



THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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Worship Sunday, Oct. 11

This Sunday brings Rev. Stagg preaching from Hebrews 4:12-16 and Mark 10:17-31, continuing his series from the Gospel of Mark; the sermon is called "Wealth," as Jesus encounters the rich man asking how to inherit eternal life.

Rev. Ben Bohren, former Regional Minister of the Pacific Southwest, will speak for 5 minutes at the 8:30 Service about a new NBA program called XPLOR where young adults are partnered in local congregations. These young people explore the calling to ministry through hands on social justice ministry, by living in community, practicing spiritual disciplines, and learning leadership development. Unfortunately Ben cannot make the 10:30 Service so you are encouraged to come to the 8:30 Service to learn about this exciting new ministry sweeping our denomination.



Book Dedicated Sunday

Dr. Ken Watson was in worship last Sunday to present the finished copy of a new biographical look at the long history of Associate/Assistant Ministers at FCC.

Pictured above is Ken Watson speaking of the book and its' dedication to longtime member Rev. Muriel Leach (seated), a former minister of Education at FCC.

The book spans the story of people who served FCC from 1907-2015 and is available for \$3 in the church office.

3rd Columbia CROP FC² 5K Run

Saturday, October 17

Registration at 8:00 a.m. Run starts at 9:00 a.m.

Twin Lakes Recreation Area

The out-and-back course is on the beautiful KATY Trail in Twin Lakes Recreation Area at 2500 Chapel Hill Road. Runners pay an entrance fee of \$25 which serves as their CROP Hunger donation. Runners are also encouraged to solicit additional donations to address hunger.



20th Columbia CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, October 18

Registration at 1:00 p.m. Walk starts at 2:00 p.m.

Wilkes Blvd. United Methodist Church

7th & Wilkes (right behind Hickman High School)

These events are sponsored by Church World Service and organized by local religious groups, businesses, schools and others to raise funds to end hunger in the U.S. and around the world. 25% of the funds raised fight hunger locally through Columbia food and meal programs which make annual application. 75% of the funds raised are forwarded to Church World Service, the national CROP sponsor for hunger and food sustainability programs conducted across the globe. For more information: www.columbiacrophungerwalk.webs.com/

The Faithful Struggle to Forgive



Saturday, October 17
9:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Broadway Christian Church, Columbia

Sign up for the lecture day by calling Broadway CC 445.5312 or by making a reservation with Jimmy Spear. The registration fee of \$20 includes lunch.

Forgiveness is part of the journey of faith for many Christians. It is, on the one hand, something that compels us toward right relationships and justice. On the other hand, forgiveness is hard work that requires energy, spiritual integrity and honesty.

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Church Picnic 2015



115 Folks attended the Church Picnic on a cold, chilly day!

Thanks to all those who made the picnic possible last Sunday. Planning, setting up, grilling took a good number of folks: **Steve Evers, Brianna Shepard, Lloyd Pooler, Bob and Linda Hutton, Steve Humble, Jay Creasy, Jeff Underwood, Jeff Wheeland, Natalie & Richard Barnard and Pat Rybolt.**

Chairpersons: Natalie & Richard Barnard



STARS (55+ Group)

Fall Color Tour Date Change:
Changed from
 Thurs, Oct. 22 ->-> Oct. 15

Tour will be on Thursday, Oct. 15.

\$15. Hop on the bus for the annual driving tour of hills and colorful trees. We always find beauty in this annual trip along with a good lunch and other sights. RSVP by Oct. 11 on pew pad "STARS COLOR" or to church office.

JYF (grds 3-5) &
 Chi-Rho (grds 6-8)
 4:30-6:00 p.m.
 CYF (grds 9-12)
 6:00-7:30 p.m.

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Oct. 11 CR & CYF
 CYF Cookout/Bonfire
 CYF will meet at church at 6pm and ride out in the bus to the Schaefer's farm. Cookout/bonfire times will be had.
 Return to church by 8:15 p.m.

Oct. 18 JYF & CYF

Oct. 25 CR & CYF

Trunk 'n Treat
Sat., Oct. 31 3-5 p.m.

Breakfast for Brethren Saturdays in October



7:00-10:00 a.m.
Donations & Help Needed!



I want to thank Rev. Stagg for his visits at the hospital and The Bluffs during my recovery of knee replacement. They were much appreciated and also his phone call when I got home. The flowers Lorene Trickey brought from the church were beautiful and added some beauty to my room at the Bluffs. Her visit and the flowers brightened my day. Thank you for all your prayers. ~Sharon Ronchetto

My 96th birthday was a memorable occasion thanks to the many beautiful cards, phone calls, Facebook greetings, and e-cards from my First Christian Church family. You are special! The flowers from the Service, delivered by Lorene Trickey, have graced my home and been much enjoyed. Thank you to everyone!

~Moray Loring Kiehl

News of People & Place

This week we focus our prayers around the needs of the following friends:

Elizabeth Mottaz is home recovering from thyroid and lymph node surgery.

Tom Gray is home recovering from his hospital stay for low blood count.

Genie Rogers is home recovering from orthoscopic knee surgery for a torn meniscus.

