

Thursday, May 1, 2025

04.27.25 Pastor Joseph

Notes by Pastor Ashley Dodson

Mark is a crucifixion narrative. John Mark was a cousin to Barnabas who traveled with Paul. Ministry companion and scribe to the Apostle Peter. The scribe keeps the eyewitness account. Marks gospel is the testimony of Peter's account of the crucifixion.

Mark 14:26-31

Jesus is prophecies to the disciples that they will ALL fall away. 51-52 some scholars believe this may have been John Mark.

That's just weird.. thank you Pastor Joseph

53-72 Peter denies Jesus. A very detailed account of the failure in Peter's life.

Mark 16:5-7 Go and tell the disciples and Peter, that He is risen. God placed someone in John Mark's life that wasn't willing to just let him go, in Peter. The same consistency in the life of Peter with Jesus, is what we see in Peter and Barnabas in the life of John Mark's life.

It is a personal responsibility to learn the scripture. This testimony is developed on a daily basis in community. If John Mark didn't have a spiritual community who walked with him and catch him when he failed. And who was willing to walk with him the distance we would not have the Gospel of Mark. It is revealed and sustained in the body.

You have to walk it out for yourself, but you do not have to or called to walk it out by yourself.

Break the power of the lie that it's easy for some but not for me. The beauty of the body is that when we are connected properly we are all protected, thriving, and secure.

We the body, partners together to change the world. They don't always look like worldchangers they look like people who need their world changed. The power of the gospel gives your life back.

His plan is better! Connected with the right place, with the right people, at the right time.

Surrendered even when you don't understand.

God is doing something amazing.

We don't always get what we pray for but God is faithful.

We are all just learning to walk together in love well.





**ACTS OF SERVICE
NEXT WEEK (Sun May 1)**

Cleaning (wk of 4/28 - 5/3):
The Ewert Family

Communion:	Crystal Cefarelli <i>(w/special by Ariel Cousin & worship team!)</i>
Nursery:	Karri Fletcher
Greeters:	Deby Pearson & Peggy Duffy
CC Kids:	Katie Ewert & Diana Bryant



Eduardo Riveiro
Will be with us in our

**WORSHIP
Service**

THIS SUNDAY: May 4th, '25

Congratulations!

David Epling graduated from the Working Men of Christ program during the morning service at Christ Church 4/17/25!



Joseph Dodson, Ron "Catfish" Frazier, Garry Lambert, David Epling, Charlie Goudy, Kyle Smith (David's friend & owner of Capital City Heating & Cooling in Topeka)

Side note: While here Kyle also donated an outside AC unit & installed it to make sure the WMOC stay cool this summer. WOW!



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Graduate



Ezra Dodson
NEODESHA HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2025



YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
THE NEODESHA HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATION COMMENCEMENT
CEREMONY
FOR THE CLASS OF 2025
SATURDAY THE TENTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE
AT TWO O'CLOCK
IN THE AFTERNOON

Arms	Belongs	Blessed
Bringing	Children	Disciples
Enter	God	Hands
Hinder	Indignant	Jesus
Kingdom	Laying	Rebuked
Receive	Touch	Truly
Whoever		



A COME AND GO RECEPTION
WILL BE HELD
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
GRADUATION UNTIL SIX O'CLOCK
AT THE LORD'S CHAPEL BUILDING
SIXTH AND TANK IN NEODESHA

During our Thursday morning prayer time we have corporately been reading through the book of Acts in preparation for the season of Pentecost and the coming ministry of Scott & Louada Coon June 5-8, 2025!



2025 JUNE						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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We ask you as the body of Christ Church to join us in the journey through Acts, if you are not physically able to join us on Thursdays using the reading guide below. The column at the left will denote the chapters that we have read together in our Thursday morning sessions, the column next to that is for you to mark off your personal reading progress and the 3rd column is the list of 28 chapters of Acts.

