



THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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Worship Sunday, Aug. 17

This Sunday is the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost and our worship is based upon two selections from the same book, Genesis 45:1-15 and Genesis 50:15-21. Rev. Stagg completes his sermon series on the Patriarchs; this week his sermon is entitled "Restored" as Joseph is reunited with his father, Jacob, and his brothers.

Harlan Hackett will be the soloist at the 8:30 service and the Chancel Choir returns to the 10:30 service.

Worship Sunday, Aug. 24

On the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Rev. Stagg begins a 9-week sermon series from Exodus. Our scriptures for that day are Romans 12:1-8 and Exodus 1:8 - 2:10; Rev. Stagg's sermon is entitled "Moses," as we learn about the beginnings of the great Hebrew leader. Special music will be by Amy Lightner at the 8:30 worship service.



All-Church Picnic Details...

All the food (hamburgers/hotdogs, chips, beans, watermelon) and table setups are provided. Bring a lawn chair. The picnic is sponsored by the Membership & Evangelism Committee. They are in need of some helpers for the picnic! If you can help set up, clean up, bring tomatoes and onions, or yard games please email Natalie Barnard at natbow@yahoo.com or call after 3 pm to 314-479-3882.



Warm Fellowship Over Cold Ice Cream

The annual Ice Cream Social was held Sunday, August 3 hosted by the CYF and Chi-Rho Youth Groups. With ice cream, toppings, and great homemade desserts the full room of church friends had a good time sharing in fellowship. The program of the evening was the two youth groups presenting the story of their summer mission trips to Eastern Shore, VA and Kansas City, MO.



Welcome New Member

Dave Sutton joined FCC, Sunday, August 3. A regular at the 8:30 worship service and the Tuesday Bible Study group, Dave has found FCC to be a warm, welcoming family embracing him with love and acceptance.

Dave transfers his membership from First Presbyterian Church, Mexico, MO. He works as a dealer at the Isle of Capri. Welcome, Dave, from your new church family!



**Church Building Tours
with Rev. Stagg
Sunday Mornings in
Aug., 9:30 & 12:00,
Narthex**

Fall Start Ups

DOC (Disciples on Campus)....Aug. 27
College Group, 8:45 p.m., Bethany Hall

Sunday School.....Sept. 7
9:30 a.m.

Youth Groups.....Sept. 7
JYF and Chi-Rho, 4:30-6:00 p.m. on
alternating weeks
CYF, 6:00-7:30

Events for the STARS

We have sign up sheets in the office. You can save a spot by calling the church office (449-7265). If there is a pre-registration fee needed for an activity, payment is due at the time of registration.



Sept. 18, Thurs. - Hallsville Outing
Leave church parking lot at 9:40 a.m. return by 3 p.m.

10:00 a.m. - Tour home of artist George Morgenthaler. This is the oldest home in Hallsville and has many of the artist's paintings and belongings.

11:30 a.m. - Lunch at Poppy's Cafe in Hallsville.

1:00 p.m. - Tour Around the World Trade and Gift Shop in Hallsville.

Cost \$5 for travel, lunch on your own and maybe small cost for the house tour (not yet negotiated).

Sign up by Sept. 14.

(The trip to St. Louis has been rescheduled for February.)

Oct. 23, Thurs. - Trip to the Kevin Crane Farm, Lunch and visit along the way with Amish. Departure time 9:30 a.m., Travel \$5.

*STARS is the 55+ Fellowship Group of
First Christian Church*

News of Our People

Congratulations to **Cliff and Mary Tompson** on their 63rd wedding anniversary, Aug. 21 and to **Kent and Paula Kurtz** on their 58th wedding anniversary, Aug. 24th.

We are so grateful for **Drennan Singers** under the direction of **Gene Kirkham** as they led our music this past Sunday.

Bill Niedergerke returned to the hospital again, but is now recovering at the Bluffs.

Moray Kiehl is expected to be discharged from the hospital after tests.

Our sympathy goes to the family of **Dee Earnest** who died Sunday, August 3; her services will be held on Monday, August 18 at 6:30 p.m. at FCC.


Rev. Jimmy Spear has begun his Sabbatical; we hold him in our prayers for the coming 12 weeks.

Listen In...

Radio Spots M-W-F

KFRU-1400 AM @ 6:55 am
KBXR-102.3 FM @ 7:20 am

Your Special Birthday!

Robert Sisson - 
101 on Aug. 16
Dan Niday -
93 on Aug. 18
Bill Crawford -
96 on Aug. 30

Dear church members and others who love our historical and useful buildings,

I encourage you to take the tours after worship that Rev. Stagg is conducting.

