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A Weekly Newsletter From Your Family at Oakhurst United Methodist Church

THE DESIRE OF THE RIGHTEOUS
ENDS ONLY IN GOOD;
THE EXPECTATION OF THE WICKED
IN WRATH.

PROVERBS 11:23

Sunday Worship
Proverbs 11: 23-30

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**Our Mission is to make disciples, who make disciples,
who transform the World.**

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May 2022

Dear Oakhurst Family,

I am writing to you with some exciting news about our life together and our future. With Stephanie moving to Virginia, we have had some pretty big shoes to fill around here. From the time she informed us she would be leaving in May; your Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) has been hard at work in conjunction with the Church Council and Finance Team to envision what the future of Oakhurst UMC will look like. We realized early on that Stephanie performed many vital functions that helped our congregation to operate as a strong missional outpost for the Kingdom of God in this world. Because of her knowledge base and operational responsibilities, we knew that we didn't want to lose an opportunity to pass on as much of that experience to whoever we would eventually hire to fill some of her roles. Two key decisions have been made in this regard:

First, the decision was made to bring on an Intern who would help us "fill in the gaps" between Stephanie leaving and our new hire starting. On April 11th, Rebecca Mills began working with Stephanie to learn as many of our systems and processes as possible. She will be with us until sometime in August, during which time she will continue some of the day-to-day operations for which Stephanie was responsible for and then ultimately pass on this knowledge to the next person. Please make sure that when you stop by the church offices during the week that if you see Rebecca, you welcome her to the Oakhurst Church family.

Second, the decision was made early in our visioning and consultation process that it was time for Oakhurst to hire an Assistant Pastor. This position will be responsible for continuing some of Stephanie's former primary duties. At the same time, it will expand in scope so that we can function with two pastors on staff once again. Throughout the search process, we received letters of interest and resumes from literally hundreds of applicants. Some great candidates rose to the top with the entire SPRC interviewing the top ones. Following this round of interviews and a close evaluation of the material submitted (including sample sermons), the decision was made to offer the position of Assistant Pastor to Rev. Philip Vestal. Phil and his wife, Erin, and their children Timothy and Elliot live in St. Petersburg. He is an ordained minister in a Baptist tradition and recently relocated to Florida from Illinois after attending Seminary in Washington state. We are confident that Pastor Phil and his family will be a blessing to our congregation. He will begin working with us on Monday, May 16 and preach his first message with us on Sunday, May 22. Please join me in making Pastor Phil and his family feel at home in our congregation. We look forward to many exciting years of ministry together.

In Christ,

Rev. Nathan W. Carlson



A Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,

*Please watch over
and support all mothers
on earth and in heaven . . .*

*and help them to know how much
they are loved and appreciated
on Mother's Day and every day.*

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Happy Mother's Day to all the women
who cherish and nurture children.

Message From:

United Women in Faith

TO ALL OF THE
NON-TRADITIONAL
MOTHERS WHO HAVE
OPENED THEIR HEARTS,
ARMS AND HOMES TO
CHILDREN IN NEED,

THANK YOU.

YOU ARE LOVED AND
APPRECIATED, EVEN IF
YOU NEVER HEAR
THOSE WORDS.

Happy Mother's Day.

To all the moms, grandmas,
aunts, sister, or cousin, wishing
you a happy Mother's Day!
Whether you are here or in
heaven now, we are what we
are because of you!

PROUD HAPPY MAMA



To all that participated in the Church Picnic. The day was beautiful, the company was great and the food was delicious. We are the best!

Below are a few pictures. More pictures can be found in the OakhurstUMC Website under the Photo Gallery Tab.

<https://www.oakhurstumc.com/photo-gallery/>



MAY EVENTS AT OAKHURST UMC AND THE COMMUNITY

MAY	HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAY BABIES	
Sunday, May 1	Church Picnic	After 10 am Worship
Sunday, May 1	May Day	
Thursday, May 5	United Women in Faith Event	at 6:30 pm
Friday, May 6	Suncoast Singers Concert	at 7:00 pm
Sunday, May 8	Happy Mother's Day	
Saturday, May 21	Armed Forces Day	
Tuesday, May 24	Brown Bag Picnic at	at Noon—Shelter #8
Monday, May 30	Memorial Day	Holiday—Church Office Closed
Weekly		
Every Monday at 11am	Living Well in the Word	Room 12 - West Wing
Every Wednesday at 9am	Coffee in the Community w/Pastor Nathan	at Southie Coffee
Every Saturday at 10am Except the last Saturday of the Month	Kathy's Art Class	Fellowship Hall
Dates/Events are Subject to Change without Notice		

Joy Circle along with United Women of Faith are hosting a brown bag picnic on Tuesday, May 24 — Starting at Noon Shelter 8, at Walsingham Park

We would like to invite all the women of the Church to join us for an afternoon of getting to know each other.



