

The Chalice

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Calendar for May

Sunday, May 14 – Mother's Day

10:00 AM – Sunday School

11:00 AM – Worship

Elder: Rosa Hall

Monday, May 15

10:30 AM – Coffee Chat

7:30 PM – Elder's Meeting

Wednesday, May 17

5:30 PM – Meal Ministry

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 19

6:00 - 9:00 PM - Sanctuary

Oconee Learning Center Graduation

Saturday, May 20

11:00 - 2:00 PM

Regional DW Spring Retreat –

Lawrenceville, GA

Sunday, May 21 – Graduates Sunday

10:00 AM – Sunday School

11:00 AM – Worship

Elder: Bill Hunt

Monday, May 22

6:30 PM – DW meeting

Wednesday, May 24

5:30 PM – Meal Ministry

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 28 – Pentecost Sunday

10:00 AM – Sunday School

11:00 AM –Worship

Elder: Cathy Moorehead

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day – Office Closed

Wednesday, May 31

No Meal Ministry until Aug.16

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

FCCW Saturday "Time for Tea"

Flower bouquets to give away and to enhance worship were made on a rainy afternoon by volunteers! Tea — hot or cold; little sandwiches in fancy shapes, macadamia nut cookies and Tre leches cake was served.

Flowers purchased locally at Twin Run Flower Farm and herbs and greens from our own gardens became small 'love' bouquets to give asway and arrangements for the sanctuary. Six volunteers joined in to have fun and friendship for the afternoon. Thank you, Barbara, Becky, Wanda, Joan, Grace, and Sue!





Disciple Women

The Disciple Women met on April 24 with 10 members present. The May project is going to be supplies for Camp Christian. Everyone is invited to participate in this project.

Saturday, May 20 – Regional Disciples Women Spring Lunch Retreat. All women invited for a day away for inspiration by Rev. Nancy Oliver and music by Anne Haines. Join us as we celebrate the women of the bible and each other! Registration available now!







FCCW Choir Re-Claimed Friendship!

A special 'night off' from rehearsals rendered an evening of good food and friendship! Hosted at the Baker's home, Roger Smith and Leo Baker provided delicious ribs while choir members bought side dishes and desserts!

Join us for Wednesday night choir practice at 7:00 PM!

FCCW CMF 'Breakfast' and Programs!

The Christian Men Fellowship enjoys delicious 'breakfast' on the first Monday night most months. With an average of 18 participants, the programs have enriched and enthused those attending the 6:30 pm gathering.



Jimmy Christopher gave a history of road development in and around Watkinsville dating back to the late 1800's at the April meeting.



Lexi Pritchard, graduating OCHS senior, shared the story of Oconee 4-H programs and the impact on youth leadership. Lexi presented to CMF, the Oconee community award - "Friend of 4-H" for their financial donation in support of summer 4-H camps.

Come join us on June 5 at 6:30 PM with KOCB Executive Director, Cindy Pritchard, with an update on "Keeping Oconee Green and Clean!" Breakfast will be served!



Meal Ministry

Wednesday Meal Ministry served 42 plates plus a few eat-ins and volunteers. The meal's theme was in honor of King Charles' Coronation with Coronation Chicken Salad with croissant; Fresh Fruit with Charles Sweet Orange dressing; Camilla's Raspberry Torte.

Wednesday Meal Ministry will take a break in June and July. Thank you to our volunteers: Barbara, Linda, Joan, Maria, Steve, Gina, Sue, Mary Lillie, Ray, Eddie.

Graduates

FCCW will honor our graduates on May 21 during worship at 11:00 AM.

Special recognition will be given to our high school graduates: Lexi Pritchard and Logan Taylor, each 2023 OCHS seniors!

It will be a great day!







Baptism

Our church family welcomes Elizabeth and Ella Tyre with baptism on Sunday, April 2.

Elizabeth is a rising 10 grader and cheerleader at OCHS. Ella is a rising 9th grader at OCHS and cheerleader. They are sisters to each other and daughters of John and Kelly Tyre, granddaughters of Diane and Tommy Branch, making them 4th generation Disciples of Christ.

We celebrate with each of these young women!



Our church family welcomes Amber Davis to the community of faith with baptism on Sunday, May 7. Amber has participated in Disciples Women, the Young Adults Group and in service projects. She is an accountant with Resource Partners Accounting. Welcome Amber!



A NEEDED PRAYER

my mind. Steady my hurried pace with a vision of the eternal reach of time. Give me, amidst the confusion of my day, the calmness of the everlasting hills. Break the tension of my nerves and muscles with the soothing music of the singing streams that live in my memory. Help me to know the magical restorative power of sleep. Teach me the art of taking minute vacations - of slowing down to look at a flower, to chat with a friend, to pat a dog, to read a few lines from a good book.

Remind me each day of the fable of the hare and the tortise, that I may know that the race is not always to the swift; that there is more to life than increasing its speed. Let me look upward into the branches of the trees, and know that they grow tall because they grow

slowly and well.

Slow me down, Lord, and inspire me to send my roots deep into the soil of life's enduring values, that I may grow toward the stars of my greater destiny.

Amen