

# The Steeple



March 2023

## SERVING AT THE TABLE

### Elders & Deacons:

\*Craig Perry  
Ken Cooley  
Scott Jolly  
Betty Mae Lancaster  
Stan Bridges  
Bob Belk

### Communion Steward:

Ken Cooley

## CADIZ CHRISTIAN CHURCH BOARD MEETING

The Board of the Cadiz Christian Church met February 8, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Chairperson, Vicky Jones, called the meeting to order with an opening prayer.

Those in attendance were Stan Bridges, Ken Cooley, Judy Davis, Mike Davis, Kevin Deibert, Dan Grigson, Vicky Jones, Stephanie Perry, and Chappell Wilson.

The minutes of the January 2023 board meeting were approved as read with a motion by Stephanie Perry Mae Lancaster and seconded by Judy Davis.

The financial report was presented by Stephanie Perry and was approved on a motion by Dan Grigson and seconded by Ken Cooley. The operating income for the month of January was \$10,906.83 and the operating expenses were \$12,996.05.

There was no designated income and there were \$1,000.00 in designated expenses, leaving an overall balance in the general fund of \$11,963.14.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Christian Education:** CCC has had the opportunity to welcome new children into our church family. We now have 8 regular attendees of Children's Bible School, including 5 girls and three boys. Donna Jo Perry and Becky Want are teaching the young class and Judy Davis teaches the older children.

**Personnel:** CCC is now actively searching for a Youth Leader. Anna Boyles has been chosen for an internship with Advent Ministries in Alaska and is awaiting a background check. The Disciple's West Area Ministry will help us advertise for the position among other Disciples' churches. Kevin and Mike Davis will get the information to them.

**Property:** There is a leak/damage in the roof ceiling of the Sanctuary. Stan and Chappell have not found anyone to look at it. There has also been trouble with the "edge board" on the west side of the Fellowship Hall that has by blown off by the wind.

**Stewardship:** Ken pass around a list of committees. This list is not yet complete.

**Minister's Report:** Kevin's report is attached at the end of the minutes.

**Old Business:** A Women's Safety Awareness Class will be held here on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 10am and will be led by Chief Wiggins. CCC will give an appreciation card to Chief Wiggins.

DMF's monthly event will be held on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Text Ken Cooley for carpool info.

**New Business:** Genesis Express is having a Black History Program at school at 4pm on February 18<sup>th</sup> at the Little Theatre.

On a motion by Stephanie Perry and seconded by Dan Grigson, the meeting was adjourned with prayer by Kevin Deibert.

Submitted by Judy Davis



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### Minister's Report: January 11, 2023-February 8, 2023

- 272 miles
- 4 Sunday services
- Trigg Co. Hospital and emergency room chaplain visits (2), TCH discharge rides (1), Administered Trigg County Ministerial Association Travelers Aid, CCC Community aid, and benevolent fund, ongoing pet food distribution. (~ 3 families with multiple pets)
- 7 meetings, 2 pastoral counseling, Book Study
- Sermons, Advent devotionals, newsletter, Sunday School materials, bulletins, birthdays, anniversaries, book study prep, Lent/Easter planning
- Facebook, YouTube, social media administration, and posting including church events, and live streaming of Sunday worship services.
- Disconnected AT&T! We are now using Verizon, no contract business.
- Taking vacation Feb. 17-21. Rachel Nance Woehler will fill in.
- Filling out ALEX for DOC central office

### CWF (Christian Women's Fellowship) Monthly Meeting: February 20, 2023

**Members present:** Linda Perry, Betty Lancaster, Carol Martin, Laura Grigson, Cheri Loose, Judy King, Jean Bryan, Deborah Bridges, and Joanna Mulas

**Devotional** The devotional was given by Linda Perry in the absence of the Pastor. The subject was "Ordinary Lives". You might not recognize the things you do in life is a blessing to someone, but God knows. As you go through life, continue to let the Word of Christ fill your heart. You will realize your ordinary life is, in fact, a sacred life that is important in God's plan. Continue to be a blessing to all, no matter how small. **GOD KNOWS**

**Meeting called to order** Linda Perry led the members in CWF Prayer to open the meeting. Joanna Mulas provided refreshments for the February meeting.

**Minutes:** The minutes were distributed from the last meeting. A motion was made by Deborah Bridges to accept the minutes and seconded by Judy King, motion carried.

