



The Beacon

Centenary United Methodist Church—Bonne Terre, Missouri



THE PASTORS PEN — MAY

MAY EDITION

Stepping Confidently into the Next Chapter

I was honored to receive a call from Principal Chris Brewer inviting me to officiate and preach at the Baccalaureate service at North County High School. I asked to meet with six or seven High School seniors to plan the service. When we met, I was excited that these students expressed the desire to involve as many of their classmates as possible. They wanted to make this a worship service that their whole class would want to attend. I'm excited that these students will organize and rehearse music for the service, offer prayers, read scripture, and share testimonies of faith. I'm excited that these young men and women are embracing their faith as adults as they move into leadership in their community and churches in the next chapter of life.

"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope" Jeremiah 29:11

During the month of May we have an opportunity to pray for and pour into young people who are completing one chapter of life and moving into the next. Our congregation will offer a Senior Sunday Worship service on May 17th at both our 9 am and 11 am services to celebrate and pray for students completing High School, technical school, various training programs, and undergraduate and graduate degree programs. This will be a great service to attend together as an extended family as we encourage each other to look to Jesus as a guide while entering the adventure of the next chapter. If you would like to list the names of graduates in your family or neighborhood, send us their names and the program they are completing. We will publish their names in our bulletin and pray over them as a church.

Would you join me in the following prayer?
 Dear Jesus, we pray for the young men and women of our church family and community who through hard work and study, who through friendships and worship, have grown in faith, character, knowledge, and ability. We pray that they would know of your love and presence in their life through the visible acts of love and support we share with them. We pray that they would schedule time each day to listen to your voice, to reflect on who you are calling them to be, and how their love for you will guide their decisions, words, and actions, in the next season of their lives. In your loving name we pray.

Amen

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YOU'RE INVITED TO CENTENARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Let us know if you or someone
you know will be graduating
this year.*

*We would like to celebrate you
on Senior Sunday*

SENIOR SUNDAY

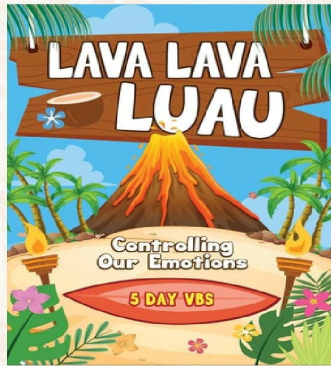
May 17, 2026

9:00 Contemporary Service

11:00 Traditional Service

20 PARK AVE. BONNE TERRE, MO





SAVE THE DATES!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JULY 27-31

CENTENARY UNITED
METHODIST
20 PARK AVE.
BONNE TERRE

July 27 - 31 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm

We will have classes available for children ages 3 years old through 6th grade. It's going to be a wonderful week of learning, fun, and fellowship—don't miss it!

Congratulations

Class of 2026



Collin McGee
Georgia Tech
Mechanical Engineering



Zachary Spalding
Missouri S & T
Civil Engineering
Architectural Engineering



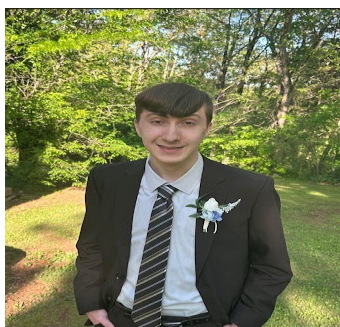
Camille Socoteanu
Springhill High School



Matthew and Ethan Denny
Parkway North High School



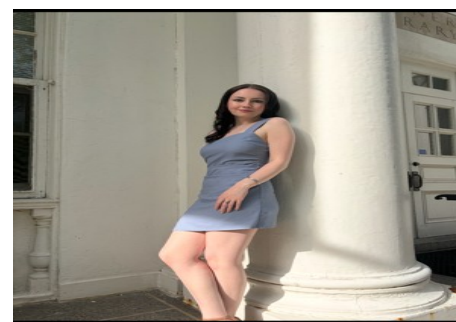
Joey Eschenbrenner
West County High School



