





What Is a Mother?



*A mother is someone to shelter and guide us,
To love us, whatever we do,
With a warm understanding and infinite patience,
And wonderful gentleness, too.
How often a mother means swift reassurance
In soothing our small, childish fears,
How tenderly mothers watch over their children
And treasure them all through the years!
The heart of a mother is full of forgiveness
For any mistake, big or small,
And generous always in helping her family
Whose needs she has placed above all.
A mother can utter a word of compassion
And make all our cares fall away,
She can brighten a home with the sound of her laughter
And make life delightful and gay.
A mother possesses incredible wisdom
And wonderful insight and skill -
In each human heart is that one special corner
Which only a mother can fill!*

- Katherine Nelson Davis



Happy Mother's Day!!!

Join us this Sunday, May 11th for our Mother's Day Celebration during both services of worship. We will be honoring all mothers with a special gift. Special music will be presented by the Children's Choir during the 10:15 a.m. service. Bring your mom for the special tribute. We'll see you on Sunday!!!

According to John. . .

This Sunday we have the unique combination of Mother's Day and Pentecost.

Mothers will be recognized and celebrated. We will also rejoice in the birthday of the Church and the presence of the Holy Spirit in community. Jan Richardson, in an article entitled "Fire and Breath" says:



The celebration of Pentecost beckons us to keep breathing. It challenges us to keep ourselves open to the Spirit who seeks us. The Spirit that, in the beginning, brooded over the chaos and brought forth creation; the Spirit that drenched the community with fire and breath on the day of Pentecost; this same Spirit desires to dwell within us and among us. Amidst the brokenness and chaos and pain that sometimes come with being in community, the Spirit searches for places to breathe in us, to transform us, to knit us together more deeply and wholly as the body of Christ, and to send us forth into the world.

I am borrowing the title of her article as the title of my sermon. Sunday we will listen to the scripture, Acts 2:1-21, and then reflect together on the power and presence of the Holy Spirit at that first Pentecost and with us today.

Come Sunday to get "fired up"

Grace and peace.



In case of an emergency please call Rev. McLemore any time at the office at 233-1214. If you are unable to reach him at the office, his cell phone number is (580)402-2522, or you can reach him by calling his home 233-4214.

Thank You

Thank you for all the calls, cards and visits which are appreciated so much. As before, you still have a blank check with me. Tom Berlie

Dear JP- Missing a coat?? If you're female and your initials are JP, your black wool coat may be the one left in the fellowship hall. Please check!

MEN- There is also a men's velvet blazer - brand: Old Navy, size: Medium, color: milk chocolate. Very nice.

SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

May 4, 2008

Chapel Service.....	42
Sanctuary Worship.....	216
Saturday Evening Worship.....	16

WWNF MENU

WEDNESDAY, May 14

Spaghetti, salad, bread & dessert

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

May 11, Mack Allison
 May 18, David Dell
 May 25, Heath Wallace

*If you enjoy the donuts on
 Sunday, please consider
 making a donation.*



Our congregation is continuing to pray for other churches in our area. This week we have been asked to pray for **First Christian Church, Kingfisher.** Please keep them in your prayers this week.

Classes To Serve WWNF

May 14-Genesis Class
May 21- Adult Bible Study
May 28-NO WWNF

Current Lectionary

May 11, 2008

Pentecost

Readings:

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

John 20:19-23

Color: Red

Diaconate Schedule

May 11—Team 1

May 18—Team 2

May 25—Team 2

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SUNDAY, May 11, 2008

Chapel Worship.....	8:00 a.m.
Sermon....."Fire and Breath".....	Rev. John McLemore
Scripture.....	Acts 2:1-21
Church School.....	9:00 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship.....	10:15 a.m.
Special Music.....	Chancel Choir
Special Music....."A Song for Mother's Day".....	Children & JYF Choirs

Elders: 8:00- Willa Jo Fowler 10:15- Pat Novak, Fig Newton

Regional Mission Trip to Dominican Republic

In April, the Oklahoma Region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) sent ten people from six churches to the city of Boca Chica in the Dominican Republic to establish a long-term relationship with the mission organization, Caminante, which is partially supported by Global Ministries and Church World Services.

