

MONTHLY

DIGITAL NEWSLETTER



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TOTAL SPONSORED

741 BEARS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

IMPACT STORY FROM THE BEARS MINISTRY

This month, we received a heartfelt email from a woman in Canton, OH. Her parents had recently moved into Brookwood Retirement Community in Blue Ash, both now living with dementia. While helping them settle in, she discovered two stuffed bears—each still tagged with information from our Bears Ministry, including Christ's Church's address and phone number.

As her parents asked about their home church and why no one had come to visit, she felt a deep longing to meet their spiritual needs. But distance made it difficult to provide the kind of in-person care they were yearning for. Moved by the discovery of the bears and the message of comfort they carried, she reached out to us, hoping someone from Christ's Church might be able to connect with them.

Dale Reeves graciously stepped in to visit her parents. While they may not have fully recognized him, we trust they felt the warmth of his presence and the love of Christ shining through. This moment is a beautiful reminder that God's love can reach beyond memory and distance—sometimes through something as simple as a bear.

And the timing couldn't have been more meaningful—her email arrived just after Bear Sunday, when our church celebrated **741 bears sponsored!** What a powerful testimony of how God uses even small acts of kindness to bring hope and connection when it's needed most.

CCKIDS CREATE 100 BIRTHDAY KITS FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

CCKids partnered with Meals on Wheels to bring joy to local seniors by assembling 100 birthday kits! Each kit included a birthday bag, a handmade card, and a paper hand fan—all crafted with care. The kids decorated with stickers, coloring, and heartfelt notes of encouragement to help ensure each recipient feels extra special on their birthday. It was a fun and meaningful way to share love and kindness with our community!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!

We're celebrating the incredible journey of our graduating seniors: Isaac Scott, El Cecrle, Chris Boyd, Ansley Leek, Zach Bryan, Andrew Skerl, Elaina Michaels, and Timothy Geiger.

This class holds a special place in our student minister Bryce's heart—they are the first group he's walked with from freshman year through graduation. He shared,

"I don't know if you've had the chance to get to know them, but they're amazing. They're intentional, committed, and have poured so much into this ministry. Several of them are living out what it truly means to follow Christ. Whether they're stepping into missions, the military, or college, I couldn't be prouder of who they are and who they're becoming."

Let's cheer them on as they step into this next season with faith and purpose!



MAY BAPTISMS

What a joy it was to celebrate seven baptisms in May! Each story represents a beautiful step of faith and a powerful declaration of new life in Christ. Congratulations to everyone who made this life-changing decision!

May 4: Elise Cherney (16), Elise Weise (10)

May 11: Anjana Lyons and Israel Lyons (10)

May 18: Lillie Rivera (9), Lila Rivera (6), Laila Lane (9)

We're so proud of each of you!

Anjana



Laila



Israel



Lillie



Lila



Elise W.



Elise C.



JUNE SERMON SERIES: "UNSEEN BATTLES: THE WAR YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE IN"

We're continuing our *Unseen Battles* sermon series, where we're diving into the often-overlooked reality of spiritual warfare. Scripture reminds us that we're not fighting against flesh and blood, but against spiritual forces of darkness (Ephesians 6:12).

This series helps us to recognize the enemy's tactics, stand firm in biblical truth, and equips us with practical ways to walk in victory. Don't miss what God wants to show you in the midst of the battle.

Week 2: How the Enemy Attacks (June 1)

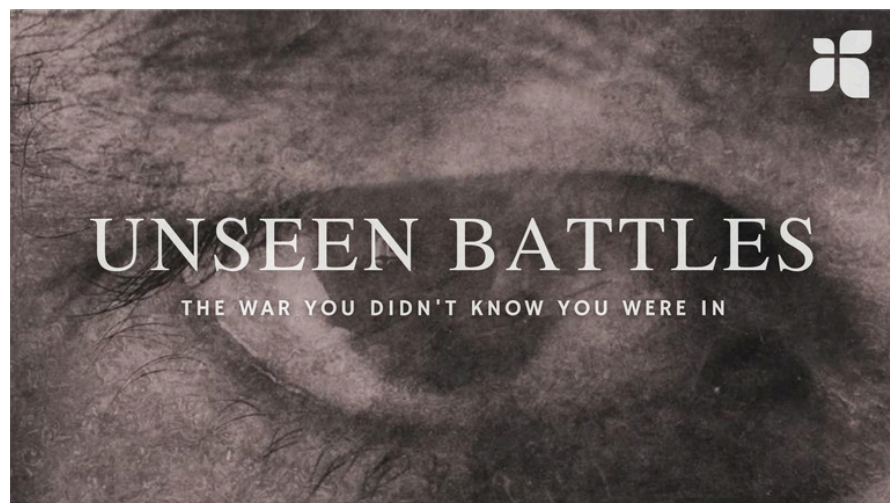
Week 3: A Right Response to Evil (June 8)

Week 4: Ready for the Fight (June 15)

Week 5: The Cure for Death (June 22)

Week 6: The Final Victory (**June 29, ONE SERVICE Only at 10:30am**)

Then in July, we'll hear messages based on the theme, "And Now a Word from . . ." with our story pastor Dale Reeves bringing two of the messages, and guest preachers speaking the other two Sundays. You won't want to miss these four unique messages.



ATTENDANCE & GIVING

MAY 4	559	\$44,995
MAY 11	578	\$32,472
MAY 18	561	\$47,657
MAY 25	540	\$27,687

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