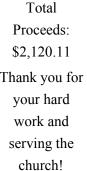


Spring Yard Sale







VBS 2022 Spark Studios

We're having VBS this summer! More details coming soon!



Spark imagination and kick creativity into high gear at Spark Studios. At VBS, kids will learn that God's creativity didn't stop in Genesis. The Master Artist is working to redeem, reclaim, and transform us—His creation—to the design He planned for us. Kids will see the beautiful truth that they are God's workmanship as they learn to use their talents to bring glory to Him.



May 8, 2022

A mother

who loves her God and lives her faith is a blessing to her children.



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Sunday, May 8 2022

Watch for Christ's Return (Matthew 24:23-31)

The Point: When Christ returns, everyone will know it.

The Bible Meets Life: I have fond memories of summers growing up. I played outside most of the day with neighborhood friends. One place we lived was near a creek beside some woods. My friends and I would be gone for hours playing in that creek.

My mother had a recognizable southern accent. When it was time for dinner, you could hear all the neighborhood mothers out on their porches calling for their kids. No matter how far down the creek I was, I could always hear Mom's strong, distinctive voice call my name. There was no mistaking her voice or her call to me.

One day Jesus is coming back, and the signs of His return will be clear and unmistakable. It will be obvious! While we will not be privy to any advance warning, Christ's return will be a powerful, can't-miss event.

I did not always want to come in from playing when my mother called, but when Jesus returns, I'll gladly welcome that moment to "go home" and be with Him. In Matthew 24, Jesus told us what that day will be like.

Live It Out: Consider. Ask yourself the question with regularity, "If Christ returned today, would I be ready?" If the answer is no, ask God to show you the adjustments you need to make. Worship. Worship the Lord for His power and glory. Christ will return with power and glory. Revelation 14:7 says, "Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgement has come." Take time now to know His perfect character with the expectation of worshiping Him forever. Share. Think of someone you know who needs to be reminded of Christ's return. Maybe it's a believer facing difficult times. Maybe it's someone you've been praying for who's considering the claims of Christ. When Paul talks about Christ's return in 1 Thessalonians 4:18, he reminds us to, "encourage one another with these words."

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Christ's Return: Living with the End in Mind

Sunday, May 15 Trust God's Timing

(Matthew 24:32:41)

Sunday, May 22 Keep Serving Faithfully

(Matthew 24:42-51)



Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Indoor Worship 10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Youth

6:30 PM Online Worship

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Service Attendance

Sunday, May 1 Indoor: 53 Online: 91

Wednesday, May 4
Online Reach: 80 Youth: 10

Monthly Budget & Offerings



Budget Needs: \$18,566.08 May Offering To Date: \$3,265

Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering
Goal: \$2,000

Received: \$2,005



Prayer Requests

Marlene Crider
Nan Helms



Rich Majewski

Sue Marks

Ryan Webb & Family

Walter (Irene's brother-in-law)

Rebecca (Susan's sister)

Happy Mother's Day



Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 18th



Service Details

Sunday's Scripture, bulletin, and worship playlist can be found on



the Bible event. You can access the Bible event through OBC's website!