



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

March  
2025



## **Color My World**

We have a Fellowship Group that is meeting each Thursday afternoon from 3-4:30 p.m. here at the church. This is open to anyone. They meet to color, visit, share scripture and just enjoy each other's company. Bring any coloring supplies you wish to use! If you have any questions, please contact Kim Brune (217-825-8595) or Linda Jones (217-254-4189). We hope to see you there!



## Minister's Column

When we truly understand who Christ is, our pride and self-importance melt away.

Humility is a way of thinking about yourself less and Christ more. It can set us free from the burden of pride and the need to be seen as good enough.

I am Somebody in God's eyes and heart no matter what anyone or even ourselves think. Thinking that in an unprideful way is ok.

God opposes pride and gives grace to the humble. When we understand God's grace, we can focus on Loving others and putting their needs before our own.

God promises to exalt those who are His in Christ. He also promises to meet our

needs if we seek to glorify Him.

"The greatest among you must be a servant. But those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

(Matthew 23:11-12 NLT)

"When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners."  
(Mark 2:17 NLT)

Lord God, My desire is not to be exalted but just Loved. My desire is to do what pleases you. My desire is to place a smile on Your face. Help me achieve my desires. Amen.

(Continued)

"All glory to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, forever. Amen"  
(Romans 16:27 NLT)

—Dennis

### 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. If you are able to help, please contact Dennis at 824-8181 or 254-5027.



**Monday—Closed**

Tues.—8:00a.m.-noon, 1- 3:30p.m.

Wed.—8:00a.m.-noon, 1-3:30p.m.

Thurs.—8:00a.m.-noon, 1-3:30 p.m.

**Friday—Closed**

### The Wise Old Man and the Jokes (Don't Moan About Things You Aren't Doing Anything About)

A wise man once faced a group of people who were complaining about the same issues over and over again. One day, instead of listening to the complaints, he told them a joke and everyone cracked up laughing.



Then, the man repeated the joke. A few people smiled.

Finally, the man repeated the joke a third time—but no one reacted.

The man smiled and said, "You won't laugh at the same joke more than once. So what are you getting from continuing to complain about the same problem?"

Moral of the Story: You're not going to get anywhere if you keep complaining about the same problem but do nothing to fix it. Don't waste your time complaining, expecting other people to continue to react to your complaints. Instead, take action to make a change.

## Junior High Retreat

Taylorville Christian Church is sponsoring an overnight Junior High Retreat at their church on Friday, July 25th until Saturday, July 26th. This is for kids entering 6th-8th Grade. We will have more information as it becomes available. If you are in this age group, please consider attending!



## Disciples Men Update



The last "Men's Breakfast" was held on Saturday, February 1, 2025 from 8:00-9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. French toast and sausage was featured on the menu. 18 people were in attendance. In a brief business session, we voted to approve \$200 towards the "Backpack Program" that provides food for children on the weekend. We also donated \$200 to help the cost of printing the new pictorial directory. We strongly encourage all men, sons and friends to join us on the first Saturday of each month from 8:00-9:00 a.m. for some fine food and fellowship. Sincerely,  
Jonathan Newlin  
& Disciples Men

## 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!!!



## Children's Prayers to God



Dear God, how did you know you were God? Who told you? —Charlene

—Charlene

## Thought for the Day

Guilt is concerned with the past. Worry is concerned about the future. Contentment enjoys the present.



## Food Pantry



Please don't forget the people of our community who may be facing hunger. We have a cart, located in the Narthex, for you to drop off your items. Some items to consider are: cans of fruit, veggies, soup, spaghetti, etc. Also peanut butter, crackers, cereal, pudding, Hamburger Helper, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, soap, razors, etc.



## 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**



Bethany Beeson, Dylan Beeson, Nora Audry, Buck Miller, Penny Moomey, Jake Lozier, Brad Mansfield, Shelby Cook, Max Wayman, Evelyn Thomas Risse, Vella Kimble, Chris Ferrill, Nicholas Shaw, Celine, Sharyl Craggs, Lynn Higgason, Gale Christopher, Roy & Joelynda Conrad, Linda Allen, Karen Lowis, Dani Moore (Jennifer Tracey's cousin), Linda Binger, Darlene Wilson, Brenda Finfrock, 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





### Offering for 2/2/25

Attendance: 101  
General Fund: \$1258.58

### Offering for 2/9/25

Attendance: 82  
General Fund: \$3583

### Offering for 2/16/25

Attendance: 73  
General Fund: \$1428.75  
Celebrate Recovery: \$150  
Preschool: \$10  
Easter: \$50

