



# The Steeple



APRIL 2025

## SERVING AT THE TABLE

### Elders & Deacons:

\*Ronnie Cook  
Mike Davis

### Deacons:

Chance Lancaster  
Deb Bridges  
Alex Calhoun  
Hannah Champion

### Communion Steward:

Harriet Clark

## Minister's Report for March 12, 2025 Board Meeting

Although it is difficult to believe, I am in my sixth month here at Cadiz Christian. February included several trips to Nashville for hospital visits, as well as some homebound visits here in Trigg County. I provided assistance to at least a couple of families that were affected by the flooding.

I have attended the various meetings – board, elders, and transition team, and helped plan and lead the joint Elders/Deacons meeting. The last transition team meeting took place this past Monday, March 10, and we have a draft proposal to present to the board tonight. I continued to work with Melissa in planning activities for children & youth through the spring. This month we are talking about baptism and what it means and the Holy Spirit (including some kite making this coming Sunday). I have worked on the Disciples History classes that we are doing on Sunday, March 16 and Sunday, March 30, and on an altered worship order for March 23 to allow space for a baptism and for Anna Boyle’s mission presentation.

As I said last month, I try to stay connected to West Area and was able to go to First Christian in Henderson for the West Area Workshops.

Grace and Peace, Ron Buck

CADIZ CHRISTIAN CHURCH BOARD met on March 12, 2025



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## HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

If you or someone you know is in the hospital or having surgery, and would like an elder to visit or add you to the prayer list, please let us know.



Elders: Mike and Judy Davis, Dan Grigson, Carey and Sheri Lancaster, Craig and Stephanie Perry, Ken Cooley, Ronnie Cook, and Chappell Wilson

## CWF MARCH 2025 MEETING

**MEMBERS PRESENT-** Linda Perry, Judy King, Mary Belk, Joanna Mulas, Deborah Bridges, Jean Bryant, Linda Wells, Judy Davis, Diane Vlach, Carol Martin, Laura Grigson, Gayle VanBuren, Cher Loose, Susie Hust, Robin Oakley.

**GUESTS-** Ron Buck, Pastor and his friend Jeff McLain of Collierville Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** - President Linda Perry - leading members in CWF Prayer

**BIBLE STUDY PRESENTED BY-** Deborah Bridges, Matthew 9: 9:12. Spoke on how Matthew was a corrupt tax collector who was asked by Jesus to “Come and Follow me.” Matthew has a total transformation. Quotes from Robert Murray McCheyne “I need to be made willing to be forgotten...& my heart to be refined from all self-seeking, & our truest happiness is not to seek our own, & to fill up the little space that remains, seeking only, and above all, that God may be glorified.”

**MINUTES-** Minutes were distributed from January 27, 2025 meeting. Motion was made by Deborah Bridges and seconded by Susie Hust to accept minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS-** We purchased 2 large bath towels for Baptism. CWF will host the CMF, May 15, 2025 at 6pm. A list was circulated outlining dishes needed to be prepared and/or donations will be received for the food. Plate discussion ensued and it was decided that real plates and silverware will be used with the exception perhaps of dessert plates of which we already have many disposable ones.

**REPORTS AND EVENTS TO COME-** Potential yard sale in June.

**HOSTESS FOR MEETING-** Jean Bryan **HOSTESS FOR APRIL** - Betty Mae Lancaster.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed with the CWF Benediction Prayer.

### **Dr. Ron Buck Presents a Two-Part Lecture on the History of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**

During March, Dr. Ron Buck presented a two-part lecture on the history of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Around 25 members gathered each Sunday (March 16 and March 30) to share lunch and to hear a bit about our story as a faith tradition. We talked about our origins during the Great Kentucky Revival of the early 19<sup>th</sup> century as well as the twists and turns on our journey toward becoming the denomination we are today.

As Disciples, we have a rich heritage of sharing the Gospel and responding to the needs of the culture in which we find ourselves – from the early days on the frontier to the current challenges of the modern and postmodern world.

Thanks to all who participated and a special thanks to Harriet Clark, Joanna Mulas, and Rhonda Nesbitt for the delicious lunch on March 30.



The church received a card with the following inscription: In Deep Appreciation to thank you for your kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated.

