



THE BELL

A Monthly Newsletter

A Message from Pastor Mike

We have been looking at the beginnings of the church in the Book of Acts in recent weeks. We have seen the way that the gospel spread out from Jerusalem, to Judea, to Samaria and all over the known world, just as Jesus predicted: “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” - Acts 1:8 -

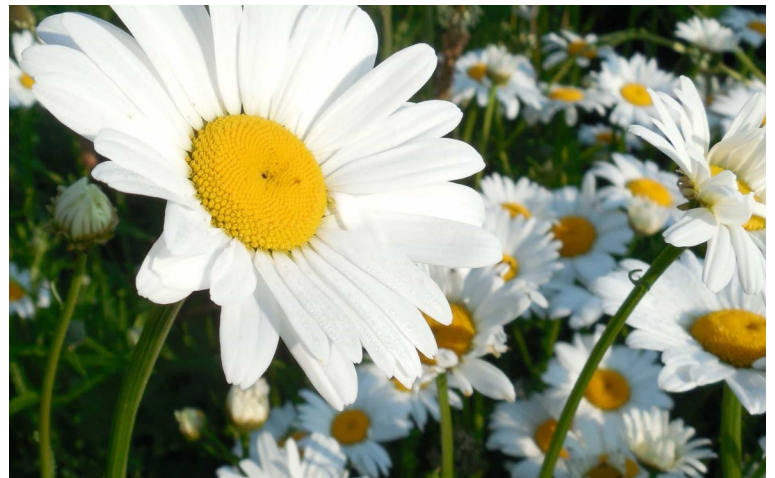
One of the most helpful texts about the early church can be found in Acts chapter 2, verse 42. “*They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.*” In one simple verse we find four key practices of the early church! First, they devoted themselves to the apostle’s teaching. That means they were aware of the content of the letters of Paul and of the early writings of the apostles of Jesus themselves. The Book of Acts was probably written around 90AD, or just over 60 years after Jesus’ resurrection and ascension. Scholars seem to agree that that is the general timeframe for the gospels of Matthew, Luke, and John as well. (The Gospel of Mark may have been written a couple of decades earlier, probably between 66-74AD.)

The earliest Christians also had what we might call potlucks! They spent time with one another and they ate meals together. They shared their lives and their faith, even as they lived in a culture which wasn’t very tolerant of their religious convictions. They also met together and shared communion on a regular basis, modeling it, much as we do, after Jesus celebration of the Last Supper. And finally, Acts 2:42 tells us that the early Christians devoted themselves to prayer. There is a strong connection between these four practices, and together they paint a picture of how the early church lived out their faith in community. The people studied Scripture, they spent time together, they shared communion and meals, and they spent time in prayer. Despite the passage of time and the differences in location and culture, these practices are well worth considering for our own lives.

We probably aren’t going to take missionary journeys like the apostle Paul. We may never be shipwrecked, imprisoned, persecuted and run out of town. We may not have the same troubles that the earliest Christians had, but we can continue to apply these same four helpful practices that they engaged in. The Disciples of Christ have been known as Restorationist people over the years. That simply means that our heritage has been to look to the New Testament for guidance on how to be the church together. We can renew our personal and community commitments to gathering, sharing communion, digging into Scripture together, and practicing prayer. Kind of like blocking and tackling are the basics in football, you might say that these four practices continue to be the basics of our faith.

May God bless you as we enter the summer season!

Pastor Mike



Music Notes



Music Camp is scheduled for July 11-15, with the show on Sunday, July 17. “Let’s Rock!” Even before the registration forms have been sent out, I had 10 kids interested in joining us this year! I can always use more volunteers, so if you are available that week, even for just a day or two, let me know. We’ll need help in the kitchen, with craft time, recess games, and group leaders. Please spread the word to any children you might know! Ten is a great start, but we’d really like to have more.

Did you hear how quiet the organ keys sounded last Sunday? What a beautiful silence! No more clicking and clacking, and hopefully no more breaking suddenly. Many thanks to Levsen Organ company for their quick work.

