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# The Shepherd's Voice

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## The Week in Preview

### Wednesday, May 26

Prayer Group 9:00 am

Emmaus Reunion Group 6:30 pm



### Thursday, May 27

Pastor Jeff @YLBS 10:00 am



### Sunday, May 30

Sunday School 9:15 am

Pentecost Worship Service with  
Comedy, Cake, and Cookout  
10:00 am



### Monday, May 31

Office Closed for Memorial Day



### Wednesday, June 3

Prayer Group 9:00 am

Emmaus Reunion Group 6:30 pm



### Friday, June 4

Pastor J @Karios Outside through  
June 6



### Saturday, June 5

Pastor K@Emmaus Training



## Cake, Comedy and Cookout This Sunday 10:00 AM



It is finally—here the Party of the Century! This Sunday, May 30, is Pentecost Sunday. We will start the festivities at 9:15 am with Sunday school gathering for all ages. Then at 10:00 am we share in Worship, praise, fun and food and the Great Balloon Liftoff. The church is providing the hamburgers and hotdogs. You are encouraged to bring all of the fixings.

Invite and bring FRANK: Friends, Relatives, Associates, Neighbors, and Kids for this very special occasion.

# Prayers and Preparation

## We Are Praying For You

(for prayer request needs contact Mona Thayer @495-1793 or email talkin2Him@self-serv.net)

- Gary Culver: job interview
- Other job related issues
- All graduating Seniors
- Church custodian
- Intercessory Prayers
- Natural Church Development Implementation Team
- Sam Culver's grand niece Sierra: complications due to surgery
- Andy Ellison: going to Job Corp
- Linda Layne and Lottie Nelson: SBC strike
- Eugene Earsom's brother Steven: engaged to Elsie
- Disciples Christian Church in Newcastle and Pastor Ron Savage
- First Christian Church in Norman and Pastor David Spain

### Scriptures for Sunday,

May 30, 2004

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17

John 14:8-7, (25-27)

**Sermon Title**

**"It's A Party"**

### Scriptures for Sunday,

June 6, 2004

1 Kings 17:8-16, (17-24)

Psalm 146

Galatians 2:15-21

Luke 7:11-24

**Sermon Title**

**"Circle of Life: New Life"**

### The Next Week in Preview

Sunday, June 6

Traditional Style Service 8:30 am

Sunday School 9:30 am

Contemporary Style Service with Children's Church 10:30 am

Board Meeting 3:00 pm



Monday, June 7

Deadline for

Newsletter Articles 7:00 am

Staff Meeting 9:30 am



Tuesday, June 8

Olan Mills Picture Directory

3:00 pm-9:20 pm

Newsletter Team 6:00 pm

Bible Study 7:00 pm



Wednesday, June 9

Prayer Group 9:00 am

Emmaus Reunion Group 6:30 pm



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are so glad the following people joined us as special guests in worship.

We hope we blessed your day as much as you blessed ours and that you will join us

## Welcome Guests

in worship in the coming weeks.

The following persons registered as guests on Sunday,



May 16: Sam Culver, Darrin Stanford

May 23: Sam Culver, John Gharet, John Byrne, Ann Stanford, Kenneth Stanford, Bobby Stanford, Mr. & Mrs. Ponder

## Spiritual Growth

May God our Father give you grace and peace. We always pray for you...for we have heard that you trust in Christ Jesus and that you love all of God's people. Hear that ringing? It's God calling you again! He calls us to pray. I have prayed a few times now during worship

services and I can tell you that I miss nothing during that time of prayer.

I am blessed by the presence of the Holy Spirit in the church. There is a sense of greater substance in the environment. The air is thick with Him. And there is a movement like a

massaging of the people here. Then I always come away with great peace. Come and experience prayer for the worship service at 8:30 or 10:30. Sign up for your blessings!

*Mona Thayer*  
Spiritual Growth

## Pentecost Special Offering

*"...And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."*

Acts 2:47b

When the first Pentecost came, people were touched with the Holy Spirit, and found their spirits lifted! That is why your Region and the New Church Ministry Team are inviting you to LIFT YOUR SPIRIT with a celebration of Pentecost, new believers, and new Disciples churches.

Disciples are starting congregations in record numbers. In just three years we have started more than 200 congregations, with a more than 90% success rate. That should LIFT YOUR SPIRIT!

Just think of it, more than 11,000 new Disciples gather in worship each Sunday in auditoriums, schools, funeral homes, storage facilities, office buildings, community cen-

ters, and movie theaters. They are excited about a church that practices an open communion table, and empowers all to be ministers of the faith. That should LIFT YOUR SPIRIT!

This Sunday LIFT YOUR SPIRIT by bringing your Pentecost Offering box full of all the change you collected during the past weeks.

## DivorceCare

DivorceCare is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. It is a place where you can be around people who understand what you are feeling.

DivorceCare will begin on Monday, June 2 at 2:00pm. Come to a place where you can hear valuable information about ways to heal from the hurt of divorce.

Please contact the church office(691-5366) for more information.

# Disciple Bible Study

Disciples Bible Study (DBS) assumes that the Bible is the key to church renewal.