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Thru 5/1



HIDDEN HAVEN CHRISTIAN CAMP

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



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 2 June 24-26	3-4 Camp 1 June 22-24
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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Prayer Focus



Kris VanNice – kidney (Matt Arnold)
 Gene Fulghum – Jen Millar’s dad
 Rhemy Martin
 Brad Anson
 Kelley Powell
 Shawn & Alli Bennett (Shawn’s back)
 SoHome! - Hannah
 Deb Wetmore – back
 Louis Vincent
 Kylie – Ashley Dodson’s friend
 Kristen Bellar
 Connie Essington – health
 Toby Levine - health

Upcoming Dates:

Linda Hall – home dialysis 5/2
 Shirley Drawdy – card appt 5/21

Buster Family – Greg passed away
 Crystal Cefarelli – aunt passed away
 Linda Wheeler & Family –
 Brother Robert passed away
 Barb Howell’s Family
 Michale’s court hearings
 Harold Robertson – continued health
 Cindy Murphy – cont surgery recovery
 Cheryle Agosto – cont surgery recovery
 - mom’s surgery rec
 Leah Dove’s mom – surgery recovery
 Tim Adee – surgery recovery
 Doug Wheeler – broken vertebrae

*Just
Keep
Praying*



Bluestreak Family Fun Run 2025

April 19th, 2025, eleven runners participated in the Bluestreak Family Fun Run. This is fund raiser for the Neodesha Education Fund. Due to weather the run was moved inside. The route ran through the North gym up the stairs to the hallway and down the ramp back into the gym. The runners accumulated 209 laps, which is about 12.2 miles.

Thank you, runners, Wellness Committee members, USD 461 staff, Linda Hall and the following sponsors: A-Lert,

Midwest Minerals, The Rusty Nail, and the Neodesha Wellness Committee. \$854.71 was raised.

Personalizing Scripture

There is a special attachment to the newsletter this week. It is entitled "Personalizing Scripture". In our men's CaveTime we have been studying Stone 4: The Word from Jeff Voth's book CaveTime. Our encouragement has been that we all have a more dedicated time in our personal Bible reading. I put this quick overview together about the importance of having a "personal scripture" to share at Wednesday's meeting at the cave. Some of us from the old days used to call it a "life verse". Anyway, I thought it might worth sharing with the readers of the Connection Newsletter.

– Gene Ewert.



Upcoming EVENTS



DATE: Saturday, May 17, 2025 @ 9 am

You are invited to

Double Portion Ministry

RECIPE:

(Chicken) Philly Cheesesteak Sloppy Joes

Ingredients:

- Bring 2 one-pound *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!



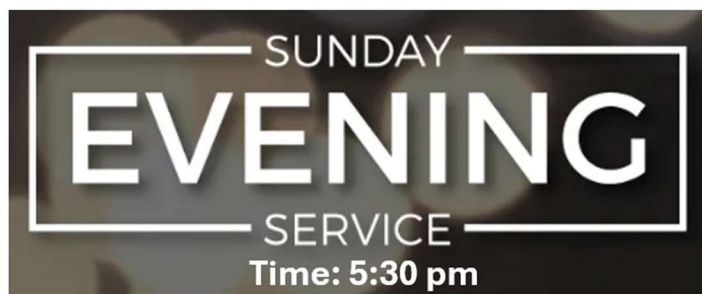
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June 8th, 2025



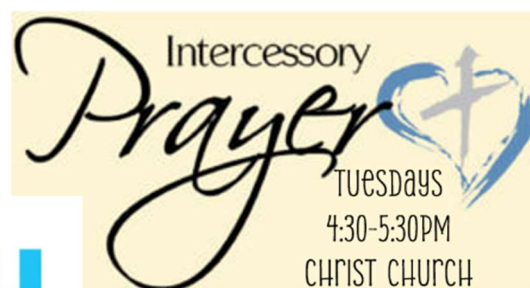
Neodesha
Christian
Recovery
Thursdays 6:30pm
Lord's Chapel

SUNDAY
7 PM
YOUTH
GROUP



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

Women's
BIBLE STUDY



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**

Letters to the Editor,
comments, feedback, nothing?
Come on SOMEONE write me
via the email address! Is the
newsletter reaching anyone?
PLEASE! Thanks Crystal you
do! And remember if you do
send via a text message that
text is way down the list
among all other texts that I get
for the week. It can easily
become lost and forgotten. In
the email that will not happen!