris Merrell, Karen Hartbank, Roy O'Hearn, Melissa Rice, Ferne McHenry. If you know of someone who needs to be added to or removed from this list, please contact Ferne McHenry or Kathleen Beck. **We are all called to pray, whether we know this person, who they are or what the need is for them, God knows.**

**PLEASE ALL CHAIRPERSONS, CHECK YOU BOXES REGULARLY!!!**

**FIRST TIME VISITORS MARCH 2007**

Eric Kaplan

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Choir – Tuesday – 6:00 p.m.

Children's Church School Class – Sun. – 9:30 a.m.

Worship – Sunday – 9:30 a.m.

**CONTINUING CHURCH OUTREACH**

Soup Stop to help every Thursday from 10:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. – 2 or 3 are needed – if would like to help please call the Church office.

Brownies led by Christina Miller meets every Thursday evening at 5:00 p.m.

**SERVING THE LORD FOR APRIL 2007**

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

April 1 Kelly Bacon  
April 8 Vicki Trueblood  
April 15 Vickie Nevius  
April 22 Stan Huffman  
April 29 Paul Slifer

**ELDERS**

Cindy Maples, Patty Maples  
Stan Huffman, Mike Chron  
Pat Marsh, Kaye Woodward  
Vicki Trueblood, Julie McGowan  
Tarry James, Kelly Bacon

**DIACONATE FOR APRIL 2007**

**SERVE**

**PREPARE**

**GREETERS & ACOLYTES**

Nancy Oakley  
Velma Spence  
Norma Mineo  
Jim Wells

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Velma Spence  
Jim Wells  
Eva Bacon

**ELDER SHUT-IN APRIL 1, 2007**

Cindy Maples, Patty Maples

**BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY UPDATES**

**If your birthday or anniversary dates are not mentioned & you attend regularly, please let the office know.**

**APRIL 2007 ANNIVERSARYS**

April 14                    Garry & Jan Ernst

**APRIL 2007 BIRTHDAYS**

April 4	Maegan Bosler
April 11	Janet Myers
April 13	Nancy Oakley
April 13	Doug Bacon
April 15	Kay Endsley
April 25	Jeanette Shannon
April 26	Sheri Paul
April 28	JoAnne Pritchard

**COFFEE/JUICE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS FOR APRIL**

Those serving the coffee/juice will be the Kathy Bess, Jackie James, Kelly Bacon.



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**Join us every Sunday for Worship at 9:30 a.m.**

**Children's Church School during Worship 9:30 a.m.**

Office hours are – Tuesday – Friday, 9-3

*Growing in God's Love in a Spirit of*

*Tolerance, Diversity, and Inclusion*