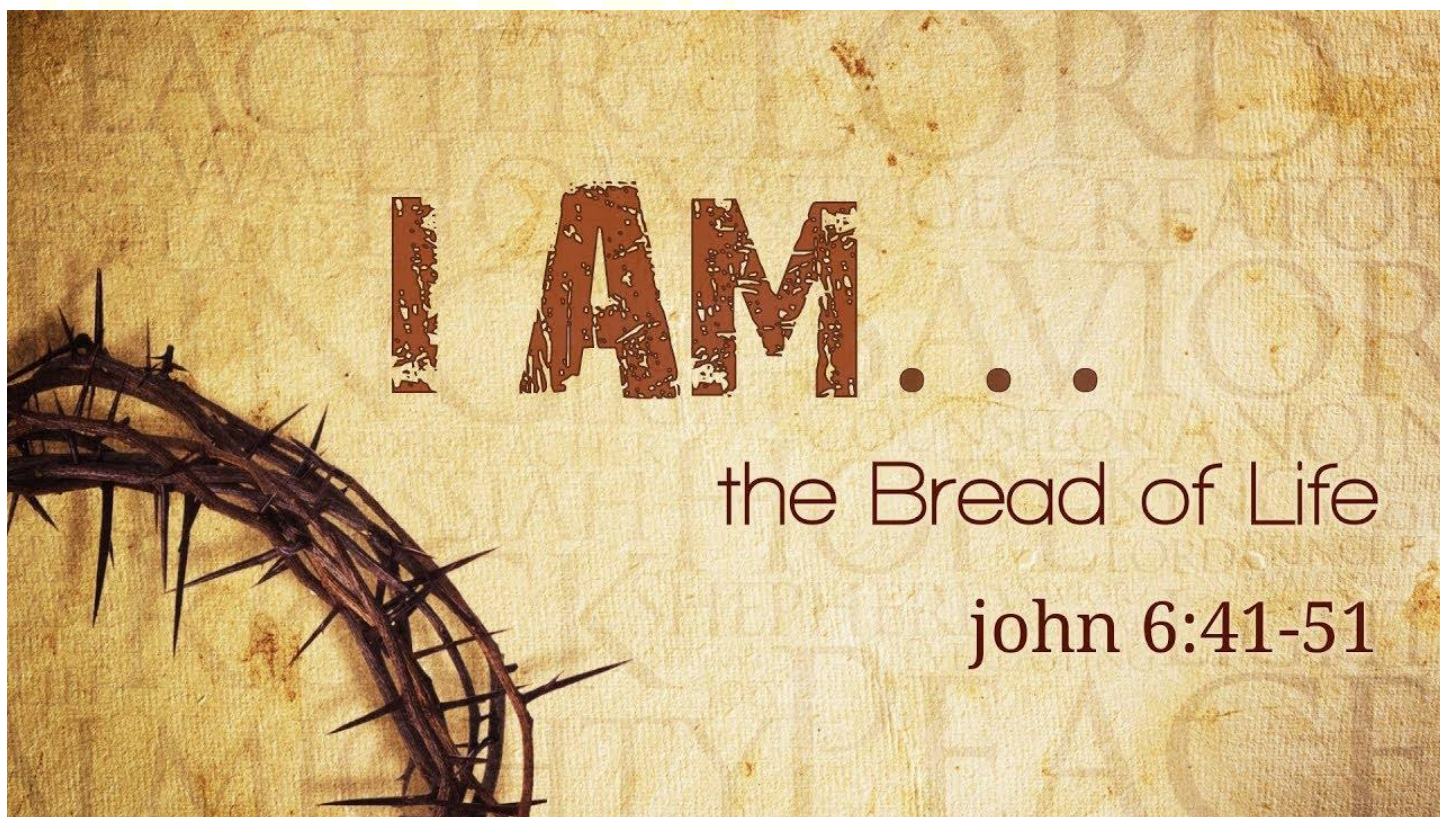


Our Mission

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 Bread of Life” John 6:35, 41-51

Pentecost 12B, August 11th, 2024

What is the sermon about? . . .

In the lectionary, we are still talking about bread and Christ being “The bread of life”. In this week’s message, we find Jesus’ response to the doubters. “Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say. ‘I have come down from heaven?’”

We tend to think that those who lived, walked and saw Jesus firsthand were all immediately on board with his claim of being the Messiah. Even in his days on earth he had to advocate for the good news about himself and his ministry. He responded to those who did not yet believe with eloquence and hope! A model for us to follow today. See you Sunday. Bring your doubts!

Special Anniversary Invitation!

The family of Rick and Brenda Dooley is extending an invitation to attend their 40th Wedding Anniversary Reception, this coming Sunday afternoon!

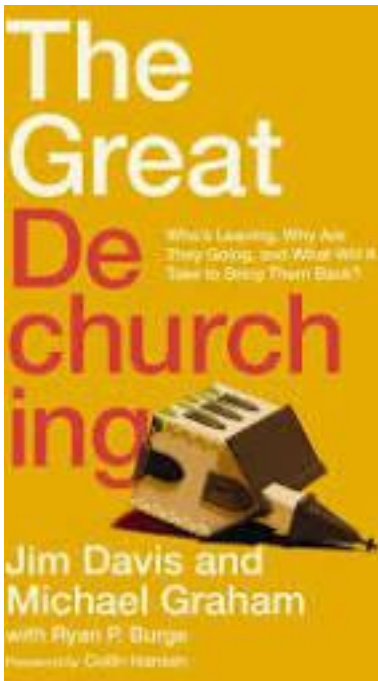
It will be held at the First Christian Church in the Christian Life Center on Sunday, August 11th, at 2:00 p.m.