CL Class

The Christian Leaders Class (CL) meets on Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. in Keystone room. We use the book "The Present Word" and are now studying the book of Acts. To quote from book "The book of Acts invites us to investigate questions particular to the Christian community. What forms community? What sustains a community when its initial enthusiasm has ebbed? What protects a community from internal and external threats to its very being?" We have a good discussion led by our dedicated leader Marsha Rawlings. Please join us.

Your Special
 Birthday!



Dottie Golson-92
 on Oct. 13

Happy Birthday



Oct. 11
 Mark Embry
 Brady Marrero
 Elizabeth Martin
 Joy Overacre

Oct. 15
 Megan Potthast

Oct. 13
 Thelma Beem
 Robert Floyd
 Dorothy Golson
 Louise Meyer

Oct. 16
 Julie Hickey
 Holly Wheatley

Oct. 14
 Tracy Evers

Oct. 17
 Dorothy Neds-Martin



17th Annual Election Day Luncheon

Tuesday, November 3

We need your help to make the Election Day Luncheon a success! There will be someone in the Narthex this Sunday before and after worship, accepting sign ups. You can help with sanitizing the kitchen, decorating the hall, making pies, preparing the food, serving our friends, selling tickets, etc. Maybe your workplace would like meals delivered? We can do that. There is room for anyone who would like to help. Don't forget both women and men are welcome! Let's have a great day! Call Brenda Mosby at 442-7507.



3rd Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 21

Excitement is building about our Annual Christmas Bazaar which highlights our very own talented artisans. We have one space left. If you are interested in selling your specialty items, please call Brenda Mosby at 442-7507.

Weekly Offering Report: Oct. 4, 2015

Offerings Received this week \$9,291

Offerings Received to Date \$110,570

Offerings Needed to Date \$113,756

Oct. 4 Attendance: 195

(includes early service - 40, visitors - 13)



TRUNK OR TREAT

- Will you decorate and host a car Trunk for Treating?
- Would you help serve food to children, parents, and guests?
- Could you be on site to assist in the parking, hospitality needs?

Trunk-or-Treat (at left) will be held this year in partnership with Woodhaven. It will be held on Halloween, in the afternoon and be much larger than years past. With anticipated expansion of this event, please consider being a part. The Children's Edu. Dept is heading up this effort.

Sign up in the church office or put "TRUNK" on the Sun. pew pad.

Advent Department to Meet - October 18 - Noon

"What to do with Advent?" is the question posed this week around the hallowed halls of FCC. Earlier this year the Administrative Bd. affirmed the need for an Advent Department to nurture the creation, planning, and implementation of the activities surrounding the season of Advent. If you have said you would serve/help OR have decided to do so, see below.

Jimmy will convene a meeting of those interested at Noon on Sunday October 18, Keystone Room. We will meet to see who is present, look at the Advent calendar, and decide on a date for a longer meeting in the following weeks. We will be finished by 12:20 p.m.!



Join us at the
**Regional Assembly
Christian Church in
Mid-America**
In Columbia at Broadway CC.
Saturday, October 24
9:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
(\$25 includes lunch, snack, child care)
Please register by Oct. 12.
www.midamericadisciples.org
or in the FCC church office.

The day includes:
Worship and Workshops
A Presentation on the new structure of
Mid-America as one region in four areas
(no longer four separate area offices/
ministers in structure)

The Visitor

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SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, Oct. 11

Van Driver: Eric Seaman
Office Receptionist: Pat Rybolt
Flower Ministry - Arranged by: Kim Reardon
Delivered by: Kim Leon

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assts: Tom and Carol Hughey, Will Houston
Elder: Carol Hughey

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Preparation: Brad Beary, Bobbi and Steve McCormack
Liturgist: Joyce Stanley
Elders: Nora Dietzel, Steve and Jessica Humble
Deacons: The Beary Team
Greeters: Ann Rogers (*N. Door*), Sally Robinson (*S. Door*),
Diana Provenzano (*Atrium*), Betty Moon (*Portico*)
Ushers: The Burnam Team
Banner Bearers: Carleigh Snow and Kate Volmert
Candlelighters: Lena Schaefer and Liam Rose
Children's Worship: Kim Boger (ldr.); Brad/Khons Volmert (hlpr.)

CHURCH CALENDAR Oct. 11 - 17

Sun., Oct. 11

- Bible Study, 4:30-6:00 p.m., Morris Parlor
- Chi-Rho (grades 6-8), 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- CYF (grades 9-12), 6:00-8:15 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 12

- Newsletter Deadline and Church Staff Mtg., 2:00 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 13

- Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., Morris Parlor
- Cabinet Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Morris Parlor

Wed., Oct. 14

- Ladies' Book Club, 12:00 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Wed. Bible Study, 12:05-12:55 p.m., Morris Parlor
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary
- Church in Society, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Yonker Fellowship Hall
- NBA-XPLOR, 6:30-8:00 p.m., Yonker Fellowship Hall
- Forgiveness Adult Study, 7:00 p.m., Keystone Room
- DOC (college group), 8:45-10:00 p.m., Bethany Hall

Thr., Oct. 15

- STARS Fall Color Tour, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 17

- Festival of Sharing, Sedalia MO
- Breakfast for Our Brethren, 7:00-10:00 a.m., Yonker Hall
- Stalcup Lecture, 9:00 a.m.-1:45 p.m., Broadway Christian Ch.