Boca Chica is a tourist destination with a white sand beach and turquoise waters, as beautiful as any beach in the Caribbean. But because of the shut down of a large sugar cane factory that employed 10,000 people, the unemployment rate in this town is 40%. With unemployment rates this high, come social problems we can't imagine.

We saw how Caminante helps children and young adults to break the bonds of poverty through education. Boys, 6 and 7 years old, drop out of school to work on the beach as "shoeshine boys" and do other work to help put food on their family's table. In two facilities, Caminante provides tutoring to these grade school dropouts so they can re-enter public school.

Caminante also provides excellent vocational education to recent high school graduates in computer skills, baking, sewing, construction skills and jewelry making which allow these graduates to land high paying jobs.

As a result of this trip, the Oklahoma Region is sponsoring the construction and operation of a third one-room school in a "barrio" that will enable 60 children, ages 6 to 12, who have dropped out of school, to successfully re-enter public school. We plan to underwrite a college-educated teacher's salary, educational supplies and building costs for 15 months for this school.

Over the next months, you will hear stories and see pictures of this mission trip. Stories of gritty poverty beyond anything we can imagine in the United States, but also stories of hard work, hospitality and hope. Our Oklahoma mission will make a difference in the lives of children in the city of Boca Chica and in the lives of us in Oklahoma.

We are planning two mission trips back to Boca Chica and the Caminante mission in 2009. If you would like to participate in this mission – through your prayers or going on a mission trip- call the church office.

Two churches from Enid were represented on this trip: Harriet Dupus from Christian Church of the Covenant and Don and Tary Davis-Johnson from Central Christian Church. Other churches represented were Crown Heights Christian Church and Western Oaks Christian Church both in Oklahoma City, Southern Hills Christian Church in Edmond and First Christian Church in Broken Arrow.

Tuesday Noon Bible Study

will begin an **Overview of the New Testament** May 13. It will be an 8 week study. Contact Rev. Don Johnson for more information.

Cancer support Program



Central Christian Church has started a new ministry for cancer patients in conjunction with Dr. Dexeus's office. Twice a week, we go to Dr. Dexeus's treatment area and listen, talk, read scripture and pray with people undergoing chemotherapy. Revs. Devon McAnally, Sherry Shaw, Don Angle and Don Johnson are the initial partners in this program ministering to cancer patients. John McLemore will be giving the address at the upcoming "Relay for Life" walk on June 6th.

If you are interested in helping in this program, call Don Johnson at the church office.



Central Christian Church

On behalf of the Chautauqua Council of Enid, I would like to extend a sincere thank you for the loan of chairs and tables for our fundraising event.

Because of your generosity we were able to have an extremely successful fundraiser which supports Chautauqua programs in our community.

Sincerely, Tary Davis-Johnson

Men's Golf League

Tee time is 5:30pm at Golden Oaks Golf Course. We'll play 9 holes and will end with hotdogs & chips, you should be home by 6:30pm. Come for fellowship and fun, experts aren't expected but are welcome! Call Don Johnson or Burl Bartlett for more information.

Sunday, May 11

- 8:00—Chapel Worship
- 9:00—Disciples 101 Class
- 9:00—Church School
- 10:15—Sanctuary Worship
- 2:30—CCC Worship Service on Pegasys
No Youth Group

Monday, May 12

- 10:00—Golden Oaks Service
- 12:00—Noon Prayer Meeting
- 6:30—Property Committee
- 6:30—Christian Ed. Committee

Tuesday, May 13

- 12:00—Noon Bible Study
- 2:00—Greenbrier Service
- 5:30—Kids Central Board
- 5:30—Men's Golf League
- 7:00—Quilt Central
- 7:00—Agape CWF