WEEKLY PUZZLE

OnlineCrosswords.net

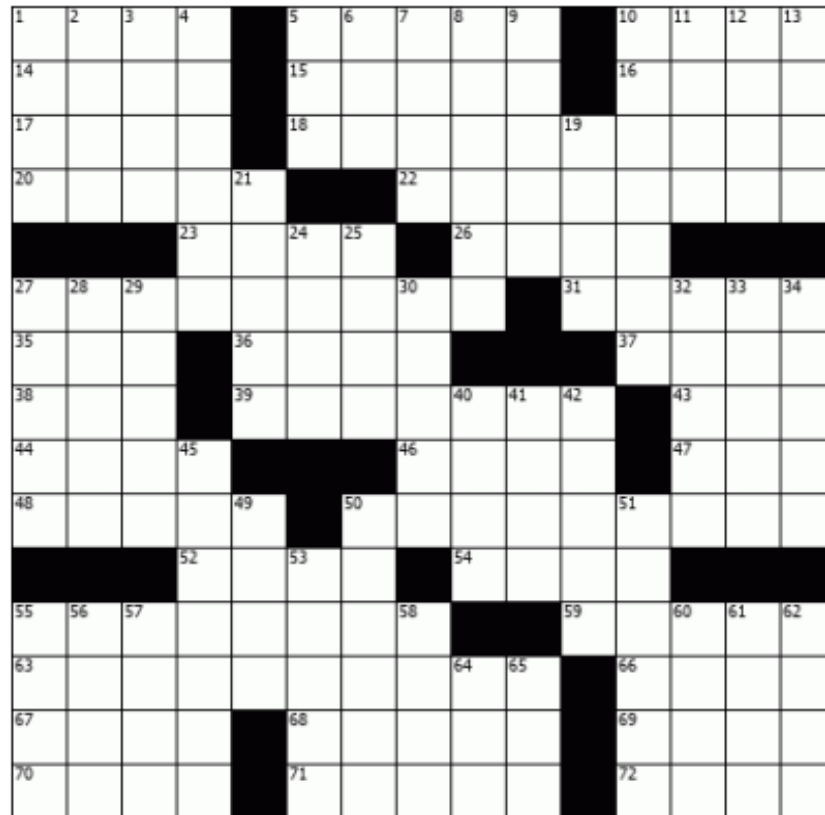
This is the Daily Crossword Puzzle #4 for May 5, 2022

Find the solution at

<https://onlinecrosswords.net/77355>

Across

1. Cobbler's tools
5. Map book
10. Sad drop
14. Plant anchor
15. Contaminate
16. Inactive
17. Three musicians
18. Respect
20. Spanish gentleman
22. Imitated
23. Mongolian desert
26. So be it!
27. Practice session
31. Fall drink
35. Logger's tool
36. Song for two
37. Apple's center
38. Baseball's ____ Ripken
39. Cooked with vapor
43. Without delay
44. French female
46. Peruvian capital
47. Lyric poem
48. Walk heavily
50. Paused
52. Evergreen tree
54. Brood
55. Appetizers
59. Lettuce dish
63. Washington inlet (2 wds.)
66. Casino game
67. Washington bills
68. Fearful
69. Stops
70. Turner and Kennedy
71. Range
72. Facial feature



Down

1. ____ and crafts
2. Eroded
3. Cut of meat
4. Curly or Moe
5. ____ loss (2 wds.)
6. Little bit
7. Shade of green
8. "____ House"
9. Stroke a guitar
10. Doomed ship
11. Rewrite text
12. Balm
13. Tear apart
19. Actor ____ Baldwin
21. Turnpikes
24. Wine bottle word
25. Got it! (2 wds.)
27. Speed contests
28. Glorify
29. Howdy!
30. Dickens title beginning (2 wds.)
32. "____ disturb" (2 wds.)
33. Wear down
34. Married again
40. Hit-or-____
41. Send out
42. Appointments
45. Female ruler
49. Actor Brad ____
50. Courageous
51. Rouse
53. Birds' abodes
55. Dog's name
56. Song
57. Matured
58. Japanese wrestling
60. Letterman's rival
61. Connecting words
62. Medicine amount
64. Playful bite
65. Ike's inits.



The Thrift Shop is Closing.
There will be a "Going Out of Business Sale" later this month.

We will be opening a Foster Children Clothing Closet later this summer.
If you know people who have children, ask them to save clothes for us that their children have outgrown.

This is a big help to people who have foster children.
Questions, please call Amanda Carlson at 727-396-2066.

We have people in our church who have transportation needs.
If you can take someone to the doctor, go to the pharmacy, pick up groceries, etc.
please contact Margaret Strickland at @msbeachwalker@gmail.com or 728-392-8428.



"Brown Bag Alpha"
Bring Your Own Lunch Sessions starting
June 1st at Noon.

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