

A Washington Christian Church Newsletter

July 2025

Work the Fields

July is here! And that means VBS! We are very excited for this year's program so mark your calendars for July 28-31! The theme verse comes from Joshua 1:9 "The Lord your God is with you wherever you go." We are going on a Road Trip and would love for your kids to be a part of it. You can find more information and enrollment forms on our website.

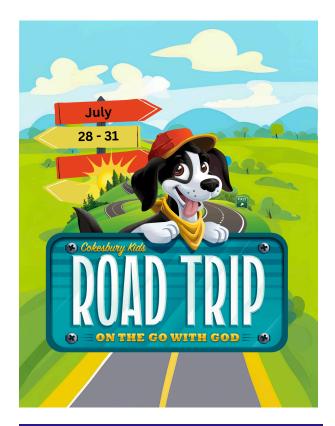
That's not all we have going on this month, on July 20 we will have a community church service in the park. This marks the end of the county fair, and is a wonderful time to fellowship and worship together outdoors!

The summer heat has come and with that, some very sweaty days. For some, it's too hot. For others, it's just right. And then vice versa come winter time. But the one thing I love about this time of year is wheat harvest. To see the golden fields gently waving in the breeze. And then watching the combines go and harvest the grain. It's always been a fascinating process for me. Jesus told his disciples in Matthew 9:37-38 (NLT) "The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields."

As a follower of Jesus, do not forget that you have been called. Called to work the fields by sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ to everyone around you.

-Pastor Eli Sweany

UPCOMING EVENTS



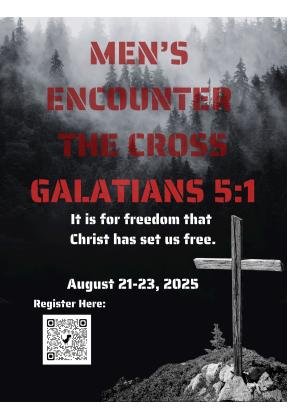


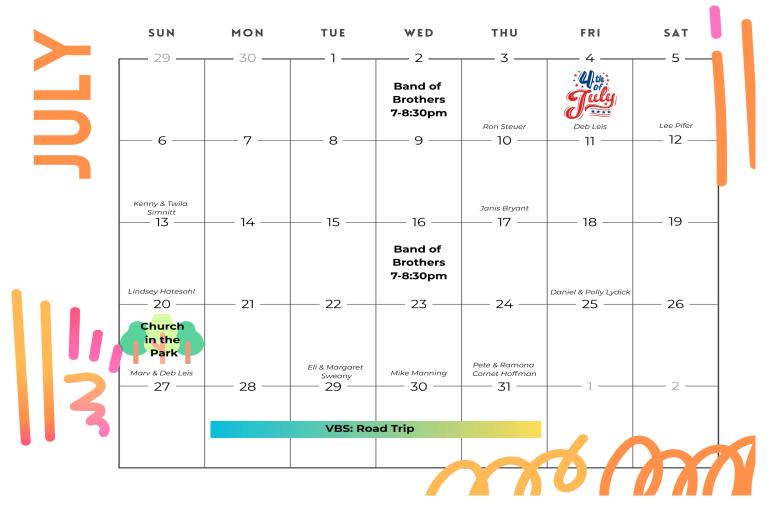
QUARTERLY CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

FELLOWSHIP HALL

August 3, 2025 Potluck immediately following service







Called to Serve July 2025 Communion: Carolyn Waterman

Date	Comm. Med.	Servers	Greeters Outer Doors	Greeters Sanctuary Doors	Sermon in the Bag	Pianist	Computer Video/ Sound
July 6	Mike M.	Kevin K. Anthony S. Coy S. Mike M.	Clinton & Kelly S.	Renee N.	Virginia L.	Gay Lynn M.	C: Kelly S. S: Kathy M.
July 13	Marv L.	Brody S. Don W. Chalmer D. Marv L.	Malcolm & Norma S.	Linda N.	Lindsey H.	Gay Lynn M.	C: Deb L. S: Andrew D.
July 20		Church in the Park					
July 27	Leland C.	Mike H. Clint S. Dan L. Leland C.	Paul & Susan S.	Sharon T.	Margaret S.	Gay Lynn M.	C: Kelly S. S: Kathy M.

