



# THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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## Worship Sunday, Sept. 21 Breakfast for Brethren

This Sunday is the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost and our worship is based upon Exodus 16:1-15. Rev. Stagg's sermon series on Exodus continues with this week's sermon, "Manna," as the Israelites wandering about the wilderness discover God's abundance. Also, Hayley Batterson will offer the Children's Message.

Hymns for the day will include: *How Firm a Foundation*; *Blessed Assurance*; *Let Us Break Bread Together* and *Weave*.

Join us at the 8:30 worship service when the special music will be brought by Harlan Hackett. He will sing *Saved By Grace* by Stan Pethel.

October approaches 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.

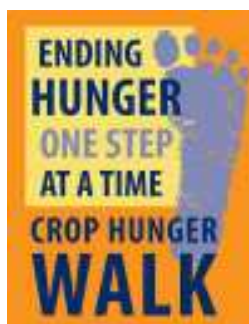
In addition to feeding them, we provide items for personal hygiene and clothing, which with the changing weather will be greatly needed.

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.

## Welcome New Members



On Sunday, Sept. 14, we welcomed **Bob & Jeanie Simpson** into the membership of FCC at the 8:30 Service. After visiting for several months, Bob & Jeanie transferred their membership from the United Methodist Church in Ashland, MO. Bob is an education consultant and Jeanie is originally from Ninilchick, Alaska where her family had a homestead. Be sure to welcome them when you see them. Welcome to FCC – Bob & Jeanie!



## CROP Run & Walk

**RUN** – Sat., Sept. 20, Registration: 7:00 a.m. and Race: 8:00 a.m., Twin Lakes

**WALK** – Sun., Sept. 21, Registration:

1:00 p.m. and Walk: 2:00 p.m., Missouri United Methodist Church

Food coupons available with percentage of order donated to Columbia CROP. Pick them up in the church office, located next to the sign up book. See flyers posted in Yonker Fellowship Hall ~Colleen Nilges



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

World Communion Sunday is coming up 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.

## DWM/CWF Fall Dinner

The annual DWM/CWF fall dinner is coming up on Monday, September 29th at 5:30. It will be held in Yonker Fellowship Hall with Leslie Clay as our speaker. Leslie is the author of *Sisters in Song*.

The dinner is open to all church women and guests and is free of charge.

This would be a good opportunity to bring some of the most needed items for True North, a women's shelter in Columbia. Those items include: shampoo, disposable razors, body lotion, school supplies and craft items, such as construction paper, coloring books, beads and holiday themed craft items.

If you will require child care during the dinner, please call the office by Sept. 22. You may sign up for the dinner in the office or on the attendance pad on Sunday.

## All Church Work Day September 27, 8:00 AM

Plans are for outdoor weeding, transplanting and clean-up. All able bodies are invited to attend! ~Mary Daugherty

## Prayers for those on the Confidential Prayer List and the Intercessory Prayer Ministry Team

FCC has a Prayer Ministry Team which prays for both public and private prayer requests. The public prayer requests include those joys and concerns listed in the newsletter and bulletin; the private prayer requests are highly confidential matters to which only our ministers and the Prayer Ministry members are made privy. Often these confidential matters are acutely sensitive carrying heavy burdens for those in crisis as well as those who pray for them. Since they are confidential and not frequently mentioned, the Prayer Ministry Team itself can always use our prayers for sustaining encouragement as the members petition God for mercy, comfort, and healing in some of our congregation's most needed situations.



**Oasis**  
**Sept. 24**  
**5:00 pm**

Meal - \$5  
Catered by Laura Estes

Program by Rev. Stagg

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

### Weekly Report

Sept. 14, 2014

Received this week \$6,481

Received to Date \$89,840

Needed to Date \$90,983

Attendance - 216

(includes early service - 43  
and visitors - 10)



The **Tuesday Bible Study** group encourages you to come study the Scripture passages for the forthcoming Sunday sermon on Tuesday each week at 10:30am in Morris Parlor. We conclude promptly at 11:30am. We study the Scripture passage that the preacher will preach from for that coming Sunday. It is a lively and engaging group where the ancient word comes alive through the Holy Spirit. So bring your Bible and come join us!

## News of Our People

Congratulations to **Betty and Bill Moon** on their 62nd wedding anniversary, Sept. 21.

**Dorothy Allen** is home and recuperating well following her stroke.

**Nancy Watson** is home following carpal tunnel surgery last Wednesday.

**Hunter Rogers** had successful exploratory jaw surgery last Thursday and has returned home.

**Glenda Clark** has been transferred from Boone Hospital to The Neighborhood.

**Jim Silvey** who last week was transferred from Boone Hospital to The Neighborhood has been transferred back again to Boone Hospital; no visitors please.

Our sympathy goes to **Jerry, Mary, Brad, & Laura Daugherty** on loss of Jerry's mother, Dorothy, last week. Services were Monday, Sept. 15 at Fenton Funeral Home in Centralia.

### Your Special Birthday!

Tom Shrout

95 on Sept. 24

Ray Lansford

94 on Sept. 25



### Happy Birthday

Sept. 24

Ashley Chandler

Steven Lightner

Rachell Oliver

Tom Shrout

Sept. 21

Bob Hutton

Justin Sheppard

Lisa Zimmer

Sept. 25

Ray Lansford

David Nichols

Sept. 22

Sam Boster

Sept. 26

Mimi McRoberts

Sept. 23

Dorothia Dierking

Cheryl Stevens

Sept. 27

Becky Beary



## September Administrative Board Actions

Tuesday, September 9, 2014, the Administrative Board met for a regularly scheduled meeting, led by C.K. Hoenes, Vice-Moderator. Bragg Stanley, our Moderator, was on preplanned vacation to Cuba visiting family. The following actions came before the Board. For a full description, the minutes will be presented at the Nov. 11 meeting and when passed by the Board will be made available for anyone wanting to read them.

