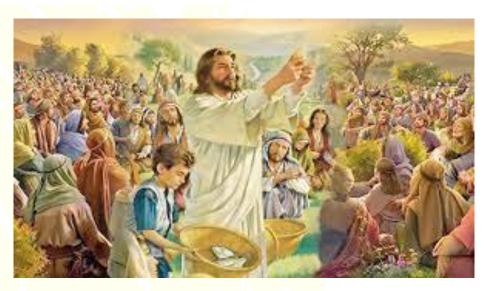
## **First Christian Church News**

July 24, 2024

#### **Our Mission**

We are an open and welcoming community that God calls 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



### "Feeding The Five Thousand" John 6:1-21

#### Pentecost 10B, July 28th, 2024

#### What is the sermon about? . . .

As I write this note about the message this week, our building is alive with the activity in preparation for our Grab-N-Go free lunch that we serve on Wednesdays from 11-12. We are never sure how many will show up needing a meal at that hour. But whether it's seventy or one hundred twenty-five, somehow, we always have enough. When you are feeding people and Jesus is involved, you never have to worry. That's the way faith works in so many ways. You decide to do what Christ is calling you to do, and the resources of people, facilities, materials and dollars show up, provided by others who are also on this mission of love. We are so amazingly blessed at the creativity and generosity of our worship community in efforts to take advantage of the miracles of Christ! What will we do if we know that we cannot fail? We'll talk more about this on Sunday. See you there!

#### **Kids Say The Darndest Things**

"And who defeated the Phillistines?" the Sunday School Teacher asked a boy in her class. He answered, "I don't know, I don't keep up with the minor leagues."

## **CHURCH EXTENSION CONSULTATION VISIT**

What started out as a search for expert guidance to improve our exterior & interior signage, we found a more extensive resource for our church.

The Disciples of Christ (DOC) offers a "no cost" facility and functional consultation for affiliated DOC churches.

Their representative, Jim Michel, will be here on July 30th. He will assess our facilities (signage & more), the way our church functions, and how it works for our current programs as well as our hopes & dreams for the future.

We will give him a tour of our facility and then he will meet with church leadership (Board Officers, Pastor, Committee and Department Chairs), and some others who can provide information about their specific program.

After his visit, he will compile his notes and we will receive a written summary of his assessment that will hopefully include some ideas and best practices he has seen in other churches for us to consider.

This analysis summary with any best practice ideas will be shared, analyzed, and discussed for any possible recommendations &/or actions in the future.

If you have questions regarding this, please feel free to reach out to me.

Debbie Haller, Board Chair

#### **Coffee Connection**

We need Hosts for Coffee Connection for September. Please stop by the bulletin board in the CLC lobby & sign up. A big **THANK YOU** to those that have been hosting for us! If you are considering helping, a Walmart card will be provided to cover expenses. Thank you!



#### **Guest WiFi Security**

Because of some attempts to access our Guest WiFi for objectionable purposes and upon insurance company advice, the Church Board voted to take the following security precautions.

The Guest WiFi Network will only be active on Sundays from 8 a.m. till 3 p.m. and Wednesday evenings from 4 p.m. till 9 p.m. (continued next page)

In addition; 1) the Guest WiFi's password will be changed frequently or whenever warranted and 2) the password will be shared with members but not prominently posted.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause our members but felt these actions were necessary to protect our church.

Debbie Haller, Church Board Chair

#### FCC Guest WiFi Password Has Changed: FirstChristian!

(Do not give out the password indiscriminately, thank you)

#### **Prayer Concerns and Praises**

Prayers for Skylar Beebe during an upcoming surgery.

Prayers for Rick Dooley.

Prayers for Jody Miller.

Prayers for Janice Wolff.

Prayers for Mike Bodenhamer.

Prayers for Pat Turner's sister, Cheryl.

Prayers for the family of Mike Reed, Gary's friends.

Prayers for Larry Bryan, friend of Anita Grigsby.

Prayers for Mark Baty, Deanna's husband.

Prayers for Chuck Eaton, son-in-law of the Elliott's.