Denise wrote: Cadiz Christian Church, Thank you so much for the lighted church music box after my mom passed. It's beautiful and I really appreciated it. Thank you Denise Miller.

### Church News:

- ◆ Starting March 30th, Candy donations can be dropped off for the Easter Egg Hunt.
- ◆ Palm Sunday potluck after church service on April 13.
- ◆ April is the Easter Special Offering, scheduled April 13 and 20th. Your gifts support several of the General Ministries of the Christian Church.
- ◆ Maundy Thursday service on April 17 at 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Make your plans to go BEYOND with Disciples from across the United States and Canada July 12-15th in Memphis at the 2025 General Assembly.
- ◆ It's time to plan summer mission trips. Week of Compassion can help! Long-term recovery sites are ready for your group. Find more info at [weekofcompassion.org/volunteer](http://weekofcompassion.org/volunteer)
- ◆ If you have an event, class, or general information, you would like in the newsletter, please provide the office with a summary and or photos that can be used. It's a great way to keep everyone updated and involved. Please have all information to the office by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month.

### April 20th Easter Egg Hunt after church service



### There was a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Offering for Anna Boyles' Alaskan Mission

Letter from Anna Boyles:

Serving at Echo Ranch Bible Camp, Southeast Alaska

"Echo Ranch Bible Camp exists to echo God's glory by building the body of Christ through Christian camping and in partnership with the church."

Majority of the campers that we see throughout the summer are not believers. Many do not live in Christian homes, and some would honestly say they've never even heard of Jesus before coming to camp. Most of our campers come to camp because it's a chance for them to leave their hometown, which is likely an island, and go do something fun. Camp offers a zipline, horseback riding, a shooting range, and so much more. They come for the fun but they leave with the chance at a changed life. Our work and ministry aren't finished just because they leave camp. During the winter our goal as a staff is to continue connecting with these campers, checking in on them, helping them get involved in a Bible teaching church, and just continuing to walk alongside of them. We never want these campers to feel like they are alone or unloved. We want them to know and understand that not only do we love and care about them but that God does even more so.

**Why partner with me:** My role at Echo Ranch and with Avant is an unpaid missionary position. This means that I have to raise all of my support. This not only allows me to fully trust in God's provision, but it also allows the space for others to partner with me in the work that God is doing in Southeast Alaska. God has called each of us to help fulfill the Great Commission of going into all the world and telling others about Him. But the actual going is only one of the many important parts of this. Behind everyone that goes is an entire team of people praying, supporting, and encouraging them. These are all callings that play into the Great Commission and they are all aspects that make the going possible.

**Partnership:** I am asking you to prayerfully consider partnering with me long term by becoming one of my monthly supporters. If you feel that you aren't able to partner monthly, then maybe you would consider being an annual partner or doing a special gift.

All financial donations, that go through Avant, are tax deductible. Please feel free to call, text, or email me with any questions that you might have. I would love to hear from and connect with you soon. Regardless of what the Lord leads you to do, I want to thank you for your support and ask for your continued prayers as I embark on this next adventure that the Lord is calling me to. Thank you!

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# April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
6 Fifth Sunday in Lent	7 CEA-HOW 5PM Elders MTG 6:30PM	1 April Fools Day AA 6PM	2 No Choir Practice Board MTG 6:30PM	3	4	5
13 Liturgy of the Palms Palm Sunday Pot Luck after service	14 CEA-HOW 5PM	8 AA 6PM	9 No Choir Practice	10	11	12
20 Easter Resurrection of the Lord Easter Egg Hunt Earth Sunday	21 CEA-HOW 5PM CWF MTG 12PM	15 AA 6PM	16 Choir 5PM CMF MTG 6PM	17 Maundy Thursday 6:30PM Service	18 Good Friday	19
27 Second Sunday of Easter	28 CEA-HOW 5PM	22 Earth Day AA 6PM	23 Choir 5PM	24	25 Arbor Day	26
		29 AA 6PM	30 Choir 5PM			

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

3 Carol Martin  
4 Kinsey Vermillion  
10 Wanda Meadows  
19 Dan Grigson  
25 Cora Beth Cullum  
27 Ellie Jolly Hageman



## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES:

No Anniversaries this month

