

A Newsletter from the  
Old State Road Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
Of Charleston, Illinois  
August 30, 2007

# The Disciple Harbinger



## FROM PASTOR PHIL

I ran across this quote this week. "Happiness depends upon the quality of your thoughts."  
-Marcus Aurelius

When Jesus speaks of the Kingdom of God, he invites us to happiness. Abundant living and serving are ours when God rules in our life. If we are not experiencing happiness, then could it be our thoughts are not within the rule of the Holy?

Agape,  
Phil

## PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

Go out to Mike Bess and family as his father, Bloice "Bill" Bess went home to be with the Lord on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. May the Lord's arms uphold and surround with His love.

## THANK YOU

To our Church Family, we thank you for allowing us the opportunity to attend Camp Walter Scott. The experience was a blessing! Garrett, Eva & Kelly Bacon

Thank you to Stan & Maggie Huffman for an evening of bowling. Having a church family to share time with us is a blessing. The Children of the Church

A big thank you goes out to the church and the ladies of the CWF for supporting our VBS program this past summer. Your generous efforts allowed us to reach 22 children! VBS Committee

Thank you for sending me to Camp Walter Scott. I had a lot of fun! I am looking forward to going again next year. Love, Daniel Miller

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

To Robin Tyner, Commander of the United States Navy at Naval Maritime Forecast Center in Norfolk, Virginia, will assume command on Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. There will be a special ceremony in her honor held that day. May we congratulate her and pray for her future command.

## BLANKET SUNDAY OFFERING

Will be collected on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.

## CROP WALK

Get some exercise! Have fun! Meet new people! Help feed the hungry! Sign up for the Coles County CROP Walk with Cindy Maples, 348-1345. You'll enjoy being a walker or a sponsor. This year's walk begins and ends at Wesley United Methodist Church in Charleston on Saturday morning, October 6<sup>th</sup>.

## DINNER AND A MOVIE

CWF will once again be hosting a Dinner and Movie on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the church, **ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED**. Please RSVP at the church, 345-3003 or Vicki Trueblood, 345-7244.

## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS WOMEN'S RETREAT

Will be held Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. More information may be attained from any CWF member.

## CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PICTURES

Will be taken Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at the church. Don't forget the time to get your pictures taken. If any questions, please call Cindy Maples, 348-1345.

## MIRACLE DAY!

Will be held Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at Camp Walter Scott. We have several already signed up to help that day.

## LIGHT A CANDLE FOR CHILDREN

This annual prayer vigil for children will begin Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> through Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. This year all will receive a list of children to pray for during this time for children to be blessed with prayer.

**ALL CHURCH BIKE RIDE**

Will be held Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Bring your bikes and we will ride God's beautiful countryside.

**RECONCILIATION SPECIAL OFFERING**

Will be collected on Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> & October 7<sup>th</sup>.

**BIBLE STUDY**

Will not meet on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> due to a time conflict but will meet on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Library.

**CHURCH'S 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**

Will be for the Immunization Clinic of Coles County through September. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**ELDER BREAKFAST**

Will be held Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast and study at 9:00 a.m. in the new book entitled "The Heart of Christianity" by Marcus J. Borg.

**SECOND SUNDAY SING**

The Second Sunday Sing will be **Sunday, September 9<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, September 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, **cans tomato sauce** and/or **dry pasta** for the **Food Pantry** and/or for **Soup Stop**, **jars of peanut butter** and/or **microwavable individual soups**.

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

The next Board of Elders meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. Please have all reports into the office for the booklet no later than **Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**MEN'S LUNCHEON & SCRIPTURE STUDY**

**Will resume** on Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to mark your calendars.

**NEXT HARBINGER**

The next Harbinger will be mailed on **Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**. Please have all items into the office no later than **Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you.

**SHUT-IN COMMUNION MINISTRY**

If you or someone you know would like to receive communion on **Sunday, September 2, 2007**, 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, Sara Henry, Margaret Cresch, Rachael Brown, Bill & Cecile Cooper, Connor McManus (a baby in South Carolina), Robert Connour, Kyle Schroeder, Jim Miller, Chris Merrell, Roy O'Hearn, Melissa Rice, Butch Beadles, Kay Etnire & family, June Edwards, Ray Updegraff, Rob Spence, Kaye Woodward, Libby Coffey, Chuck & June Davidson, Valerie Thornton, Mike Drake (Iraq), Steve Gannaway. If you know of someone who needs to be added to or removed from this list, please contact **Nancy Oakley 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 AUGUST 2007**

Bill Collins & Debbie Burris  
Kate Gramley & Peter Provin

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Choir – Thursday – 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 other Thursday evening at 5:00 p.m.

please call the church office.

**SERVING THE LORD FOR SEPTEMBER 2007**

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

September 2 Kathleen Beck  
September 9 Mike Chron  
September 16 Patty Maples  
September 23 Chuck Cole  
September 30 Kathy Zuniga

**ELDERS**

Vicki Trueblood, Mike Chron  
Pat Marsh, Kaye Woodward  
Stan Huffman, Julie McGowan  
Tarry James, Kelly Bacon  
Verlon Myers, Chuck Cole

**DIACONATE FOR SEPTEMBER 2007**

**SERVE**

Doug Bacon  
Kyle Bess  
Mike Bess  
Gladys Cole

**PREPARE**

Gladys Cole  
Doug Bacon

**GREETERS & ACOLYTES**

Mike Bess  
Kyle Bess  
Eva Bacon

**ELDER SHUT-IN SEPTEMBER 2, 2007**

Vicki Trueblood, Mike Chron

**SEPTEMBER 2007 BIRTHDAYS**

September 8 Lloyd Koontz  
September 12 Megan Endsley  
September 13 Sarah Fogerson  
September 14 Denny Pritchard  
September 15 Trish Haworth  
September 22 Cindy Maples  
September 24 Susan Watson  
September 25 Amanda McGowan  
September 26 Jim Wells

**BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY UPDATES**

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

**SEPTEMBER 2007 ANNIVERSARYS**

September 1 Mike & Gayle Strader  
September 15 Tarry & Jackie James  
September 29 Marty & Susan Watson

**COFFEE/JUICE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS FOR SEPTEMBER**

Those serving the coffee/juice will be the Jan & Verlon Myers, Maggie & Stan Huffman.

**A NEWSLETTER OF THE  
OLD STATE ROAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
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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**