

May 12, 2024

10:00 AM

Mother's Day
COME WORSHIP THE LORD!



PREPARATION OF OUR MINDS
(Entering worship, let us prepare our hearts.)

"The teachings of Jesus belong to the Church, not to society, for in society is sin, and sin is hostility to God!" – A. W. Tozer
"It makes it hard for us to live with one another and nearly impossible to be content within ourselves. The fundamental core of sin is selfishness." – "Aim at Heaven and you will get earth 'thrown in': aim at earth and you will get neither." -
- "True humanity is never to be found in autonomy, because human beings were wired to live in necessary community with the Creator." – Paul David Tripp

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE CHURCH

May Scripture: (Ephesians 4:1-3)

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

PRAISE TO AN AWESOME GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION and THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison) (debts)

Almighty God, loving Creator, your desire was that we be made always into a humanity that reflects your Kingdom, to be united with you and one another, yet we for generations continue to be divided, centering on our differences and ourselves more than on you and your way of life. You are life, and in you we are to have our being, all of us, brothers and sisters worshipping together. As we bring our own needs and issues, help us to see more the needs and problems of others gathered with us, and thus bear one another's burdens, fulfilling your law of love and life shared throughout scripture and enabled by your grace. May the words of your prayer speak the desires of our hearts; our Father....

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

***THE PEACE**

Hymnal #805

***HYMN:** "Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven"

***NEW TESTAMENT:** Jeremiah 2:1-9

Hymnal #26

Bible p.746

PRAYER TO A LISTENING SAVIOR

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING SENTENCE AND PRAYER (Psalm 68:19-20a)

"Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens. Our God is a God who saves."

NOTE: A special second collection this morning is for Samaritan's Purse who are responding to the many places devastated by tornadoes this past month.

OFFERTORY: The Sherman Church Choir
(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

***DOXOLOGY:**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

***HYMN:** "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Hymnal #808

Hymnal #101

PREACHING THE WORD

***NEW TESTAMENT:** Ephesians 2:11-22

SERMON: "Made to Be More: Part 2"

Bible p.1157

PROCLAIMING THE GLORY OF CHRIST

***HYMN:** "Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

***BENEDICTION and THREEFOLD AMEN**

POSTLUDE

(*Congregation, please stand if able.)

Hymnal #472



FOLLOWING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP

NEXT WEEK: We continue our sermon series, a walk through the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians. The first chapters outline God's plan for every believer. The last three chapters speak to the implication of this plan – the church as a reflection of the Kingdom. Next Sunday we look at **Ephesians 3:1-11.**

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Eliza Capehart, serving in the United States Air Force.
- John Langworthy, back injury.
- Brian Barnier, health.
- Jim Beddows, health.
- Nicole Thorp, health.
- Amos Munch, health.
- Jim and Christine Munch, health.
- Roberta Judd, health.
- Willis Stephens, (Jon Stephens' father), health.
- Christopher Siebert, healing of foot.
- Jill Finch, health
- Betty Beatty, health
- Rev. Daniel Morton, health
- Mark Gerber, health
- Penny LeMasurier, health

OUR MISSIONARIES:

Robert & Nina Bruneau; 4C Church Planting; Lion of Judah Academy.

DEACONS of the church are always available to meet with you, pray with you, and hear your concerns.

PRAYER TEAM

Prayer is a vital part of our ministry at the Sherman Church. A Prayer Team meets every Thursday to pray for our Church Family. If you have an immediate prayer concern, please call or email the church office or the Pastor. We will share the need with the Prayer Team.

FIRE EXITS are located at the rear of the sanctuary through the double doors and at the front through the doors on both sides of the altar.

DONATIONS FOR THE VETERANS HOSPITAL

The church continues collecting items for the Veterans Hospital in West Haven. There is a list of needed items in the Fellowship Hall.

HOPELINE is in need of several items. Please bring them to church and place them in the basket in the narthex.

(List of needed items is in the Narthex)

THE SHERMAN CHURCH

A MEMBER CHURCH OF
THE CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE
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UPCOMING:

Women's Bible Study

Every Wednesday. 10:00 a.m.

