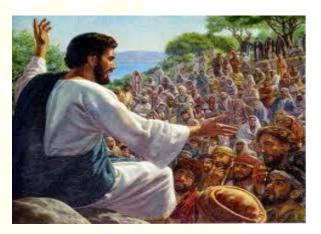
First Christian Church News

July 17, 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



"Sheep Without A Shepherd" N

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Pentecost 9B, July 21st, 2024

What is the sermon about? . . .

We live in an anxiety inducing, fast paced world. It is easy to get overwhelmed. Blasted by a 24-hour news cycle. Emotional trauma, financial conditions and medical concerns can leave us emotionally depleted. A discipline that can help bring us peace is meditation and prayer. Taking time each day to center ourselves and connect with God is essential. Jesus modeled this practice in his ministry, regularly taking the time to commune with his heavenly father. This is where his strength and miraculous power came from. The amazing news is this source of peace is available to us as well. Come this Sunday and hear more about the still waters that our great Shepherd leads us to, from the Gospel of Mark, chapter 6. See you there!

From Pastor Whitmore: "I would like to encourage members to talk, message or email me about what they love about our worship community! I'm here to listen, and I will always make time for conversations about hopes and dreams for the future. Peace and Blessings." Phone: 660-553-8222 Email: witty4836@ yahoo.com

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 August 11, 18 & 25. 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)

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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 Mark Baty, Deanna's husband. He's talking and moving a bit now.

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

Prayers for Tony Vick, friend of Chris Simon.

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 Goodwin's parents.

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

Praises for Leeann Shaumeyer, surgery went very well and she's back to being a very busy girl!

Praises for Sherry Elliott, Paul Osborne's niece. She is recovering well from jaw surgery.

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!

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 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 7th = 85

Sunday, July 14th = 68

Elder's for 7/21:

1st Service, Simon

2nd Service, Handly

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday July 17 11:00 to 12:00 – Grab 'N Go 5:30 – Young Adults, Rob Bell series 6:00 – Discussion on Feasts of the Bible Thursday July 18 11:00 to 12:00 – Devotion & Singing at Warrensburg Manor Sunday July 21 9:15 – Traditional Service in the Sanctuary 10:15 – Coffee Connection 10:45 – Celebration Service Upcoming Event - Saturday August 3 7:30 – 10:30 am Community Breakfast, CLC Cost is \$6.00, kids under 10 is free Read on, please! There are 2 more pages!!!



Please support our Property Committee in this Community Event! Thank you! July/August Grab-n-Go Needs:

****Today**, July 17th, we served 112 meals!!!

Misc. Deli MeatSpaghetti noodles9 - 24 oz. cans of spaghetti sauce6 - 29 oz. cans tomato sauceBags of applesBags of "Cuties" oranges3 bxs. of ind. serving potato chips16 - 1 lb. boxes of rotini16 - 28 oz. cans of green beansShredde cheeseGround beefVegeies 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!