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

April 26, 2007

The Disciple Harbinger



FROM PASTOR PHIL

Old State Road Christian Church

Who are we? We are a part of the people of God growing in God's love; serving in Jesus name.

What is our vision? To be a faithful, growing church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian Spirituality and a passion for justice. —Micah 6:8

What is our mission? To be and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving and serving from our doorsteps to "to the ends of the earth." —Acts 1:8

God of glory, Lord of heaven and earth, how are we doing?

Agape,

Phil

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

Go out to the family and friends of Jeanette Shannon, as she went home to be with the Lord on April 2^{nd} . May the love of the Lord surround continuously.

FROM KARON (SHANNON) MICHEL

Thank you, seems so little to say for all you did for mother, and then our family after her funeral. Mother loved each of you such a great deal and missed you after moving down here to Florida. My sisters Pat Shannon & Kathy Hale were so pleased with the lunch you provided after mother's funeral and it was truly appreciated. God bless each of you, Karon (Shannon) Michel

NEW ADDRESS FOR FERNE

Ferne McHenry is now residing at Hilltop Convalescent Center, 910 W. Polk, # 301, Charleston, IL 61920.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Will be held here at the church Monday, June $18^{\rm th}$ through Friday, June $22^{\rm nd}$ from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

CHOIR SING

Sunday, April 29th at 3:00 p.m. the choir will be singing. This will be a good time to come and hear the sweet blessings of the choir and share a bit of yourself in song.

BIBLE STUDY

The dates for the Bible studies have been changed from Wednesday mornings to Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. on the 1st and 3rd weeks of the month. Thank you, Linda Thornton.

THANK YOU

To Ed Buxton and Jeri Davis for hosting the Easter Sunrise Breakfast and service. What a blessing that was.

BETSY AND SHANE JOHNSON

Have moved back to Minnesota. We wish them well.

EASTER SPECIAL OFFERING

\$ 347.00 was collected for the special offering. Thank you for your generous gifts.

DEADLINE FOR DISCIPLES CAMP

The deadline for the Disciples Camp being held from Sunday, July 29th through Saturday, August 4th, is Monday, June 25th. The money should be into the region by this date. If it is after, the price is raised \$ 100. Please get the form from the office, get it filled out and returned to the office so the check may be processed and sent with the registration, in plenty of time before the date. Thank you.

MINISTER'S INSTITUTE

Will be held Tuesday, May 1st through Thursday, May 3rd in Morton. Phil will be attending.

VACATION

Phil will be gone Monday, May 28th through Saturday, June 2nd.

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Will be held Sunday, May 20th at 11:00 a.m. It will be hosted by the Congregational Life Committee.

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

Will be taken Sunday, May 20th and 27th. Gifts made through the Pentecost Offering directly support new Disciples faith communities, through assessments, training, coaching, funding, and materials, etc.

MEMORIAL FOR ANNIE

Has been set for Saturday, June 16^{th} at 4:00 p.m. at the church.

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

April thru June will be for Lake Land College Dental Health Clinic. Thank you for your continued generosity.

ELDER BREAKFAST

On Saturday, May 12th, 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 **29** notes written and mailed in April, **a ministry of love.**

SECOND SUNDAY SING

The Second Sunday Sing will be Sunday, May 13th, 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, May 6th and 13th, **toilet paper** and/or **diapers (all sizes)** for the **Food Pantry** and/or for **Soup Stop**, **individual juice boxes** and/or **snacks chips**.

BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING (OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS)

The next Board of Elders meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, **May** 9th at 6:30 p.m. Please have all reports into the office for the booklet no later than <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May</u> 8th.

MEN'S LUNCHEON & SCRIPTURE STUDY

Disciples Men's luncheon will be Tuesday, May 15th.

NEXT HARBINGER

The next Harbinger will be mailed on **Thursday**, 31st. Please have all items into the office no later than **Tuesday**, May 29th. Thank you.

SHUT-IN COMMUNION MINISTRY

If you or someone you know would like to receive communion on **Sunday**, **May 6**, **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 Hennry, 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, Jim Miller, Chris Merrell, Karen Hartbank, Roy O'Hearn, Melissa Rice, Ferne McHenry, Butch Beadles. If you know of someone who needs to be added to or removed from this list, please contact 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 APRIL 2007

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tyrleona Nailing

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

Brownies led by Christina Miller meets every

Thursday evening at 5:00 p.m.

please call the Church office.

SERVING THE LORD FOR MAY 2007

WORSHIP LEADERS ELDERS

May 6	Jackie James	Verlon Myers, Chuck Cole
May 13	Verlon Myers	Vicki Trueblood, Paul Slifer
May 20	Velma Spence	Cindy Maples, Patty Maples
May 27	Tarry James	Stan Huffman, Mike Chron

DIACONATE FOR MAY 2007

<u>SERVE</u>	<u>PREPARE</u>	GREETERS & ACOLYTES

Kim Steffes Gladys Cole Doug Bacon
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Kyle Bess
Gladys Cole
Eva Bacon

ELDER SHUT-IN MAY 6, 2007 MAY 2007 BIRTHDAYS

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Verlon Myers, Chuck Cole	May 1	Tobin Strader
BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY UPDATES	May 7	Audrey Ingram
If your birthday or anniversary dates are not	May 11	Julie McGowan
mentioned & you attend regularly, please let	May 13	Cheryl Wells
the office know.	May 18	Don Spence
MAY 2007 ANNIVERSARYS	May 23	Gayle Strader
	May 24	Bailey Bosler
	May 31	David Paul

COFFEE/JUICE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS FOR MAY

Those serving the coffee/juice will be the Gladys & Chuck Cole, Kaye Woodward & Jim Wells.

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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