



**Welcome to the 127th  
St. Louis Camp Meeting  
of the Church of God**

Saturday, August 8



Bookstore Hours

Sunday:

9-10 a.m., 12-1 p.m., 3-5 p.m.

Before and after each evening service


Monday through Friday:

10 a.m. to 12 p.m., 2-5 p.m.




Honeywagon service will be provided by Shankel's Septic Service again this year.

Cost is \$20, and you can sign up in the Registration office. This will take place on Monday, so please sign up for this great service as soon as possible!!



If you have a question or comment you would like addressed at the annual business meeting on Tuesday, please stop in at the business office to fill out a slip. The Board of Directors will review these questions and discuss them at the annual business meeting.



**RIDDLE FUN ANSWERS**

Riddle #1: The Letter "E"

Riddle #2: A Snowman


If you haven't already checked in at the Registration office, please do! (This includes cottage owners!) Please fill out a form with your updated information so that we know you're here.

Don't forget – the addresses and e-mails you list on these registration forms are what we use to send out the newsletters throughout the year! You don't want to miss out on those!




**IMPORTANT!!**

The porta-potties at each ends of the camp (by the dorm and by the cottages) are NOT to be used for dumping refuse! We have found diapers, pop cans, water bottles, feminine products, and other non-human waste in them which CANNOT BE PUMPED OUT! Further abuse of these 'facilities' will result in their removal!



Do you have a suggestion, comment, or compliment about camp meeting or the campground? We have a suggestion box located in the Business office where you can submit your comments at any time! We like hearing what you have to say and suggest!



We respectfully ask that you please have your children wear masks when they go to the front of the tabernacle for the children's message with Herb at the evening services.

**Is there something you would like included in the nightly newsletter? Stop by the Business office and drop off your submissions by 10 a.m. for that evening's newsletter.**

The pastor's luncheon will be on Wednesday August 12 at Noon, at JJ Ruby's in Ithaca. Please sign up at the business office if you and your spouse would like to attend.

We have Camp Meeting T-Shirts available for purchase in the Business Office! Sizes offered are Child X-Small to Adult 3X and cost \$13.00 each. Stop in and check them out!



There are two cottages which are being offered up for sale by the Board of Directors: 7 Dyer and 20 Johnson. They are accepting **sealed bids** for these cottages until August 31, with a minimum starting bid of \$500. Please bring your sealed bid to the business office during camp meeting, or after camp meeting, you can send them to:

Emily Holm, c/o Sealed Bid  
8489 N. Bagley Road  
St. Louis, MI 48880

If you would like to inspect the inside of either cottage, please contact Tom or Kathy Schaefer, or inquire at the Registration Office.



The FM frequency to listen to the services on is 98 FM. Tune in from the comfort of your car or camper and enjoy the services with social distancing!

The Board of Directors would like to urge as many people as possible to attend the Annual Business Meeting on Tuesday, August 11 at 3:30 p.m. in the Tabernacle. We need to have at least 15 different Church Congregations represented to establish a quorum, and with the possibility of low attendance due to COVID-19 this year, we would like to make sure we have that quorum. Come and let your voice be heard!



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by Mark Parisi



We have a monetary challenge to meet again this year! For every five (5) people who donate \$250 to the campground, an anonymous donor will give an additional \$250! Last year, we raised over \$11,000 with this challenge!

Our overall goal for camp meeting this year for offerings and donations is \$20,000. We know that God will bless as He sees fit!

Please remember to offer your hospitality to our Evangelist, Herb Schaffer, and our Song Evangelist and his wife, Michael and Dawn Anderson. They would love to visit with you over lunch or dinner at your camper or in town!

We are so blessed to have Herb and Michael sharing with us this year at Camp Meeting....so let's show them how much we appreciate them!



**DAILY PRAYER MEETING**  
7 A.M. At the Tabernacle

Please come join us as we seek the face of God and intercede on behalf of His people. Come expecting to be blessed and filled with His anointing. Jesus says my house shall be called a house of prayer!



At the age of 30, Jesus began His ministry. He chose 12 men, called disciples, to help with His work.

Circle the names of the disciples hidden in the puzzle.

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| Simon Peter      | James             | Thomas           |
| Andrew           | (son of Alphaeus) | Thaddaeus        |
| John             | Matthew           | Simon the zealot |
| James            | Philip            | Judas Iscariot   |
| (son of Zebedee) | Bartholomew       |                  |



We are in the process of rebuilding our audio/visual and sound equipment inventory. Over the years, pieces of equipment have deteriorated, been taken from the premises, or rented and returned at the end of camp meeting.

The Board of Directors would like to ask you to pray about donating to this fund. Please talk to Tim StCin about how you can get involved in donating.



**THANK YOU!!!!**

The Board of Directors would like to extend a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to Tom and Kathy Schaefer and Gary Puckett for working tirelessly on the St. Louis Campground and making it look so great! If you see them out and about on the grounds, please be sure to thank them for their hard work and dedication! They love serving on this campground, and we should show them that we love them for what they do!

Another big thank-you goes out to Hilltop Church of God for lending us a laptop for use in the sound booth this year!

Thank you to Jeanette Lawrence for doing such a fantastic job of cleaning the restrooms this year!



If you are interested in purchasing a brick or plaque for the prayer garden, please stop in the business office and see Sandy Turk to place your order. Bricks are installed in the pathway through the prayer garden, and plaques are added to the standing walls by the garden.

Prices:

- Small brick or plaque \$50.00
- Large brick or plaque: \$100.00

## A Letter to Tom and Kathy Schaefer, Opal Wolfgang, and Gary Puckett

2 Chronicles 7:14-16 says “If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

I called on and I prayed to Jesus for useful employment that was in His will for my life. Church of God campground manager, Kathy Schaefer, verified with board members to hire my assistance on the campground under Tom and Kathy’s leadership. This position on the surface is simply sweat equity, such as scrubbing toilets, sanitizing showers and bathrooms, cleaning cabins, washing laundry, fluff and fold, restocking all supplies, ordering and purchasing, mopping and dusting, window washing, painting, landscaping and weeding, phone answering, and scheduling proper placement for tenants and campers. That’s just this newbie’s simple version of assisting Tom and Kathy. The greater, grand truth is how amazingly under the radar their help’s ministry is. See, these so-called groundkeepers and managers are on call hourly by the general public and not just Christian folks. Pipeline employees, windmill workers, homeless, Midland flood victims, displaced COVID-19 ramblers, and the weekend temporary vacationers. They, with God’s grace and a lot of experience, maintain vital relationships to conduct our open camping progress here at St. Louis. Tom and Kathy have endured the sharp sting of being placed on the calling and responsibility of Church of God groundkeepers and managers, immediately following months of shelter-in-place for a global pandemic health protocol. While everyone else is catching up on their months of missed appointments—doctors, eye exams, vet clinics—family get-togethers, vacations, and then American privileges resuming once again with a mask, Tom and Kathy faithfully forgo personal agendas and set the pace for forward mobility on solid ground here at our church camp in St. Louis. They are committed to helping by following through their commitment to God first! Our local community donates to our campground, because, by word of mouth, people have benefitted from this campground’s extended willingness to meet a need. I will repeat that God is a god that restores, refreshes, renews, rejoices, and resurrects. Tom and Kathy serve a mighty God, and it’s a privilege to be here on God’s campground in St. Louis, Michigan.

1 Peter 4:8-11 says, “And above all things, have fervent love for one another, for ‘love will cover a multitude of sin’. Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

Thank you Tom and Kathy!

-Jeannette Lawrence