Third Thursday Prayer

May 16th at 7:00 pm

Hearts and Crafts

May 20th, 9:00 am



THE SHERMAN CHURCH
May 12, 2024

TRANSITION TEAM NOW ENTERING THE SEARCH PHASE

May 19th we will be having a brief consecration of this team as they begin the search for a new pastor of our church.



VBS REGISTRATION AND VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP ARE NOW OPEN!

Adventure awaits each day as kids explore tide pools, spot orcas, fly kites, and watch the mighty waves crash up against the immovable Breaker Rock! Kids will be

challenged as they discover that God's truth never changes, everyone needs Jesus, and learn to speak the truth in love.



IN NEED OF ALL THINGS "BEACHY"

As we get ready for another amazing VBS journey, VBS - Breaker Rock Beach, is in need of anything "Beachy". Since our theme is BREAKER ROCK BEACH, can you look and see if you can help us with any items that you would see on a beach/beach theme? Coolers, umbrellas, decor, etc.



OUR CHURCH:

Pastor:	Rev. John Loring Carpenter, Interim Pastor
Ministers:	The Congregation
Minister of Music:	Carolyn Kopsick
Moderator:	Edna Coons
Chair of Deacons:	Charles Mastroni
Co-Chair of Trustees:	Don Coons and Lynn Paulovicks
Flowers:	Penny LeMasurier
Announcements:	Barbara Hoag
Prayers of the People:	Charles Mastroni
Reader:	CJ Tlasky
Greeter:	Jill Finch
Coffee Hour Host:	Penny LeMasurier
Nursery:	Anna Galasso
Usher:	Charles Mastroni

CALENDAR

May 12 - May 18, 2024

(Links for online meetings may be found at shermanchurch.org)

SUNDAY:

WORSHIP SERVICES at 10:00 A.M. (Also Live Streamed)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY:

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY at 10:00 AM - Fellowship Hall

INVESTMENTS at 7:00 P.M. - Online

AA at 7:00 P.M - Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY:

THIRD THURSDAY PRAYER at 7:00 p.m. - In-Person

AA at 7:00 P.M - Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY:

TRUSTEES at 6:30pm - Office

MEMORIAL SUNDAY

The Book of Remembrance has a long history in the Sherman Church. It began in 1943 as a memorial fundraising effort to help build the Fellowship Hall. Today it continues to honor loved ones and to raise funds for projects of a lasting nature – adding to the beauty of the sanctuary and keeping the memorial garden.

Donations to the Book of Remembrance may be made at any time during the year, but the names are always held for public reading during the worship service on Memorial Sunday. This year the memorial reading will take place **May 26**.

Deadline for donations to be included in the 2024 reading is **May 19**.

Donations may be made to the BOR “in honor” of the living or “in memory” of loved ones who have passed. Please make checks out to “BOR,” and put the form and your check in the collection plate or give it to Penny, Anna or Edna. You also may mail them to the church office. A donation form is enclosed for your convenience.

If you would like anyone to be notified of your donation, please include their name and address.

Name: _____

Address: _____



Enclosed find my donation to the Book of Remembrance. Please make this donation of the following person(s). (Please print clearly)

_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Honor	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Memory
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DEADLY STORMS BARREL THROUGH THE HEARTLAND SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR SAMARITAN'S PURSE