June Coterie Highlights

Sharon Aufdengarten, Vice President, called our meeting to order with 11 members present. The prayer list was discussed and Martha Mosteller led us in prayer. Correspondence was read. Norma Stamm gave the Treasurer's Report. The Sonrise Service was discussed and stated that there were around 100 people there and at the breakfast following around 80. Thanks to all the ladies for helping with the cookie decorating or the library. Operation Christmas Child and Best Choice Labels were discussed. Margaret Sweany gave the nursery report and stated that all the donated items had been received. There will be no Coterie meetings for July and August due to other things going on. Our annual Garage Sale will be the 18th and 19th of September. Donations should be brought in on the 15th. Sharon stated she needed help with cooking on Thursday and Friday. Unsold items go to the Firehouse. The Biker Run was discussed and donations to that run. The Fish Fry was discussed, which is on the Father's Day, the 15th. The Ice Cream Social is August 10th. Items for OCC is as follows: June: plain colored shirts, any size, no logos. July: Plastic cups and plates. August: pencils, sharpeners, erasers, ball point pens and calculators. September: flashlights and batteries.

From the Mission Field:

Alpha Christian Children's Home

We were thrilled to be able to take the children on a special trip to the Creation Museum and the (Noah's) Ark Encounter in Kentucky recently!! It was fun, impactful, exhilarating, and exhausting all at the same time. We loved how these special places brought the early events of the Bible into focus in a hands-on way for the kids as we explored them thoroughly together.

We are truly thankful for our friends from the Dewey Christian Church and Barnsdall Christian Church in Oklahoma, the Ravenwood Christian Church in Missouri, and the Burden Baptist Church and Soldier Christian Church in Kansas who combined forces to raise special funding specifically to help pay for the cost of this dream trip for the kids. We highly recommend visiting these special places if you haven't already. You can find many more fun photos from our trip across three separate posts on our Alpha Facebook page!

We had a special need come up just before this trip and were once again amazed to see God's hand in putting all the pieces together to provide a solution that was accomplished in just the right time frame! Mr. Dean and Mrs. Brittani took the teenagers to their church youth group gathering one Sunday evening in the old 2011 Ford passenger van assigned to their house, and on the way back afterward, had a deer dash in front of them in the dark with no time to avoid a collision. Fortunately, no one was hurt, but the old van ended up being totaled out by our insurance provider. So after that process was complete, we began the search for an affordable replacement van for the Alpha House residence. In the meantime, an older couple had traded in a gold 2017 Ford Transit Van that they had used for camping, with very low mileage and in excellent condition at an area dealership, and we were able to obtain it just in time for our trip to Kentucky with the kids! Thank you to each of you who has contributed toward this unexpected need!!

Verses to Pray Over Those Facing Cancer

Adapted from K-Love

In times of uncertainty and fear brought on by a cancer diagnosis, we can find solace in our connection to God through prayer. The very word "cancer" can stir up a whirlwind of emotions, but it doesn't define you or your journey. Whether you're personally facing this battle or supporting a loved one, know that you're not alone.

- The LORD nurses them when they are sick and restores them to health. Psalms 41:3 NLT
- Each time He said, "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness." So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me. 2 Corinthians 12:9 NLT
- Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; He will neither fail you nor abandon you. Deuteronomy 31:8 NLT
- God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble. Psalms 46:1 NLT
- You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in You, all whose thoughts are fixed on You! Isaiah 26: 3 NLT

Sunday Schedule:

9:15 a.m. -Fellowship 9:30 a.m. -Sunday School 10:30 a.m. -Worship Service

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