

## Thursday, June 19, 2025

Church in the Park 06.15.25

Notes by Pastor Ashley Dodson

Pastor Gary Larson

{Moved to Christ Church due to rain}

Common Ground

Acts 2:44 "And all who believed were together and had all things in common."

A people working with hand in hand together! Carry the barn to higher ground.

A common goal! A plan and it was put into place, you can do the impossible. Spreading the load equally and take ownership!

Proverbs 29:18 "Where there is no prophetic vision the people cast off restraint, but blessed is he who keeps the law."

Without the Word of God. Without a vision, revelation.

a people perish – to be uncovered, to be loosened, and to run wild Step forward in step with the Spirit stay in the Word.

What do we need to do? Where do we need to look?

The One True North, the Compass, Jesus Christ

The enemy has tried to keep us from God since the beginning, he's looking for weakness and divided and distracted.

Rally to the vision, take ownership and be committed.

Arm in arm, put God first and join each other. Red rover, red rover let's closeline the enemy!

Game Plan as we move into what lies ahead. An amazing opportunity for harvest!

1. Worship – lift up Jesus and draw near to Him.
2. Evangelism – share with as many as God provides opportunity. In every intentional action and reaction.
3. Discipleship – so we can be matured in our service for Christ. Matthew 28:19–20 Authority is given to "Go" in the Name.
4. Service in Ministry – Hold hands and search the tall grass.
5. Fellowship – to spirituality encourage one another so the body of Christ grows in unity.



### BIRTHDAYS:

Chris Kinsman (6/16)

{missed last week}

Daysen Broderick (6/23)

Ray Essington (6/24)

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Robert & Crystal Cefarelli (6/18)

{missed last week}

Tim & Stephanie Adey (6/20)



### ACTS OF SERVICE NEXT WEEK (Sun June 22)

Cleaning (wk of 6/16 – 6/21) :

The Elgin Family

Communion: Michael Lamendola

Nursery:

Greeters:

CC Kids: Diana Bryant & Katie Ewert

DATE: ~~Saturday, June 21, 2025 @ 9 am~~ – Sat, July 19, 2025 @ 9am

You are invited to

### Double Portion Ministry

RECIPE:

#### Rice-a-Roni Style Mix

Bring:

- 2 Pint Size Jars (Food can) OR
- We will provide all ingredients for you

The Lord's Chapel, Neodesha

Come with Faith for Fellowship, Fun and make a blessing for you and someone else!



Gary Melissa Larson

June 15 at 6:59 PM · 🌐

It was an absolutely great Sunday!!!  
And YES - JESUS IS KING





**SUNDAY, June 15<sup>th</sup>:** I asked around and I found no one that took any pictures at our Father's Day get together at Lord's Chapel last Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup>. So, I did what I could in a pinch, I asked Microsoft CoPilot, our AI program, to generate a "church potluck" picture. It said "Sure, that sounds so warm and friendly and full of fellowship" It came back with basically this same picture but no hamburgers and hot dogs. I said, "Thanks, that's great, but could you include hamburgers and hot dogs?" It said, "Sure!". So, pretend this is us enjoying our warm, friendly and full of fellowship time last Sunday where we all forgot to take pictures! - Gene

PS: Thanks Debbie Wetmore and all for organizing. Thanks Matt Arnold, Michael Lamendola & Garry Lambert for cooking the burgers & dogs!



Thank You Cindy Smith for organizing the Father's Day gift give-a-way's. It was a blast and a huge success.

# GriefShare

## Saturday's

### April 19th- July 19th

### 4-5:30 p.m.

Christ Church of Neodesha  
1001 Elm St Neodsha KS  
Contact info  
Ariel Cousin-(620)779-1209  
NancyBrown-(316)249-8513  
Register at [griefshare.org](https://www.griefshare.org/)

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## HIDDEN HAVEN CHRISTIAN CAMP

# 2025

### June Camps

HS Camp 1 June 1-6	MS Camp 1 June 8-13
5-6 Camp 1 June 15-19	K-Day June 21
3-4 Camp 1 June 22-24	
3-4 Camp 2 June 24-26	1-2 Camp 1 June 27-28

### July Camps

5-6 Camp 2 July 6-10	MS Camp 2 July 13-18	HS Camp 2 July 20-25
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**Hidden Haven Christian Camp**  
Register today at [HiddenHaven.org](https://www.hiddenhaven.org/)

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Matthew 28: 16-20

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Q	Q	S	K	C	D	K	S	X	Z	Q	I	U	E	H	Doubted	Earth	Eleven
Y	D	T	R	E	I	S	U	S	E	J	H	T	R	V	End	Father	Galilee
E	L	E	V	E	N	P	D	F	Q	G	S	H	O	E	Go	Heaven	Jesus
R	T	J	T	M	H	E	L	M	I	H	R	O	F	G	Mountain	Nations	Observe
S	B	N	N	N	T	T	O	E	E	G	O	R	E	O	Son	Spoke	Teaching
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**PRAISE REPORTS & Continued Prayers!**