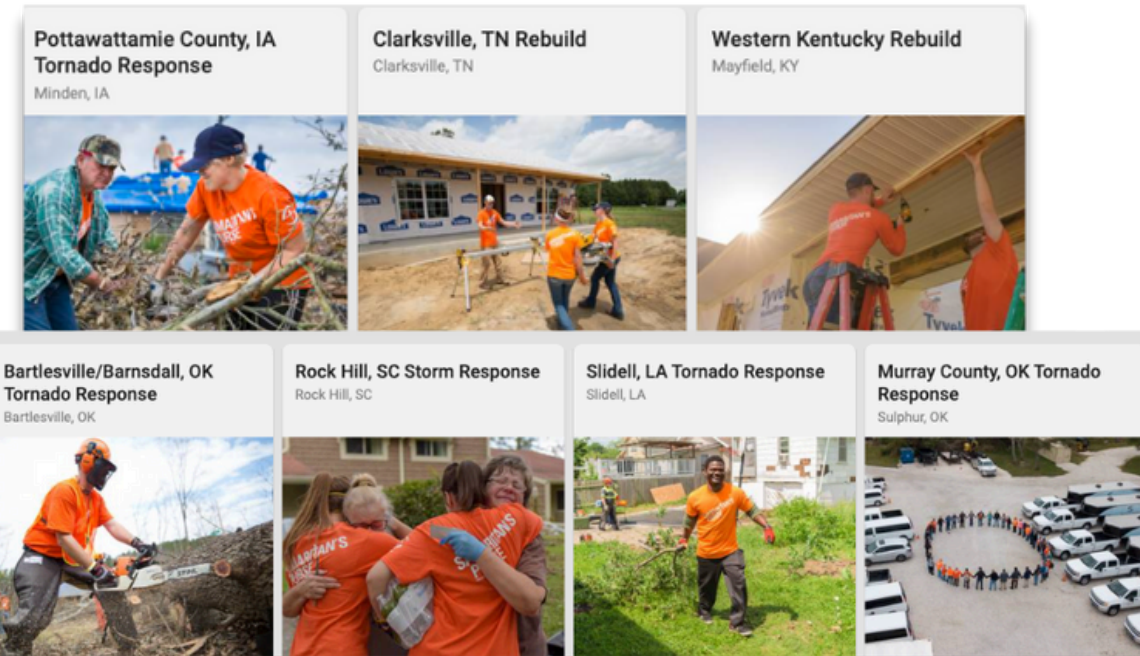
Today we will be having a special collection for those recovering from tornadoes in many midwestern states. This is in addition to our mission focus of Tim Tebow Foundation which will be featured next Sunday.

On Friday, twisters tore through the Elkhorn community near **Omaha, Nebraska**, and the small town of **Minden, Iowa**. On Saturday, deadly tornadoes hit the small town of **Sulphur, Oklahoma**, and surrounding areas.

Samaritan's Purse deployed teams and equipment over the weekend to **Douglas County, Nebraska, and Pottawattamie County, Iowa, U.S.** Disaster Relief Units #3 and #4—tractor trailers carrying relief supplies and equipment—and other relief vehicles arrived Monday afternoon in the two locations.

A third unit—U.S. Disaster Relief Unit #1—will arrive later today in Oklahoma.

Please pray for hurting residents in this region, for the churches ministering to them, and for our teams.



MAY MISSION MOMENT

For the Missions Committee, Edna Coons



In 2023, many of us saw the movie "Sound of Freedom," the incredible true story of a former government agent turned vigilante who embarks on a dangerous mission to rescue hundreds of children from traffickers. Most of us were shattered to our core as we watched this movie and even more so when we learned that our country was at the top of the list for countries promoting this horror.

Your Missions Committee has researched what we can do to help. Sunday, May 10, our special collection will be to support the Tim Tebow Foundation, a nonprofit which is in partnership with organizations in both the United States and abroad, actively fighting against human trafficking and child exploitation in three ways: prevention, rescue, and survivor care. For more information, go to [Timtebowfoundation.org](https://timtebowfoundation.org). Their web page reads: "Our heart is to love Jesus and to love people." If you would like to donate, please make checks out to The Sherman Church with Timtebowfoundation in the memo line or online at shermanchurch.org under the tab Tithes & Offerings and with **Timtebowfoundation.org** in the comments line.

THE MISSION MOMENT MAY 19



will be for the Tim Tebow Foundation which fights for the world's most vulnerable people through four main areas of focus: Anti-Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation, Orphan Care + Prevention, Profound Medical Needs, and Special Needs Ministry. The Missions Committee is focusing on child trafficking and is asking the congregation to please go to the website TimTebowFoundation.org, click on Stories and watch the videos. They will have a profound effect. We will be taking a special offering that May 19 as our Mission Moment.