Cake, punch, and fellowship to be had by all! The family hopes to see you there!

Heartfelt Thank You notes:

The July Grab 'N Go Team would like to “Thank You Very Much!” to all those that donated items for the July outreach lunches! Many heeded the call for help!

The CWF ladies would like to thank those that have donated items for the Rummage Sale and spread the word to friends, neighbors, and family. There was an outpouring of items dropped off the last few weeks and the basement has been filled to the brim!



AUGUST BOOK REVIEW

Authors Jim Davis and Michael Graham joined with two political scientists, Ryan Burge and Paul Djupe, in analyzing a multi-phased nationwide survey of American adults in writing the 2023 book The Great Dechurching. The survey profiles the reasons why people no longer attend church especially after the COVID-19 pandemic — the church was not inclusive, got out of the habit of going to church, watch church service online, did not have a positive experience in the church, too busy — to just name a few reasons. The book then looks at ideas on how the church can engage the dechurched, sometimes as simple as inviting people back to church. Lastly, the book ponders the lessons the church can learn from this data, such as creating healthy churches rather than successful churches.

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!*



Prayer Concerns and Praises

Prayers for Arthur Short Bull, watercolor artist, who is in intensive care.

Prayers for Jack & Rachel Burrows, Bob and Shelly's Father & Niece.

Prayers for Rick Dooley.

Prayers for Jody Miller.

Prayers for Mike Bodenhamer.

Prayers for Pat Turner's sister, Cheryl.

Prayers for Karen O'Dell.

Prayers for Lynda Straith (in our bell choir & Harmonayres).

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 Skylar Beebe who gets to come home today!

Praises for Janice Wolff who is feeling better!

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

August Birthdays

- 3 - Kathy Ramser
- 5 - Megan Stuck
- 5 - Blake Walsh
- 6 - Mike Walsh
- 7 - Austin Granger
- 7 - Brookelyn Cromer
- 9 - Douglas Gelbach
- 10 - Kegan Walsh
- 11 - Judy Osborne
- 11 - Ashton Dennis
- 12 - Suzanne Holdren
- 12 - Linda Hoover
- 12 - Mark Goodwin
- 17 - Mary Jay Lang
- 17 - Gillian Godfrey
- 18 - Dianne McCloud
- 20 - Bret Dooley
- 20 - Jennifer Whitmore
- 21 - Gretta Miller
- 21 - Maggie Slifer
- 22 - Shelly Burrows
- 23 - Brooks Baldwin
- 25 - Linda Culp
- 26 - Jim Kimbley
- 28 - Eva Davis
- 28 - David Smarr
- 31 - Cheryl Stuck
- 31 - Jase Dunn

August Anniversaries

- 8 - David & Janet Ritchhart
- 9 - Nichelle & Kevin Hall
- 12 - Rick & Brenda Dooley
- 15 - Steve & Vicki Granger
- 17 - Bill & Vicki Goodwin
- 27 - Gary & Anita Grigsby
- 28 - Michael Caldwell & Pat Turner



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Sunday Worship Services Attendance:

Sunday, July 28th = 71

Sunday, August 4th = 73

Elders for 8/11:

1st Service, B. Goodwin

2nd Service, Simon

There are 2 more pages! Enjoy!

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday August 7

11:00 to 12:00 – Grab ‘N Go
5:30 – Meal for both Study Groups
6:00 – Discussion on Feasts of the Bible
6:15 – Young Adults Rob Bell Series

Thursday August

7:00 am to 6:00 pm – Rummage, Bake
& Plant Sale
11:00 to 12:00 – Devotion & Singing at
Warrensburg Manor

Friday August 9

7:00 am to 6:00 pm – Rummage Sale
Little Ricky's Café open for lunch

Saturday August 10

7:00 am to 1:00 pm – Rummage Sale
Little Ricky's Café open for lunch

Sunday August 11

9:15 – Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
10:15 – Coffee Connection
10:45 – Celebration Service
2:00 – 40th Anniversary Party for Rick & Brenda
Dooley

RUMMAGE SALE REMINDER:

Our lovely CWF Ladies have been working hard to clean, organize, price, and get everything ready for this Thursday and Friday the 8th, 9th (7:00 am to 6:00 pm) and Saturday the 10th of August (7:00 am to 1:00 pm). The first day of the sale, Thursday, August 8th, always includes a bake sale and plant sale. **Please, please bake something to add to the sale if you can! Also, help stock up our plant sale! If you have a green thumb and have some extras or some starts, please bring those for Thursday!** Little Ricky's Hamburger stand will be open on Friday and Saturday for lunch if you are able to stop by.

The Half-Price sale is next Friday the 16th (7:00 am to 6:00 pm) and Saturday, the 17th (7:00 am to 1:00 pm). Little Ricky's Hamburger stand is open both days for lunch.

Thank you everyone!!!



ANNUAL
CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
RUMMAGE
SALE

AUGUST
8-10TH
16-17TH

at First Christian Church
101 East Gay Street Warrensburg, MO

AUGUST 8-9TH: 7AM-6PM AUGUST 16TH: 7AM-6PM
AUGUST 10TH: 7AM-1PM AUGUST 17TH: 7AM-1PM

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1 Peter 4:10

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