\*Linda Kentch got neckbrace off

**THIS WEEK PRAYERS & UPDATES:**

\*Alyssa's father in law Curtis update & her sister in law Haley & baby Lucy

That she doesn't have to be induced

\*Brother Loren all soreness leave and healing

\*Brother Tim sees orthopedic doctor tomorrow

\*Cheryle Agosto healing

\*Shirley Drawdy- pray that BP normalizes → sees doctor tomorrow + cardiologist June 18

\*Michale's friend's daughter, Ryin, update from the screening yet

Michale's final custody court Tuesday, June 10

**MORE UPDATES or REQUESTS**

\*Ann & Leonards great nephew Gideon update

\*Jen Millar's grandbaby Harlie (born healthy with no problems)

\*Christine Blevens kidneys

\*Brad Anson restored to health & full mobility

\*Kristen Bellar fully restored mobility and health

\*Rebekah's cousin Myrhonda's (cancer in her brain)

\*Malachi's Grammy Kay (heart)

\*Lil James update (leukemia treatments)

\*Cheryle Agosto's sister Carolyn (cancer)

\*Barb Davis terminal liver cancer (Kim)

\*Rick Allison- blood clot (Ashley)

\*Tara Buster restore health, no cancer

\*Lynda Kentch restore eyesight & full usage of arms

\*Pray for Michale's upcoming court hearings

\*Linda Hall home dialysis

\*Shawn Bennett chronic back pain

\*Ann Swink heart valves healed & unspoken request for family issues

\*Kris VanNice & Matt Arnold (kidney transplant)



Just  
Keep  
Praying

\*Loren Graves (restored health)

\*Rick Matlock's (miraculous healing & restored health)

\*Toby Lavine's (heart & restored health)

\*Malachi's Grandma Kay (heart)

\*Malachi while hes working away from home

\*Doug Wheeler broken vertebre in his back from a fall, eyesight

\*Rhemy (leukemia)

\*Becky Buckles

\*Alyssa's friends Dimitry sees ENT oncologist

\*Colton - Cindy Smith

\*Elise -5 year old in awful wreck (Rebekah)

\*Dennis -in Wichita for surgery (Judy Eastwood)

\*Jude Watkins (Shirley Drawdy's friend) Reconstructive surgery

\*Fought Family -Kami

\*Cheryle Agosto's sister, Carolyn:breast cancer MRI & lumpectomy any updates?

\*Karri Fletcher's friend in Texas - salvation, cancer

\*Kylie-Addisons disease (Ashley Dodson)

\*Gene Fulghum - healing

\*Jeeter 3 yr old nephew of Natasha - lymphoma

\*Nicki Hines-restored to health after cancer

\*Christine Carter-breast cancer going through treatments

\*Mick Pond-foot,

\*Ruth Hanke-health,

\*Natasha Brooks-restored to health

\*Floyd Hasstedt-Parkinsons,

\*Jan-cancer (Linda Hall)

\*Becky & Danny (Cindy Smith)

\*Dale Evenson-healing

\*DeAnne Fosters Aunt Candace- liver failure,oxygen levels

\*Teresa Wells - pulmonary edema, treatment plan, swelling in legs, oxygen levels

\*Michael Thatcher - more surgeries after being electrocuted

\*Layla -(Sue McKellar)

\*Charissa

\*Kathy Scott's son delivered from addiction

\*Parker McClanahan surrender to the Lord

\*Jimmy King surrender to the Lord

**NOTICE**



The **Connection** newsletter will “go to bed” next Wednesday night (June 25) and be sent early Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. It will kind of be a “double” issue as it will contain information for 2 weeks, as there will NOT be a **Connection** newsletter sent on Thursday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. So, if there is anything in particular you would like to see included for the next couple of weeks, be sure and have it to [christchurchneody@gmail.com](mailto:christchurchneody@gmail.com) by Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> just to be safe. Thanks - *Gene*



With U. Methodist Church



Jon & Flor  
Hutton



Dear Friends at Christ Church,

First, thank you for your continued prayers and concern. They mean more than I can express. I want to share a brief but heartfelt update on what has been going on here and how God continues to sustain us through both the trials and quiet victories.

Earlier this year, we made the difficult decision to temporarily close the school due to serious character issues within the staff. That decision, while necessary, led to legal backlash. Former staff members sued us, claiming they were not let go properly under Guatemalan law, which requires a long and costly termination process. The legal and financial strain has been overwhelming.

To make matters more painful, our ministry secretary left in a romantic relation with our married main financial supporter. Because our criticism of the affair, he withdrew his financial support and the school closed, many assumed the ministry had shut down entirely. That couldn't be further from the truth.

In the middle of these trials, I began working at another school in a nearby town, walking long distances and living off just one meal a day to stretch what little resources we have. I make the equivalent of about \$2.00 per hour. It doesn't go far, but the ministry continues. We have helped distribute food, supported schools with basic needs, and provided counsel and hope to young people facing unthinkable circumstances.