Wednesday, May 14

- 10:00—Naomi, Ruth, Sarah CWF
- 1:30—Esther/Lydia CWF
- 5:15—Hospital Callers
- 5:15—Meal
- 6:00—Chapel Service
- 6:00—JYF Choir (grades 3 – 6)
- 6:30—JYF Bells (grades 3 – 6)
- 6:30—Adult Classes
- 6:30—Youth Group (grades 7 – 12)
- 6:30—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00—Christian Children's Fellowship
- 7:00—Junior Youth Fellowship (grades 3 – 6)
- 7:30—Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 15

- 3:00—Enid Senior Care

Saturday, May 17

- 5:30—Saturday Evening Worship Service

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

(Compiled 5/6/2008)

All Caps reflects additions or changes

Please remember the following people as they deal with chronic illness: Carolyn Beck(friend of Judi Jordan), Sherry Bowan, Ed Brown (friend of Tom Berlie), Tonia Clark, Tanis Cornell (daughter of a friend of Dorothy Bracher), Bernice Crandall, Casey Cribley (submitted by Debbie Miranov), Bradley Gilbert (friend of Emmaus group), Wilma Goff (Sandra Justice's aunt), Paula Hay(daughter of Paul & JoAnn Hopkins), Joan Hull (co-worker of Tom Berlie), ASHLYN MAPHET, RETURNING TO SCHOOL PART-TIME NEXT WEEK, HAD LAST TREATMENT (granddaughter of Ron & Pat Maphet), RON MAPHET IS GETTING STRONGER EVERY DAY AND CREDITS THE LORD AND THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH, Shannon Mason (nephew of Kay Allison), Betty Olmstead, Scott Perkins (son-in-law of Max and Ginger Hicks), Emily Rhodes (daughter-in-law of Beryl Bigger), Duane Simpson, Jessica Steffen (granddaughter of Denny & Peg Krick), Elbert Wheeler, Helen Wilson (Joe Frei's sister).

Please lift up the following in your prayers:

Harley White, 14 year old from Lindsay who was severely burned in a racing car accident April 5th (friend of Mary Beach's daughter)

Marjory Mewherter, had double bypass surgery April 26th at Heart Hospital, OKC.
(Maxine Shepard's mother)

Marty Hoad awaiting surgery.

Colleen Krick, Denny Krick's mother, is in rapidly failing health. Denny is with her in FL.

Marlene Waddell had neck surgery April 30th at Oklahoma City.

Pat Morahan had successful surgery and is recuperating at home in Ponca City. (wife of Gene Morahan and mother of Gail Novak)

LeRayne (Von Prichard's sister) as she and others minister to young boys that were moved from the Conservative Mormon compound to a ranch near Amarillo, TX.

Rev. Larry Haney (pastor of FCC, Cushing, formerly of Alva) whose mother and father died last week.

JACK EDGAR awaiting test results and surgery (father of Melissa Hula)

KIM PRICE having valve replacement Friday, May 9 at Oklahoma Heart Hospital in OKC(son of Imogene Price and friend of Kent Beaty)

Family of BRUCE CADY who died Sunday, May 4th.

CADEN JOHNDROW who was recently diagnosed with diabetes (son of Jeff and Cindy)

Saint Mary's

Bass

Abe Preston 585

Recovering at home after recent hospital stays:

Tom Berlie

Prayers for those in the armed services:

Ben Lentz (son of Tom and Pat Lentz) Caleb Holden (son of Robert and Carolyn Holden)

Corey Krick (grandson of Denny and Peg Krick) will be going to Iraq for his 3rd tour sometime in May

Brandon Randles (son of Kids Central employee Kelly Straw)

2008 Summer Camp Dates

Registration forms will be available from Carolyn, John W or the Welcome Center. Forms must be turned in by May 21 with payment listed below (price listed is your half). Any late forms will be required to pay the region's late payment of \$45 and will be put on a waiting list.