Prayers for Tony Vick, friend of Chris Simon.

Prayers for Kathy's nephews, Eric Mueller and Trevor Browning.

Prayers for our members who are homebound, in an assisted living community and nursing homes.

Praises for Karen Renfro who has recovered enough to start some therapy at home.

Praises for Richard and Peggy Dudley who have family coming to visit all the way from Germany!

#### **July Birthdays**

- 2 Melvin Simon
- 5 Nichelle Hall
- 6 Jody Miller
- 7 Roger Baldwin
- 10 Stacy Elliott
- 11 Kim Godfrey
- 11 Ali Gabel
- 12 Claudeen Hannah
- 14 Rebecca Whitmore
- 14 Victoria Charles
- 14 Karen Love
- 14 George Long Jr.
- 14 David Christopher
- 15 Lauren Blevins
- 15 Katie (Turnbow) Miller
- 15 Isabella Bryn-Johnson
- 16 Nancy Rogers
- 17 Doug Woody
- 18 Nicole Walsh
- 20 Jim Stuck
- 20 Marissa Crabtree
- 21 Steven Dougherty
- 21 Harry Gelbach
- 21 Abby Miller 21 – Kaylee Newberry
- 23 Anna Huff
- 24 Christopher Huff
- 27 Jason Dunn
- 30 Liz Coleman
- 31 Peggy Dudley
- 31 Andrew Oglesby

#### **July Anniversaries**

- 1 Michael & Donna Bodenhamer
- 2 Zane & Katelin Spalding
- 8 Roger & Liz Coleman
- 15 James & Kelsey Dooley
- 17 Ralph & Deb Cadle
- 17 Clint & Kim Godfrey
- 22 Mike & Debbie Haller
- 25 Pastor Tim & Debbie Whitmore
- 26 George & Celeste Long

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Sunday Worship Services Attendance:

Sunday, July 14th = 68

Sunday, July 21st = 65

Elder's for 7/28:

1<sup>st</sup> Service, Crabtree

2<sup>nd</sup> Service, Frandsen

#### Weekly Calendar

Wednesday July 24 11:00 to 12:00 - Grab 'N Go 5:30 – Meal for both Study Groups 5:30 – Young Adults, Rob Bell series 6:00 – Discussion on Feasts of the Bible **Thursday July 25** 8 to 12:00 – Rummage Sale Workday 11:00 to 12:00 – Devotion & Singing at Warrensburg Manor Sunday July 28 9:15 – Traditional Service in the Sanctuary 10:15 – Coffee Connection 10:45 – Celebration Service **Monday July 29th** 8 to 12:00 – Rummage Sale Workday Tuesday July 30<sup>th</sup> 4 to 8:00 – Church Extension Consultation Visit



Please support our Property Committee in this Community Event! Thank you!

# Tabasco Sauce

J.H. Patterson used to tell of a minister who sat in a restaurant beside another minister, who sprinkled something on his food from a little bottle he carried in his pocket. The other asked what it was. He replied that it was Tabasco sauce, and offered him some to try. His rather liberal trial left him choking and crying. Finally he said, "I've heard of preachers preaching hell fire, but you're the first one I have ever found who carried a sample of it in his pocket."

# July/August Grab-n-Go Needs:

9 - 24 oz. cans of spaghetti sauce

Bags of apples

3 bxs. of ind. serving potato chips

16 - 28 oz. cans of green beans

Ground beef

Spaghetti noodles

6 - 29 oz. cans tomato sauce

Bags of "Cuties" oranges

16 - 1 lb. boxes of rotini

Shredded cheese

Veggies from your garden

If you have extra cans of green beans, spaghetti sauce, or tomato sauce in your pantry, please bring them to church. If you feel moved to purchase a roll of ground beef, a package of deli meat, or other items on the list, we will gladly accept them.

ALL donations are appreciated!

We might not be feeding 5000 in a day, but we have fed over 5000 since we have started this program. Thank you for your continued support.

We can accomplish BIG THINGS when we work together in Christ!