Our event center remains stable but slow during certain months, adding more financial weight to carry. We've faced dishonesty from past workers, vandalism, and theft, yet we continue to press forward. Recently, we discovered a former mechanic sabotaged our vehicle, trying to create a false diagnosis. It's things like these that make the road feel long, but God has never failed us.

In all of this, I remember the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Like them, I've said many times, "My God is able to save me... but even if He doesn't, I will not bow." I won't bow to bitterness, anger, or revenge. Instead, I keep showing up where God calls me.

We need your prayers more than ever. And if you're able to support financially, it would be a tremendous blessing. We continue to trust that God is writing a bigger story, even in the moments that feel like loss.

With gratitude and hope,

Jon, Flor, Breanna and Jon



Ron "Catfish" Frazier sent the Working Men of Christ's May/June Crossroads newsletter. It is a separate attachment to this Connection newsletter for you to enjoy and follow their ministry.



## Today Word

*By Gene Ewert, Associate Pastor, Christ Church of Neodesha*

I have been reading in Ezekiel. In some of the “teen” chapters, the Lord begins to list His grievances against Israel, Jerusalem and their different types of sins. In Chapter 13, the Lord is grieved by the foolish prophets who speak falsely and follow their own spirit. In Chapter 14, He warns against idolatry. Not just physical idols but setting up idols in their hearts. Then in the remainder of Chapter 14 and in Chapter 15 the Lord reminds them that He sees their unfaithfulness. As I was reading, I almost couldn’t go any further as my heart was aching wondering how they could have gotten themselves into such a mess. Then my attention turned to the present and I ached for what I see in our country. I was then reminded of 2 Chronicles 7: 14 (which also follows a text of the Lord’s reminders of His displeasure with His people): “...if my people who are called by my name shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

Being drawn to that verse forced me to become introspective. This now was not just about an historic lot of people “who should have known better.” What about the here and now? How am I doing? Am I speaking foolishly and following my own spirit? Am I setting up idols in my heart? Have I checked in with Jesus lately to see what He thinks my meter reading might be on the faithfulness scale?

Yes, I continued to pray for our city, our state, and our country, but I was firmly reminded that the Lord’s desire and command is that I start with myself.

Then, after the heaviness of those chapters and the time in prayer that they demanded of my spirit, I turned back to my path in Ezekiel and came to Chapter 16 verses 60-63: “Nevertheless!” “I will remember my covenant” “I will establish an everlasting covenant with you” “Then you will know that I am the Lord” “I will provide atonement for all you have done”

Oh, my heart leapt within me! I could see Jesus all over those verses. Thank you, Jesus, that You are the “Nevertheless” in our lives. Our country and our personal lives can have entire chapters written by the evil one about all our shortcomings, disappointments and failures but there You are waiting for us at the end of any such list, with nail scarred hands and outstretched arms saying, “Nevertheless, I will provide atonement for all you have done.” We can’t ask for anything more!

Just remember when things look bleakest. When the pressures are mounting. Jesus, our “Nevertheless”, says, “Then you will know that I am the Lord.”



**1<sup>st</sup> Annual Missions Fundraiser**

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& VANGUARD INTENSIVES**

# **1ST ANNUAL MISSIONS FUNDRAISER**

**w/ Silent Auction & Raffle**  
Raffle: Mossberg Patriot 308 (gently used)  
w/ Scope (a \$600 value)

**SPAGHETTI W/ BREAD, DESSERT & DRINK**  
**SUGGESTED DONATION- \$10**

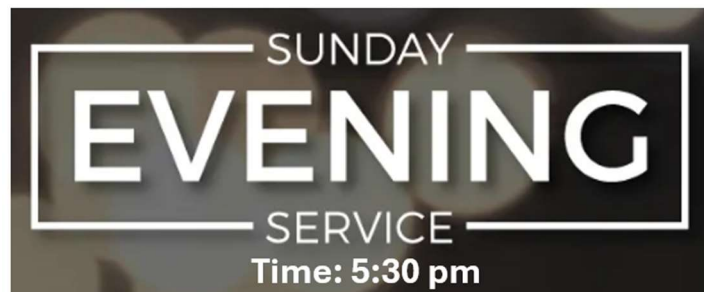
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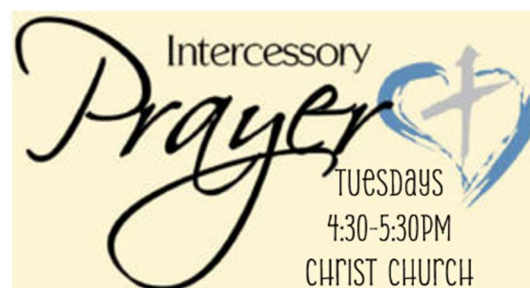




**CaveTime and Women's Bible Study Wednesday Nights at 6:00 pm. See you there!**

*Women's*  
**BIBLE STUDY**

*Neodesha*  
**Christian**  
*Recovery*  
Thursdays 6:30pm  
Lord's Chapel



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