

Forerunners

CPC OMAK | MAY-JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER



CHRIS' CORNER

This month we celebrate Mother's Day. I was very fortunate when I grew up. I had wonderful parents; both my father and mother were

Christians and took us to church regularly. My grandparents also went to church regularly. My grandmother taught us not only how to play the piano but taught us a lot of memory work as well. I grew up with four brothers, five boys in all, that I'm sure were a real challenge for my mom. She justly ruled with a wooden spoon and a loving heart. We had family devotions every evening before we went to bed.

When we were younger, we usually got in trouble corporately when we were doing something we knew we shouldn't have been doing. But when something got broken, it wasn't always easy for Mom to figure out, "all right, who did this?" Did you ever think how difficult it would have been for Jesus' mother to figure out who did this amongst his brothers? Would it have been fair to ask, "Alright, Jesus, which one of them did this?" It might have made some tension in the family.

Maybe you'll remember from the Good Friday service that one of the things Jesus said while He was on the cross was to tell the apostle John to take care of His mother (Jn 19:26,27). Did you ever wonder why He didn't ask some of His stepbrothers to take care of His mother? Historical tradition tells us that Mary went with John, and he took care of her in Ephesus. We don't know the whole story, but this incident tells us Joseph must have died sometime earlier. Being the firstborn son, Jesus became responsible for His mother's care at that time.

In John 7:1-5 there's a hint of strife between Jesus and His brothers that was foretold in Psalm 69:8. "I am a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons." Can you imagine growing up with a brother who never did anything wrong, who never called you a name, never teased you, or never made fun of you? Jesus was the nicest brother who ever lived. Yet His brothers didn't believe in Him.

Since none of them were believers at the time, Jesus might have felt more comfortable leaving Mary in John's care. John was there at the cross while none of the others were there. But we know that later, Jesus' half-brother, Jude, came to such a saving knowledge of Jesus that a book in the Bible

bears his name. And His half-brother, James, so strong in the faith that he was the leader of the early church, penned the book of James. But neither James nor Jude became believers until Jesus was crucified on a cross and resurrected from the dead. The Bible doesn't tell us much more about His siblings.

A lot of times we think, if I'm a nice person, my neighbor is going to get saved. I'll mow his lawn, I'll bake him cookies, and I'll smile when he drives by. I'll be a lovely person—and that will convert him. Gang, there was no lovelier person than Jesus Christ. Yet His brothers did not believe in Him until after the Resurrection. Therefore, I think some of us need a greater aggressiveness in preaching Jesus Christ and Him crucified. You can wave to your neighbor for twenty years and wave him right into hell. Or you can take the time at some point to say, "You know what? Jesus Christ died for your sins and rose again from the dead—and you must believe on Him." May we be wisely, but aggressively and radically, bold in sharing the full story of the gospel.

Well, I am grateful for my parents, including my mother's wooden spoon. So, hats off to mother's and their loving care!

DEACONS

Each of the incredible ladies that are your deacons have been very engaged in trying to keep their care rings informed and connected to the church and the things of the church. We also pray for those that are on our care rings and those from our church and community that have requested prayer.

The start of 2022 has been kind to the Deacons. After last year's unusually high number of funerals, the Deacons have been called upon to host just two funerals. Evelyn Minnich's funeral will take place in May. And we had a wonderful service for Lyslea Mizer in January.

The Deacons also have been working hard to provide refreshments for the fellowship hour after

church each Sunday. It is an opportunity for church attendees to visit with each other in a relaxed setting. Thank you to everyone who has donated "goodies" for this time.

Two of our members make sure that communion is ready for the congregation on the first Sunday of each month and for Good Friday.

Ushers and greeters are asked to serve our body by serving it in a gesture of welcome each Sunday. Thanks to all who volunteer and provide a smile and handshake to all entering the church for fellowship.

Randi DeHaan has taken on the role of visiting many of our church members who are not able to make it to church. Whether visiting some of these people in their homes or heading to one of the care facilities in the area, she brings a connection that is very engaging and personal.

The Sunday school program has come under the umbrella of the Deacons as Renee Hancox took on the role of facilitating this endeavor. Selecting and buying curriculum, getting materials, and lining up volunteers for pre-school to 3rd grade, and then coordinating schedules keeps her very busy.

We hosted our annual Saint Patrick's Day meal in March and a Church Breakfast in January.

As moderator for the Deacons, it has been a privilege to work with this wonderful group of ladies.

Kelley Guelich, Deacon Moderator

CPC SERVICE TEAM

The service team met on Thursday, April 28th. Here is an update on our activities and needs.

OKANOGAN COUNTY FAIR – September 8-11, 2022

For the past five years, CPC has been hosting a booth at the fair. To be sure, there is another

Christian outreach at the fair. However, we believe we are the only solo church to host a booth. It is a wonderful opportunity to share Jesus with our friends and neighbors. This might be as simple as handing them a cool bottle of water with a smile. It may be answering questions about our church, and it could be sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with someone who desperately needs to hear it. The challenge we run into each year is getting enough volunteers from our church to man the booth, and often the same volunteers take on 2 or 3 shifts. We are trying to decide if this is a ministry that can be sustained with the small pool of volunteers we often get. It is a big project, especially for those of us who are getting up in years. We can plan and organize, but we need help with set-up and volunteers to man the booth.