Summer is upon us, so I’m looking for people to provide Special Music. Please let me know if you have something you’d like to share or if you have someone you’d like me to ask to sing or play a solo. I still need to fill July 3 and the month of August. Choir resumes Sept. 11, with rehearsals starting August 31.

I will be off for official college visits with my son on June 12 and June 19. Please welcome a substitute yet to be determined on the 12th and Lucille Perley on the 19th.

Sheila Doak, Music Director



15TH AVENUE MUSIC CAMP 2022 INFORMATION & REGISTRATION FORM

Camp: July 11 - 15

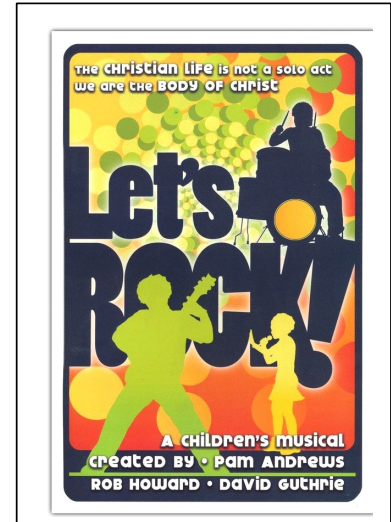
Performance date: Sunday, July 17

Music Camp is for 4 years—8th graders.

Campers will learn and present a Christian musical,

"Let's Rock"

You don't need to have special musical talents to attend!



Ages 4-(completed) 1st grade attend 9am-11:30am
Ages 2nd grade-8th grade attend 9am-2pm with lunch
Friday: All students will attend all day
High school students welcome as helpers – contact Sheila Doak
Drop-offs begin at 8:45 am
Expected to be at all practices & performances

Sunday, June 17

Arrive at 8:45 am (t-shirts and run-through)
(Need jean shorts or long pants, a t-shirt will be given)
Performance at church 9:30-10:30 am
Reception following in the Fellowship Hall

Questions: Call Sheila Doak (309) 721-8868
Sheiladoak6@gmail.com

Fees are \$28 for all campers (financial assistance is available for those who need it). Fees help pay for t-shirts, books, music, art supplies and CDs. Lunch is provided by church members for full day campers.

Mail form & fees to 15th Avenue Christian Church, 3600 15th Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201
or bring to the church office by 12:00 pm Friday, July 1st.

Name _____ Age/Grade completed _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Address _____ City/St/Zip _____

Daytime phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Emergency Contact & Phone _____

T-Shirt Size: Adult XXL, XL, L, M, S Child L, M, S

Are you interested in a singing role? ___yes ___no Are you interested in a speaking role? ___yes ___no

Can you attend extra rehearsals outside of camp hours? ___yes ___no

Do you have any special food requirements/allergies? ___yes ___no

If so, please explain _____

Do you have any special medical needs? _____



Chip in for your chance to win! Birdies for Charity pledges now until June 10th.

15th Avenue Christian Church #2322.

When you chip in to help area charities, you could win! But your favorite charity will be the real winner. That's because participating charities receive 100% of the donations pledged to them in this program, plus a bonus from the Birdies for Charity Bonus Fund which is guaranteed 5% match. See next page for donation form.



June 17th and 18th
Come and help!
Come and buy!

Fifteenth Avenue Christian Church
CHARITY SOLICITED FOR
#2322

BIRD NUMBER _____

I pledge and promise to donate:

\$ _____ one-time flat donation.

Please attach payment. **Make checks payable to Quad Cities Golf Classic Charitable Foundation.**

\$ _____

extra donation to the Birdies for Charity Bonus Fund

Donations to the BFC Bonus Fund (#1044) help provide the minimum of 5% match for all participating charities.

GUESS THE BIRDIES & WIN A TWO YEAR LEASE ON A 2022 LEXUS RX 350!

I guess that _____ birdies will be made.

Only 1 grand prize will be awarded. Void where prohibited by law.