Owen Holdman
West County High School



Hunter Holdman
North County High School



Malory Direso
Illinois State University



Maureen Matthews
University of Akron



Eleanor Walker
Dobbs Ferry High School



Dustin Aleck
University of Health Sciences & Pharmacy



Ray Hacker
North County High



Emma LaBrot
North County High School



Liam Moore
Desert Vista High School



Bethany Lumos
Mineral Area College



Megan Reed
North County High



Eli Swarer
Pryer High School

Mason Allen - Missouri State University
Claudia LaBruyere—University of Health Sciences & Pharmacy
Allison Scott - North County High School
Connor Voegtl - St. Louis University High School



Bible In A Year Reading Plan

May

	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalms	Proverbs
<input type="checkbox"/> 01	Judges 13:1-14:20	John 1:29-51	Psalms 102:1-28	Proverbs 14:15-16
<input type="checkbox"/> 02	Judges 15:1-16:31	John 2:1-25	Psalms 103:1-22	Proverbs 14:17-19
<input type="checkbox"/> 03	Judges 17:1-18:31	John 3:1-21	Psalms 104:1-24	Proverbs 14:20-21
<input type="checkbox"/> 04	Judges 19:1-20:48	John 3:22-4:3	Psalms 104:24-35	Proverbs 14:22-24
<input type="checkbox"/> 05	Judges 21:1-Ruth 1:22	John 4:4-42	Psalms 105:1-15	Proverbs 14:25
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<input type="checkbox"/> 10	1 Samuel 8:1-9:27	John 6:22-42	Psalms 106:32-48	Proverbs 14:34-35
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<input type="checkbox"/> 17	1 Samuel 20:1-21:15	John 9:1-41	Psalms 113:1-114:8	Proverbs 15:15-17
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<input type="checkbox"/> 19	1 Samuel 24:1-25:44	John 10:22-42	Psalms 116:1-19	Proverbs 15:20-21
<input type="checkbox"/> 20	1 Samuel 26:1-28:25	John 11:1-54	Psalms 117:1-2	Proverbs 15:22-23
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<input type="checkbox"/> 22	2 Samuel 1:1-2:11	John 12:20-50	Psalms 118:19-29	Proverbs 15:27-28
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<input type="checkbox"/> 30	2 Samuel 15:23-16:23	John 18:25-19:22	Psalms 119:113-128	Proverbs 16:10-11
<input type="checkbox"/> 31	2 Samuel 17:1-29	John 19:23-42	Psalms 119:129-152	Proverbs 16:12-13

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MONTHLY CHURCH NEWS

- ◆ Wednesday night Cornerstone Café showcases a church craft ministry for children and families. It's a wonderful opportunity to provide the community with a hot meal, fellowship, and a fun, faith-centered craft experience.



for

- ◆ April 25th, our church presented the delightful play *Murder at the Pie Auction*, followed by a lively pie auction to support our Children and Youth Ministry. Congratulations to the entire cast and everyone involved for a truly fabulous evening! Thanks to the generosity and enthusiasm of our church family, over \$2,800 was raised to benefit our children and youth programs.



- ◆ This is the graduation season! West County School District's graduation is on May 15th @ 7:00 pm and North County School District's graduation is May 21st @ 8:00 pm. Pastor Peter will be preaching at North County's Baccalaureate on May 20th @ 6:00 pm. If you can come and support the graduates.



- ◆ April 19th Emma LaBrot did a wonderful job sharing the message; she encouraged us to listen to our neighbors. To seek to understand our neighbors. To not judge our neighbors.



- ◆ We will be celebrating Donna Bouchard on May 3rd from 1-3pm. If you get a chance stop by.

- ◆ Congratulations to Ralph and Pat Stamm for the birth of their 5th generation grandson Baylor Rodriguez.
- ◆ A Community Resource Fair will be held on June 24th from 4:00–6:30 pm. We are partnering with East Missouri Action Agency to bring a variety of valuable resources together under one roof for our community. More information will be shared soon—stay tuned!
- ◆ The Kairos team will be coming to minister to the inmates at ERDCC (Bonne Terre Correctional Center) on June 12th - 15th. Let's begin lifting them up in prayer as they prepare for this important ministry. If you would like to volunteer during their time here, please contact the church office.
- ◆ Vacation Bible School will be held July 27th–31st from 5:00 - 8:00 pm—be sure to spread the word! We will have classes available for children ages 3 years old through 6th grade. It's going to be a wonderful week of learning, fun, and fellowship—don't miss it!

