

Thursday, April, 2025

03.30.25 Christ Church

Notes by Pastor Ashley Dodson

Loren Graves: Communion, a visible sign for an invisible grace.

Pastor Joseph Dodson

A corporate fast, the Holy Spirit is like a river and moves with the path of least resistance. Saying no to you and yes to God. Consider fasting media. How you find your idols, it's the things you don't want to give up. Purpose in your heart what you will do. During a time of fasting; don't be hyper focused on what you can't have, focus on what God wants to show, speak, and give to you. Mark 13:1-2 "And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." Jesus foretold of the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem. The temple was the center of spiritual life for Israel, it represents where heaven and earth meet and you can access the presence of God. To hear this would have been earth shattering because everything spiritual was wrapped around the temple. But John 2:19-21 tells us there's a new temple in town. A reality that Jesus Himself, is the temple. The way that God relates to people has changed. The presence of God that was hidden from the public is walking around in a physical body, Jesus God in the flesh. Accessing God in the temple is obsolete. He is fulfilling the law and the prophets. Jesus is the presence of God in the midst John 4:23 "will worship the Father in spirit and truth." And new way of worship, It's here and it's coming. Jesus isn't saying the temple will be destroyed and rebuilt or that God will stop it from happening. The way it comes is through war. This is warnings of coming war. It will happen in 70 AD. He prophesies a real event that will happen in their lifetime.

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**ACTS OF SERVICE
NEXT WEEK (Sun April 6)**

Cleaning (wk of 3/31 - 4/5) :

Communion:	Nancy Carpenter
Nursery:	???
Greeters:	???
CC Kids:	



NOW BEHOLD THE LAMB



Piper Essington
March 21 at 8:46 AM

Hey everyone! With Easter coming up, my aunt Shani, Kerry, and I thought it would be great to do the Now Behold the Lamb dance during service Easter Sunday. [REDACTED]

Just wanted to give everyone here a heads up so you can start thinking about if you want to participate and when you can practice!! 🎉 🕺

Easter Sunday (April 20) performance



Please note that starting in this newsletter, I am trying to make as many links "clickable" from your device as possible. Phone #'s, Email addresses, web-sites, etc. If they are underlined in blue, you should just be able to touch it to go to them.

Christ Churcher Shoutouts!

THE NEODESHA
DERRICK NEWS

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The Cast of Clue.

- Courtesy photo

Would you like to play a game?

Come "Play" with us! The Neodesha Arts Association presents, "Clue : The Musical" based on the board game by Parker Brothers, Thursday and Friday April 10 and 11 at 7:30pm and Sunday April 13 at 2:00.

We will be transforming the Art Center Stage into Boddy Manor. The victim of this murder is Mr. Boddy, played by Bill Goodwin. Who committed the crime, with what weapon, in what room? Play along with us to determine the answer to these questions and announce the verdict. Each performance will be a new game to play.

Help our detective, Annie Millis deduce our killer from the following suspects: Mrs. Peacock, Lisa West, Professor Plum, Ray Essington, Miss Scarlet, Grace Millis, Colonel Mustard, Dana Moodie, Mrs. White, Katie Ewert, and Mr. Green, Wyatt Reynolds. Did they commit the crime with the rope, the lead pipe, the wrench, the knife, candlestick or Revolver? Was it in the Lounge, the billard room, the conservatory, the kitchen, the study or the ballroom?

Hope to see YOU at Neodesha Arts Center "Boddy Manor" to play the game with us!

Neodesha Lady Bluestreaks Softball
March 31 at 1:13 PM

Congratulations to Bailey Van Nice, Darcie Dyke, and Alivia Morrison for being Players Of The Week for week one!!!

Catch the Streaks in action again tonight as they host the Humboldt Cubs in doubleheader action!!!

Photo Credits to: Grace Johnson

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Neodesha SOFTBALL

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

BAYLIE VAN NICE

- .750 AVG - 3 FOR 4
- 2 SINGLES
- 1 DOUBLE

DARCIE DYKE

- .750 AVG - 3 FOR 4
- 3 SINGLES - 1 RBI
- 1 STOLEN BASE

ALIVIA MORRISON

- .500 AVG - 2 FOR 4
- 1 SINGLE - 1 HOMERUN
- 4 RBI - 1 RUN SCORED

#Family • #TeamTheProcess • #EnjoyTheGrind • #WE>ME

Christ Churcher Shoutouts!



