



**"THE VISITOR"**  
**Davis Memorial Christian Church**  
**(Disciples of Christ)**

March 7,  
2023

## **Preschool Open House**

Our Preschool Open House will be held on Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00 p.m. This will kick off our Registration for the 2023-2024 school year. If you have a child or know of a child that will be 3 or 4 by September 1, 2023, please bring them in to meet the teachers and see our classrooms! If you are unavailable that evening, you can sign up on-line at [dmccpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:dmccpreschool@gmail.com), get in touch with Ashley or Gena, or you can come during office hours of Tuesday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or on Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Registration fee is \$25.



## Minister's Column

"I think at times God waits before He gives us more, to see what we do with what He has already given us.

It's not that God has strings attached to what He gives us, He's just waiting to see how righteously we use what He's already given us.

"Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. As the Scriptures

say, "They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever." (2 Corinthians 9:6-9 NLT)

Those verses compare our finances with seed and to the sowing of those seeds. Now, if we're going to sow sparingly, it doesn't give God much to work with. But if we sow bountifully, He is going to bless us for that and we will reap bountifully.

God will supply seed to us to sow, but not seed to hoard. He wants to bless us so that we give it away in His name.

God will increase the fruits of your righteousness so you can be more generous, so you can give more away.

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Generously was used in those scripture verses. Become more generous, so that God can bless you with more seed, so that you can bless more people, so that He can bless you with more seed, and on and on. Find somewhere today where you can be generous in your giving.

Father God, Thank You for providing for all my needs, giving me more than just enough so that I can sow seed into good ground! Thank You that I can trust You to provide for me as I simply live by what Your Word says! Amen.

Give to someone in need today.

—Dennis Metsker

### **Easter Prayer Vigil**

Our Easter Prayer Vigil will begin following the Maundy Thursday Service on April 6 from 7:30-10:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.-noon on Good Friday, April 7. A sign-up sheet for each half-hour increment is in the Narthex.



### **Easter Sunday Baptisms**



We will be having Baptisms on Easter Sunday, April 9th. If you would like more information, please speak with Pastor Dennis or call the church office.

### **Celebrate Recovery**

**5:30-6:30 p.m. Meal**

**6:30-7:30 p.m. Large Group**

**7:30-8:30 p.m. Small Group**

***Celebrate Recovery is a faith-based 12 step program designed to help anyone with:***

***Hurts hang-ups or habits***

***Held at:***

***Davis Memorial Christian Church  
1500 W. Franklin, Taylorville***

## Reminder



Articles for the next newsletter are due in the office by noon on Monday, March 20, 2023.



## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Beginning January 1, 2023, Church Office hours will be Tuesday thru Thursday  
8:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:30.  
Friday 9:00 to 12:00.



David Keel, Lane Walker, Judy Driver, Hazel Carlen, Donna Depolo, Helen Bricker, George Ortman, Joelynda Conrad, Steve & Connie Damery

## Serving our Country

Spc. Rodney Gatton, Sgt. Jonathan Grawe, Chelsea Boehme, (California), Benjamin Jones (USMC), Nicholas Jones (California), Lance Alaria, Grant Durham, Jaden Graham, Ricky Martinez

## PICTORIAL DIRECTORY



We're looking for your pictures!! If you have pictures taken at church events like the Block Party, cookouts, bowling, fish fry, etc., please send them to dmcchurchdirectory@gmail.com or to Kathy's cell phone at (217)836-1718. Thanks!

The Worship Committee

## Kid's Club and a Meal!

Beginning this week, February 8, Kid's Club will again be serving dinner



to the kids. Kid's Club meets on Wednesday evenings from 5:15-6:30 p.m. Spread the word and invite the kids you know to join in. **If you would like to sign up to provide a meal, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.**

## Adult Sunday School

Our Adult Sunday School is in full swing!!! We meet at 9:00 a.m.



every Sunday, in the Parlor, and will be done at approximately 9:45 a.m. Hope to see you there!!!

# OPPORTUNITY

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Support our church ministries, GET INVOLVED.

1. Provide a meal for Kid's Club or help provide a meal for Celebrate Recovery (CR)
2. Help with our Facebook, Instagram, website
3. Join one of our church committees who are looking for volunteers

(Contact the church office or call Kathy Sullivan at (217)836-1718).

## Easter Lilies

You are invited to help decorate our sanctuary for Easter by donating an Easter Lily in "Memory of" or in "Honor of" someone special in your life, or perhaps just because you love the beauty of flowers. The flowers can be taken home any time after Easter Sunday. Thank You.



## First Sunday Potluck



A big thank you to everyone who decorated tables and provided food for the All-Church Birthday potluck.

We hope everyone had fun! Our next Potluck will be on Sunday, April 2, right after our worship service. Everyone is invited to stay to eat with us. The main dish and drinks will be provided, but you are asked to bring a side dish. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.



## Preschool Upcoming Events

Please mark your calendars and be watching the newsletter for the Preschool Drive-Thru Fundraiser. It will feature Pulled Pork BBQ Sandwich and some great sides. We will have more information coming soon.



