

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 Work of God” John 6:24-35

Pentecost 11B, August 4th, 2024

What is the sermon about? . . .

“The greatest thing since sliced bread!” That was a common term to describe an exciting innovation, especially if it was a timesaver. The first use of a commercial bread slicer was right here in Missouri, at the Chillicothe baking company in 1928. In Jesus earthly ministry, bread was a staple of society, and it comes up in many contexts. In John’s Gospel, Jesus makes seven “I Am” statements that tell people just who he is. The first one comes in John chapter six verse thirty-five. “I am the bread of life.” Let’s explore just what he meant by this in Sunday morning’s time together. We might just discover there is something greater than sliced bread. See you Sunday!

Special Anniversary Invitation!

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

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!

The Next Time You Say Grace

One of the first things that I learned as a child was to pray over food. In the South, we would refer to this as a blessing, while others have often referred to it as saying grace. It is the concept of praying over the food before we eat in thanks.

It is following in the example of Jesus. In the scripture referred to as the Lord's Prayer, He instructs us to pray for our daily bread. He prays over the food before it is distributed to the people. At the Lord's Supper, He also prays before the food is distributed to the disciples.

It's apparent for us to see the importance of this prayer, but it is so much more than just a simple repetitious prayer. We often give little thought to all that should go into this prayer, but it is extremely important. Yes, we should be thankful that God gave us the ability to have food. But have you thought of all that goes into this?

Somewhere, farmers used their land to raise the supply. Maybe it was meat, vegetables, or grain. But God blessed them with the ability and resources to cultivate and collect it. There were people who helped process it. Drivers who helped transport it. Someone who stocked it on the shelves, and someone who helped prepare it.

While we often reduce it to simple words so that children can say it, we should never lose sight of all that is involved. Countless people, resources, and abilities that were all needed in order for us to have our daily bread. The next time you say grace, keep all these things in mind. Truly, it is a blessing from God that we should be thankful for!

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!*



FCC Guest WiFi Password Has Changed: FirstChristian!

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

*Prayer does more than help us get what we want; it helps us become what God wants.

Prayer Concerns and Praises

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

Prayers for Skylar Beebe.

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 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 Janice Wolff who is feeling better!

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.

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
8 - Roger & Liz Coleman
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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(Disciples of Christ)
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Sunday Worship Services Attendance:

Sunday, July 21st = 65

Sunday, July 28th = 71

Elders for 8/4:

1st Service, Holdren

2nd Service, M. Goodwin

There are 2 more pages! Enjoy!

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday July 31

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 August 1

8 to 12:00 – Rummage Sale Workday
11:00 to 12:00 – Devotion & Singing at
Warrensburg Manor

Saturday August 3

7:30 to 10:30 – Community Breakfast in the CLC

Sunday August 4

9:15 – Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
10:15 – Coffee Connection
10:45 – Celebration Service

Monday August 5

8 to 12:00 – Rummage Sale Workday

Tuesday August 6

6:30 – Advisory Council

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COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

101 East Gay Street
Warrensburg, MO

FIRST SATURDAY OF
EVERY MONTH
(STARTING AUGUST 3, 2024)

7:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Adults...\$6.00

Children 10 and Under Eat FREE!



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

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

CLOTHING | GADGETS | APPLIANCES
FURNITURE | JEWELRY | AND MUCH MORE!



CWF SUPPORTS:

GRAB N' GO LUNCH PROGRAM
FOOD CENTER / CHRISTMAS STORE
ANGEL TREE PROJECT
NEHEMIAH FEEDING PROGRAM
SHOW-ME CHRISTIAN YOUTH HOME
WARRENSBURG R-6 SCHOOLS
MID-AMERICA MINISTRIES/
MISSION FUND
& MANY OTHERS



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“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace ... ”

1 Peter 4:10

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