

Thursday, July 31, 2025

07.27.25 **Pastor Joseph**

Notes by Pastor Ashley Dodson

Joshua 3:7-4:7 From the text:

Joshua was leading out of the direction of the Lord.

The Jordan overflows it's banks in the time of harvest –floodstage!

What do those stones mean to you? A memorial forever.

Pastor Joseph Message:

This is how you know the Lord is in your midst and He will drive out your enemies before you.

The flow of the river was cut off at floodstage. 12 tribes of people, livestock, belongings. We don't understand the difference between obstacles and enemies.

Obstacles we can get around or across without God's help.

Miraculously remove the obstacle so you have faith to trust, when you face the enemies.

If you trip up when you face obstacles, God help when you go to face your enemies. Don't blame the devil when you face an obstacle. How do you live by faith when you have problems.

We have to learn to trust and obey Him when life is hard.

Learn to navigate and trust when you face difficulty.

The river was just there. It's just life, and it is hard, but you need God to intervene.

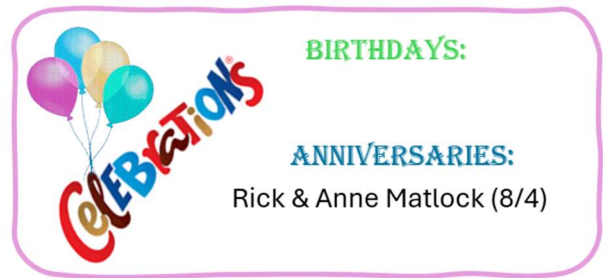
In the way it's addressed it is not just that I am with you, but that He is going to speak against what will come against you.

In the promise land what has been built for you, the builders still want control of them, trust in the obstacle to trust for the enemy to be removed.

The sign at the obstacle, the river, is a sign of how I am going to deal with your enemies.

- Types and shadows of the new covenant.

Floodstage River cannot cross without divine intervention, from a place called Adam. Everything flowing from that place had to stand up in a heap and quit flowing. Just like in our life at the



cross. At floodstage all the trash and debris becomes visible.

When the presence of God stepped into the water. That all stopped, and dried up in your life. Riverbed dries up!

Joshua had instructions, that makes the obstacles no longer an issue in their life.

From where the priests, the presence of God stands, in the middle of the obstacle. What do those stones mean to you? The next generation needs to know.

It's not a small testimony, it's a point of reference for what God did for their fathers and mothers.

Matt and Lindsey: This is how we worship through this obstacle. The song and the testimony still works. It's how we walk through hard things.

Leah: To stand up publicly and testify, that my hand didn't work and she's playing piano for worship. No longer in a brace after 16 years!

Memorial Stones, a visible reminder of the faithfulness of the Lord. A testimony to the power of your God. And a testimony to your enemies that cause them to realize God isn't playing in your life.

By His instructions you experience life, by the Spirit in Christ, by Him working through your life. The obstacles and enemies you face, turning into testimonies.

The same God can get in the middle of your obstacles in your life! We are people who follow the instructions of the Lord.

Do it His way! In every victory there is a testimony!



**ACTS OF SERVICE
NEXT WEEK (Sun Aug 3)**

Cleaning (wk of 7/28 – 8-2) :
The Adee's & Deb Wetmore

Communion: Diana Bryant
Nursery: Denise Nisley & Stephanie Adee
Greeters: Stevie, Owen & Kaden Cook
CC Kids:





**Keith Springer & Bill Faught
Leave for Africa
August 12th**




Cut this out, hang it on your fridge, put it in your Bible or paste it in your journal as a reminder to pray for them while they are gone!