**Treasurer's report:** The treasurer's report was presented with a balance of \$4,130.61. Carol Martin made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Laura Grigson seconded, motion carried. The 2023 Budget was presented as follows: CWF Regional Outreach Organization- \$200.00, Church Benevolent Fund -\$200.00, Cadiz Rotary-\$200.00, Helping Hands -\$100.00 Angle Tree Beta Nu \$100.00, Seven Friends Scholarship Fund-\$500.00 for total of \$1,300.00. Cheri Loose made a motion to accept the CWF Budget for 2023, Joanna Mulas seconded, motion carried. It was noted that at any time additional donations could be made as needed.

**Church Updates:** None

**Old Business:** It was noted by Deborah Bridges, that the Women's Safety Awareness Class was a success. Thanks Judy and Chappell for arranging this very informative class.

**New Business:** Upon discussion it was decided that CWF will have a Rummage Sale. Save your items for us. We could not have a rummage sale without all the nice items you donate. Thanks for your help. We will discuss the date at next meeting. Carol Martin showed CWF members a "Happy Birthday Bag" that is given out at Helping Hands Food Bank. In the bag you have cake mix, icing, disposable pan, and candles and anything else that is appropriate. Members if they wish can bring the bags to meeting and Carol will see that they get to Helping Hands. Next month will be bingo month. Bring a small gift or white elephant for prizes.

**Date of Events:** none

The hostess for March will be Mary Belk.

The meeting was closed with the CWF Benediction Prayer.

### CMF (Christian Men's Fellowship) Monthly Event

March's CMF event, in conjunction with other area churches, will be held on Thursday, March 16th at 6pm at Jennie Stuart Medical Center (Hopkinsville). Learn all about our regional hospital and share a meal together! All CCC men are welcome to attend any or all events! Contact Chappell Wilson for more information and for a headcount.

### **Elders' Meeting: March 1, 2023 6:30 pm**

The meeting was called to order with prayer by Sheri Lancaster.

**Present:** Mike and Judy Davis, Dan Grigson, Ken Cooley, Kevin Deibert, and Sheri Lancaster

- Discussed the communion steward for March, who is Ken Cooley.
- Discussed the need for lay reader's. It was decided that the Elder's would be responsible for a month to make sure there is a lay reader assigned each Sunday. So far, March-Mike Davis, April-Ken Cooley, May -Dan Grigson, and June-Judy Davis.
- Judy is going to help the older children's Sunday School class read any shorter scripture(s). The lay reader list will remain at the back of the church for those members who want to sign up.
- Made revisions to the Shepherd's list by adding new members. The revised list will be emailed to the Elder's soon. Discussed any immediate needs of the congregation.
- Dan Grigson provided the devotion titled "Four Chaplains".
- Stephanie Perry will provide the devotion for April.

Next meeting will be held Thursday, April 6th at 6:30 pm for both Elder's and Deacons.  
Kevin adjourned the meeting with prayer at 7:30 pm.

### **CCC Youth Leader Open Position**

**Please share and help us find our new Youth Leader!**

#### **Position Description:**

Youth Ministry Leader

**Status:** Part-time, Salaried

**Hours:** Approximately 40 hours per month to include Sunday School and Service time on Sundays. Additional planning and prep time as required. Youth trips and major outreach events may be excluded from monthly hour requirements. (Hours are flexible except Sunday.)

**Salary:** \$8,500 / year. (Adjustable as program grows and requires more time)

#### **For the complete description and application information, please contact:**

Pastor Kevin Deibert, vicarofcadiz@gmail.com (Office: 270-522-8402)

or: Personnel Committee Chaiman, Mike Davis (270-498-3213), wmdavis1@bellsouth.net.

### **Looking for some summer fun and worship for your kiddo's? Camp Kum-Ba-Yah Summer Camp registration is open!**

Please see <http://www.campkumbaya.org/register-for-camps/> for camp dates by grade level and more information. There will also be flyers in the back of the sanctuary.

Register on-line or by paper form by May 1st. After you receive your camper registration by email, camp fees will need to be paid to CCC and we will send in one lump sum payment for all campers.

### ***Save the Date (s)!***

If you haven't already heard, **Hannah Lancaster and Collin Champion** have invited all of CCC to their upcoming wedding on June 10th! Visit their website at [www.theknot.com/candhchampion](http://www.theknot.com/candhchampion).

A bridal shower will also be held in honor of Hannah on Sunday, April 23rd after church service. A light lunch will be provided.



