CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS



First Christian Church

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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.

Come to Worship.

Next Newsletter October 23.

THE CARPET FUND Established

The Christian Life Center, since its inception in 2002, has been a gathering and meeting place for various and sundry "not for profit" church, organizations, groups, and community gatherings. As part of our Christian mission, the First Christian Church has provided use of the Christian Life Center on a "no fee" basis.

Unfortunately, over the last 16 years, time and heavy use has taken its toll. This has resulted in the carpet being worn, exceedingly soiled, and stained. In the past, Don Hoover took the initiative and tried to keep the carpet clean. Unfortunately, Don is now battling health issues and has not been able to be his "superman" self. We thank Don for all his dedication and work for the church, and please pray for his timely recovery.

The carpet is in such a soiled, stained, and worn state that it must now be professionally cleaned. This cost will be in excess of \$700.00. However, there are presently no funds for this task. Therefore, at the October 3, 2018 meeting of the Church Board, a new dedicated fund was established: The Carpet Fund.

The goals of the carpet fund:

- 1. To immediately clean the carpet. (October 31st for the Christian Life Center & November 7th for the Lobby area.)
- 2. Establish a professional cleaning schedule to preserve and prolong the life of the carpet.
- 3. Build funds for eventual replacement of the carpet.

The present Building Fund Campaign is to pay off the loan for the work on the remodeling already completed. THE CARPET FUND IS SEPARATE AND INDEPENDENT OF THE BUILDING FUND.

If you agree that the carpet in the Christian Life Center is in dire need of cleaning and upkeep, and if you would like to insure future carpet maintenance, please prayerfully consider making a contribution to THE CARPET FUND.

Notes From the Pastor,

My thanks to Al Gosney for talking the task of getting the carpet cleaned in and around the Christian Life Center. He's done a tremendous amount of leg work on this project and gave a great talk about the project at church on Sunday, October 7. I'm sure there is information elsewhere in this newsletter but in a nutshell, there has been created a carpet fund that will initially get the carpet cleaned and then set up a plan to clean it on a regular basis. The find, hopefully, will grow and be used when the carpet needs to be replaced down the road. I also want to thank Don Hoover for all his hard work over the years in the up-keep of the carpet.

Thanks to Nancy Huff and her family for again leading our youth group program. They meet on Sundays and I'm sure, again, information is available. Also, thanks to Jon and Toni Frandsen for taking such goods care of the children's' portion of our Sunday School. I love seeing the kids here and always look forward to hearing the laughter when they are outside playing on the ark as I make my way upstairs for the 10:40 service.

I also want to thank Jana and Marilyn for leading the book study on Thursday mornings. It's been really well attended, and I really appreciate this group.

It you've not heard already, Neal Holmes passed away last Sunday morning after a tragic fall at his home. As I write this on Monday morning arrangements have not been completed but we'll get e-mails out when they are done. Please keep Carol and all of Neal's family in your thoughts and prayers. Sudden, unexpected death is one of the toughest things we have to deal with on this side of life.

Again, please pray for all the folks who have been so affected by the natural disasters all over the world. Pray daily and contribute through Week of Compassion.

Blessings!

Pastor Basye

Youth Group News

The middle school/high school students (Chi-Rho/CYF) will meet each week from 4-5pm on Sunday afternoons.

Youth ages 4yrs thru 5th grade (JYF) will meet from 6-7pm on Sunday evenings.

Both groups will eat together from 5-6pm in the CLC.

We look forward to seeing everyone on October 7th! If you have questions, please call me at (660)909-6443.

All youth are welcome to come share. We also welcome parents.

It's going to be a great year!!

CWF Rummage Sale Report

This year's rummage sale had more donations than ever; even a whole booth from "Those Were the Days" (thank you Toni). This means that the rummage sale crew worked even harder to organize and perform the impossible (nothing to it) with thousands of items.

Did you know that most of the rooms have specialists that work in those rooms year after year? During the sale there were tireless men helping to sell and carry items at the entrance to the sale. We had people tell us "I mark my calendar for this sale every year". Newcomers were amazed (as were we) at our bounty. During the sale there were several very needy folks who came in and were given what they needed to get through. A pair of shoes here, a coat there, clothes as needed. When the sale was ending a group of ladies from Pilot Knob, MO bought many, many bags of items for their extremely poor area. We also gave them many more bags of items for their clothes closet. Leeton got a lot for their clothes closet. Christmas Store got the kids' books they liked for their event. New Beginnings got everything they wanted for little ones. Our clothes closet got several truckloads (thank you Vicki and Bill) as our own clothes closet was low on donations.

Big Brothers, Big Sisters got the rest. Not only did our Church make a little over \$13,500, we helped out so many others. I marvel every year at this; all the donations and work and joy. I saw how to have a good caring friend and how to be a good caring friend. Thank you, Pat



October is Minister Appreciation Month. Please take a moment to let Pastor Jerry and Vyrdel know how much we appreciate them.

The Membership and Evangelism Committee

Thank You!

To my First Christian Church family, thank you for the beautiful cards and my birthday gift. I want to thank Mary for stopping by and visiting with me also.

Thanks, Shirley Dougherty



Families,

We will be having our Halloween Party on Sunday, October 28, during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday School hour. Kids are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes to church. We will play games and trick or treat the Sunday School rooms. Please let us know if you can donate: juice boxes, candy for trick or treating, or treats for our party. We would like to extend the invitation to our nursery kids and their parents too. We hope to see you there!

*We ask that costumes be comfortable and easy to get on and off for bathroom purposes. We also ask that costumes not be of a graphic or violent nature. No weapons please. Thanks!



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Come to Worship! Everyone is Welcome!

Coffee House in CLC: 8:00 a.m. Praise Service: 8:30 a.m. in CLC Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.-All Ages

Worship: 10:40 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship: 12 noon

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

Family of Neal Holmes

Family of Sam Ramsey (Son of Virginia)

April Williams' Mother, Mary

Cheryl Belanger

Our Children

Our Law Enforcement

Our Military

Those with continuing health concerns



October Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

1-David Handly

2-Jerry Basye

2-Kevin Raynes

3-Donna Bodenhamer

3-Al Gosney

4-Kathy Schroeder

5-Nancy Anderson

11-Ashley Gelbach

11-Wes Maness

12-Vivian Turnbow

13-Carol Holmes

14-Larraine Baldwin

14-Johnathan Blevins 14-Robert Burrows

17-Dana Burchard

21-Richard Dudley

23-GAnna Walker

25-Sara Jones

25-Sherry Elliott

26-Dee Bodenhamer

26-Shirley Brockman

28-Margaret Barker

29-Don Smarr

31-Scott Dunham

Happy Anniversary!

1-Kevin & Cindy Howard 8-Jim & Nancy Seigfreid 10-Kevin Raynes & Dianne McCloud 12-Chris & Sarah Burton 12-Larry & Megan Holter 24-Philip & Jackie Shumard