BIRDIES SCORED (YEAR)

2,142 (2013)	1,982 (2016)	2,091 (2019)
2,040 (2014)	1,918 (2017)	N/A (2020)
1,990 (2015)	2,355 (2018)	1,905 (2021)

PLEDGE INFORMATION (Please print)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / STATE _____

ZIP _____

PHONE OR EMAIL _____



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HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

Simply make a one-time flat donation and mail with payment to the Birdies for Charity office at 15623 Coalton Rd., East Moline, IL 61244.

To enter the contest, guess the number of birdies that will actually be made by PGA Tour Pros during the tournament, Wednesday through Sunday. A grand prize will be given to one person who guesses the correct number. In case of ties, winners will be randomly selected.

KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS AS YOUR RECEIPT

I pledge \$ _____ one-time donation

I guessed _____ birdies would be made

Payment was included with pledge

YES \$ _____ NO

CASH CHECK NO. _____

Please make checks payable to

QUAD CITIES GOLF CLASSIC CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



2022



GRAND PRIZE: 2 YEAR LEASE ON A 2022 LEXUS RX 350



One lucky supporter of the John Deere Classic's Birdies for Charity program will win a 2 year lease on a 2022 Lexus RX 350, courtesy of Smart Lexus of Quad Cities.

CONTEST RULES

- Only 1 grand prize awarded. Ties determined by random drawing.
- All guesses must be on an official pledge card and received at the tournament office by June 10, 2022.
- Rules are available at www.birdiesforcharity.com.
- No pledge or purchase required. Need not be present to win.
- Pledges submitted after the JDC may be applied the following year.

New Addresses:

Jim and Beverly Ducey
 Park Vista. Apt 335
 1451 20th Ave
 East Moline, IL 61244

Dorothy Tooley
 Overlook Village Memory Care Apt 6
 941 6th Street
 Moline, IL 61265



Anniversaries

- 3 Dan and Jennie Deibert
- 3 Darren & Michelle Butcher
- 10 Bill and Shari McBride
- 21 Doug and Marcia Nelson
- 27 Nancy and Mark Stevens

Birthdays

- 3 Dan Deibert
- 6 Kathy Weston
- 10 Darren Butcher
- 12 Gary Troyer
- 16 Jerry Harris
- 18 Sandy Wentler
- 19 Karen Hitchcock
- 21 Bob Bloomer

Liturgical Colors

June 5 Pentecost - color is red

It reminds us that God has given us the Holy Spirit –go into the world and tell.

June 6-November 26 - color is green

The sixth and longest of the liturgical calendar. It lasts from the day after Pentecost to the last Saturday before Advent.

The color is green. This is when we reflect upon Christ's reign.

May Attendance

May 1	27
May 8	41
May 15	39
May 22	35
May 29	37

PROFIT & LOSS REPORT YTD

As of May 26,2022

Total Income	\$ 61,048.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 39,430.33</u>
Net Income	\$ 25,517.67

Price Increase-

The price of flowers has increased. As of October 2021 the price for our weekly flowers has gone up \$3.00, from \$20.00 to \$23.00. Going forward if you have signed up for a week please remember to pay \$23.00.

Thank you,
 Marcia Nelson
 Worship Chair

Rummage Sale

Our Annual Rummage Sale will be June 17 and June 18. Come and help. Come and buy! The elevator will be open for drop off until June 14th. If furniture is involved you will need to be prepared to pick it up if it doesn't sell.

Questions should be directed to Marcia Swanson (309)755- 6889 or Steve Sheese (309)738- 0545.

Elders Prayer Update Bell Edition

“And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up;
and if he has committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.” James 5:15

Please keep these family, friends and caregivers in your daily thoughts and prayers.

Let them know they are not forgotten while we are apart.

Consider a phone call or send a card to tell them they are missed and loved.