Bailey VanNice, senior at Neodesha High School, recently completed her Johnson County Community College Quickbooks course and certification (with a score of 100). This accomplishment comes on the heels of her completion of Century 21 Accounting I and II courses, as well as Banking and Finance and Investing. She will be entering the University of Kansas in the fall majoring in Accounting. Bailey will be awarded a graduation cord for completing the Business Finance Pathway at NHS. She is also a completer in the Web & Digital Communications Pathway. Best wishes to Bailey. The business department will sorely miss her next year. Congratulations, Bailey.

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2025-2026

Neodesha Middle School

Cheer Squad

In alphabetical order

Brylee Burgell

Preslee Hagerty

Hope Larson

Chiyoko Millison

McKenzee Moore

Zoey Moore

Camila Ortiz

Italy Pierce

Brooklin Schoonover

Aylah Scott

Congratulations to the new squad! If you did not make the squad this year, please know this was not an easy decision. I encourage you to use this next year to work on your skills and try out again. Never give up!

*Prayer
Focus*



Kris VanNice – kidney (Matt Arnold)
Jude Watkins (Shirley Drawdy's Friend)
Gene Fulghum – Jen Millar's dad
Remy Martin
Brad Anson
Jeeter (Natasha's grandson)
Kelley Powell
Shawn & Alli Bennett
SoHome!
Deb Wetmore – back
Louis Vincent
Tom & Linda Wheeler
Kylie – Ashley Dodson's friend
Kristen Bellar
Tim Adee – knee
Barb Howell – health
Connie Essington – health

*Just
Keep
Praying*

Upcoming Dates:

Cindy Murphy – surgery April 14

Harold Robertson – upcoming back surgery

Cheryl Agosto – surgery

Dennis Wright – appointment 3/25

Bill & Lynda Fought – Travel to Europe

Greg Byars – had surgery 3/11 (NO CANCER!)

Greg Buster – surgery; he is home!

Loren Graves – home!

Katelynn – Jerry's daughter & new grandbaby

Rick Matlock – procedure this week

Gary & Linda Kentch

Michale Eichhorn – court for kids 3/26

Michael Hatcher – more surgeries

Malachi Cousin's aunt – went home with the Lord

Family of Jan Snyder

Family of John & Annette Daniel

Pastor Susan Hood's Family – her mother went

(U. Methodist Church) home with the Lord

Toby Lavine – health

Lindsey Arnold's family

Travels for spring break

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Paul states that your body is the temple and the Spirits of God dwells in you. God dwells in the midst of His people.

The Spirit of God moves into you when you enter the new covenant. He takes up residence.

There is a greater representation of the temple when we get disappointed and become corporately the temple of the Holy Spirit.

Don't wait to get to church to talk to God. He can speak to you anytime right where you're at. He wants to FILL your life with His presence.

It's not only about you getting to Heaven when you die, but it's about Heaven getting to you while you live. Heaven invading your life now.

If God leaves the temple intact people will continue to go back to it. The veil ripped from Top to Bottom, signifying that God isn't here anymore. If He let's that fall to the ground, will you still know how to find Him.

Understanding the significance is difficult, but God enters into the midst of us and the community in the book of Acts.

God wants you to have more of Him, in your everyday life.

Not everyone wants more of God in their life, some just want fire insurance.

God is not content to have only that type of transactional relationship in your life.

We have an opportunity to seek the God that's already seeking you. It's about relationship. Rules are what you lean on when loves not involve.

A love relationship with God lives learning how to accommodate His Presence. We are willing to make adjustments because we love Him. God seeks those who are worshipping Him.



Juliette Hyer sent her March missions newsletter! I will send it out as a separate attachment to this Connection newsletter for you to enjoy and follow her ministry in Paris.



THE NEODESHA

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DERRICK NEWS

Today Word

By Gene Ewert, Associate Pastor Christ Church of Neodesha

There is a little verse, actually 1/2 a verse, in Psalm 59 that might give you a bit of comfort and bring just a bit of snicker to you if you are walking through a rough patch where you feel like others are coming against you unjustly.

