



## On the Journey...



Back to School... We know that this year is anything but normal, still it is that time of the year for sweatshirts, pumpkin spice everything, and that we begin thinking about what it means to go back to school. In my mind, it has always been about joining with a community and entering into the sacred ritual of being curious about something together. I would never have described it that way as a 6th grader, the language would have been different, but the message of attending class in school with my friends and teachers and learning about things, dates and people is essentially that.

Church, I believe should be that as well. We come alongside each other to discover, learn, and question about life and how it is lived out as a child of the Almighty. This is Faith. It is not as much a noun as a verb. Faith moves, shifts, challenges and nurtures. Worship is the act of supporting each other in the work of praise and in the process of faith. Our lives are in constant motion and as people of faith that moves with us.

This September we will be going back to school in a way that we will be looking at some well known parables of Jesus. Entitled **Short Stories of Jesus** we will seek to engage with these stories in new ways. Parables are stores that can really speak to us in this time in our world as they ask us to think about Jesus words as more than a fill-in-the-blank sermon, and I pray that our time together leads us to new discoveries and deep knowing's. I hope that you will join us on Sunday mornings on Zoom at 10:30am and in the garden at 9am (with a pumpkin spice latte and your sweatshirt).

Agape,  
Chad

**VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 @ 7PM**  
**MEETING ID: 380 677 512**

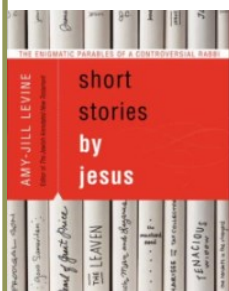


JULY AND AUGUST 2020 GIVING AND EXPENSES			
	OPERATIONAL		MORTGAGE
OPERATIONAL	\$ 24,332.75	MORTGAGE GIVING	\$ 1,760.00
OPERATIONAL	\$ 22,804.19	MORTGAGE EXPENSE	\$ 2,346.00
OPERATIONAL SURPLUS	\$ 1,528.56	MORTGAGE SHORTAGE	\$ (586.00)



## September Worship Series: Parables of Jesus

Through the month of September we will be looking at stories told by Jesus to his followers. One book I will be using is *Short Stories by Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine as one of my conversation partners in our study. I look forward to hearing these old stories with new ears.



Read,  
Reflect,  
Practice,  
Grow!

Thank you Kenn Riley,  
for refurbishing our  
benches...  
they look beautiful!



Before...and After.



### Virtual Logos & Lagers

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at 7:00pm  
Meeting ID: 380 677 512



## Love. Grow. Serve.

### Ways to Serve at Pond

- Hospitality/Parking at Farmer's Market
- Tending to the Courtyard Garden
- Hospitality with Madison County Schools internet access site.

## Morning Prayers each Sunday in September



All are invited to worship outside in the garden at 9am. We will gather, sing, pray, share in communion, and hear scripture to challenge and nurture us. Please read through the procedures and precautions we are requiring.

- As we are outside, you are asked to wear a mask when you are moving about for the safety of others and in compliance with the state mandate.
- Participants are invited to bring lawn chairs and social distance (6+ feet between families).
- The church will only be open for emergencies. Please use the restroom before you come.
- The service will last about 30 min. and will include communion.





## This Month's Birthdays

Harry Moberly	September 2
June Wehrly	September 4
Owen Clarke	September 9
Bailey Terry	September 13
Maddie Cecil	September 14
Susan Martin	September 17
Nancy McKenney	September 19
Fred Martin	September 21
Jason Brooks Martin	September 21
Ben Poage	September 24
Eugene Bowling	September 25
Jackson Isaac McCollum	September 27
Lori Eidson	September 28
Jean Smith	September 28

*Happy Birthday!*

## This Month's anniversaries

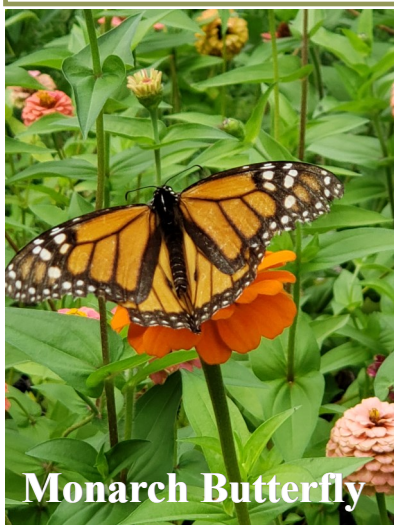


Jesse & Lindsay McCollum	September 20, 2015
Bill & Margaret Bingham	September 30, 1989