**COMMUNITY
ICE CREAM SOCIAL
& DESSERT AUCTION**

SPONSORED BY NEODESHA MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

**FEATURING THE
GRASSROOTS TRIO
IN CONCERT**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 1
6:00–8:00 p.m.**

**NEODESHA UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE COMPASSION FUND

Donation Tracker

Jen Millar	Dessert
Stephanie Adee	Dessert
Jennifer Crisp	Zucchini Bread/Muffins
Nancy Brown	Turtle Cheesecake
Michale LeeAnn	Dessert
Linda Wheeler	Dessert
Essington's	Dessert
Crystal Cefarelli	Dessert
Shirley Drawdy	Dessert
Katie Ewert	Baby Monster Cookies (to go with Ice Cream)
Kathy Ewert	Dessert
Sue McKellar	Ice Cream
Teresa Julian	Ice Cream

**Donations to the United Methodist Church By
Friday, August 1st**
Or Call Gene Ewert 620-332-9325 to make
arrangements that day



**Share on
Social
Media**



Gene Ewert

For those who are needing to take their desserts or ice cream to the Methodist church on Friday this is from Pastor Susan Hood:
[The] office will be open from 8-12. I plan to be there the rest of the day (noon on)
The office door will be unlocked. It is on the front of building closest to the corner of 8th and Indiana.
Hope to see you all for the fundraiser at 6pm on Friday!



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Evil	Feast	Instead
Insurrection	Jews	King
Murder	Perceived	Pilate
Priests	Prison	Prisoner
Rebels	Release	Shouted
Stirred		



BACK TO SCHOOL

PRAYER WALK

**Sunday
August
10th @
7:30pm
After Our
Church Service**

We will start at Heller Elementary, then walk up 8th Street to Grant and over to 9th Street to the Early Learning Center, then we will head up 9th Street to the High School and back up 8th Street to end at North Lawn.

Bring your whole family as we unite as a community to bring in the new school year in prayer!

REGISTER NOW!
FREE EVENT



By Design

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
LIGHT HARDWARE BUILDING, 100 E RUTLEDGE ST
YATES CENTER, KS 66783

Distinguishable

BECOMING RECOGNIZABLY DIFFERENT
BY THE WAY WE SPEAK, ACT, SERVE, AND LOVE!
CONNECTING IN SOUTHEAST KANSAS BY
ENCOUNTERING GOD, EQUIPPING WOMEN AND EXPANDING KINGDOM.





PRAISE REPORTS & Continued Prayers!

*Amanda Lassley's grandbaby -no heart issues, no infection, shes home

*Mike Prince Sr.

Leah's Praise Report Sunday!

THIS WEEK PRAYERS & UPDATES:

*Ron Quanstrom & family - loss of his brother unexpectedly

*Mark Stockwell court tomorrow, Mon, **July 28** **Awesome show of church support!**

*Shirley Drawdy sees Pulmunologist this Tues, **July 29** in Winfield

*Shirley's son Randal - high psa-**Aug. 7** doing test & sees urologist

*John Dir - **July 30** all top teeth pulled & dentures put in; Mary's health

*Lindsey Arnold recovering from surgery; next appt.? **So good to see her in church Sunday!**

Please check out the meal train & support page

*Ariel Cousin recovering from Mono

*Pray for Ryan Millar's health, job and for Jen & Ryan

*Alvina's grandson, Logan - update?

*Ernest's dad update?

*Kris Van Nice update, any specific prayers for you and Matt-**September 9**

*Karri's toe - update?

*Fogleman's granddaughter update?

*Ruth Wright's son, Trent - tumor on brain - surgery when?

*Jen's update on baby Harley?