Happy Birthday

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Anna	Hacker	May 03
Teresa	Buck	May 07
Steven	Denny	May 08
Caleb	Pack	May 09
Howard	Wood	May 09
Joyce	Buchheit	May 14
Ken	Curfman	May 19
June	Yoder	May 20
Ileana	Denny	May 21
Camryn	Pack	May 22
Donna	Bouchard	May 24
Nolan	Reed	May 24
Jorgen	Wibskov	May 27
Madeline	Civey	May 29
Audrey	Gray	May 31

May

Happy Anniversary

Family Name	Anniversary
Mike & Julie Inman	May 06
Kendrick & Robene McKoy	May 08
Dennis & Judy McGee	May 16
Dwayne & Mary Betsy Chandler	May 28
Vicki Weible & Duane Byington	May 28
Howard & Marilyn Wood	May 28
Loel & Donna Hickman	May 30



CONERS ONE CAFÉ

May 6th

Tacos

May 13th

Baked Spaghetti

May 20th

Chicken Alfredo

May 27th

Meatloaf



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LITURGISTS: 9:00 am

5/3 - Bob Becker
 5/10 - TBD
 5/17 - Chris Ferguson
 5/24 - Megan Reed
 5/31 - Yon Wibskov

LITURGISTS: 11:00 am

5/3 - Nathan Pack
 5/10 - Jeff LaBrot
 5/17 - Donna Jean Weber
 5/24 - Chuck Hubbard
 5/31 - Patti O'Connor

GREETERS: 9:00 am

5/3 - Sheila Hacker
 5/10 - Sheila Hacker
 5/17 - Sheila Hacker
 5/24 - Sheila Hacker
 5/31 - Sheila Hacker

CHECK SIGNERS WEEK OF

5/3 - Linda Skaggs & Bob Powell
 5/10 - Bob Powell & Jill Clemons
 5/17 - Jill Clemons & Donna Bouchard
 5/24 - Donna Bouchard & Jim Sowers
 5/31 - Jim Sowers & Linda Skaggs

MONEY COUNTERS:

Dalana Mauk & Rita Drochelman

Are you on this list? If so, we look forward to serving with you—and if you cannot, please find a replacement and let the church office know! Thank you!

Every Sunday @ 10:00 am

Children's Sunday School
 Confirmation Class
 The Way Bible Study
 Adult - "The Chosen"

Downstairs in Sanctuary
 Cornerstone Youth Room
 Sanctuary Sunday Class (Upstairs)
 Downstairs in Sanctuary

Office Open Monday & Wednesday

573-358-2238



Monday & Wednesday

9:00am - 3:00pm

Centenary Weekly Events

NA Meeting	Every Sunday, 5 pm	Sanctuary
Table Talk	Every Monday, 10 am	Youth Room Cornerstone
Floor Yoga	Every Monday, 11 am	Cornerstone
Nursing Home Bible Study	Every Monday, 1:30 pm	Country Meadows
Prayer Shawl	Every Monday, 6 pm	Cornerstone
AA Meeting	Every Monday, 7 pm	Sanctuary
Bible Basics	Every Tuesday, 7pm	Sanctuary
Cornerstone Café	Every Wednesday, 5 pm	Cornerstone
Praise Team Rehearsal	Every Thursday, 7 pm	Cornerstone
Disciples Study Online	Every Thursday, 7 pm	Online

