



# THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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## Reconciliation Offering

This annual Special Offering funds our General Church's mission to be a pro-reconciling/anti-racist church through experiential education, inclusive worship, and intentional dialogue across racial/ethnic differences. This offering provides leadership development at our camps, communities, and congregations as well as resources to promote small group study and community-action.

## Worship Sunday, Oct. 5

Sunday is the 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost based on Psalm 19:7-14 and Exodus 20:1-21. Rev. Stagg's sermon series on Exodus continues with "The Ten Commandments and the Law" as God bestows Moses with the famous tablet inscriptions. Hayley Batterson will bring the Children's Message. We will also celebrate World Communion Sunday at the Communion Table, commission Communion Connection servers, and receive the Reconciliation Offering.

## STARS Outing to Hallsville

Thursday, September 18, 2014 fourteen curious friends departed in the church bus driven by our wonderful driver, Janelle Patterson, for a day with our neighbors in Hallsville. We were greeted at the former family home of Artist Charles Morgenthaler, believed to be the oldest home in Hallsville dating back to the 1820's, by Blanche Campbell, current president of Hallsville Historical Society. In 1994 the Hallsville Historical Society was formed in order to restore the home which is now open for tours.



Our second place to tour was the Red Top Christian Church. A log church was constructed in 1820 and was first called Liberty. On October 5, 1822 Liberty Church was chartered by the denomination now known as the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). The original log church was constructed with weather board gable ends painted with paint made from red keel and often referred to as Red Top Meeting House by traveling preachers. Sometime after the Civil War the name was officially changed to Red Top Christian Church. Today it is a beautifully renovated building and the Sunday School rooms were designed and painted by our guide for the day, Blanche.

A delicious lunch was enjoyed at Poppy's Cafe (with a lovely red rose for each of us at our place at the table) and then in the afternoon we enjoyed shopping at two of the town's great gift shops. Some of us even got our Christmas shopping started. (Picture of our group was taken by Diana Provenzano in front of Addie Jane's shop.)

Reservations are still open for our **next trip to the Crane farm** with a tour of Clark's Amish country area and lunch in Clark and a tour of one of the area's churches. Date for this outing is **October 23, 2014**. Travel expense is \$5 per person. Sign up in church office or contact Carol Slusher by October 20.

### Weekly Report

Sept. 28, 2014

Received this week \$5,143  
Received to Date \$102,533  
Needed to Date \$110,823  
Attendance - 208  
(includes early service - 40  
and visitors - 14)

## Calling All Elders (Deacons & church members, too)

World Communion Sunday is Oct 5th. Our Communion Connection Teams will be delivering to our friends that aren't able to join us in sanctuary for worship services. Mark your calendars and expect to be called upon to participate in this wonderful ministry we provide/share with others.

Members at large: if you would like to join us in the delivery, please contact Brenda Martin, 443-8312.

## 16th Annual Election Day Luncheon Nov. 4

It doesn't seem possible! We have been serving our community lunch on election day for sixteen years! And, we have had a lot of fun working together. That time is here again! So, mark your calendar for November 4. We need you to help us serve food, make pies, clean the kitchen, decorate, deliver meals, sell tickets, etc. The Election Day Luncheon is a fund raising project that reaches out into the community and benefits the outreach goals of our Women's Ministries! If you need transportation to help work, please let us know. We will arrange for someone to come pick you up.

Tickets for the luncheon go on sale Sunday. You can get tickets to sell, buy your ticket, take delivery forms to your work or just volunteer your time. Stop by Sunday in the Narthex and sign up. There's a spot just for you! If you have questions, call Brenda Mosby at 442-7507.



Many many thanks to all the Elders of FCC for the card party and very generous gift cards. To be an Elder at FCC is an amazing opportunity, rewarding experience and spiritual endeavor that has helped me grow as a person. It has been my pleasure to serve. ~Brenda Martin

You may not know this, but a sweet angel by the name of Brenda Mosby made curtains for the Children's Chapel. The sun was a KILLER on Sunday morning in terms of both heat and eyesores. And in true Brenda fashion, she never said a word—we just mysteriously had curtains and rods yesterday morning.