Clint dealing with cancer (family)

Dawn Fensterbusch is in the hospital for tests, and is home now. (Kathy, Don, Penny & family)

Michael R. (J. Kirgan's uncle)

Lisa R. (Miers) Lange, died May 12th. Rick Miers sister (Rick, Kim & family)

Amanda G. has cancer, died May 15th. (J. Kirgan)

Ted Vansickle family for grandson in neonatal unit in hospital. (J. Kirgan)

Gail (Gene & Sally)

Mona Mlekush is home now. (Ron, Alice, Sandy & family)

Karen has brain tumor (neighbor to Patty Pearsall)

Peggy Doak (Sheila Doak's mom) Barb Hanson (family)

Jeff Mix (Marilyn & family)

Pat (Lori & Jim Bickford) Cara (friend of Diane Block)

Mike (Kathi, Jeff and family) Dorothy Coulson (Diane)

David & Sonya Geenen Lois (Weston's friend)

Jessica Borland (Swanson's) Bob Bloomer (Annie & family)

Michelle (Don & Kathy)

Wm. “Bill” Mockmore (Judie, Bill and family)

Alice Lyons (family) Cathy Wilson (Lisa & family)

Wanda (Kathy & Don's friend) David O'Melia (Jeannie & family)

C.D. Thompson (Family) Sarah T. Julie (cancer)

Sharon D. (Bartosh's neighbor) Beverly Ducey (Jim & family)

Bob, David and Jane (Kathy & Don) Vickie Andereck (Jesse & Melba)

Ron Lyons (Alice, Sandy, Mona and Margaret)

Kent Christensen (Kathy & Don) Jo (Kathy & Don)

Judy (Kathy & Don) Gabriel (friend of Westons)

Tim M. (Jan & Roy)

Scripture Writing Plan

June 2022

Wisdom

- Day 1: Proverbs 1:1-7
- Day 2: Proverbs 2: 1-8
- Day 3: Proverbs 2: 9-15
- Day 4: Proverbs 2: 16-22
- Day 5: Proverbs 3:1-6
- Day 6: Proverbs 3: 7-12
- Day 7: Proverbs 3: 13-18

- Day 8: Proverbs 4: 4-9
- Day 9: Proverbs 4:20-27
- Day 10: Proverbs 6: 16-19
- Day 11: Proverbs 8:6-11
- Day 12: Proverbs 9: 7-12
- Day 13: Proverbs 10:4-8
- Day 14: Proverbs 10: 9-12

- Day 15: Proverbs 11:16-21
- Day 16: Proverbs 12: 1-3; 19-20
- Day 17: Proverbs 14:10-14; 29-30
- Day 18: Proverbs 15:1-4
- Day 19: Proverbs 16: 1-9
- Day 20: Proverbs 16: 17-20
- Day 21: Proverbs 16: 21-24

- Day 22: Proverbs 17:17-22
- Day 23: Proverbs 18:10; Proverbs 19:20-23
- Day 24: Proverbs 22: 1-5
- Day 25: Proverbs 22:6-11
- Day 26: Proverbs 27:17-19
- Day 27: Proverbs 28: 13-15
- Day 28: Proverbs 29:15-18

- Day 29: Proverbs 30:5-6
- Day 30: Proverbs 31:8-9
- Day 31: Proverbs 31: 29-31

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.
Psalm 119:18

JUNE

15th Avenue Christian Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:30pm Bell Practice	2 10am Bible Study	3	4
5 8:00am Elder's Meeting	6	7	8	9 10am Bible Study	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 NO Bible Study	17	18
	Rummage Sale				Rummage Sale	Rummage Sale
19 11:00am Cabinet Meeting in Chapel	20	21	22	23 10am Bible Study	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 10am Bible Study		Shirley Long Memorial Service 2-5 pm

Serving Elders
 5 Mark Carlson
 12 Annie Bloomer
 19 Kathy Weston
 26 Diane Block

Visiting Elders
 Judie Holmer & Kathy Weston

Serving & Preparing Deacons
 Preparing: Marilyn Mix
Head Deacon: Allyson Leatherman
Deacons: Grace Carlson, Ron Standley, Rod Leatherman

Fellowship Hour Hosts -
 5
 12 Steve & Lynne Sheese
 19
 26 Lynne & Marcia Swanson

Flowers
 5 Kathy & Don Weston
 12 Lisa Hatlett
 19 Bloomers / Frybargers
 26 Lisa Hatlett / Frybargers