MAY 2026

Church Offices/Campus events not public

May 2026 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>26</p> <p>9am - Contemporary</p> <p>10am - Sunday School</p> <p>11am - Worship Service</p> <p>5pm - NA Meeting</p> <p>6pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10am - Table Talk</p> <p>11am - Chair Yoga - Cornerstone</p> <p>1:30pm - Country Meadows - Bible</p> <p>6pm - Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7pm - Bible Basics Study</p>	<p>29</p> <p>1:30pm - Making Sense of the Bible</p> <p>5pm - Cornerstone Cafe</p>	<p>30</p> <p>7pm - Disciple Bible Study - Zoom</p>	<p>1</p> <p>8am - Kairos Meeting</p> <p>10am - Graduation - Emma Labrot</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p> <p>COMMUNION/Sunday</p> <p>9am - Contemporary</p> <p>10am - Sunday School</p> <p>11am - Worship Service</p> <p>12pm - PPR Meeting</p> <p>1pm - Birthday Party for Donna</p> <p>5pm - NA Meeting</p> <p>6pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10am - Table Talk</p> <p>11am - Chair Yoga - Cornerstone</p> <p>1:30pm - Country Meadows - Bible</p> <p>6pm - Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7pm - Bible Basics Study</p>	<p>6</p> <p>1:30pm - Making Sense of the Bible</p> <p>5pm - Cornerstone Cafe</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7pm - Disciple Bible Study - Zoom</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10</p> <p>9am - Contemporary</p> <p>10am - Sunday School</p> <p>11am - Worship Service</p> <p>5pm - NA Meeting</p> <p>6pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10am - Table Talk</p> <p>11am - Chair Yoga - Cornerstone</p> <p>1:30pm - Country Meadows - Bible</p> <p>6pm - Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>12</p> <p>11am - Resource Fair Meeting</p> <p>7pm - Bible Basics Study</p>	<p>13</p> <p>1:30pm - Making Sense of the Bible</p> <p>5pm - Cornerstone Cafe</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7pm - Disciple Bible Study - Zoom</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p>9am - Contemporary</p> <p>10am - Sunday School</p> <p>11am - Worship Service</p> <p>5pm - NA Meeting</p> <p>6pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10am - Table Talk</p> <p>11am - Chair Yoga - Cornerstone</p> <p>1:30pm - Country Meadows - Bible</p> <p>6pm - Ad Board/Finance</p> <p>6pm - Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7pm - Bible Basics Study</p>	<p>20</p> <p>1:30pm - Making Sense of the Bible</p> <p>3:35pm - Haircut 3:40 pm</p> <p>5pm - Cornerstone Cafe</p> <p>6pm - North County Bacc @ North</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7pm - Disciple Bible Study - Zoom</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p>9am - Contemporary</p> <p>10am - Sunday School</p> <p>11am - Worship Service</p> <p>5pm - NA Meeting</p> <p>6pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10am - Table Talk</p> <p>11am - Chair Yoga - Cornerstone</p> <p>1:30pm - Country Meadows - Bible</p> <p>6pm - Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>26</p> <p>12pm - American Red Cross Blood</p> <p>7pm - Bible Basics Study</p>	<p>27</p> <p>1:30pm - Making Sense of the Bible</p> <p>5pm - Cornerstone Cafe</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7pm - Disciple Bible Study - Zoom</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>
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PRAYER LIST

PRAYER LIST		
Pray for	Reason	Prayer request from
Marsha Becker	Surgery	Bob Becker
Dee Sandwick	Stroke	
Chad Winch	Cancer	Bree Reed
Diane Rhodemeyer	Broken femur	Paul Butler
Dalana Mauk	Recovering from hip surgery	Church family
JOYS		
ONGOING		
Teddy Kay	Leukemia	Jenifer Ferguson
Betty LaRussa	Health Issues & Caretaker	Grace Gillingham
Jack Gillam	Cancer	Bill & Patti Martin
Rev. Richard Northcutt & Erin	Latter stages of Alzherimers	Donna Hickman
Pete Sego	Cancer	Jim & Linda Sowers
Derek Wilfong	Cancer	Donna Jean Weber
Melinda Rothlisberger	Health Issues	Jackie Berry
Tracey Anderson	Cancer	JoAnn Kite
Alan Meyer	Cancer	Grace Gillingham
Andy Skiles	Cancer	Sally Skiles
Laura Midgett	Cancer	Patti O'Connor
Doris Tomes	Hospice	Dee Krause
GREIVING		
The Skaggs family	Passing of Teresa Huff	Church family
ASSISTED LIVING/HOMEBOUND		
NURSING HOME/REHAB		
Pray for	Location	Reason
Evan LaBruyere	St. Joe Manor	Church family
Bruce & Janice Vaught	Avlon Park Assisted Living	Church family
Sue Weber	Delmar Gardens of Meremac Valley	Church family
Dave Dealy	Legacy at Sante Fe	Church family
Brenda Laws Bennett	Southbrook Nursing Home	Church family
Loretta Kosar	Cambridge House of Swansea (Swansea IL)	Church family
SERVING IN THE MILITARY		
Riley Schleappe	Marine	Tom & Patti O'Connor - Grandson
Nick Hawkins	Navy	Belinda Straughn - Friend
Jacob Sutton	Air force	Jill Clemons - Grandson
Anthony Verde	Air Force	Dee Krause - nephew
Matthew LaBrot	Army	Jeff and Karen - Son
Andy Vaughan	Air Force	Gillingham - Grandson
Todd Mabery	Navy	Vicki Weible
Rebecca Jones	Virginia-Army instructor	Dean (café diner)
SERVING AS MISSIONARIES		
Pray for	Location	Reason
Rev. Geraldo Nathaniel Matsinhe	<i>Micas Madonele UMC in Mozambique</i>	Our Partner Church
Brian Tucker & Family (cousins)	<i>In Haiti</i>	

