

# 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.*



### **HOWDY PARTNER!**

Sunday evening was a wonderful time as we gathered in the FCC Corral. The attendance was great and Flo was in our midst. It takes a lot of hard work of many to put on this event, but the rewards are worth the time and effort. Thanks to all who readily volunteered to make the evening a success. Linda Hoover and Mary Howey were responsible for the Western decorations that added to the festive occasion. A special thanks to Don Hoover who prepared the best Ham'n Beans in town. We cleared \$2,954.12.

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## Good Friday Dinner & Movie

April 2, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

In the Christian Life Center

## Soup & Pot Luck Carry-In

Bring a side or dessert to share if you are able.

Movie to Begin at 6:45 p.m.

### *The Final Inquiry*

All ages are welcome to join in the meal. However, the movie is recommended for 12 and over. Younger children will be entertained in the nursery during the movie if desired. If you are bringing a younger child, please confirm with Brenda Dooley so we will have an attendant.

*Sponsored by the Faith Matters Sunday School Class*

### **Come to Worship.**

All Are Invited.

8:30 Praise Service

10:40 Traditional

Service



**March 14,  
This Sunday**



As always, time passes quickly, and we are almost halfway through the Lenten season. Remember, you have a chance for mid-week worship on Wednesday evenings through March 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Then during Holy Week we will have our yearly Maundy Thursday Service on April 1 at 8:00 p.m. (note the time) and our pot-luck meal and movie on Good Friday (April 2) at 6:00 p.m. in the CLC. Easter Sunday is April 4. We will have at least three baptisms and possibly some adults as well. Pastor's class began last Sunday and will continue through the month of March. It's always fun to teach this class, and I look forward to doing this each year.

A big thanks to all who made the annual Ham and Bean Dinner happen. It seemed like we had a big crowd, and I always hear such good things about it as people leave. Also, thanks to everyone who worked at the Food Pantry during the month of February. That is a tremendous outreach ministry in our community and a very necessary one.

I again want to lift up the Elders'/Deacons' Retreat in Clinton next Saturday. It begins at 9:00 a.m. and should be done about 2:30 p.m. Please let us know by Monday so we can get a count to the folks in Clinton. Cost is \$15, which includes a light breakfast and lunch.

Please enjoy the following called "At The Foot of the Cross" as we wind our way through Lent.

### **At the Foot of the Cross**

Fearing the battle was over and I'd already lost the war,  
I was tired of trying and failing. I just couldn't fight anymore.  
So, dragging my battle-scarred body, I crawled to the foot of the cross.  
And I sobbed. "Oh please, Father forgive me. But I tried...I tried...and still lost."  
Then the air grew silent around me. I hear his voice just as clear as the dawn:  
"Oh, My child, though you are tired and weary, you can't stop, you have to go on."  
At the foot of the Cross, where I met Him, at the foot of the Cross, where He died,  
I felt love, as I knelt in His presence. I felt hope, as I looked in His eyes.  
Then He gathered me lovingly to Him, as around us God's light clearly shone.  
And together we walked through my lifetime to heal every wound I had known.  
I found bits of my dreams, long forgotten and pieces of my life on the floor.  
But I watched as He tenderly blessed them, and my life was worth living once more.  
I knew why I had not grown. At the foot of the Cross-came the answer:  
I'd been fighting the battle alone.  
At the foot of the Cross, where I met Him, at the foot of the Cross, where He died,  
Then I knew I could face any challenge together—just my Lord and I.

*Blessings!*  
*Pastor Jerry*

## Youth News!

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

### March Calendar

14<sup>th</sup>-5:00 p.m.-Youth Meeting

21<sup>st</sup>-4:30 p.m.-Branson Trip Mtg. with Parents

21<sup>st</sup>- 5:00 p.m.-Youth Meeting

26<sup>th</sup>-3:30 p.m.-Youth Leave for Branson Young  
Christians' Weekend

28<sup>th</sup>-No Youth Meeting (back from trip around  
7 p.m.)

### Easter Morning

April 1, 2010

**Campbellite Breakfast-7:30 a.m.  
in the Christian Life Center**

**Praise Service will start at 8:30 a.m.  
Led by the youth in the  
Christian Life Center**

### **Future Joyful Noise Dates**

They are March 28, April 25, and May 23. We will then take a break until September.

The last collection was on February 28 and we collected \$109. This money was donated to the Foods Resource Bank Farm Project.

### **Treasurer's Report-February 2010**

General Fund Income	\$13,608
General Fund Expenditures	\$15,233
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Outreach Income	\$ 1,133
Building Fund Income	\$ 4,325
Joyful Noise Collection	\$ 109
Special Funds Balance	\$11,636
General Fund Balance	\$13,226
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Checkbook Balance	\$24,862

### **CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE**

25 years ago in March, 1985

New member, **Kelly Allen**, was welcomed as she joined our congregation by transfer of her membership from another denomination. . . . Congratulations were extended to **Jerry & Phyllis Evans** as they became grandparents for the second time, with the arrival of **Nicholas Warren**, to the family of **Monty & Teresa Evans Hayes** and big brother, **Jerome**. . . . Congratulations also went to **Steve & Linda Sill** upon the adoption of 1 1/2 year old **Christy**. **Steve** served the past year in Korea with the armed forces as a chaplain and returned to the states with **Christy**. Grandparents are **Joan & Rick Rickman** and **Marianne & Burton Richards**. The **Rickmans** also received word that he was a great grandfather again. His grandson and wife, **Rick & Kathy Rickman** of Rochester, N.Y., were parents of a daughter, **Victoria**. . . . CYF held a Slave Auction to raise funds to attend the CRY Festival in July.

### **Volunteer Custodian Needed**

**George will be on vacation March 22-29. We need someone a couple of times that week please.**

### **Thank You**

*Dear First Christian Church and Pastor Basye,  
Thank you for the carnation flower for my  
birthday.*

*Olivia Petersen*

### **Food Center**

Thanks to the twenty-nine who volunteered to work at the Food Center the month of February. Each Tuesday and Thursday, 40-50 families were served. Thanks to generous donations, we were able to give out a nice selection of food. We also enjoyed the yummy snacks at break time. We plan to work again next February.



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

**Name**

Lanny Lybarger (Toni's Father)  
 Hooley Lewis  
 Gindy Howey  
 Janie Uhler  
 Our Law Enforcement  
 Our Military that are deployed



# March Celebrations

**Happy Birthday!**

2-Sam Briscoe	17-Donna Hays	24-Garrett Osborne
2-Tom Breckel	17-Jamie Dooley	25-Floyd Walker
4-Dana Baldwin	17-Caroline Smith	25-Vyrdel Basye
6-Chris Burton	20-Sam Jones	26-Katie McNeel
7-Jake Turner	20-Noel Dougherty	26-Janet Ritchhart
9-Carol Dunham	20-Lee Younce	26-Christina Blevins
14-Debbie Haller	21-Louise Kendrick	
14-Kameron Key	22-Easton Burchard	

**Happy Anniversary**

11-Toni & Jon Frandsen	23-Louise & Don Kendrick
13-Megan & Jim Stuck	28-Carol & Neal Holmes
17-Mary & Lee Younce	