~Hayley Batterson

Dear Church Family,  
Your cards and prayers were much appreciated for my recent surgery. A special thanks to Mary Jane Anderson and Brad for their hospital visits and to Donna and Will for the warm muffins they delivered to my front door! And of course a special thanks to my daughter, Diana for spending all that boring time hanging out with me! Your sister in Christ, Tommy Gay Evans



**Oasis**  
**Oct. 8**  
**5:00 pm**

**Yonker Hall**

Meal \$5  
hosted by the Elders

The Oasis program on  
Oct. 8 & 15 will be  
"Paradise Lost"  
by David Read

Sign up on the Sunday  
Pew Pad sheet, in the  
church office or  
call 449-7265



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Oct. 5  
Anne Linn

Oct. 6  
Mary Taylor

Oct. 7  
Pamela Hoepfner

Oct. 8  
Marcy Douglas  
Sara Klockow  
Cheryl Lightner  
Michael Snyder

Oct. 9  
Lynn Klotz  
Jeffrey Ripley  
Mona Stevenson

Oct. 10  
Alexander Johnson  
Julie Nichols

Oct. 11  
Mark Embry  
Brady Marrero  
Elizabeth Martin  
Joy Overacre

## News of Our People

Tommy Gay Evans has returned home.

Jim Silvey may now receive visitors at The Neighborhoods.

Glenda Clark continues her rehabilitation at The Neighborhoods.

Chi Rho and CYF youth will gather at the Schaefer's home on Oct. 19; details to follow next week.

Mary Bancroft will be on vacation the next few weeks. Adriene Price and Jean Hall will be filling in during that time. Have a great vacation, Mary!



Thank you for the beautiful flowers from the church service for Jim. Thanks also to those of you who have sent cards, made calls and have kept Jim in your thoughts and prayers. All of these are appreciated and mean a lot to both Jim and me. ~Billie Silvey

Thank you for the flowers. Chris Creasy was most pleasant as she wished me happy birthday. ~Ray Lansford

## Schiffman Lecture in Religious Studies

"Sex, Gender and the Catholic Church"

John McHale and Anthony Alioto  
coauthors of

"Saintly Sex; Saint John Paul II, Sex, Gender & the Catholic Church"

Thursday, October 9, 2014  
11:00 a.m.

Bixby Lecture Hall  
Brouder Science Center  
Columbia College Campus

For more information:  
[www.ccis.edu/SchiffmanLecture](http://www.ccis.edu/SchiffmanLecture)

## Ladies' Book Club



At noon on Wednesday, Oct 8, in Bethany Hall, the Ladies' Book Club discusses, *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by Alan Bradley. This is a quirky little mystery set in Great Britain in the 1950s. Many bring a lunch for a meeting that lasts about an hour. November's selection is *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd.

## Work Day Thanks

It was a small crew of 6, but I want to thank profusely Larry and Peggy Veatch, Don and Brenda Mosby, and Opal Stites for helping to weed, clean up, and load/unload mulch for the east side of the church.

~Mary Daugherty

## Festival of Sharing

The **Festival of Sharing** will be held **October 18, 2014** in Sedalia, MO. It promotes and supports projects and programs that respond to hunger, poverty and injustice in the world. Our **CWF** is collecting school supplies to help in this effort.

In some countries, children don't have books or school supplies. Many have no school-rooms; classes are held in inadequate or half-destroyed buildings, tents, or even the open air. **School kits** may be these children's only educational resources.

If you can help, please deliver your items to the church office **by Oct 5, 2014** so that the kits can be assembled. Supplies should be new with no advertising or religious markings.

### Supplies needed for each School Kit are: (cost \$11)

- 1 – Pair Round Tip Blunt Metal Scissors
- 3 – 70-count Spiral Bound Notebooks (totaling 200-210 pages)
- 1 – 12" Ruler
- 1 – Hand Held Pencil Sharpener
- 1 – Large Eraser
- 6 – New Pencils with Erasers
- 1 – Box of Crayons (only boxes of 24)
- 1 – 14" x 16" heavy duty cloth bag (no advertising on bag)



**Sun. October 26th**  
**4:30-6:00 pm**  
**Church Parking Lot**

**An all-church fall festival featuring church members' open decorated car trunks - offering treats to kids in costume on parade. Costumed trunk hosts are welcome too!**

Visiting each car for candy will happen between 4:30 and 5:00. After that be sure to enjoy the sweet decoration contest, the games and chili cook off! More info to come about those activities! A **warm light dinner** in Yonker Hall will be part of the event.