DSB recognizes the human-divine nature of the Bible: The actual texts of Scripture were written by human beings like ourselves in their cultural settings, under the divine inspiration of God.

DSB aims at transformation, not just information.

DSB calls on persons to submit themselves to examination by Scripture, to put themselves under the power of God's word, and to be changed by God's word.

During the course of 34 weeks, Disciple study groups move through the biblical story from Creation to the New Jerusalem. The titles of the sessions along

with theme words; theme verses; and major persons, events, and topics will fix the sequence of the biblical story in the minds of the participants.

Disciple Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, August 25. If you would like to participate contact Pastor Jeff for more information.

## Flyer Contest

It is not too late if you want to enter GSCC's Fabulous Flyer Contest.

Entering is easy simply design a flyer with the churches important information and then give it to the church office. The winner will be announced at our Cake, Comedy, and Cookout.

The winning flyer

will then be mass produced and handed out to our neighborhood during upcoming Prayer Walks.



## Say Cheeeeeeze

Be sure to mark your Calendars for Tuesday, June 8 between 3:00 pm and 9:20 pm. Come get your picture taken for our new Pictorial directory.

There is a sign-up sheet by the office

## Notice

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 31 in honor of Memorial Day.

## Mowers

The mowing team for 5/29 is Jeff's team and for 6/5 is Lee's team.

## Blast Off... Keyboard Kamp

Keyboard Kamp for kids 5-8 is scheduled for July 19-23. This is a great opportunity for kids to learn some piano basics in a fun environment. If you are interested we have registration forms in the church office.

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## Good Shepherd's Mission Statement

*The ministry of GSCC is to respond to God's call, as revealed through Jesus Christ, in ways that restore and/or build faithful relationships with God and one another. This response is shaped by the guidance of scripture.*

- *to REACH out to the world by sharing the Gospel in ways that attract people to Christ;*
- *to TEACH in an atmosphere of love, openness, accountability, and encouragement, ways to grow stronger in our relationships through the use of the disciplines of study, prayer and stewardship;*
- *To SERVE with the spirit of unconditional love as shown by Christ in order to meet the needs of God's children*

### Newsletter Staff

Communications: Bruce & Nancy Layne      Editor: Jeff Nevel  
Mailing: Nadine Anderson, Ellen Clary, Dale & Edith Meyers,  
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Ministers: All believers  
Pianist: Vivi Thong  
Custodian: Da'Laine Hardy  
Childcare: Carolyn Martin

### Church Office Hours

**Monday—Thursday**  
**8:30-11:00 am, 12:00-2:30 pm**

## Summer Camp Schedule

Summer church camp is a time to meet new friends and to enjoy all of the wonders of nature.

GSCC encourages all of our children and youth to attend church camp. The church pays half of the cost for members and friends of the church.

If you would like to go to camp we have registration forms in the church office.

The camp schedule for Camp Central Christian in Guthrie is as follows:

Discovery Camp  
(completed grades 2-3)  
6/20-22  
7/18-20

Junior Camp  
(completed grades 3-5)  
6/21-25  
7/26-30

Chi Rho Camp  
(completed grades 6-8)  
6/13-18  
7/27-8/1

CYF Camp  
6/20-25

### Special Events:

Texoma Christian  
Water Weekend 7/19-11

Central Christian  
Friendship Camp 7/12-16

Monte Vista Wilderness  
7/17-24

CYF Canoe Trip      7/27-8/1

**Sunday Worship Opportunities:**  
 8:30am Traditional style worship  
 9:30am Sunday school for all ages  
 10:30am Contemporary style worship  
 and Children's Church

IFW: Immediately  
 Following Worship  
 LB: Lunch Bunch  
 \*: Birthday  
 #: Anniversary

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**Kindle The Passion Reaching, Teaching, Serving our Community for God**

# June 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
3:00pm Board Meeting	7:00am Deadline for Newsletter Articles 9:30am Staff Meeting 2:00pm DivorceCare	3:9-20pm Olan Mills Pictures 6:00pm Newsletter Team 7:00pm Bible Study *John Miller	9:00am Prayer Group 6:30 pm Emmaus Reunion Group	9:00am Prayer Group 6:30 pm Emmaus Reunion Group	Pastor Jeff @ Karris Outside through the 6th	Pastor Kathryn @ Emmaus Training
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:30am PRC 12:45pm Shepherds Mtg 2:00pm Steering Team	9:30am Staff Meeting 2:00pm DivorceCare	7:00pm Bible Study *Penny Hampton	9:00am Prayer Group 6:30 pm Emmaus Reunion Group	Pastor Jeff @ Disciple: Bible Study Training through 19th 6:30pm 40+ *Bob Nelson	6:30pm Cub Scouts *Mickey Hampton	7:00pm Emmaus Gathering
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Happy Father's Day	7:00am Deadline for Newsletter Articles 9:30am Staff Meeting Pastor Jeff on Vacation through 27 2:00pm DivorceCare	6:00pm Newsletter Team 7:00pm Bible Study	9:00am Prayer Group 6:30 pm Emmaus Reunion Group	Oklahoma Disciples Women Encounter through 27	5:00pm New Growth Fellowship *Seth Nevel	
27	28	29	30			
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