In verse 8 it says "But You, O Lord, shall laugh at them [my enemies]."

Other places in scripture we see the Lord described as formidable structures such as in Psalm 61 2b-3 "Lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For You have been a shelter for me A strong tower from the enemy." Or Proverbs 18: 10 "The name of the Lord is a strong tower". Psalm 91: 2 "I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress"

Elsewhere He is as weapons, like in Psalm 3:3 "But You, O Lord, are a shield for me"; Psalm 28: 7 "The Lord is my strength and my shield"

Then He can be as in Psalm 62: 2 "[God] only is my rock and my salvation; He is my [defender]; I shall not be greatly moved."

As I read all these verses where we can seek comfort that the Lord is our strength, our shield, our comfort, our defender, etc. All these we can stand on that He has our back and is MIGHTY to stand for us. Do we ever think that He is so confident is His strengths and attributes that He can sit back, and He can take just a moment of time & have a bit of a belly laugh at our opponents?

Not only that, but He can also take a break to have a little song celebration on your behalf. Zephaniah 3:17 states: "The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."

So, are you going through a time when you are feeling anxious at your present circumstances? Finances? Family? Work? Other decisions? Or something else? Are these becoming your enemies?

Philippians 4:6-7 "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

1 Peter 5: 7 "Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you."

When you are facing these anxious issues and cares [which can become your enemies], take the steps given here in Philippians & 1 Peter. Give them over to the Lord in prayer, supplication and thanksgiving. Then, I believe that the peace of God, at least in part, will revolve around the knowledge of all those strong, mighty attributes of God, our warrior Father, will be working mightily on your part so confidently that He will be laughing at your opposition and singing songs of rejoicing over your wellbeing!

What a powerful comfort is that! Take it to the Lord and you can have a little grin and a hum yourself. You'll know just where it's coming from.

Facebook Live & Christ Church YouTube Page Update

Facebook has announced that all of our (actually all videos) over 30 days old will be removed from their platform. Also, as an ongoing basis all future Facebook live videos will only be available for only 30 days before they will be removed from the Facebook platform. So, what this means for us, we will continue to video our Sunday morning worship services as Facebook Live videos as much as possible as we have done in the past. However, those videos will only be available for 30 days from the day they were filmed. This is a Facebook policy and thus there is nothing we can do about it.

HOWEVER, Pastor Ray has been working diligently to get our camera back on operation that can put videos to our YouTube channels. That should be ready to go in the near future. There are already several videos and historical audios of Pastor Dave's sermons out there and we encourage you to subscribe to our Christ Church YouTube Channel.

It's easy, follow the link below.

If you are already subscribed, you will see this  you don't have to do anything!

Otherwise click on this icon  to subscribe and you are done!

Look around to see what content you might have missed from the past.

Christ Church of Neodesha

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<https://www.youtube.com/@christchurchofneodesha2284>



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Anointed	Bethany	Brother
Cave	Christ	Comfort
Dead	Death	Disciples
Fragrant	Glory	Jerusalem
Jesus	Judea	Lazarus
Loose	Martha	Mary
Oil	Rabbi	Rise
Sick	Stone	Teacher
Thomas	Tomb	Wept



HIDDEN HAVEN CHRISTIAN CAMP

8001 Hidden Haven Rd.
Thayer, KS 66776

March 1, 2025

Dear Christ Church of Neodesha,

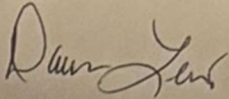
Hard to believe, but I am preparing for my 10th year of summer camp. (Our baker has been baking at camp for 30 years now.) Last year we hit a record high for campers, 1037. That doesn't include all the faculty, staff and volunteers. I would like to thank your church for supporting Hidden Haven. It is a pleasure to work in the kitchen with each church. The supplies donated help to keep the cost for the campers down and the volunteers make the kitchen run smoothly to feed those campers.

Enclosed you will find the camp pantry supply list. I have included a master list and a sign-up sheet. Each member/supporting church is given a specific list for camp supplies. Your church can send these items before camp or when your campers attend camp. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. Thank you in advance for helping camp out in this way!