*Keep praying for Barb Pelnars family

*David Jullians nephew, Shawn - renal failure



*Just
Keep
Praying*





Christ Church of Neodesha

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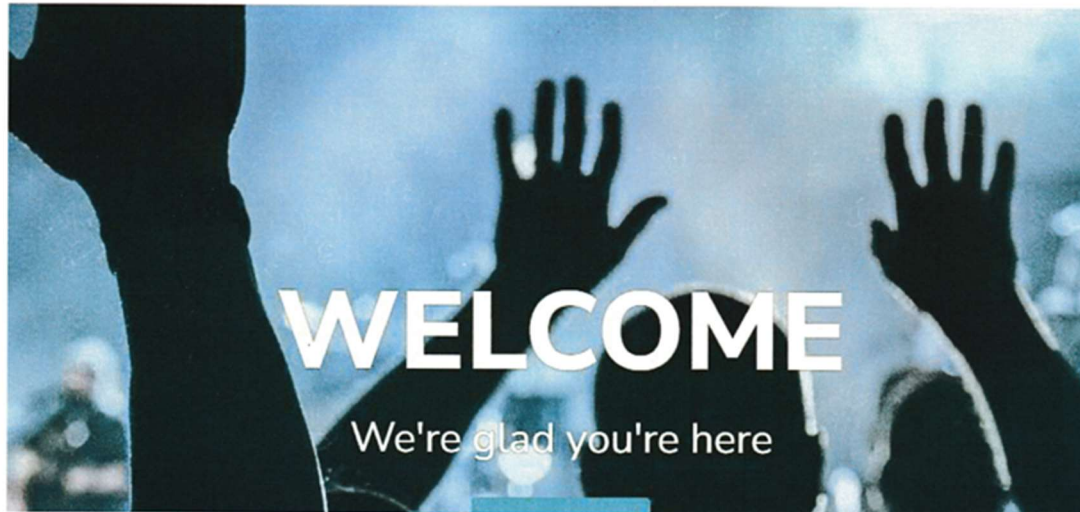
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Christ Church of Neodesha

Are you new to the church or the area? If so, you are very welcome! Please check out our [New to Church page](#) which has some helpful information for you.

We are a group of ordinary people who believe that church is a great place to make friends and experience God together. We are a family who believe that church should not only be great fun but also a place where lives are radically transformed.

Pastor Joseph

Our Church Web-Site:

<https://christchurchneodesha.org>



Become a part of our community!



We encourage you to get on the web-site and register! We are adding new content all the time:

- Links to sermons
- Up to date calendar (with web-links if appropriate)
- Working on getting all old newsletters on the site
- Especially if you are a volunteer, lists will be going on the site **WITH REMINDERS!**



Phone App Available!

Repost!

December 1, 2024 Prophecy given by Bill Faught

"I received this word at 5 am this morning.
I heard a chant, saying, "There is a sound in the heavens. There is a sound on the earth. There is a sound of the Kingdom. There is a sound in Christ's Church. Can you hear it?"
Then I heard: "The voice of the bridegroom calls for His bride. The voice of the bride answers, 'We will stand by your side.' Can you hear it?"
And then I heard: "A revival mantle is lowering onto the shoulders of Christ Church. There have been many prophecies before now, but today marks the fruition of these declarations and intercessions. Others saw this in the distance – you will see it firsthand. Prophecy will unfold before your eyes. There has been a shift – a cog has turned. Can you feel it?
I'm raising the bar – I'm asking My Church to raise its expectations, too. If I said it, then I will do it. Can you believe it?
I have planted each as a seed in this house. This is the season, says the Lord, to go into full preparation mode for what is spoken. I'm placing a demand on My Church. And I'm asking My Church to place a demand on Me, too. In this season of preparation, babies will become sons and daughters – sons and daughters will become fathers and mothers. Can you see it?
As you prepare for this revival, you will experience moving from watching one or two at a time get saved or healed...to dozens coming and the healings will be too many to count. Prepare for it", declares the Lord!"

We have been re-reading Bill's prophetic word every week in our Thursday prayer time as well as sometimes during the Intercessory Prayer time on Tuesday afternoon. This is also what Leah was referencing this last Sunday morning when she was giving her testimony. I thought it advantageous to reprint it in the newsletter for all of us to ponder once again. - Gene

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THE NEODESHA DERRICK NEWS

Today Word

By Gene Ewert, Associate Pastor, Christ Church of Neodesha

In one of our prayer gatherings at our church we were reading Proverbs 4. Within that chapter the writer is directing us to keep our eyes, ears, heart and feet fixed on the things of God and not to stray from sound instruction.