The service team is requesting volunteers. You may contact Dolores at (509) 429-8436 if you are available to help out. This will be the deciding factor in whether or not we participate in this year's county fair. A special note to our orchardists: We understand it is your busiest time of the year, and you may not be available. That is fine with us. All of us have times we are available and times we are not available. Thank You.

LIBERTY QUARTET – Friday, October 7th, 6:30 pm at CPC

This is a free concert sponsored by CPC. There will be a love offering. Be sure to mark your calendars. Christians come from all over Okanogan County and beyond to hear this talented Southern Gospel Quartet. It has been 6 or 7 years since they have visited Omak. We will be serving them dinner following the concert. Please contact the church office at 826-1290 if you would like to help with dinner.

CROWN MINISTRIES FINANCIAL WORKSHOP

This is still in our plans. It will probably be sometime in the fall or early next year. You may recall that we purchased the curriculum just as COVID hit, and then everything was canceled for a very long time. So, we are ready to

go. We have the supplies. We just need to see where we can fit it into our church schedule.

CALL FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICE TEAM MEMBERS

We lost some service team members due to relocation and other commitments. Current team members are Judy Bowling, Sandee Freese, Robin Colomb, Dolores Edelman, and Fred Edelman. We really could use your help and your fresh ideas. Please let one of us know or contact the church office to express your interests and your willingness.

Thank you, and God bless,
Your CPC Service Team

MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

MOPS MISSION STATEMENT

MOPS International encourages and equips moms of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women, and leaders, in relationship with Jesus and in partnership with the local church.

Dear church,

Thank you for your support of MOPS this year! Our last MOPS meeting of the 2021-2022 MOPS year will be Monday, May 23rd in the Memorial Parlor from 10am – 12pm. Tom Pruitt and Fred Edelman will be preparing a breakfast for us on that day. This would be a great opportunity for moms to check out MOPS. If you decide to attend, please let us know at the contact numbers below so that we can include you in the meal count we provide to Tom. Daycare is provided at no charge. MOPS meetings are generally held during the school year (Sept – May). Our church is one of two churches in Okanogan County to offer MOPS. This MOPS year your mentor moms and volunteers are:

Dolores Edelman (Coordinator), Sandee Freese (Mops Kids), Barby Dailey (Co-Coordinator), Joy Wilson (Mops Kids), Cathy Den Adel (Mentor Mom), Diana Deehr (Mops Kids), Joan Anderson (Mentor Mom), Teri Cunningham (Crafts).

This was sort of a practice year for us, and we learned a lot. We are seeking experienced moms to join our team. It would be wonderful to have a couple more moms who are younger than Barby and I. This would provide a more diverse group for our young moms to relate to. We will be conducting MOPS training once a month during the summer. It is not too early to get onboard for next fall. Next year's MOPS theme is "WE GO TOGETHER." Together we can create a community that battles loneliness, draws women in, and introduces them to Jesus.

-Dolores Edelman

RESEARCH SHOWS

75% of moms feel desperately lonely and reported having one or no close friends, but 9 in 10 MOPS moms say MOPS provides them with a supportive community.	59% of women report needing mentoring but are not sure where to find it, but 8 in 10 MOPS members say MOPS provided them with a mentor.	78% of moms report depilating symptoms of anxiety or depression, but 9 in 10 moms say that MOPS has increased their confidence.
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God has truly been with us this past year, and we are excited for next year!

Dolores (509) 429-8436

Barby (509) 486-1696

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women's Ministry had a fun event in February. We made two types of candy, turtles, and peppermint patties. Thank you, Kelley Guelich, for preparing the candy activity. We also made a craft. In March, we played Bible Pictionary. Our next activity will be on June 25th. Watch the bulletin for more details!



