

# CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS



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### Our Mission

God calls us...  
And the Holy Spirit  
empowers us to:

- Share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all ages
- Explore and express a growing faith
- Equip believers for ministries which expand the Kingdom of God.



The Worship Committee needs your help on Sunday, **November 22**, after the 10:40 Worship Service as we get the Sanctuary and Christian Life Center ready for our Advent Season on November 29 and the Hanging of the Greens service on December 6.

We need to get decorations from the attic, make sure bows, wreaths, garland and lights are in good condition, set up the tree and get a tree for the CLC, set up the Advent candle wreath, and so much more. Please-- we need everyone to help with this.

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### Special Board Meeting

The Board will be meeting at 6:30 on November 30 in the Faith Matters Classroom.

We will be going over the latest budget, pledges, and determining what we need to do to reach a balanced budget.

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### LOOKING AHEAD...

The Youth will be hosting a Pancake Supper & Talent Show on December 6. We welcome all of you to participate. We will have a sign-up sheet available on Sundays, or you can call the church office to sign up.

We will begin the evening with a Pancake Supper at 5 p.m. A Free Will Offering will go towards youth events. The Talent Show will begin at 5:30 p.m. We will end the evening with a short Worship Service. Please come and join us.

### Come to Worship.

All Are Invited.

8:30 Praise Service

10:40 Traditional  
Service

Sermon Title  
"Forgiveness"

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading  
Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Sermon Scripture  
Mark 13:1-8



As we continue looking at different aspects of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), this week we begin with a section called “Seasons.”

There is a seasonal rhythm to the church year patterned after the life of Jesus Christ. The birth, death, resurrection, and ascension of Christ are celebrated assigned periods on the calendar by most religious bodies in Christianity. Known as holy days or holy seasons, these appointed periods enrich the believers’ participation in worship and enhance the understanding of Christ’s centrality to the Christian faith.

#### Disciples’ Traditions

Recognition of holy days has a limited tradition among Disciples. In recent years, an increasing number of churches have become adorned with colored parchments and vestments to mark the arrival and passage of each holy season. The following is a breakdown of how the Christian year is broken down:

#### Advent-Christmas (November-January)

Advent, meaning “coming,” begins four weeks before Christmas and anticipates Bethlehem and the consummation of the promise. Christmas and the eleven days that follow celebrate the birth of Jesus, showing in human form God’s love for all humanity. Liturgical colors: violet for Advent, symbolizing royalty and penitence, then white from Christmas Eve on.

#### Epiphany (January-February or March)

Epiphany means, “appearing” and recalls the visit of the Magi as well as Jesus’ baptism. The season heralds the unveiling of God’s gift to human kind. Liturgical color: white, symbolizing purity, joy and the light of truth.

#### Lent (February/March-April)

The Lenten season, beginning on Ash Wednesday and lasting forty weekdays up to Easter, is a time of repentance and self-examination. Lent, originally meaning “spring,” is a period for church members to reflect and act on renewal, rebirth, and reconciliation with God’s will. Liturgical colors: violet, symbolizing royalty and penitence; red or black, only on Good Friday, symbolizing blood and darkness.

#### Eastertide (June-November)

The Day of Pentecost concludes the Easter celebration. The church’s birthday is commemorated fifty days after Easter remembering the descent of the Holy Spirit on the new believers and the apostles in Jerusalem. Liturgical color: green, symbolizing the life of the earth, nature, and hope.

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*Blessings!*  
*Pastor Jerry*

### **Attendance for November 8**

**Praise Service: 57**

**Sunday School: 66**

**10:40 Worship: 143**

## Youth News!

6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Grades

### November Calendar

15-5 p.m.-Youth Meeting

20-7 p.m.-H.S. Play (sit as a group)

22-5 p.m.-Youth Meeting

29-NO YOUTH

**The youth are selling Home Interior candles and food mixes to raise money for a trip in the spring to the Young Christians Weekend in Branson, MO.**

### Thank You Notes!

*The carnation was so pretty, and still is! Thanks so much to all of you.*

*It was so nice to meet Janette and get acquainted. Thanks for bringing a birthday flower to me.*

*Margaret Barker*

*Thank you very much for the beautiful carnations, delivered by Donna Elliott, in recognition of our 51st wedding anniversary.*

