

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.

All Are Invited.

8:30 Praise Service

10:40 Traditional Service

Sunday's Sermon:
"Friends"

1st Scripture Reading:
Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9,
22-23

Sermon Scripture Reading:
Mark 7:31-37

September 18 & 19
CWF ½ Price Rummage Sale

All Church Fish Fry!
September 13 after the 10:40 Worship
Everyone Bring a Dish to Share.
Fish, Baked Beans and Drink will be provided.

YOUTH BAKE SALE

The Chi-Rho and CYF Youth will hold a bake sale to earn money for their meals and their activities. The sale will be held **Saturday, September 19**, at the entrance to the Christian Education Building on Holden Street. Sale time will be 7 a.m. – 11 a.m.

The youth will prepare the bake sale items on Friday, September 18, at 3:00 p.m. in our church kitchen. We would also welcome baked goods from our members; if you would like to contribute, please bring your items on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. If you cannot help with baked goods, we will gladly accept monetary donations. **All proceeds will be used to provide meals for our youth on Sunday evenings and for other youth activities.**

Your support of this youth activity will be greatly appreciated!



Last week we talked about the early years of how the Disciples came together and what a hardship the Civil War brought on our entire nation.

We continue now with the years 1866-1917 referred to as: Years of Adolescence.

By 1866 the founding fathers of the Disciples were all deceased. (Thomas Campbell in 1854, Walter Scott in 1861 and Alexander Campbell in 1866.) The next 40 years were marked by dramatic numerical growth, budding denominational consciousness, and deepening internal division of thought. As you might imagine, this was a time of conflict as the church was forced to choose between staying with the original founders' views or change with the ever-changing landscape of the United States. There were several battles within the movement fought over issues of the New Testament forbidding or permitting the use of instrumental musician worship, the organization of missionary societies beyond the congregation, and the development of a professional ministry with title and authority. Out of all this conflict came the split that formed the Churches of Christ (mainly in the South) and the Disciples of Christ (mostly in the upper Midwest.)

Between the Civil War and WWI, four important ministries grew out of the Disciples vision. The first was journalism. Many great publications have their roots from the Disciples.

The second ministry was a pioneering missionary initiative that has had far reaching fingers into the world in which we live. The third ministry was higher education. The founding and developing of more than 400 Disciples-related educational institutions produced a more informed laity and contributed greatly to education in the U.S.A. The fourth ministry was cooperation with other communions. Disciples were charter members of the Federal Council of churches and have always reached out to other denominations in the spirit of camaraderie and peacefulness through Jesus Christ.

When the disciples celebrated the centennial of the Declaration and address in 1909, they numbered 1,250,000 members, largely the result of their effective evangelism.

Blessings!

Pastor Jerry

3rd Annual Nathan's Quest Walk-a-Thon

The 3rd annual Walk/Run for Childhood Cancer is scheduled for Saturday, September 12 at 9:00 AM at the UCM soccer fields. The funds raised will be used for children in the JoCo area who have life threatening illnesses. If you would like to participate, you can pick up a form at Bi-Lo, Parkers, Pack 'N' Mail, or Central Logos. Walkers/runners can also register on Sept. 12 at 8:00 AM.

Attendance for September 6

Praise Service: 38

Sunday School: 42

10:40 Service: 146

Bible Study

Remember to get your book The Bible for Dummies by Jeffrey Geoghegan and Michael Homan. The class will be starting this fall.

YOUTH NEWS! 6th-12th Grade

5th Quarter (after the football game)

September 11, 9-11 p.m.

Community Center

Swimming, video games, board games, dodge ball, basketball, food and drinks

Sponsored by Warrensburg Youth Ministry Coalition

YOUTH KICK-OFF

SEPTEMBER 13

5 P.M. -7 P.M.

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER

BE PREPARED FOR LOTS OF FUN!!

BRING FRIENDS!

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The youth will prepare the bake sale items on Friday, September 18, at 3:00 p.m. in our church kitchen.

Sale-Saturday, September 19, 7 a.m. – 11 a.m.

No Youth Meeting-September 20

Youth Meet September 27

5-7 p.m. in CLC

Environmental Concerns

There is a new organization in town that some of you might be interested in. In a nutshell, it's a group interested in environmental concerns, especially climate concerns. It's called "350" and you can read more about them at www.350.org. Anyway, there will be a meeting for this group on Thursday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of the Brethren on D.D. Hwy here in Warrensburg, if you're interested.

Thanks to Peggy, Linda, Mary and Betty for helping at Ye Old Flower Shop for the "Good Neighbor Day."

Helen Simon

CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE

25 years ago in September, 1984

September began with the dedication of the new hymnal, *Hymns for the Family of God*, and the welcoming of new choir director, **Carol Borgstadt**. . . CWF concluded another successful Rummage Sale . . . The kickoff of the Pony Express Pledge Drive was held . . . The first-ever color *Pictorial Directories* arrived . . . **Jay Miller** and **Dana Hoover** were congratulated for being selected for the All District High School Choir . . . On Promotion Sunday the following were promoted: **Josh Jackson** - Kindergarten; **Jeanette Boydston**, **Blake Cambett & Tiffany Sterling** - Primary; **Amy Elsberry**, **Clint Nichol**, **Suzanne Osborne**, **Shelly Powell**, **Tabitha Roach** - Junior; **Darin Baldwin**, **Mark Dunham**, **Chris Mahon**, **Teri Nichol**, **Angela Elsberry**, **Krisanna Grigsby**, **Cinnemon Kroeck**, **Clark Holdren & David Osborne** - Chi Rho; **Andy Gosney**, **Trina DesCombes & Stacy Elliott** - CYE. Sixty-plus campers attended the All Church Fall Retreat, chaired by **Mary Howey & Betty Brown**. **Don Hoover & Larry Cammack** were Chief Cooks. **Rev. Robert Eichenberger** served as resource leader for sessions on the weekend topic, "Family Growth."

PUT ON YOUR WALKING SHOES

The 6th Annual CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Hunger) Walk will be held Sunday, October 11 at 3:00. First Christian Church has been a strong supporter of CROP Walk for the last five years. Last year we contributed over \$1000, the second largest gift out of over a dozen churches. Come join and contribute to this interfaith expression of our response to God's abundant love toward the Warrensburg Community. Remember, if you can't walk, you can still be a donor and support one of our youth walkers (or even a senior walker like Pastor Bayse). Sign up will begin this Sunday.

Blessings,

Greg & Jermaine



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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

Don Commer(Rick Dooley's Dad)
 Ren DeShong's Mother, Dorothy Wright
 Our Law Enforcement
 Our Military who are deployed

CROP Walk
October 11

September Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

3-Kellyn Smith	18-Shirley Dougherty	24-Dennis Alkire
4-Don Hoover	18-Ripley Laws	24-Lynn Alkire
7-Margaret Klein	18-William Turnbow	24-Molly Shumard
13-Gary Love	20-Lee Crabtree	28-Andrew Gelbach
15-Joan Mees	22-Bruce Howey	28-Taylor Brockhaus
15-Shannon Cobb	22-Jim Seigfreid	
15-Celeste Long	23-Dan Kline	
17-Jermaine Tappin	24-Helen Bayless	

Happy Anniversary

2-Ray & Shirley Fitterling 27-J.C. & Vivian Sutton
 3-Donald & Martha Smarr
 4-Earl & Janie Uhler
 13-Stacey & Stephanie Smith