Also, enclosed is a calendar with the dates that volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen. You can call or email me to schedule a day or more for your church. Please look at the dates and pick a few in case the date your church wants is already taken.

Thanks again for your support of Hidden Haven Christian Camp!

Sincerely,



Dawn Lewis
Camp Volunteer and Supply Coordinator
(918) 397-2619

[\(918\) 397-2619](tel:(918)397-2619)

Dawnlewishome@yahoo.com

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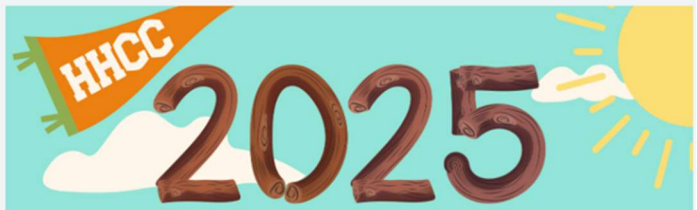
Stock the Pantry

- ☐ 100 ct. Plastic Spoons
- ☐ 100 ct. Styrofoam Plates
- ☐ 50 ct. 12 oz Styrofoam Bowls
- ☐ 100 ct. Plastic Forks
- ☐ Dark Brown Sugar
- ☐ Lg Box of 13 Gallon Trash Bags
- ☐ Mayo or Miracle Whip
- ☐ Lg. Bag Dry Breakfast Cereal
- ☐ Lg. Bottle of Ranch Dressing
- ☐ Oreo Cookies
- ☐ Gallon Bleach (NO added scent)

{See Ghendi Essington for "official" list or bring items to church and we will get them to H.H.}



HIDDEN HAVEN CHRISTIAN CAMP



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

Kitchen Help
June 2025

<https://www.hiddenhaven.org/>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 HS1	2 open	3 open	4 open	5 open	6	7
8 MS1	9 open	10 open	11 open	12 open	13	14
15 5th-8th1	16 open	17 open	18 open	19	20	21 K
22 3rd-4th 1	23 open	24 3rd-4th 2	25 open	26	27 1st-2nd	28

July 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 5th-8th2	7 open	8 open	9 open	10	11	12
13 MS2	14 open	15 open	16 open	17 open	18	19
20 HS2	21 open	22 open	23 open	24 open	25	26

To schedule your church, contact Dawn Lewis at (818) 387-2818 or dawnlewis@hiddenhaven.org

These are the dates that volunteers are needed to help at Camp. Thank you in advance for helping camp run smoothly.

Arrive at camp around 8 am (8:30 to 9:00 if not eating breakfast) and finish after supper dishes are done, which is around 6:30 pm.

						
April 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Gorey 620-716-2258	2	3	4	5
6 Aylors 620-363-1521	7 Mel Fogelman	8 Cousins 620-774-1209	9 Elgin 405-626-0361	10	11	12
13	14	15 Lark 405-236-1301	16 Sue Kinsman	17 Sharon Hickert	18	19
20	21	22 Lambert Rebekah Lambert	23	24 Austin Ballard	25 Walter & Terry Brown 316-249-8513	26
27 Ronald & Bevi	28	29 Ann Swink	30 Katie Ewert			

Help us get our **Celebrations** database up to date.

Please send your family's birthdays & anniversaries to email below.

(Please include any special notes!)

