



“THE VISITOR”
Davis Memorial Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

November
2024

Military Packages

We are again sending Christmas packages to local military personnel deployed overseas. We will also donate items to the Veterans Homes in Quincy and Danville.



This year, again, we only request monetary donations. The money collected will be used for the items we send, as well as postage to send the boxes.

At this time, we are asking for names of any local military personnel who may be deployed overseas. If you have a loved one, or know of someone who would like to receive a Christmas package, please supply the name and address to DMCC by calling 217-824-8181. So far, we have 3 names that have been turned in. We can only accept additional names until Tuesday, November 26.

Names and monetary donations are needed no later than Friday, November 29th. All packages will be mailed on December 7th to ensure a Christmas delivery.

Minister's Column

Evil and injustice seem to have the upper hand in the world.

We often feel angry and discouraged as we watch what goes on in our community and country.

How often do we complain vigorously to God about what we see?

God's answer to us is always: "Be patient! I will work out my plans in my perfect timing."

It isn't easy to be patient, but it helps to remember that God hates sin even more than we do.

God tells us, "Wait patiently."

Punishment of sin will certainly always come.

"Brothers and sisters, we urge you to warn those who are lazy. Encourage those who are timid. Take tender care of those who are weak. Be patient with everyone. See that no one pays back evil for evil, but always try to do good to each other and to all people.

"Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus."

(1 Thessalonians 5:14-18 NLT)

When everything is going our way, patience is easy to demonstrate. The true test of patience comes when our rights are violated—when another car cuts us off in traffic, when we are treated

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unfairly. Some people think they have a right to get upset in the face of irritations and trials.

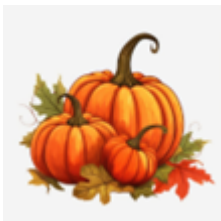
The Bible, however, praises patience as a fruit of the Spirit which should be produced for all followers of Christ.

To trust God fully means to trust Him even when we don't understand why events occur as they do.

Patience reveals our faith in God's timing and love.

Lord God, Help me to have more patience. Amen.

God Bless! —Dennis



Floyd Short	November 1
Jonathan Newlin	November 4
Jackson Mathon	November 6
Breann Christer	November 7
Candace Peters	November 7
James Assad	November 11
Lynn Dexheimer	November 11
Brooke Christer	November 14
Dana Schmid	November 14
Sally White	November 14
Emilia German	November 15
Mike Fassero	November 18
Patty Rykhus	November 20
Janet Hendricks	November 22
Rich Wilson	November 24
Rye Bliler	November 26
Coady Johnson	November 26
Kayla Coady	November 27
Fisher Dammerman	November 27
Joslyn Mathon	November 27
Jacob Noren	November 27
Erica Wessling	November 27
Michelle Sklenka	November 29
Linda Jones	November 29



Jonathan & Mickey Newlin	November 11
Roy & Joelynda Conrad	November 26
Tad & Cathy Craggs	November 27

Taylorville Skilled Nursing & Carriage Crossing

On Sunday, November 17th, Davis Memorial will lead the worship service at Taylorville Skilled Nursing at 2:30 p.m. and Carriage Crossing 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.



Choir Practice

 Our Choir meets every Wednesday for practice and provides our special music for 2 out of the 4 Sunday's each month. Anyone who loves music is invited to come at 6:30 p.m. We hope to see you there!!!

Sympathy

We offer our deepest sympathy to Brenda Finrock & Family after the passing of her husband, Norm Finrock. Norm passed away on October 4th.



Congregational Meeting

We will hold our annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 10th right after our worship service. The purpose of this meeting is for the congregation to vote on our new Board Officers, Elders, Diaconate & Associate Diaconate. We will also vote on our 2025 Budget.



Offering for 9/29/24

Attendance: 91
General Fund: \$856

Offering for 10/6/24

Attendance: 105
General Fund: \$5226

Offering for 10/13/24

Attendance: 96
General Fund: \$1126
Military Packages: \$50

Offering for 10/20/24

Attendance: 93
General Fund: \$1210
Preschool: \$20
Missions: \$4
Celebrate Recovery: \$150

“Fish Fry Report”

I would like to share a report with you about the annual Fish Fry event.



First of all, I would like to thank all the people who worked so hard to make this year's Fish Fry a success. Thanks to those who bought and sold tickets, prepared carry-out meals, set up, cleaned up, cooked, cut cakes and ran meals out to the cars.

Special thanks to our church secretary, Sheryl Nagle, who printed tickets and received money at the office. Also thanks to Dave Berck for being my co-chairman and guidance counselor. Thanks for my loving wife who has heard about this Fish Fry since Labor Day.