### Offering for 2/23/25

Attendance: 84  
General Fund: \$1774  
Preschool: \$40



### Serving Sunday

March 2, 2025

Elder — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
Diaconate — Team 1

### Serving Sunday

March 9, 2025

Elder — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
Diaconate — Team 2

### Serving Sunday

March 16, 2025

Elder — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
Diaconate — Team 3

### Serving Sunday

March 23, 2025

Elder — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
Diaconate — Team 4

### Serving Sunday

March 30, 2025

Elder — Carmelo Montes, Kim Brune  
Diaconate — Team 1

### Serving Sunday

April 6, 2025

Elder — Ronda Fassero, Jonathan Newlin  
Diaconate — Team 1



Rick Peters Jr.	March 4
Steve Damery	March 5
Reagan Morrison	March 5
Marlee Craggs	March 6
Audra Boehme	March 8
J.T. Boehme	March 8
Jason Krouse	March 8
Christian Hafliger	March 9
Olivia Hadley	March 11
Keri Tucker	March 12
Jennifer Dammerman	March 12
Justin Paisley	March 13
Kayla Durbin	March 14
Debbie Delinsky	March 15
Kevin Bliler	March 16
Linda Gesell	March 20
Cindy Dennis	March 28
Michael Blake	March 29
Joelynda Conrad	March 30
Rhonda Hafliger	March 31

**Women’s 12-Step Program**



We have started the 12-Step Program over again on Sunday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. If you are interested, call Kim Brune (217-825-8595).

**Preschool Registration**



Registration for the 2025-2026 school year for the DMCC Preschool is now open. Registration costs for this year will be \$10. Tuition fees have increased for the 3 year olds to \$75 a month and for the 4 year olds to \$85 a month. There is a very accessible scholarship program so please consider applying. Applications for preschool registration and scholarship may be picked up at the office at 1500 W. Franklin, Taylorville. Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8-noon & 1-3:30p.m. They will also be available on the DavisMemorialChristian.org website and Facebook page.



**Nursery**

We have a nursery available during our Sunday church services (for 5 year olds and under). All other children and youth are invited to attend our Children’s Church or must remain with their parents.



## First Sunday Potluck

Our next Potluck will be on Sunday, March 2nd, right after our worship service. Everyone is invited to stay and 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.



## CWF Luncheon



We did not meet in February due to frigid temperatures. However, we plan to

meet on Thursday, March 20 at Angelo's at 11:30 a.m. Please join us! We will have our bi-annual business meeting April 17 during our monthly meeting.

## Men's Breakfast

We cordially invite you to the next "Men's Breakfast" which will be held on Saturday, March 1st from 8:00-9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Ham, egg and cheese omelets along with biscuits will be featured on the menu. Come join us for some fine food and fellowship. Sons and friends are always welcome.



Sincerely, Jonathan Newlin  
& Disciples Men

## Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held on Monday, June 16-Thursday, June 19 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. It will be held at the Methodist Church. We are partnering with the Methodist, Catholic & Presbyterian Churches. We need volunteers to help and we need kids to sign up! Please help us make this year's VBS our biggest and best yet!!! We have registration forms available in the church office.



## Making a Difference

you  
make a  
A DIFFERENCE

Is your organization looking for a community involvement

opportunity? Consider providing a meal on a Tuesday Evening for Celebrate Recovery (CR), a faith-based group providing Recovery support from, "Habits, Hang-up's and Hurts." For more information, please contact us at [dmccs@ctitech.com](mailto:dmccs@ctitech.com) or call 217-824-8181.



## Taylorville Care & Taylorville Estates



On Sunday, March 9th, 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.

## Taylorville Skilled Nursing & High Point (Carriage Crossing)

On Sunday, March 30th, Davis Memorial will lead the worship service at Taylorville



Skilled Nursing at 2:30 p.m. and High Point 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.

## Reminder



Articles for the next newsletter are due in the office by noon on Monday, March 24th.



**Don't forget  
to set your clocks  
ahead 1 hour  
before you go to bed  
on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>,  
or you may be late  
for church on  
Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>!**



**Church Hours:**  
**Tues.-Thurs. 8:00a.m. till 3:30p.m.**  
**(12:00-1:00p.m. lunch)**  
**Monday & Friday Closed**  
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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