First Christian Church News

June 26, 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



"The Arena of Life" (Rodeo themed) Ephesians 3:14-21

Pentecost 6B, June 30th, 2024

9:15 a.m. – Combined Service in the Sanctuary with a Potluck Brunch afterwards in the CLC. Please bring your favorite dish(s) to share!

Our Guest Preacher this Sunday, June 30th, is Kelli Jenkins. Pastor Kelli is a Certified Lay Speaker. Pastor Kelli has a rodeo theme this Sunday, so she is wearing jeans and cowboy boots. She is inviting all of us to join in! So, everybody, cowboy up!

WE WERE ON THE CASE AT VBS THIS YEAR!

We had a very successful VBS with the First United Methodist Church. Our theme was ON THE CASE... We were trying to solve the mystery of how to grow our faith. Through songs, crafts, snacks, and activities, we learned a lot about growing closer to God. We had a fantastic week that ended with a Family Fun Night. A big THANK YOU goes out to the terrific VBS volunteers. We couldn't have done it without their help! Thanks again for your continued support, Toni & Vicki *Pictures on page 5*



Years ago, there was a show that many people are familiar with. The show appeared on local PBS stations and featured a man known as Mr. Rogers. His television show focused on a wide variety of subjects but was known for its catchy tunes and an expression of compassion from one to another. He often referred to those around him as his neighbor.

He certainly had a passion for sharing the importance of care and compassion to those around you. He is credited with saying the following: "Neighbors are people who live close to each other. Neighbors look at each other; they talk to each other; they listen to each other. That's how they get to know each other."

But in our day, many people have no idea who their neighbor is. We live in a society that is consumed by headphones, social media, and more. People don't often think of their neighbors, talk to them, or even want to look at them. In fact, some go as far as to look the other way.

The Bible is clear that those around us are truly our neighbors, and God expects us to love them. He expects that we treat them appropriately and in a Christ-like manner. That wouldn't be ignoring them. Instead, it would be paying attention to them and showing them Jesus in our lives.

If your neighbors were asked about you, what would they say? Would they know who you are? Would they know you are a Christian? How we live our lives in front of our neighbors is a witness, showing who we really are. Rather than being consumed in ourselves, today, take a moment to get to know your neighbor and **let your light shine**!

*There will not be a newsletter next Wednesday, July 3rd. The Office is closed July 4th for Independence Day. Enjoy the Holiday FCC Friends! <u>Coffee Connection</u>

We need Hosts for Coffee Connection for July 14, 21 & 28. 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!



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July Grab-n-Go Needs:

3 - 10 lb. rolls of ground beef, 3 -7 lb. cans of pork-n-beans, 9 - 24 oz. cans of spaghetti sauce, 6 - 29 oz. cans tomato sauce, 3 - 10 lb. bags of russet potatoes, 4 pkgs. of 24 hotdogs, 12 - ranch packets (dry mix), 1 pkg. of butter (4 sticks), 3 bxs. of ind. serving potato chips (variety pkg.), 16 - 1 lb. boxes of rotini, 16 - 28 oz. cans of green beans, 16 - 29 oz. cans of corn.

If you have extra cans of corn, 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 hotdogs, 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!

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Prayer Concerns and Praises

Prayers for the family of Vyrdel Basye.

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

Prayers for Sherry Elliott, Paul Osborne's niece.

Prayers for Tony Vick, friend of the Simon's.

Prayers for Bill Bernier who is having health issues.

Prayers for Leeann Shaumeyer and her family, surgery is slated for July 10th.

Prayers for Jeff Kramer, Nancy Rogers' work partner, is still not doing well.

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

Prayers for Ed and Bubbles Goodwin, Bill's parents.

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

Praises for Karen Renfro who has recovered enough to come home! She got home yesterday, Tuesday, 25th.

Praises for our Settled Pastor, Tim Whitmore. Don't miss his first sermon on Sunday, July 7th!

Praises for spending time with our families & friends during this busy summer season!

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 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
- 26 George & Celeste Long

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Sunday Worship Services Attendance:

Sunday, June 16th = 55

Sunday, June 23rd = 49

There will NOT be a newsletter

next week, July 3rd. VBS photos

are on the next page. Don't miss them!

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday June 26 11:00 to 12:00 - Grab 'N Go 5:30 - Young Adults, Rob Bell series 6:00 – Discussion on Feasts of the Bible **Thursday June 27** 11:00 to 12:00 - Devotion & Singing at Warrensburg Manor Friday June 28 9:00 - Bell Practice Sunday June 30 Kelli Jenkins is guest preaching. 9:15 – Combined Service in the Sanctuary 10:15 - Potluck Brunch in the CLC. Please bring a dish or two to share! Monday July 1 9:30 – CWF Meeting & Visitation Day **Tuesday July 2** 6:30 - Advisory Council Thursday July 4th The Office is closed for Independence Day **Reminder: Pastor Tim Whitmore's first sermon will be on Sunday, July7th. Bells will be performing for us. We hope to see you!

VBS FUN 2024 Thanks for supporting VBS! We had a wonderful group of kids & our volunteers were amazing! Here are some pics of our last night.

















