

Church of the Savior
5600 NW 63rd Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73132-7731

50 PLUS GOSPEL MATINEE

Saturday, May 31, the 50 Plus Group will travel to Weatherford, OK to enjoy the All Gospel Matinee at the Country Jamboree. The trip will include lunch, the matinee and transportation. We will leave the church at 9:30 a.m. and return at approximately 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$15 per person. Please sign up and pay by Sunday, May 25 so we will have your reservation.

STATEMENTS

are available to be picked up at the back of the sanctuary.

Contributions Appreciated

To date the members of the church have contributed \$350.00 to Mikey Weatherman, the child in the Child Care Center, who is undergoing heart surgery. A contribution of \$341.89 is also going to the Military Family Relief at Tinker Air Force Base. When the Lyon's College choir performed here we took up a love offering in the amount of \$208.00. If any one would still like to contribute to Mikey or the Military please do so.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES and WEBSITE

Church: cots@sbcglobal.net
Church website: www.cotsokc.org
Pastor Thea: ta-mckee@iwon.com
Deb: cots-squirt@sbcglobal.net
Office Manager: karleta@sbcglobal.net
Phone: 405.721.5241 **Fax:** 405.722.7450

📧 Newsletter Deadline: Friday, May 2nd
Next Mailing: Tuesday, May 15, 2003
Office Hours: M-F 9a-4p



Church of the Savior Messenger



Pastor: Rev. Thea A. McKee
Director of Music, Youth, and Young Families: Deb Roberts
Organist: Lou Ann Rice, **Office Manager:** Karleta Doss

April 15, 2003

Pastor's Letter

During our Lenten journey we have been studying the "Prayers of the Passion." The prayer of our Lord, "Father Into Your Hands I Commend My Spirit," spoke to many of you during this time of war. Since so many of you have requested the information I quoted regarding the *Theory of Just War*, I am providing J. Budziszewski's summary of the seven principles of Augustine's theory:

From the earliest times in Christian history, followers of Christ have thought long and hard about the problem of war. The first Christian thinker to write in any depth about this was St. Augustine (A. D. 354-430). His theory of a "just war" is still used as a guide for Christians today.

1. **Public authority:** *War must be declared by a legitimate government. It is not for private individuals and groups to decide when lethal violence must be used in support of justice.*
2. **Just Cause:** *War must not be waged except to protect innocent life, to ensure that people can live decently, and to secure their natural rights. Needless to say, this would not authorize the aim of destroying entire groups in a hated population.*
3. **Right Intention:** *Not only must there be just cause to take up arms; this just cause must be the reason for taking up arms. Our goal must be to achieve a just peace.*
4. **Comparative Justice:** *War should not be waged unless the evils that are fought are grave enough to justify killing. Notice the word: 'Killing,' not 'murder.' Murder is deliberately taking innocent human life. This is categorically forbidden, even in wartime.*
5. **Proportionality:** *There must be reason to expect that going to war will end more evil than it causes. This means not only physical evil, but spiritual — not only destruction of bodies and buildings, but corruption of callings and virtues.*
6. **Probability of Success:** *There must be a reasonable likelihood that the war will achieve its aims.*
7. **Last Resort:** *War should not be waged unless a reasonable person would recognize that the peaceful alternatives have been exhausted. There comes a point, though, when even a reasonable person recognizes that the opponent is not interested in peace.*

YOUTH TRUTH



Remember this week to reflect on Jesus' death and all He did for you so that you could have life and have it more abundantly.

Sun. April 20-No Youth Group.

Sun. April 27- Surprise...Be there!

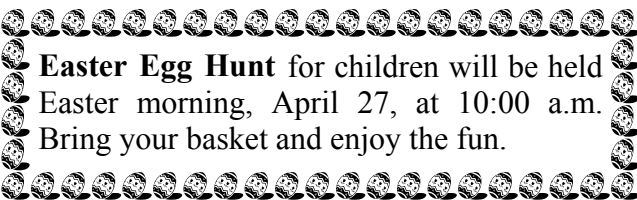
Fri./Sat., May 23, 24-Dance and Lock-in.

Kids Korner—Your time is coming...Get ready...Sunday, April 27th. The date has changed and what a surprise I have for you. 5 p.m....Be there.

Joyful Noises—This is a time of reflection and rejoicing as we sing...remember all of the things that God has done for us and all He wants to do. Reflect, Rejoice, and Remember!

Easter Lilies

Sign up for your Easter Lily. The sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Each plant is \$8. There are 18 plants that have been ordered.



Easter Egg Hunt for children will be held Easter morning, April 27, at 10:00 a.m. Bring your basket and enjoy the fun.

The 8:30 a.m. worship service will begin on Sunday, May 4—May 25.

Women of the Church Salad Luncheon/Meeting

All women of the church are invited to attend the next meeting **Tuesday, May 13**, at 10:30 a.m. Don't forget to bring a salad for the salad luncheon. We will also be accepting the Birthday Offering.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Helen Hanselman Nancy Murphy
 Evelyn Snyder Will Kamp
 Our sympathy and prayers go to Barbara Titus and family and Barbara's sister Carolyn Dickson in the recent death of Carolyn's husband, Jack Dickson.
If you know of someone who would benefit from a visit by our Caring Commission or Pastor, please contact the church office.

EASTER MORNING SUNRISE SERVICE

Please plan to attend our 6:45 AM outdoor sunrise service Easter Morning at the home of Jean and Pat Martindale, 6060 N. Mueller. Dress for comfort/bring a lawn chair. There is a sign-up sheet for those that would like to stay for a potluck breakfast after the service.

There will not be an 8:30 service, but we'll see you all back at the Church for our normal 10:50 service!

Weekly Schedule

Sunday
 10:50 a.m. Worship
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 5:00 p.m. Youth Group
Monday
 9:00 a.m. Mobile Meals
 9:30 a.m. Bible Study
 1:00 p.m. Staff meeting
Wednesday
 10:00 a.m. Quilters
 4:30 p.m. Chapel
 7:00 p.m. Choir
Thursday
 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
 9:00 a.m. Mobile Meals
Friday
 10:00 a.m. Chapel

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN MAY 2003!

Aaron McKee	3	Sue Clark	11
Kristen Clarke	6	Mary Webster	13
John Reeves	9	Eileen Morgan-Voyce	15
Shirley Hammil	9	Josh Boucher	28
Laura Williams	11		

COTSY CAFÉ will be held **Sunday, May 4** after the second worship service. We will have a variety of soups and salad. Come and enjoy fellowship and good food. Free will donations accepted to help with costs of youth mission trip to Amarillo, TX.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 May's First Sunday Mission Collection will be taken to NW Food Pantry (ROC) on NW 10th St. They report they are always short of toothpaste, shampoo, hand soap, and toilet tissue. Any non-perishable food items are welcome also.	2 Men's fishing trip -6th 8:30 Karleta - APA wkshop 1st Pres. Ch.	3 Walk For Life CONTACT @ Stars and Stripes Park
4 COTSY Café	5	6	7	8 11:30 Executive Meeting	9	10 Pastor Thea @ Presbytery Retreat
11 Mother's Day	12	13 10:30 a WOC Luncheon	14	15	16	17
18 'I'll Be There' Sunday	19	20 7p Commissions	21	22	23 Pastor Thea @ General Assembly in Denver-6/2	24 Youth Lock-in →
25	26 Memorial Day Office Closed	27	28	29	30	31 9:30a 50 Plus Group to Weatherford for Gospel Matinee