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 March 28.



March 19 4:30 -7 p.m. \$7 Adult ticket & \$3 Children

If you want a carry out meal call John Howard @ 660-864-3347.

Souper Bowl Results

The First Christian Church was named in the Daily Star-Journal as having the largest donation of cans of soup, with 13,880 cans. Although the 2016 record as a whole was not beaten this year our count was increased from last year's total. So great job First Christian!



It's hard to believe that we're already 2 weeks into our 2017 Lenten journey. As always, I hope you'll take time each day to think of the great sacrifice Jesus made for all of us.

We had our first pastor's class last Sunday with 4 students. We are preparing for baptism that will happen on Easter Sunday, April 16 at the 10:40 a.m. Service. I always look forward to pastor's class as it gets me back to my teaching roots. It was 40 years ago last September that I stood in front of those 27 Fifth graders in Humboldt, Ia and had no idea what I was doing! In the class we talk about what religion is—who God is—who Jesus is—what the Holy Spirit is allabout—and, of course, what baptism is all about.

Upcoming will be several special events: During Holy Week we will have our annual Maundy Thursday service of shadows. This is a series of readings that take us from the arrest of Jesus to his time on the cross.I already have one reader so I will need 2 more. Please let me know if you'd like to do that. Each reading is a long paragraph and you'll read 3 or 4 times during the service. This is always a powerful service and gets us ready to experience the power that is Easter Sunday. This service begins at 8:00 p.m. so that the sanctuary is completely dark by the end of the service.

Then on Good Friday (April 14) we will gather for a meal at 6:00 p.m. with a movie to follow. I'm sure there is more specific information elsewhere in the newsletter. This is always a fun evening and I hope you'll consider joining us.

On Easter Sunday we will have 4 baptisms and a baby dedication, so the morning will be extra joyous!

Vyrdel and I will be gone for a bit next week. She has a "milestone" birthday coming up on March 25 and we will be flying to Scottsdale, Az on the 21 to stay with my brother, Jack. We will come home on Monday March 27. Betty Thaller from Higginsville will preach on the 26 and be available for any situations or emergencies.

Blessings! Pastor Basye



Christian Women's Fellowship Southwest (formerly Ozark Lakes Area) President's Luncheon/Celebration Held at Republic Christian Church

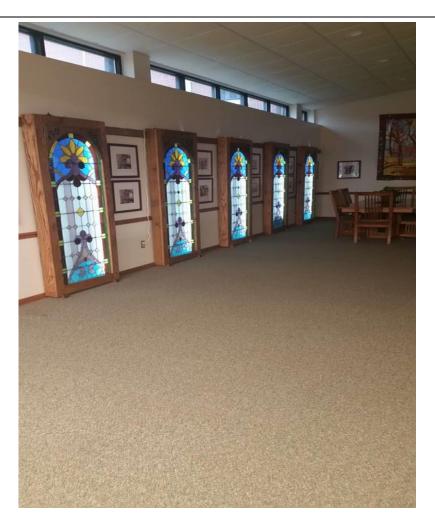
Monday, March 20, 2017 9:30 a.m. Registration/Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Program \$10 for lunch

Please wear a hat-any kind, any size and any color



March 19 - No Meeting (Ham & Bean Dinner)

March 26 - 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting



The Beautiful Stained Glass Window Display in CLC Lobby (Work done by Lee Younce and Lymann Hannah.)



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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. in CLC

Coffee Fellowship: 12 noon in CLC

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Return Service Requested



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

Lin Welch

Helen Simon

Joyce Speas

Donna Hays

Tornado Victims

Our Children

Our Law Enforcement

Our Military

Those with continuing health concerns



March Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

1-Elle Schnakenberg 4-Dana Baldwin 6-Chris Burton

6-Zane Spalding

7-Jake Turner

9-Carol Dunham 14-Deborah Haller

14-Kameron Key

16-Noah Cromer 22-Easton Burchard

17-James Dooley 22-Ray Cook

17-Donna Hays 24-Garrett Osborne 17-Caroline Smith 25-Vyrdel Basye

19-Cindy Gabel20-Noel Dougherty26-Christina Blevins26-Janet Ritchhart

20-Sam Jones 27-Kaylin Piper

20-Lee Younce 28-Kierston Newberry

Happy Anniversary

11-Jon & Toni Frandsen 13-Jim & Megan Stuck 17-Lee & Mary Younce 24-Ray & Pat Cook 26-Lyman & Claudeen Hannah 28-Neal & Carol Holmes