The Children's Education Dept. is hoping for a great turnout of themed trunks to provide a fun and exciting start to this outreach event. If you, your family or your group is interested in decorating a trunk (please, no gory or scary decorations) and helping celebrate fall, please contact Cindy Rose at [roseca@health.missouri.edu](mailto:roseca@health.missouri.edu) or sign up in the church office by Wed., October 22nd. A prize will be given for the best decorated trunk!

## Breakfast for Brethren

October is here and we will again be reaching out to those in need by serving breakfast on Saturday mornings to the homeless. We serve from 8:00 am to 9:30 am each Saturday morning in October. If you have time to help, please arrive at the church between 7:00 and 7:30 a.m. There also will be a sign up list in the office of food items needed.

In addition to feeding them, we provide items for personal hygiene and clothing, which with the changing weather will be greatly needed.

Donations of razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, travel size bottles of shampoo, mouthwash, and soaps, cotton swabs, tissues, band-aids, dental floss, ladies feminine products and toilet paper are always in demand. We also can use all sizes of men's white t-shirts, crew socks, men's underwear, blue jeans, jackets and coats, long-johns, long sleeve shirts, shoes, and back packs. Your generosity and support are very much appreciated and make a difference in the lives of these people.

Listen In...

Radio Spots M-W-F

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

**Coffman Watson CWF**  
will meet at 7:00 PM on  
Monday, October 6  
at Betty Montgomery's home  
7650 Chimney Ridge Road

## Festival of Praise

The African Fellowship Mission Team  
invites you to

**First Presbyterian Church**  
**16 Hitt Street**  
**Sunday, Oct. 12**  
**4:00 p.m.**

Praise music and worship provided by:  
**Agape Fellowship, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Korean Congregation and First Presbyterian Church.**

Refreshments provided by women of First Presbyterian Church following the service.

Wear your festive, colorful clothes and join the celebration!!

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### Minister Emeritus:

Dr. John J. Yonker

## Return Service Requested

# The Mission of First Christian Church: to know God and follow Jesus Christ

## Serving Schedule - Sunday, Oct. 5

*Van Driver:* Steve McCormack  
*Office Receptionist:* Richard Barnard  
*Flower Ministry - Arranged by:* Elizabeth Mottaz  
*Delivered by:* Fred Mottaz

### Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

*Worship Assts.:* Brice and Mary Moeller, Mary Daugherty  
*Elder:* Mary Daugherty

### Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

*Communion Preparation:* Bill & Sonya Carney, Betsy Hofmann  
*Liturgist:* Amy LaHue  
*Elders:* Jean Hall, John Hickey, Julie Hickey  
*Deacons:* The Garton Team  
*Greeters:* Amy LaHue (*N. Door*), Betty Montgomery (*S. Door*)  
Don Mosby (*Atrium*), Brenda Mosby (*Portico*)  
*Ushers:* The Mountjoy Team  
*Banner Bearers:* Olivia Johnson and Lena Schaefer  
*Candlelighters:* Ella Rogers and Jack Bower  
*No Children's Worship this week*

## This Week (Oct. 5-11)

- Sun. - Bell Choir, 8:30 a.m., 3rd Floor, Education Bldg.  
- Children's Choir, 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
- Chi-Rho Youth Group (grades 6-8), 4:30-6:00 p.m.  
- CYF Youth Group (grades 9-12), 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- Mon. - Newsletter Deadline & Church Staff Mtg., 2:00 p.m.  
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary  
- Campaign Management Team, 6:30-8:00 p.m., Keystone
- Tue. - Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Parlor  
- Cabinet Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Morris Parlor
- Wed. - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center  
- Ladies' Book Club, 12:00 p.m., Bethany Hall  
- Oasis, 5:00 p.m., Yonker Fellowship Hall  
- DOC (college group), 8:45-10:00 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Thr. - Capital Campaign Steering Committee Mtg., 6:30 p.m.,  
Morris Parlor
- Fri. - Regional Assembly, St. Louis
- Sat. - Regional Assembly, St. Louis  
- Breakfast for Our Brethren, 7:00-10:00 a.m., Yonker Hall