We sold around 400 tickets, and made a “Gross” amount of \$6,069, before expenses. I cannot give you an exact amount that we cleared because Ron's Produce is no longer open on Saturday. But in comparison to last year, we should have a net profit between \$2,500 and \$3,000. Once again, thanks to all of those who so generously gave of their time and talent. It's heart-warming to witness

God's people come together to accomplish one common goal. Last but not least, thanks to God, our mighty Creator, for blessing us with good weather and His love. Also thanks for all the generous donations that were received.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Newlin

Updated amounts:

Gross:	\$6,119.00
Expenses:	<u>\$2,947.97</u>
Net Profit:	\$3,171.03

Expenses:

Breeze Courier (advertisement):	\$ 160.00
Kroger's (Seasonings & ham for beans)	64.43
Kroger's (Dinner rolls)	206.84
Ron's Produce	<u>2,516.70</u>
	\$2,947.97

Note: Cost of propane taken from Men's Breakfast collections

Reminder



Articles for the next newsletter are due in the office by noon on Friday, November 22nd, 2024.

Newsletter Change



We send the newsletter out once a month. It will be mailed sometime around the 26 or 27 of each month, so you will have it by the beginning of the next month. So, if you have information that needs to go in it, please have it turned in early enough to be included.

First Sunday Potluck

Our next Potluck will be on Sunday, November 3rd, 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.

Meals on Wheels



The next time our church is responsible for Meals on Wheels is on December 30-January 3. Barb Miller is the person in charge of the schedule, so contact her if you are available (820-1099).

After-School Program

We are again partnering with the United Methodist Church to offer the kids (age K-4) an after-school program on Wednesday's immediately after school until 5:15 p.m. The kids get out at 2:30 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays of the month and then on the 4th Wednesday, they get out at 1:00 p.m. We are still looking for volunteers to help out. If you are able to help, please contact Dennis at 824-8181 or 254-5027.



Preschool



The 2024-2025 school year is in full swing. This year, they have combined the 3 year olds and the 4 year olds together into one class. They meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:45-11:15 a.m.

P.S. It is not too late to register your child! Contact the church office (824-8181), the website (davismemorialchristian.org) or one of the teachers.

CWF Luncheon

CWF held their monthly luncheon on October 17 at Angelo's with 12 in attendance. We held a brief business meeting and decided to donate money to North Carolina flood victims through Week of Compassion, Kicks for Kids and Backpacks for Kids. Our next luncheon will be Thursday, November 21 at Angelo's at 11:30 a.m.



CWF is open to all women of the church.



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 Habits

Held at:

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

Prayer Requests

Dawn Crites, Vella Kimble, Chris Ferrill, Nicholas Shaw, Celine, Devin Binger, Sharyl Craggs, Lynn Higgason, Gale Christopher, Roy & Joelynda Conrad, Linda Allen, Karen Lewis, Dani Moore (Jennifer Tracey's cousin), Linda Binger, Darlene Wilson, Brenda Finrock, Hazel Carlen, Donna Depolo, George Ortman, Steve & Connie Damery, Sharon Manning, Earlene Fisher

Serving our Country

Spc. Rodney Gatton, Sgt. Jonathan Grawe, Chelsea Boehme, (Illinois), Benjamin Jones (USMC), Nicholas Jones (California), Lance Alaria, Grant Durham, Jaden Graham, Ricky Martinez, Skylar Stafford (USMC California), Tyler Ungerer Stephens, Dalton Thomas, Michael Fay

Men's Breakfast



We cordially invite you to the next "Men's Breakfast" which will be held on Saturday, November 2nd from 8:00-9:00 a.m. in the fellowship Hall. Come join us for some fine food and fellowship. Sons and friends are always welcome.

Sincerely, Jonathan Newlin
& Disciples Men

Children's Prayers to God



Dear God, please put another holiday between Christmas and Easter. There is nothing good in there now.

-Amanda

Thought for the Day

When you flee temptations, don't leave a forwarding address.



Fall Back



Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday night, November 2nd, before you head to bed! If you work it out right, you can have an extra hour of sleep!!!



Serving Sunday,
November 3, 2024

Elder — Ronda Fassero, J. Newlin
Diaconate — Team 1

Serving Sunday,
November 10, 2024

Elder — Ronda Fassero, J. Newlin
Diaconate – Team 2

Serving Sunday,
November 17, 2024

Elder — Ronda Fassero, J. Newlin
Diaconate — Team 3

Serving Sunday,
November 24, 2024

Elder — Ronda Fassero, J. Newlin
Diaconate – Team 4

Serving Sunday,
December 1, 2024

Elder — L. Dexheimer, Marcia Collins
Diaconate — Team 1

Serving Sunday,
December 8, 2024

Elder — L. Dexheimer, Marcia Collins
Diaconate – Team 2



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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