****Please update the Church Office regularly with status****

(Names are on the list for 30 days unless church office is notified)

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2026 Church Committee Members

SPRC

Lay Member to AC	Chuck Hubbard
Lay Leader:	Marsha Becker
Committee Chair:	Patti Martin
Class of 2026	Patti Martin, Chris Ferguson, Dee Krause
Class of 2027	Sherry Basler, Jimmy Sansom, Vicki Weible
Class of 2028	Dave Engebretson, Julie Inman, Jeff LaBrot

Board of Trustees

Chair:	Bob Becker
Class of 2026	Bill Martin, Austin Wiant, Ken Curfman
Class of 2027	Bob Becker, Jerry Reed, Paul Butler
Class of 2028	Bruce Fiala, Beth Pack

Nominations and Leadership Development

Chair:	Peter Norton
Vice-Chair (from Committee)	Donna Bouchard
Lay Leader:	Marsha Becker
Class of 2026	Marsha Becker, Donna Bouchard, Jackie Berry
Class of 2027	Tina Schrum, Wayne Weber, Sarah Clay
Class of 2028	Loel Hickman, Kathy Hubbard, Ileana Denny

AD Board

Chair:	Nathan Pack
Pastor:	Peter Norton
Lay Leader	Marsha Becker
Lay member to AC	Chuck Hubbard
Finance Chair	Angie Black
Treasurer	Jim Sowers
Blessing Basket Chair	Jackie Berry
Youth Director	Dustin & Kim Gray

Finance

Chair	Angie Black
Pastor	Peter Norton
Lay member to AC	Chuck Hubbard, Alternate - Loel Hickman
Ad Board Council Chair	Nathan Pack
SPRC Chair	Patti Martin
Trustee Chair	Bob Becker
Lay Leader	Marsha Becker
Financial Secretary	JoAnn Kite
Church Treasurer	Jim Sowers
Church Business Admin	JoAnn Kite
At Large members	Jim Clay, Jean Weber
Stewardship Chairperson	Ed Buck, Jackie Berry

Blessing Basket

Chair	Jackie Berry
Members	Ken Curfman, Sonya Bahr, Rita Drochelmann

Education

Chair	
Children's Ministries	Shannon Sansom, Karen LaBrot, Patti O'Connor, Jenifer Ferguson, Beth Pack, Chris Jenkins
Youth/Adult Education	Loel Hickman, Nathan Pack, Pastor Peter Norton

Kitchen

Chair	From the committee
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Worship

Worship Leader	Anissa Jones
Pianist	Judy LaBruyere
Choir Director	Linda Sowers
Head Usher	Wade Jones
At Large members	Belinda Straughn



Please remember to pray for our Covenant Church
 MICAS MADONELE UMC in MOZAMBIQUE
 and their Pastor Rev. Geraldo Nataniel Matsinhe

Please help keep us with updated information. If you have a new address, phone number, email address or want to make sure we have birthdate(s) and your anniversary date, please send an email. Or you can update any information of the attendance sheet

**Office Hours
 Monday &
 Wednesday
 9:00-3:00**