Chi Rho I: June 15-20 (have completed grades 6 and 7)	\$120
Discovery I: June 20-22 (have completed grades 2 and 3)	\$66.50
CYF Conference: June 22-27 (have completed grades 10, 11 and 12)	\$131
Junior I*: June 23-27 (have completed grades 3,4,and 5)	\$116
Mid-High: June 28-July 3 (have completed grades 8 and 9)	\$131
Junior II*: July 7-11 (have completed grades 3,4,and 5)	\$131
Discovery II: July 11-13 (have completed grades 2 and 3)	\$66.50
Chi Rho II: July 13-18 (have completed grades 6 and 7)	\$120

* Central Junior Camp registrations close at 75 campers



Caregivers - Thank You!

The mission statement of the Central Christian Caregivers is "To promote Visitation Ministry so that in some small way we can represent Central Christian Church and help spread the love and good news of Jesus Christ."

In 2007, the Caregivers made 3,330 visits and calls and sent 763 birthday, thinking of you and holiday greeting cards. They also:

- Purchased and distributed 100 religious calendars to people in nursing homes and who are "homebound"
- Purchased \$300 in food coupons for use by family members who have relatives that are hospitalized
- Sponsored 3 birthday parties
- Purchased and distributed \$500 worth of devotional books at Easter
- Served 9 funeral dinners
- Distributed flowers at Easter and Christmas to people in nursing homes and who are "homebound".
- Donated money for Memorial Gifts, Funeral dinners, postage and church dinners

All of Central Christian Church thanks the Caregivers for doing such an excellent job of spreading the love and good news of Jesus Christ!



KIDS CORNER

NEW BIBLE VERSE: Our Bible verse for "Self Control" is Prov. 23:19 - "Be wise and give serious thought to the way you live."

Caden Johndrow is in the hospital. He is Cindy and Jeff Johndrow's son and Rachel Meyer's cousin and Becky and Brian Meyer's nephew. Keep him in your prayers because he has just been diagnosed with diabetes.

IMPORTANT!!!!!! - - - CHURCH CAMP DATES

Discovery I – (completed grades 2 & 3) - June 20 thru 22; your cost is \$62.50.....Junior I – (completed grades 3, 4 & 5) - June 23 thru 27; your cost is \$162.50 (This is the Junior Camp we are going to plan on our kids going to, although the other Junior Camp is a good choice. It's just cooler in June.).....Junior II – (completed grades 3, 4 & 5) - July 7 thru 11; your cost is \$162.50.....Discovery II - (completed grades 2 & 3) - July 11-13; your cost is \$62.50

******JUST AS IMPORTANT - Junior Camps I & II will close at 75 registrations so if your child is going to Junior Camp, get your registrations in by May 14th so we can be SURE your kids get to go. It doesn't matter if you've already talked to a director!!!!!!!! If your registration is not in in the first 75 kids, you won't be able to go. DON'T forget – May 14th for Junior Camp registrations. ******

ACOLYTES– May 11
Kyley Lang, Johanna Clark
(Substitute: Molly Bloom)

TEACHERS – May 11
TBA

KIDS TIME STAFF— May 11
Becky Meyer, Zach Jones, Rachel Meyer, Johanna Clark

NOTE THIS: camp registrations have gone up *so much* so if you need help paying for camp, please call me at 402-3193 or John M. at 402-2522. **EVERYONE IS GOING TO CAMP!!!!!!!!!!** It's just too wonderful to miss.

Coffee Stains

Happy Mothers Day!!! There will be NO YOUTH this Sunday, so please spend time with your Mom. She'll appreciate a hug and a kind word even if you forgot to get her a card this week. Try something like this, "it's okay mom, I'll do the

dishes tonight," or "let me do the laundry this week," or the one I'll be using this year "don't worry, I'll change ALL the diapers today."

Camp is quickly approaching so please have your registrations filled out and turned in no later than May 21, so we can avoid the late fee. I have plenty of forms if you need one. The dates are Chi Rho I: June 15-20 (grades 6 and 7) (I'm directing this one), CYF Conference (grades 10, 11, and 12): June 22-27 Mid-High: June 28-July 3 (have completed grades 8 and 9) Chi Rho II: July 13-18.

Senior Sunday is May 18 and we will have a breakfast in honor of our graduating Seniors. Please, if you know any Seniors I am unaware of LET ME KNOW. Peace, JW.