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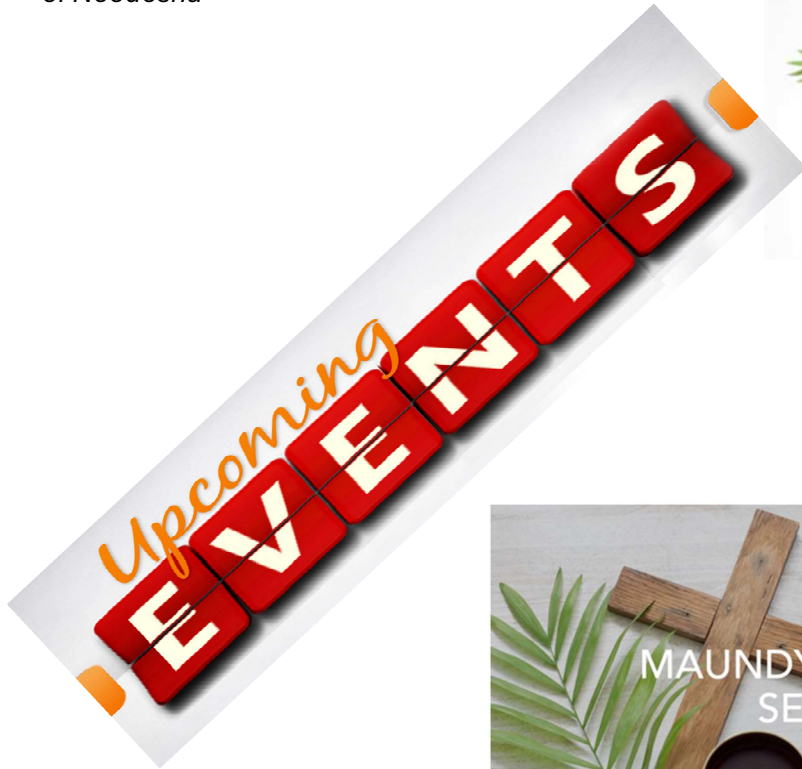
- b) Gene Ewert: 8/21
- b) Kathy Ewert: 12/8
- a) Gene & Kathy Ewert: 7/12 (45th in 2025!)
- b) Katie Ewert: 7/24
- b) Pastor Dave Cheshier 1/15 (95th in 2025!)

christchurchneody@gmail.com

Subject: **Celebrations**

Or be sure & sign the list at church!





April 13, 2025
6:00 pm
 PALM SUNDAY
Neodesha Ministerial Alliance
Community Worship Service
1st Southern Baptist Church

April 17, 2025
7:00 pm
 MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
United Meth. Church

DATE: Saturday, April 19, 2025 @ 9 am

You are invited to

Double Portion Ministry

RECIPE:

Tex-Mex Beef & Cabbage

Ingredients:

- Bring 2 two pounds *browned* ground beef or turkey
- All other ingredients will be provided



The Lord's Chapel, Neodesha

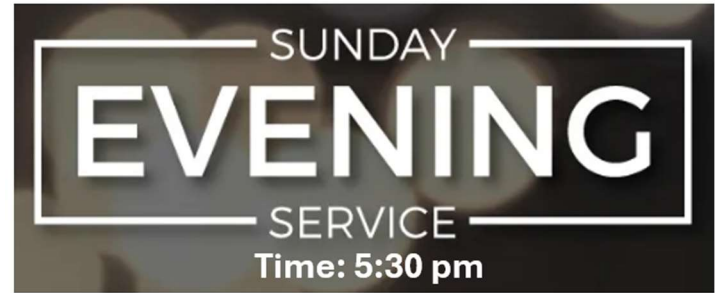
Come with Faith for Fellowship, Fun and make a blessing for you and someone else!

If you cannot afford to bring the meat needed, please contact Kathy Ewert or Garry Lambert.

Kathy Ewert; [\(620\) 330-8581](tel:6203308581)

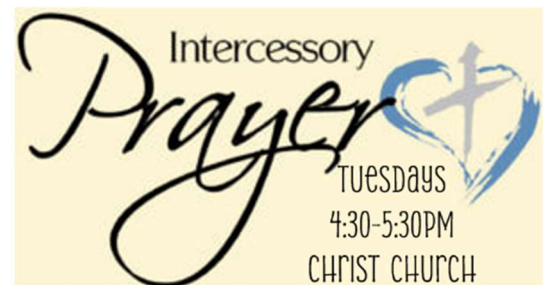
<https://www.griefshare.org/>

 GriefShare
Saturday's
April 19th- July 19th
4-5:30 p.m.
Christ Church of Neodesha
1001 Elm St Neodesha KS
Contact info
Ariel Cousin-(620)779-1209
NancyBrown-(316)249-8513
Register at [griefshare.org](https://www.griefshare.org/)



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

SUNDAY 7 PM YOUTH GROUP

If you want something in the **Christ Church Connection** Newsletter, send an email as early in the week as possible to:

christchurchneody@gmail.com;

Subject: **Connection Newsletter**



Just sayin', this is the best way to get something in the newsletter. Telling, texting or a scrap of paper is relying on an old man's sketchy memory. Thanks. Gene.