TREASURY REPORT

By Liz Verbeck

Quarter 1 Summary

Giving for QTR 1 was \$49,456.56

Down 18% when compared to QTR 1 of 2021

Expenses for QTR 1 were \$43,639.95

Up 42% when compared to QTR 1 of 2021

QTR 1 had a positive balance of \$5,815.61

QTR 1 of 2021 had a positive balance of \$29,622.54

April 2022 Summary

Giving for April was \$13,257.82

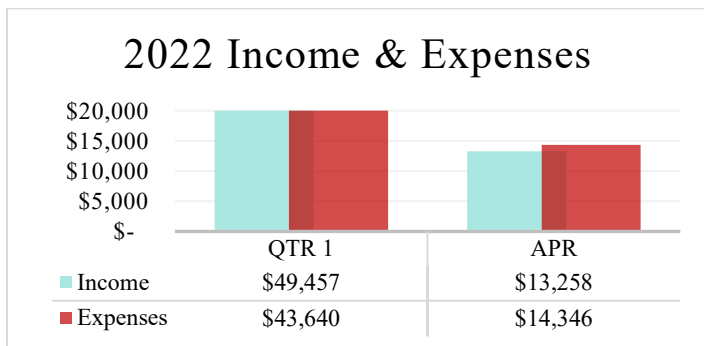
Down 31% when compared to April of 2021

Expenses for April were \$14,346.18

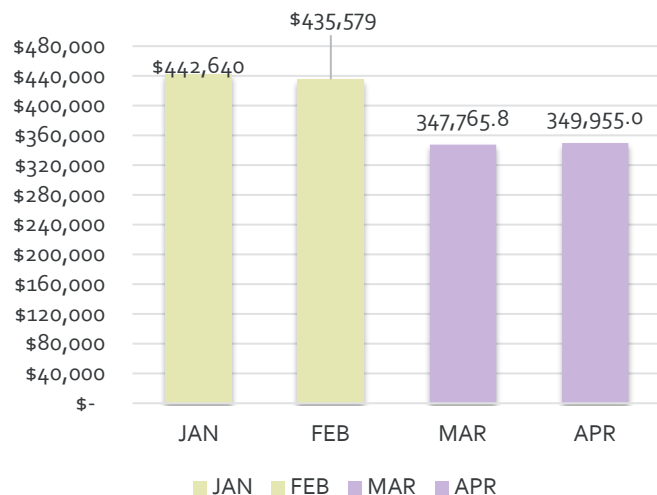
Down 18% when compared to April of 2021

April had a negative balance of \$1,088.36

April of 2021 had a positive balance of \$1,720.68



Vanguard investment account



This investment account is for major repairs of our building or equipment; however, funds are also available to cover operational expenses should we have shortages in income.

MAY & JUNE HIGHLIGHTS



All men of all ages are invited to join us for a time of prayer, breakfast, devotions, and fellowship.

Always meeting on the “Second Saturday” of each

month starting at 6 am. Next Men’s Breakfast will be May 14th. For more info, contact Jim Freese at 322-4113.

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There will be an outdoor Memorial Service for Al O’Dell, May 7th at 2 pm at 7 Airport Road.

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CPC will be holding a Memorial Service in memory of Evelyn Minnich on Saturday, May 21st, at 11 am.

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Care Net’s Spring Gala outdoor fundraiser and auction event will be on May 21st at Gamble Sands in Brewster. The social hour starts at 5 pm, and dinner starts at 6 pm. The fundraiser will benefit the mobile ultrasound unit. Contact Dolores Edelman or Tom Pruitt for more information.

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Pick-a-Party raises money for the youth's Noah's Encounter trip happening this summer. You can choose to host a fun social event of your choice at your home or elsewhere in the community. You supply all the materials and food for the party. The people who attend the party pay a fee to the church to raise money for the youth: \$15 for adults, \$5 for kids, and no more than \$35 for a family. The events can be for families, men, women, children, and couples. There are several Pick-A-Parties already planned, such as:

- Spring Fling and Spaghetti Thing, Saturday, May 14th at 5 pm.
- Christmas Craft and Lunch, Saturday, May 28th at 12 pm.
- Glock-N-Grub, Saturday, June 4th at 12 pm.
- Not So Newlywed Game, Friday, May 13th at 5 pm.
- Photo Mini Sessions, appointments scheduled by phone.

Sign up at the church if you are interested in attending. The contact person is Janet Shacklett. Shacklettfamily@msn.com or by phone 425-308-8394



The CPC youth are going to the Noah's

Encounter in Kentucky in June 2022.

To fundraise they are hosting a yard sale on May 6-7 from 9am-3pm.



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Regular Schedule of Events

EVERY SUNDAY:
9:00 AM - ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE
10:25 AM - CHILDREN'S CHURCH

EVERY MONDAY:
3:00 PM - THE GOOD NEWS CLUB

2ND & 4TH MONDAY:
10:00 AM - MOTHERS OF
PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

2ND SATURDAY:
6:00 AM - MEN'S BREAKFAST
2:30 PM - WOMEN'S MINISTRY
EVENTS



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Prepackaged snacks are needed, either store-bought or homemade. Coffee will at least be served on dates with no volunteers or snacks.

CONTACT

Address: PO Box 826
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Omak, WA 98841

Phone: 509.826.1290

Email: cpcmak.org@cpcmak.org

Website: www.cpcmak.org

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00am – 12:00pm

PRAYER CHAIN

Please call the church during office hours for prayer requests or by contact by email at secretary@cpcmak.org during or after hours.

SUPPORTED MISSIONS

1. Positive Life Radio
2. The Father's Ranch
3. Care Net Pregnancy Center
4. Omak Food Bank
5. Child Evangelism Fellowship
6. Christians in Action
7. EPC World Outreach
8. EPC Church Plant
9. Manfisher Ministries
10. Operations Christmas Child
11. Compassion Sunday
12. EPC Missionaries M&T and A&S

ASSISTED LIVING/ NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Janice Jess