*Sharon and Bob Cochran*

## **CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE** **10 years ago in November, 1999**

The 21st was a very busy day: The Forty-Niners Sunday School Class celebrated their 50th Anniversary by sitting together in worship and at the Campbellite Dinner, followed by gathering in the Parlor for fellowship; the Ad-Eva Sunday School members (past and present) sat together at the Campbellite Dinner to honor **John & Virginia Ritchie** as they prepared to move to Seattle; the Youth invited everyone to come after the Campbellite Dinner and help them decorate Christmas ornaments that were to be delivered to our homebound. . . . Congratulations were extended to **Tommy Neal** for winning the State Cross-Country Meet, to **Mason Good** on winning an award for his Safety poster, and to **Carrie Haller** on the announcement of her engagement. . . . The Campbellite Construction Crew invited young adults, midyear adults and more mature adults to join in a Saturday Workday clearing brush and rubbish along the east side of our church property.

## **Warrensburg Christian Social Concerns Christmas Store**

MENU of ITEMS	Family Size			
	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8
Sweet Potatoes (canned) 16 oz.	1	2	2	3
Instant potatoes 8 oz.	1	1	1	2
Vegetable (canned) 15 oz.	2	4	6	8
Fruit (canned) 15 oz.	1	2	3	4
Cranberry Sauce (canned) 16 oz.	1	1	1	1
Bread/Roll/ Cornbread Mix 16 oz.	1	1	2	2
Stuffing Mix 6 oz.	1	1	2	2
1 pie (crust mix, 11 oz. and filling, 21 oz.) or 1 can pumpkin and 1 can evaporated milk and one crust mix.	1	1	1	2
Gelatin (ex. Jell-o) 3 oz.	1	2	3	4
Brown Gravy Mix approximate 0.87 oz.	1	2	3	4
Cocoa Mix (make with water) 10 en. box	1	1	1	1
Tea Bags 16 bags	1	1	1	1
Suggested donation for Voucher for perishable items (meat, produce and dairy)	\$30	\$35	\$45	\$50
<b>Option:</b> if you would rather make a cash donation and let us do the shopping, the suggested amounts are (includes voucher)	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80

Please put all food items in a paper bag and mark clearly the family size on the bag. If you have any questions, please call Susan Langston, (747-2109) or Cindy Urbanski, (429-2015). Cash donations should be in the form of a check written to "Christmas Store, 2008" and mailed to Christmas Store c/o Joy Stevenson, 91 Grandview Dr., Warrensburg, MO 64093.

**Delivery Dates: Saturday, Dec. 12, 9-Noon,**

**Monday, Dec.14, 3-7 pm and Tuesday, Dec. 15, 3-7 pm.**

Location: Drop off at the lower level of First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Christian Life Center, 101 E. Gay Street, Warrensburg.

**Thank you for your donations!**



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**Come to Worship!  
 Everyone is Welcome!**

Coffee House in CLC: 8:00 a.m.  
 Praise Service: 8:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. All Ages  
 Worship: 10:40 a.m.  
 Coffee Fellowship: 12 noon in Parlor

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Return Service Requested



Throughout this week, we invite you to pray for these and others announced in worship.

**Name**

For those who have inadequate health insurance.  
 Our Law Enforcement  
 Our Military who are deployed



# November Celebrations

**Happy Birthday!**

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|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1-Jerry Miller    | 14-Millie Burton   | 19-Chloe Lemos      |
| 1-Brenda Dooley   | 15-Ruth Smith      | 20-Rick Dooley      |
| 1-Katie Smith     | 15-Whitney Turner  | 22-Travis Seigfreid |
| 2-Phil Shumard    | 15-Marshall Good   | 23-Michael Wakeman  |
| 6-Austin Frandsen | 16-David Ritchhart | 23-Maggie Stuck     |
| 7-Don Kendrick    | 17-Faye Kimbley    | 24-Toni Frandsen    |
| 8-Teri Smith      | 17-C.L. Holdren    | 28-Marge Barry      |
| 9-Cathy Jones     | 18-Doris Schroeder | 29-Sanai Hayes      |
| 12-Glenn Borum    | 18-Brent Baldwin   | 30-Hooley Lewis     |

**Happy Anniversary**

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1-Anita & Al Gosney       | 22-Floyd & Ganna Walker   |
| 3-Phyllis & Jerry Evans   | 27-Connie & Roger Baldwin |
| 4-Carol & Scott Dunham    |                           |
| 5-Sharon & Robert Cochran |                           |