## Prayer Request

Lindsay McCollum's father passed away, prayers for Lindsay and her family  
Mike Jackson's brother Earl passed away, prayers for the Jackson family



**Monarch Butterfly**

## 2020 Virtual Biennial Assembly



As we, the Christian Church (DOC), proceed with "intentional openness", we invite all KY Disciples from around the Commonwealth to join us for the 2020 pre-Assembly Workshops and Virtual Biennial Assembly the week of October 12-17, 2020.

Although this Assembly will be different than all other Assemblies, we feel certain it will give us the hope for the future we need in times like these. We will gather virtually as a region on Saturday, October 17, 2020 for worship at 10:30am (ET) take a break for lunch after worship, and come back for an afternoon business session beginning at 1:00pm.

Our morning worship and communion service preacher will be Rev. Terri Hord Owens, General Minister and President of the Christian Church (DOC). Special music will be provided by Sister Deborah Garr, Minister of Music of Seventh Street Christian Church in Paris, KY, and Andra Moran, Disciples singer/songwriter and recording artist from Nashville.

In the afternoon, we will conduct business of the region and hear about and celebrate our many regional and institutional affiliates ministries.

The week before the Assembly, we will have relevant, accessible virtual workshops for you, two a night, starting Monday, Oct. 12 at 6pm and 7pm (ET) and going through Friday, Oct. 16. You will be able to virtually join these workshops, which will address the general topics of social justice, congregational life, the church mission and leadership in real time.

Please know that you need to register to have access to all that is being offered, even if you are unable to make the \$20 donation. Links for workshops and the Assembly itself will be sent to those who register. Go to the CCK website ([ccinky.net/regional-assembly-2020/](https://ccinky.net/regional-assembly-2020/)) and register for the Assembly, considering a \$20 donation to the region when you do, and register.

## THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Disciples Women and the Men's Group for their contributions toward updating our technology here at the church. We replaced the computer in the office and the sanctuary with a MacBook Pro, improved our Wireless Internet and purchased much needed equipment for broadcasting our services more efficiently on the web. We are so appreciative for these supportive ministries.





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**Hours: Tu-F 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.**  
**Worship: Sunday, 10:30am**

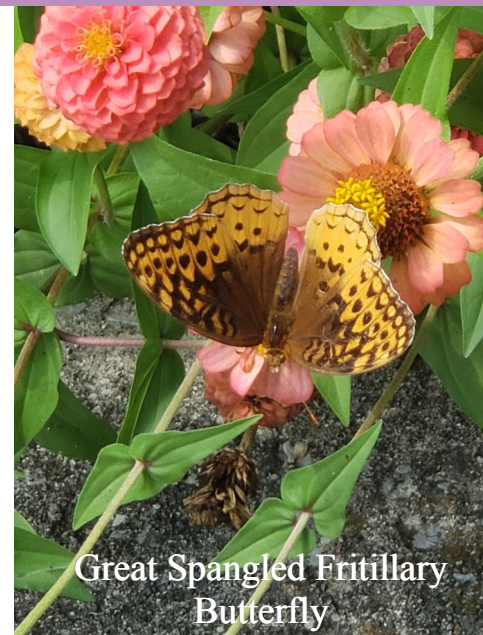
## September Upcoming Events

**SUNDAY MORNING PRAYERS** - every  
Sunday in September at 9am in the  
garden

**WORSHIP** - continues virtually through  
August Meeting ID: 475 475 310  
Call in number: 312-626-6799

**VIRTUAL LOGOS & LAGERS**- Wednesday,  
9/2/20 at 7pm Meeting ID: 380 677 512

**BOARD MEETING** - Wednesday,  
September 23, 2020 at 7pm  
Meeting ID: 380-677-512



Great Spangled Fritillary  
Butterfly

## Pond Mission Statement

“Accept One Person at a Time  
to Christ’s Never-Ending Forgiving Love!”