A Women's Safety Awareness Class, led by Chief Wiggins, was held on February 18th. About 27 women attended and learned about crime in Trigg County as well as tips and guidance on how to stay safe and protect themselves.

Judy Davis provided the following highlights and summary points:

- Overall, Trigg County has its share of shoplifting, domestic violence, fights, drugs, child neglect, etc, but has much less than most surrounding communities.
- Chief Wiggins feels Cadiz and Trigg County are very supportive of law enforcement.
- While drugs are still an issue, the problem has moved from homemade meth labs to pharmaceutical grade drugs bought elsewhere.
- Trigg is currently in the "after Christmas lull" but assaults and larceny will most likely increase as the tourist season picks up.
- One of the most important things you can do to stay safe is to be aware and avoid danger/dangerous situations when possible.
- Several suggestions for defending oneself were given, including screaming, carrying your keys between your fingers, and having a taser, bear repellent or sharp objects in your pocket. A concealed carry permit will cover these items, as well as guns, while traveling in most states.
- If an attacker only wants your purse or property, then just give it to them but if you feel your life is threatened then fight with everything and anything you have. Do not go somewhere else with an attacker. Your chances of getting help or being found are much better if you don't change location.

**Thank you to Chappell Wilson and Judy Davis for setting this class up and to Betty Mae Lancaster and her committee for providing coffee and goodies! Also, a big thank you to Chief Wiggins for taking time out of his Saturday to provide this safety information!**



March 22nd is World Water Day, an annual day of observance designated by the United Nations as a means of bringing attention to the importance of freshwater and advocating for the sustainable management of freshwater resources. At its core, it seeks to accelerate change to solve the water and sanitation crisis. As water is life-sustaining to all of our lives, it is imperative we all participated in being part of the solutions. There are multiple easy ways to help such as taking shorter showers, not letting the tap run when brushing your teeth or washing dishes, be conscious of what you are rinsing down your drain, participating in local clean-ups, and eating seasonally. For many other tips and to learn more about World Water Day, see <https://www.worldwaterday.org/>.

Water is referenced in the Bible hundreds of times! It is vital to life and an important biblical metaphor.



### Directory/Contact List Updated.

The master directory and contact list in the back of the church have been updated. A few copies of the contact list have been printed out for you to take if you would like one and are also in the back of the sanctuary. More can be printed if needed. You can also request a digital copy of the contact list at anytime by emailing us at [tcadizsteeple@gmail.com](mailto:tcadizsteeple@gmail.com)

### Rise and Shine

About 2000 years ago, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead and ascended into heaven. I would argue that was the moment our faith tradition was born. Easter is the defining moment of Christianity. Born from a woman just like all of us, he emptied himself through divine kenosis to become one of us. He continued to empty himself, living in service to others. Ultimately, he died for that and even at the last breath, he emptied himself to die like all of us.

His power wasn't a sword. His power was the weakness of humility. He didn't come to force us, rather he came to change our minds about God so that we too can ascend as he did, so that we may also rise.

He changed our image of God, from a God of wrath to a God of love. From a God to be feared to a God who wants to be close. So close that he abides in us today so that when we fall, Christ is with us and helps us to once again, rise and shine.

With Love, Kevin





# March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Choir 5pm  Elders' Mtg 6:30pm	2	3	4
5	6	7 Book Study 6:30 pm  AA 7pm	8 Choir 5pm  Board Mtg 6:30pm	9	10	11 West Area Workshop
12	13	14 Book Study 6:30 pm  AA 7pm	15 Choir 5pm	16  DMF 6:00pm	17	18
19	20  CWF 12:30pm	21 Final Book Study 6:30 pm  AA 7pm	22 World Water Day  Choir 5pm	23	24	25
26	27	28	29  Choir 5pm	30	31	

## Birthdays:

1 Sandra Kerney  
 7 Jesse Siegmund  
 9 Heather Woodruff  
 13 Kevin Deibert  
 17 Trudy Carr  
 Judy Vier  
 20 Kayden French-Tremmel  
 22 Olivia Bush

23 Connie Cook  
 Carrie Steinbeck  
 Martha Steinbeck  
 25 Vicky Jones  
 28 Mary Scott Naghtin  
 29 Danna Grigson Cramer



## Anniversaries:

28 David and Stephanie Mannahan

## Psalms 42: 1-2

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God. 2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.