The Administrative Board was reminded that, per his letter of calling, Rev. Stagg is scheduled to begin his Doctor of Ministry program this January. His application to Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, a United Methodist sponsored institution on the campus at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, is due October 1. Rev. Stagg is applying for the Congregational Leadership Track, a program that in addition to the traditional D.Min. Studies will also include classes with the Kellogg School of Management's MBA program for non-profit organizations. The degree combines the best of theology and business practices to be applied to the local congregation.

The Administrative Board unanimously reaffirmed its commitment to adhere to and comply with all church policies passed in previous years.

The Administrative Board unanimously reaffirmed its delegation of employment (hiring/termination) authority from the Admin Board to the following staff members: the Clergy have employment authority for childcare workers and interns; the Music Director has employment authority for soloists, instrumentalists, and section leaders; the MDO/Preschool Director has employment authority over all MDO/Preschool staff. The remainder of non-clergy employment authority resides with Administration Department; clergy employment resides with the Board and congregation.

The Administrative Board received an update from Sarah Read, Elder Chair, on the transition from Wednesday night programming from CAFÉ to Oasis.

The Administrative Board received an extensive review of the Feasibility Study conducted by Church Development's represen-

tative, Mr. Darryl Prater. With a sampling of 38% of the congregation (when most congregations have only 15-25% sampling) and 92% of the sampling being highly favorable of engaging in capital campaign at this time (and 5-6% undecided and only 1-2% opposed) and that Church Development projects that FCC has a 90% probability of raising \$900,000, a 70% chance of raising \$1.2 million, and a 50% chance of raising \$1.3 million, **the Administrative Board enthusiastically and unanimously voted to immediately launch a capital campaign for the purpose of addressing the deferred maintenance issues** described as the Tier One needs by the Property Department and Master Planning Committee.

The Administrative Board received Rev. Stagg's report which included a reminder that the City of Columbia will no longer manage the Village Park located at the corner of 9<sup>th</sup> and Walnut effective October 1, 2014. The situation will be addressed by the Property Department both for short and long term needs as security issues at the park have increased over the summer.

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## 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

The Ladies' Book Club gathers at noon on Oct. 8 in Bethany Hall to discuss Alan Bradley's *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie*. Please join the group as they take on this quirky, fun, British mystery!

## Prayer Requests

The Elders are working on updating our Prayer Ministry procedures and policies. Requests for prayer can be emailed to [fccpastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:fccpastoralcare@gmail.com) or called into the church office (449-7265).

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## Listen In... Radio Spots M-W-F

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

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## The Legacy Journey is coming to FCC

Our church has decided to start an exciting class about living intentionally with money and true financial discipleship.

Culture gives us a lot of mixed messages about money and wealth. Some people want it all and others want to give it all away. But what does the Bible say about it? How does the Bible instruct us to take care of others? How much is "enough"?

The Legacy Journey is Dave Ramsey's follow up to the popular Financial Peace University (FPU)! If you have taken FPU and thought, "What's next?", or you want to know more about what the Bible has to say about money and wealth, then this class is for you.

The Legacy Journey is going to take a deeper look at what the Bible has to say about wealth. It will also give you a biblical framework and practical tools for managing your resources and living a more generous life.

You will gain valuable information on investing, wills, basic estate planning and more!

The 7 week Legacy Journey will show you how to **live** a legacy now while you prepare to **leave** a legacy for your children and future generations.

Classes begin **October 6th at 7:00 p.m. in our 3rd floor cinema** and will continue for 7 weeks.

Please contact the church office to sign up today!  
~Joe Reardon

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Laura Shirey, Intern

### Music Staff:

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Keith Picker, Custodian

### 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, Sept. 21

*Van Driver:* Kim Leon  
*Office Receptionist:* Betty Moon  
*Flower Ministry - Arranged by:* Chris Creasy  
*Delivered by:* Chris Creasy

#### Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

*Worship Assts.:* Tom and Carol Hughey, Tommy Gay Evans  
*Elder:* Tom Gray

#### Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

*Communion Preparation:* Chris and Candace Stormer, Pat Rybolt  
*Liturgist:* Stacia Schaefer  
*Elders:* Sally Robinson, Roy Rogers, Gene Taylor  
*Deacons:* The Nichols Team  
*Greeters:* Alan Street (N. Door), Connie Street (S. Door)  
Dan Gieseke (Atrium), Holly Gieseke (Portico)  
*Ushers:* The Rose Team  
*Banner Bearers:* Liam Rose and Andrew Stormer  
*Candlelighters:* Maddie Micek and Lena Schaefer  
*Children's Worship:* Jessica Humble (ldr.)

### This Week (Sept. 21-27)

- Sun. - Bell Choir, 8:30 a.m., 3rd Floor, Education Bldg.  
- CROP Walk, 1:00 p.m., Downtown  
- 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.  
- Serving at Loaves & Fishes  
- Elders Dinner Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Yonker Hall
- Tue. - Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Parlor  
- Drennan Group Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Wed. - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center  
- Brummett Harrah Group, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Bethany Hall  
- Oasis, 5:00 p.m., Yonker Fellowship Hall  
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary  
- DOC (college group), 8:45-10:00 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Thr. - Mother's Day Out Picture Day, Keystone Room
- Fri. - Mother's Day Out Picture Day, Keystone Room  
- Columbia College Trustee Mtg., 8:30-12:00
- Sat. - All Church Work Day, 8:00 a.m.