### Piano Recital



Andrea McGee will be having a student piano recital in the church sanctuary on Sunday, April 2 at 2:00 p.m. She has invited the church congregation to attend. Please come and offer encouragement to these young musicians!

### Offering for 2/26/23

Attendance: 80  
General Fund: \$1270  
Preschool: \$40  
Week of Compassion: \$75

### Offering for 3/5/23

Attendance: 95  
General Fund: \$1893



Christian Hafliger	March 9
Olivia Hadley	March 11
Jennifer Dammerman	March 12
Keri Jo Tucker	March 12
Justin Paisley	March 13
Debbie Delinsky	March 15
Kevin Bliler	March 16
Linda Gesell	March 20



### Taylorville Care & Taylorville Estates

On Sunday, March 26th, Davis Memorial will lead the worship service at Taylorville Care at 2:30 p.m. and Taylorville Estates at 3:00 p.m. We would love to have more volunteers to help out with the brief service or just to be there for moral support. We are on a schedule with several other churches in the area to provide this weekly service.

**COME  
WORSHIP**  
*with us!*



## Movie Nights

We are still having Movie Nights on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. The movie we are watching is "The Chosen" and everyone is invited to attend. It is being shown in the Sanctuary.



## Welcome



We would like to welcome our new custodians!

Beginning this week, Floyd Short & Randy Smith will be sharing the responsibilities of keeping our church clean. Welcome Floyd & Randy!!!

## Time Change

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead an hour this Saturday night before you go to bed, so you won't be late to anything on Sunday!!!



## Christian One-Liner

We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.



## Thought for the Day



All our dreams can come true – if we have the courage to pursue them.

## Food Pantry

We are collecting for the Taylorville Food Pantry. There is a cart located in the Narthex for you to drop off your items. There are many people, right here in Taylorville, who are struggling to feed their families. Please keep them in mind when you buy your groceries! Some ideas to purchase are: canned foods, soups, chili, Raman noodles, peanut butter, pasta sauce, cereal, canned fruit (regular and sugar free), pudding (regular and sugar free), Hamburger Helper and other main courses, jelly, spaghetti noodles, and snack items for children. They are also in need of personal hygiene items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, soap, razors, etc.





**Serving Sunday,**  
**March 12, 2023**

**Elder** — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
**Diaconate** – Debbie Delinsky

**Serving Sunday,**  
**March 19, 2023**

**Elder** — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
**Diaconate** — Kim Cornwell

**Serving Sunday,**  
**March 26, 2023**

**Elder** — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
**Diaconate** – Danny Lowis

**Serving Sunday,**  
**April 2, 2023**

**Elder** — Ronda Fassero, J. Newlin  
**Diaconate** – Laura Gardner

**Serving Sunday,**  
**April 9, 2023**

**Elder** — Ronda Fassero, J. Newlin  
**Diaconate** — Baron & Ava Odam

**Serving Sunday,**  
**April 16, 2023**

**Elder** — Ronda Fassero, J. Newlin  
**Diaconate** — Allan Stanley



Wed. 3/8	Kid's Club & Youth	5:15 p.m.
	Choir	6:30 p.m.
Thurs. 3/9	Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Fri. 3/10	Clothes Closet	1:00-5:00 p.m.
Sat. 3/11	Ronda Fassero (FH & Kitchen)	8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Sun. 3/12	Adult Sun. School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship	10:15 a.m.
	Movie Night	6:00 p.m.
Tues. 3/14	TOPS	10:00 a.m.
	Celebrate Recovery	5:30 p.m.
Wed. 3/15	Kid's Club	5:15 p.m.
	Youth Group	5:15 p.m.
	Choir	6:30 p.m.
Thurs. 3/16	CEFS	10:00 a.m.
	Preschool Open	
	House	5:00 p.m.
Fri. 3/17	Clothes Closet	1:00-5:00 p.m.
Sun. 3/19	Adult Sun. School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship	10:15 a.m.
	Movie Night	6:00 p.m.
Tues. 3/21	TOPS	10:00 a.m.
	Celebrate Recovery	5:30 p.m.
Wed. 3/22	Kid's Club	5:15 p.m.
	Youth Group	5:15 p.m.
	Choir	6:30 p.m.
Fri. 3/24	Clothes Closet	1:00-5:00 p.m.
Sun. 3/26	Adult Sun. School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship	10:15 a.m.
	Movie Night	6:00 p.m.





**Church Hours are 8:00 a.m. till 12:00, 12:00-1:00 lunch, and from 1:00-3:30 p.m. If you have special needs please call ahead.**

***Mission Statement:***

***Our Mission is to live as Disciples and lead others to Jesus Christ.***

***Vision Statement:***

***Our Vision is to make known the love of God.***

**Dennis Metsker, Minister**

**Rev. Jim Whitaker, Minister Emeritus**

**Worship is 10:15 a.m. each Sunday.**

**Editor of the "Visitor" Sheryl Nagle**

**Our church phone is (217) 824-8181. All guests are welcome!**

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