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

June 30, 2009

The Disciple Harbinger



BLESSED TO WELCOME

The Reverend Sharon Patton, as pastor, with husband Hulon "Rob" Robertson and daughter Sherry, into the fold of Old State Road Christian Church as of June 1, 2009, transferring membership from First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Smith Center, Kansas. Welcome!!! May the Lord bless your ministry here, and this fellowship of believers. Her installation will be on Sunday, August 30th.

CHANGES!!! CHANGES!!! IN BULLETIN AND HARBINGER

We're working hard to streamline the bulletin and Harbinger. There have been many changes to both, as we try to get them into a more streamline reading, yet informational.

SERMON MESSAGES AND SCRITURE READINGS

Beginning in the month of July, the Scripture will no longer be printed in the bulletin, so please bring you Bible if you wish to follow along. On the back of the front cover of the bulletin each week may be found the lectionary Scriptures for the upcoming week. All three of the lectionary Scriptures will be read each Sunday.

AS HEARD AROUND THE OLD STATE ROAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

One of the changes is concerning quotes from the church body or from someone else, as friends and family. This week's quote came from Jim Wells, "Christians aren't perfect – if we were, we wouldn't need to be here." If you would like to submit a quote, please let Pastor Sharon or Linda in the office know, and it will be printed."

JC-TC CLERGY VIEWS

Pastor Sharon Patton will be featured in the Clergy Views in the Times Courier on Friday, July 3rd. Be sure and read her article.

UPCOMING CONGREGATIONAL LIFE DATES TO REMEMBER

September 19, 2009 – will be a weiner roast at Tricia Briggerman's house.

October 11, 2009 - Annual Church Auction - so don't forget to get you materials ready for the auction

November 8, 2009 – will be the Annual **Thanksgiving Dinner** at the church.

Be sure to get these on your calendar.

CROP WALK

This year has been scheduled for Saturday, October 3rd at 8:30 a.m.

DISCIPLE'S CAMP REGISTRATION

There have been 5 campers registered for Disciples Camp, July 20 – 25, 2009. Those who have registered are: Madie McCue, Eva Bacon, Emily Garriott, Kristyn Haworth, and Aurora Nevius. Pray that the Lord be their guide, in and through their camp experience. There will be a commissioning service for the campers on Sunday, July 19th before they leave for camp.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ICE CREAM BAR & MOVIE RESCHEDULED

Has been rescheduled for Sunday, July 12th at 2:00 p.m., due to the Red, White and Blue days in Charleston this past Sunday. This is for the entire congregation to come and share in fellowship with their brothers and sisters in Christ.

POCKET MONEY MISSION

For May – June was for Coles County Immunization Clinic, and \$13.65 was raised. July - August will be for Lake Land College Dental Health Clinic, this is for our children.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION – A WONDERFUL BLESSING TO THE RECEIVER

There were 37 notes written and mailed in June's ministry of love.

FOOD PANTRY AND SOUP STOP OUTREACH DAYS

Please bring to the church on Sunday, July 5th & 12th, individual wrapped snacks, and/or jars of peanut butter for Soup Stop; and/or for Food Pantry, money is most needed and/or sugar and/or flour.

BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING (OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS)

The next Board of Elders meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 8th at 6:30 p.m. Please have all reports into the office for the booklet no later than Tuesday, July 7th.

NEXT HARBINGER

The next Harbinger will be mailed on Thursday, July 30th. Please have all items into the office no later than Tuesday, July 28th. Thank you.

SHUT-IN COMMUNION MINISTRY

If you or someone you know would like to receive communion on **Sunday**, **July 5th**, 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. It is always done the first Sunday of each month.

CHURCH'S VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS

SG-C Serving and Growing through Christ

FIRST TIME VISITORS JUNE 2009
Larry Ross

WEEKLY CALENDAR
Choir – Thursday – 6:00 p.m.

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

Robert Lawrence Worship – Sunday – 9:30 a.m.

CONTINUING CHURCH OUTREACH

are needed – if like to help. right now.

please call the church office.

SERVING THE LORD FOR JULY 2009

WORSHIP LEADERS		$\underline{ ext{ELDERS}}$	
July 5	Jan Ernst	Jan Ernst, Mike Chron	
July 12	Cindy Maples	Vicki Trueblood, Tarry James	
July 19	Eva Bacon	Lloyd Koontz, Stan Huffman	
July 26	Kevin James	Tricia Briggerman, Patty Maples	

DIACONATE FOR JULY 2009

SERVE PREPARE GREETERS & ACOLYTES

Garrett Bacon Jackie James Jeff Endsley Jeff Endsley Kim Steffes Garrett Bacon

Jackie JamesEva Bacon, Kristyn Haworth,Kim SteffesMadison Endsley, Emily Zuniga

ELDER OF THE MONTH

Beginning in June, the elders of the church began an Elder of Month. If at anytime, you are in need and are unable to get in touch with Linda in the office, or Pastor Sharon is unable, the Elder of the Month may be called. For the **month of July**, the Elder of the Month is **Tarry James**, 345-6890 home, and 508-9648 cell.

OFFERING FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2009

General Fund Offerings: \$5,533.07

Building Fund: \$ 30.00

Total Offering for Sunday, June 30, 2009: \$5,563.07

Weekly budget for 2009: \$2,300.87

OFFERING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY & JUNE

Total offering for the month of May: \$9,174.78

Total offering for the month of June: \$11,158.57

Monthly budget for 2009: \$ 9,970.42

Tithes and offerings are a traditional part of church. They are used to help meet the ministry of the church. With the rise in utility costs, insurance, fuel, etc., it has become increasingly difficult for our church to meet our financial obligations. Therefore, anything you may be able to give above your usual tithe or offering would be greatly appreciated.

ELDER SHUT-IN JULY 5, 2009	JULY 2009	<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>
Jan Ernst, Mike Chron	July 1	Ed Buxton
	July 1	$Joe\ McGee$
BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY UPDATES	July 6	George H. Denham
If your birthday or anniversary dates are not	July 6	Audra Roach
mentioned & you attend regularly, please let	July 6	Jon Adams
the office know.	July 10	Pastor Sharon Patton
	July 14	Joyce Allen
	July 15	Madison Endsley
	July 16	Florence (Sammie) Giffin
	July 26	Robin Gabel
JULY 2009 ANNIVERSARYS	July 28	Ruth Bunch

COFFEE/JUICE FELLOWSHIP SERVERS FOR JULY 5, 2009

Jan & Garry Ernst, & Norma Mineo

Beginning this month, the Coffee/Juice Fellowship will only be serving on the first Sunday of each month.



A NEWSLETTER OF THE OLD STATE ROAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) 13982 Old State Road Charleston, IL 61920 217/345-3003 pastor@disciplesofchrist.org www.disciplesofchrist.org Rev. Sharon Patton, Pastor Lloyd Koontz, Facilitator Linda Thornton, Office Manager 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