

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.*



We Need Volunteers!

We are in need of folks to step forward to take the lead for our children's Sunday School, beginning in the fall. Dianne, Carrie and Vyrdel have been so very faithful for many, many years and will be stepping aside. **Please** respond to this great need.

Sunday School is a vital program we have to provide.

Come to Worship.

All Are Invited.

8:00 Coffee House

8:30 Praise Service

9:30 Sunday School

10:40 Trad. Worship

Noon-Coffee

Fellowship

Next Newsletter

May 9.



We had a wonderful Easter celebration at both worship services on April 16. I want to thank everyone who worked so hard putting worship together, helping get things ready for baptism, getting the sanctuary put back together, and seeing to the sound and new video capabilities. It is so great to be able to worship in both the CLC and sanctuary. They are unique spaces that offer tremendous worship experiences each week. Thank you all for pulling together through all the construction!

If you have not already heard, we need folks to step forward to take the leadership of our children's Sunday School. Dianne McCloud, Carrie Laws, and Vyrdel Basye have taken care of this very important ministry for many, many years and will be stepping away. First, THANK YOU LADIES!! This is a very **vital** ministry in the life of our church especially when families with kids are looking for a place to worship. Sunday School, along with youth groups are quite simply **ESSENTIAL!** Please prayerfully consider this.

This week, please enjoy and consider the words of St. Francis through his Peace Prayer.

The Peace Prayer of Saint Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is error, truth;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
It is in self-forgetting that we find;
And it is in dying to ourselves that we are born to eternal life.
Amen.

Blessings

Pastor Jerry

Thank You!

Dear FCC Youth,

Thank you for the palms and the cookies you brought for me during the visitation day. I loved them.

Charlene Droege



Performance

May 21, 10:40 Service

The Johnson County Food Center needs the following items this month:

Hamburger helper, canned fruit, Pork and Beans, Cereal and Pasta, especially noodles.

Thank you,

Charlie Fair

Cancer Support Group

May 9 at 2:30 p.m.
In the CLC

Call Joan Mees if you have questions @ 660-441-7970



May Youth Calendar

May 7 - 2:00 p.m., Visit Care Centers

The Youth Group will break for summer, and resume our meetings in September.



Several years ago, Ruth Newton, a member of First Christian Church, bequeathed a scholarship trust fund to our church "to provide scholarship grants for deserving students to attend a college or university as undergraduates." The amount awarded annually is determined by the interest on the trust fund and the number of applications.

The applicant must have been a member of First Christian Church for three years, have had regular attendance and participation in church activities, and exhibits good moral character.

Application forms are available in the church office for the 2017-2018 school year. The application and required attachments must be turned in to the office by May 7. Funds for the second semester each year will be awarded when the scholarship committee is advised in writing by the recipient of current semester grades and his/her intention to register for the following semester.

Applicants may reapply, but awards will not be made for more than eight semesters. Students applying for subsequent years do not need to resubmit letters of recommendation.

Recipients will be notified no later than May 28. Checks are distributed in August and January if application criteria are complete.

Calling All Graduates!

Please let the church office know of any graduates in your family. We will be recognizing our high school graduates in May sometime and want to make sure we include everyone.

We also would like to know of other graduates within the circle of First Christian so we can also list and congratulate them.



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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.

Amanda Corbett
 Family of Virginia Branson (Sherin Sellman's Sister)
 Family of David Reith (Rick Reith's brother)
 Our Children
 Our Law Enforcement
 Our Military
 Those with continuing health concerns



May Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

2-Katelin Spalding	15-Jacelynn Laws	24-Jerry Evans
5-Jeanne Nichol	15-Tom Neal	25-Addison Basye
7-Phyllis Evans	17-Linda Barker	25-Natalie Good
7-Larry Holter	17-Earney Burchard	25-Karen O'Dell
9-Brenda Blevins	18-Tyler Holter	26-Pam Owings
9-Tyler Wiss	19-Kelley Good	28-Mary Martin
10-Shirley Hare	22-Nicholas Albright	29-Tammie Crabtree
13-David Hakes	22-Jackie Shumard	29-Garrett Good
13-Sampson Stillwell	24-Allen Charles	

Happy Anniversary

4-Larry & Donna Elliott	23-Nick & Jeanne Nichol
10-Gene & Mary Jay Lang	28-Joseph & Kelley Good
18-Allen & Renee Shackelford	28-Melvin & Christine Simon
22-J.K. & Leslie Basye	30-Dale & Yvonne Slifer