

June 25, 2023

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John

*Responsive Reading (Psalm 86:1-5) Pastor John

One: Hear me, Lord, and answer me,

All: For I am poor and needy.

One: Guard my life, for I am faithful to you;

All: Save your servant who trusts in you.

One: You are my God; have mercy on me, Lord,

All: For I call to you all day long.

One: Bring joy to your servant, Lord,

All: For I put my trust in you.

One: You, Lord, are forgiving and good,

All: Abounding in love to all who call to you.

*Hymn "I Need Thee Every Hour" No. 397

*Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance Pastor John

Lord God, we come before you, burdened by the past, uncertain about the present, and anxious about the future, but you have the power to lift our spirits, clear our minds, and sharpen our vision. We pray today that through your love, grace, compassion, and mercy that we may be freed from that which troubles us, and inspired to step forward in faith. Now and forevermore. Amen!

Prayer of Reflection Pastor John

Call to Confession Pastor John

Prayer of Confession Pastor John

Mighty and Majestic Savior, we know that our salvation came at an incredible price, so as we lift up your name in praise and thanksgiving, we also humble ourselves with sincere contrition for all that we have done and all that we have failed to do. Through your abundant grace and your infinite mercy, we ask that you forgive our sins and cleanse our souls. In your Sacred Name, we pray. Amen!

Prayer of Preparation Pastor John

First Scripture: A Journey Through Psalms

Second Scripture: Matthew 11:25-30

Response

One: Let us Rejoice in God's Holy Word!

All: For His Word brings us Light, Hope and Joy!

*Gloria Patri No. 70

*Hymn "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" No. 358

Message "Weight of the World" Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer Pastor John

The Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Our Gifts Pastor John

*Doxology No. 95

*Hymn "Only Trust Him" No. 337

Benediction Pastor John

Postlude Jen Moser

**=An Invitation to Stand in Body or Spirit*

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Community Impact Day

Community Impact Day was a tremendous success! Thanks to all who organized and participated in the event, which brought food packets and hygiene kits to many people in need.

Youth Gathers Tonight

Our Youth Group will meet again tonight for fun and fellowship at 5:30 at the church. All young people are welcome to join us.

Updated Directories

Updated non-pictorial directories are available in the Narthex. If your name is missing, or if you see any incorrect information, please let us know, and we will make the corrections.

Celebration of Life Service

The Celebration of Life Service for longtime Oak Chapel member Roger Martin will be held on Saturday, July 1, at 11:00 a.m. Light refreshments will be served afterward in Fellowship Hall.

Bulletin Humor

Seven Days without prayer makes one weak

Thought for the Day

Plant yourself in church, and God will provide the Miracle-Gro



Praises and Prayers

Lord Jesus, we give you thanks and praise for your many blessings as well as the guidance you provide for us each day. We ask you once again to be with us and to hear our voices as we lift up the following praises and prayers...

Praises

- *For the Life of Roger Martin and his impact on our church
- *For Jennifer Adair, who is returning home this week
- *For Bob and Rosie Troutman on their 56th anniversary
- *For Sandy Treece as she receives treatments for pain relief

Prayers

- *For Connie Garg, her brother, Bob, and her son, Avi
- *For Ruth following her surgery and a series of strokes
- *For Jim Rastetter's brother-in-law, who is having heart issues
- *For Sammy's parents following the tornadoes in Toledo
- *For Melanie Hollowell, who has serious health issues
- *For John & Sandy Hower as John continues in Hospice care
- *For Shelby Davenport as she deals with Multiple Sclerosis

Upcoming Worship Services

Jul 2.....	Free at Last
Jul 9.....	When All Else Fails
Jul 16.....	Breaking Away
Jul 23.....	Live for Today
Jul 30.....	To Be Continued

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry This Week...

Sunday 6/25	Sunday School Class	9:30 a.m.
	Sunday Worship	10:30 a.m.
	Young Adult Class	11:30 a.m.
	Youth Group	5:30 p.m.
Monday 6/26	Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	UWF Executive Comm	10:30 a.m.
	Prayer Shawl	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday 6/27	Days for Girls	2:00 p.m.
Saturday 7/1	Roger Martin Service	11:00 a.m.

Looking Ahead...

Sunday 7/02	Sunday School Class	9:30 a.m.
	Sunday Worship	10:30 a.m.
	Youth Group	5:30 p.m.
Monday 7/03	Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	Art & Soul	7:00 p.m.
Saturday 6/08	UMM Breakfast	7:30 a.m.
	UWF Unit Meeting	9:30 a.m.



Financial News:

Tithes and Offerings needed each Sunday for budgeted expenses (May 2023): \$2,633

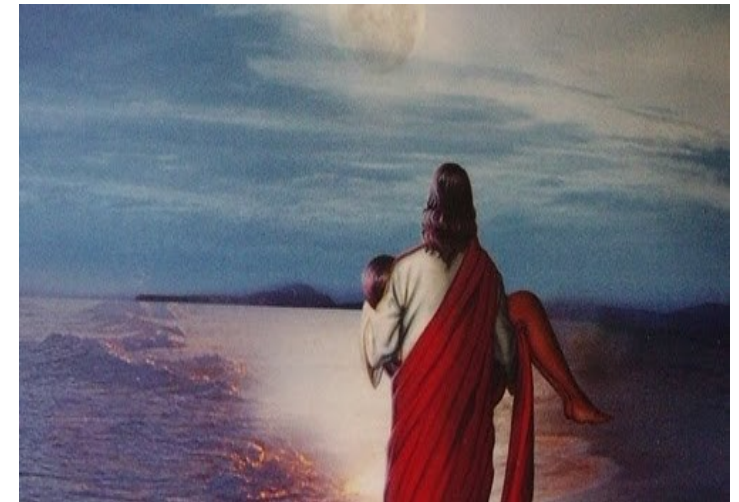
Received last month:

05/07.....	\$1,739
05/14.....	\$1,660
05/21.....	\$1,757
05/28.....	\$4,105

As of 05/31/2023, we received about 88% of our budgeted income for the month of May and 104% YTD. We are ahead of last year at this time, which was 92% and 83%, respectively. The Food Pantry is in the black. We're still making a difference. Thank you, Oak Chapel!

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*Serving God and Community
through Love, Compassion,
Fellowship, and Caring*

Today's Message...

"Weight of the World"