I kind of got stuck on verse 26: "Ponder the path of your feet and let all your ways be established." A couple things stuck out at me. Like the word "ponder". Ponder took me back to what scripture informs us Mary did about what was happening to them around the birth and early life of Jesus. In Luke 2:19 after the shepherds came and informed Mary & Joseph about what they had been told by the angels, it says "But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart." So 'ponder' is not just a throw away word. It is like mentally journaling intently what you are doing on your path. Take note for now, and future reference, what you are doing, where you are going and by implication the ramifications of the direction of the path upon which you are choosing to tread.

Which brings me to the next thing. That is the word 'path'. Path here is singular not plural. You can't effectively be walking multiple paths fit for the kingdom at one time. The path you are on the singular path upon which the Lord has laid forth the life before you. How can I be so certain about a "single" path when in the next sentence it says: "let all your WAYS be established."? {emphasis mine}

I dwelt on that a bit too. 'Ways' is plural. But as you dig into that context, ways here mean journeys or experiences. As you walk your path with the Lord, He will establish you with many journeys and experiences. Back just one chapter in Proverbs (3:5,6) are a couple of verses memorized by many but very applicable here: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your path."

I want to encourage you to read all of Proverbs 4. It won't take you very long. But I believe it will encourage you, as it has me, to begin to notice and do something about the distractions that come at us in our chaotic lives!

I'm reminded of the words in this hymn:

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His word,
what a glory He sheds on our way!

While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.





Neodesha
Church of the Nazarene
August 6-8 – (6-8pm)
K-6 grades
VBS Family Day Aug 9
12 – 1PM @ Neodesha Splash Zone



DAYSEN'S ADOPTION CELEBRATION

Aug 2nd

Beginning at 2:00

Lords Chapel

No gifts necessary but we will be accepting monetary donations to Daysen's savings fund

We do need people + **July 30th** so **RSVP Date has passed.**

DATE: Saturday, August 16, 2025 @ 9 am

You are invited to

Double Portion Ministry

RECIPE:

Pork Salsa Verde



Ingredients:

- Bring 2 two-pound *boneless pork roasts or loins*
- 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.

Upcoming
EVENTS

3rd Annual

SEK FCA

**Sporting
CLAY
SHOOT**



Southeast Kansas

Saturday August 2nd, 2025

 **Flint Oak Hunting Club**
2639 Quail Rd, Fall River KS

\$100.00- Entry Fee

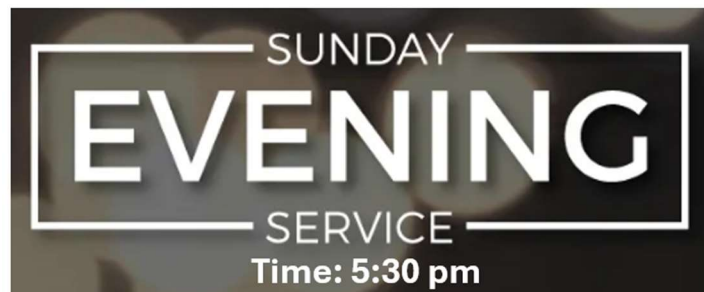
- Registration - 8:00 AM
- Provide Own Ammo
- Silent Auction
- Lunch included

◆ **Register Now with QR code**

OR

Contact:
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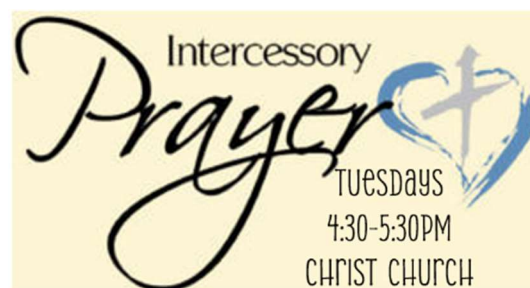




CaveTime and Women's Bible Study Wednesday Nights at 6:00 pm. See you there!

Women's
BIBLE STUDY

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



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Christ Church Connection
Newsletter, send an email as early in
the week as possible to:

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