I thought I knew what the condition was, but when I took the tour I was absolutely appalled by the deterioration he pointed out. The tour was a real eye opener. I now realize how soulfully we need to commit to repairs both to save the structure itself and to return so many unusable, unsafe areas to our church's ministry as well as ministry to the community. A healthy, safe, attractive building promotes a healthy, growing, dynamic congregation!
~Kirsten Leach

Serving Schedule - Sunday, Aug. 17

Van Driver: Steve McCormack
Office Receptionist: Valerie Freed
Flower Ministry - Arranged by: Dan Backues and Lisa Zimmer
Delivered by: Dan Backues and Lisa Zimmer

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assts.: Opal Stites and Eli Gaffney
Elder: Susan Gray

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Preparation: Cindy, Lexie and Zachary Ruffolo
Liturgist: Pat Ritchie
Elders: Sarah Read, David Read, Nora Dietzel
Deacons: The Nichols Team
Greeters: Chris Stormer (*N. Door*), Candace Stormer (*S. Door*)
 Jane Ann Hackett (*Atrium*), Nannie Lou Mallett (*Portico*)
Ushers: The Rose Team
Banner Bearers: Olivia Johnson and Max Gregory
Candlelighters: Elizabeth Martin and Carleigh Snow
Children's Worship: Holly Gieseke (*ldr.*)

Serving Schedule - Sunday, Aug. 24

Van Driver: Russ Palmer
Office Receptionist: Moray Kiehl
Flower Ministry - Arranged by: David and Julie Nichols
Delivered by: David and Julie Nichols

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assts.: Tommy Gay Evans, Steve Smith, Sharon Smith
Elder: Charlie Koelling

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Preparation: Cindy Smith, Doug Smith, and Liz Ann Restrepo
Liturgist: Jacki Davidson
Elders: Ken Watson, Nancy Watson, Brenda Martin
Deacons: The Stanley Team
Greeters: Charlie Koelling (*N. Door*), Bettie Koelling (*S. Door*)
 Doris Neidhardt (*Atrium*), Laura Crane (*Portico*)
Ushers: The Scott Team
Banner Bearers: Maddie Micek and Lena Schaefer
Candlelighters: Liam Rose and Andrew Stormer
Children's Worship: Kim Boger (*ldr.*)

This Week (Aug. 17 - 23)

- Sun.** - Building Tours with the Sr. Minister, 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Narthex
 - Church Picnic, 4:00-7:00 p.m., Twin Lakes Shelter (Eating at 5:30, bring a lawn chair)
- Mon.** - No newsletter this week
 - Church staff meeting, 2:00 p.m.
 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Morris Parlor
 - Dee Earnest Memorial Service, 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary
- Tue.** - Columbia Public Schools Start
 - Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Parlor
- Wed.** - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center
- Thr.** - Capital Campaign Committee Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Parlor
- Sat.** - Woodhaven Dinner, 6:00 p.m., University Club

This Week (Aug. 24-30)

- Sun.** - Building Tours with the Sr. Minister, 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Narthex
 - Lenoir Healthcare Worship, 3:30 p.m.
- Mon.** - Newsletter Deadline & Church Staff Mtg., 2:00 p.m.
 - Serving Loaves & Fishes
 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Morris Parlor
 - Financial Task Force Mtg., 6:30-8:30 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Tue.** - Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Parlor
- Wed.** - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center
 - DOC (college group), 8:45-10:00 p.m., Bethany Hall

<u>Aug. 17</u> Elizabeth Mottaz JoAnn Spaur	<u>Aug. 20</u> Gene Kirkham	<u>Aug. 24</u> Denice Adkins Paula Slusher	<u>Aug. 27</u> Steve McCormack
<u>Aug. 18</u> Dorothy Allen Nora Dietzel Michelle Mountjoy Dan Niday Sharon Smith	<u>Aug. 21</u> Susan Gray	<u>Aug. 25</u> Ann Teel Katie Thompson	<u>Aug. 28</u> Jenna Gunnell Beth Nelms
<u>Aug. 19</u> Quinn Fullington Carol Hughey	<u>Aug. 22</u> Taylor Humble	<u>Aug. 26</u> Amelia Leon-Rudy Roy Overacre Susan White	<u>Aug. 29</u> Ryan Hunsaker David Polach
	<u>Aug. 23</u> Marsha Sisson Brian Thompson	<u>Aug. 26</u> Mary Daugherty	<u>Aug. 30</u> Bill Crawford



Weekly Reports

Aug. 3, 2014

Received this week \$10,605
 Received to Date \$43,996
 Needed to Date \$42,377
 Attendance -216
 (includes early service - 55
 and visitors - 24)

Aug. 10, 2014

Received this week \$7,870
 Received to Date \$51,865
 Needed to Date \$49,467
 Attendance - 182
 (includes early service - 53
 and visitors - 14)

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New 2014-2015 Church Cabinet

The first meeting of the new Church Cabinet was held on August 5. Pictured above are: Colleen Nilges, Susan Klockow, C.K. Hoenes and Jordan Barnes (seated at the table); Julie Hickey, Bragg Stanley and Cindy Rose (middle row); John Hickey, Fred Mottaz, Steve Humble, Steve Lightner and Joe Reardon (back row).



Thanks to Jessica Humble for bringing a beautiful bouquet to Bill at the Bluffs. She offered a nice prayer and we both appreciated her. Thanks again.

~Bill and Mary Ann Niedergerke

I would like to thank you for your generous gift and investment in my future. As you presumably already know, I have very high ambitions for my future. In the fall, I will begin my pursuit of degrees in both computer science and biochemistry. With my ambitions come costs, so your generosity helps to allow me to make my dream a reality. Again, thank you for believing in me and being among the first of my supporters as I enter into the world.

~Jeffrey Ruffolo