



# THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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## Worship for April 17 The 4th Sunday of Easter Baptism Sunday

With eight youths to be baptized on Sunday morning in the 10:30 worship service it will indeed be a great day to continue to celebrate the presence of the risen Christ among disciples. Rev. Stagg will preach the sermon "Glory Days" based upon Revelation 7:9-17. The chancel choir will bring an anthem and the elders and deacons will be taking Communion Connection out to folks during the 10:30 service.

Hymns for the day will really call our voices and spirits toward themes of baptism and discipleship. They will include *We Call Ourselves Disciples*, *Take My Gifts*, and *Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*.

Join us Sunday as we have opportunity to share in one of the greatest occasions in a church's life, the sacrament of baptism. A full church welcoming Olivia, Joe, Kameron, Luke, Liam, Mia, Ian, and Eliana would be outstanding!

**Wine to WATER**  
Saturday, April 16, 2016  
7-9 pm | Rock Bridge Christian Church  
301 W. Green Meadows Rd., Columbia, MO

*Wine to Share, Water for All*

Wine, food and compassion for those in need of water.

For childcare, please RSVP to Jimmy Spear at jimmy@firstchristian.org by Sunday, April 10

A benefit for Week of Compassion

Sponsored by First, Broadway, Olivet and Rock Bridge Christian Churches

## All-Church Garage Sale

(All-church = whole church project-donating, set-up, volunteer)

### April 29 - May 1

#### Volunteers Needed

**Sun. April 24 - Table set up & drop off donations:**

**12-5 pm**

*(Youth will unload cars)*

**or any other time we are open**

**Mon. - Wed. until 5 pm**

**Not accepted this year:**

**Computers**

**Monitors**

**Televisions**

**Please donate clean items.**

#### Volunteer Sign Up

**Volunteers Welcome at any of the following times:**

**Monday 25th - Thurs. 28th:**

**Day Workers 8-5 pm**

**Evening Workers 6-8 pm**

**Wednesday 27th Night:**

**6 - 10 pm**

**Sign up in the Narthex this Sunday or see Jimmy Spear**



#### Sale Times

**Friday 3 - 6 pm**

**Sat. 8 am - 12 pm**

**Sun. 8 am - 1 pm**

*\*The Garage Sale fully funds all summer/winter student mission trips. This sale is a serving opportunity for the whole church family and is sponsored by the Student Ministry Department*

## Mother Angelica

As I have given up dish network/cable TV since the first of the year, and as I am always in a search for what is free over the airwaves, I came across an obscure religious station. There was the famous TV evangelist Jim Bakker, next to a very attractive blonde woman. With the white beard and a cap he was not easily recognizable — but I knew that face, voice, and talent for making a spectacle of Jesus on TV. I remember too well his ministry success and demise of decades ago.

I mention this because on the other end of the spectrum — and it is at this end that I think we find ourselves learning something about the power of God — there was Mother Angelica.

When flipping channels over the years I have always been intrigued by the TV ministry of a habit-wearing, friendly, older nun named Mother Angelica. I read recently that she died on Easter Sunday at the age of 92. The American Franciscan nun is best known as a television personality and the founder of both the internationally-broadcast cable television network Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) and the radio network WEWN. It was in 1981 that with \$200 start up money she began broadcasting a religious talk show from a TV studio put together in her Birmingham, Alabama monastery's garage. That show grew into EWTN — a media network that with the Vatican's blessing, **IS** catholic TV around the world. Mother Angelica was a pioneer in getting faith filled conversation into the very laps of people all over the world. She did so with common sense, a friendly demeanor, and a faith that was contagious. You didn't have to be a catholic to appreciate what she accomplished. ~Jimmy Spear

### Weekly Offering Report:

**April 10, 2016**

Offerings Received this week \$8,086

Offerings Received to Date \$319,876

Offerings Needed to Date \$338,826

**April 10 Attendance: 155**

(includes early service - 39, visitors - 8)

### Friday Night Classics

*North by Northwest* – Friday, May 6  
7:00 p.m., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Cinema at FCC



## Disciples Men's Retreat: April 29-May 1, 2016

Join other Disciple Men from across the state for a weekend retreat in Shannondale, Missouri. Held since 2004 the retreat brings men together for a weekend of service, recreation, time with nature, bonfires, good food, fellowship and worship. The schedule is:

Friday:

- Drive down to Shannondale. Car pools are encouraged for safety & fellowship.
- Arrive at Shannondale – Get familiar with the location & the other men.
- Orientation meeting

Saturday:

- Hearty breakfast
- Work projects at Shannondale
- Lunch
- Afternoon Activities:
- Canoeing – (extra cost)
- Golf – (extra cost)
- Hiking
- Enjoying the outdoors
- Relaxing & conversation
- Steak Dinner
- Campfire / star-gazing / conversation



Sunday:

- Breakfast
- Clean-up
- Church Service at Shannondale UCC
- Head back home

Cost is \$60.

Payment: *Contact Jonathan Jones at*

*(314) 608-0783 or*

*[jonathan@jonathanjonesconsulting.com](mailto:jonathan@jonathanjonesconsulting.com)*

*RSVP and \$20 deposit is requested by April 25<sup>th</sup>.*

*Jonathan Jones Consulting*

*165 N. Meramec - Suite 200*

*Clayton, MO 63103*

Local contact Bragg Stanley,  
[jbstanley\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:jbstanley_2000@yahoo.com) for additional  
information.

## News of People & Place

**Mack Brushwood** (97) died Wed., April 6. Mack and his wife June were long time members of FCC.

We welcome **Rev. Sarah Klaassen** as a new DOC clergy colleague in Columbia. Sarah has been called as the pastor of Rockbridge Christian Church. She has been in Columbia for several years, as she and her spouse Jamie have been active members at RBCC and even has joined FCC for some worship experiences. She currently works with Central Missouri Community Action. Sarah is originally a farm girl from Kansas, has degrees from Missouri State University, Vanderbilt Divinity School and was ordained to ministry a year ago. Welcome, Sarah!



## Birthdays to Celebrate



April 17

Joshua Humble

Deborah Scott

April 18

Betty Montgomery

April 21

Elizabeth Flanders

Kristin McFarland

April 22

Eden Crane

Bobbi McCormack

Annie Stagg

April 23

Joshua Garton

Abby Holman

Ron Longaker

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

Apr. 17 -- JYF & CYF  
 Apr. 24 -- garage sale setup 12-5 pm  
 Chi-Rho Mission Trip: June 5-7  
 Springfield MO  
 CYF Mission Trip: June 26-July 2  
 Lexington KY

## YOUTH GROUPS

### ON SUNDAY NIGHTS:

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

# Summer Camp Registration

A general email has been sent to parents with info and forms.  
 If you did not receive email please contact Jimmy Spear.

Paper copies are available in the church office.

**\*\*ALL camp forms to get early prices due APRIL 18\*\***

**Vacation Bible School  
 July 10 - 14**

## STARS

...the 55+ Fellowship Group

**May 12, Thursday**  
**{Marceline & Disney}**  
Marceline Missouri and the Walt Disney Home  
 (rescheduled from last year)



**June 1-2, Wed-Thurs.**  
**{Overnight Trip}**  
 Touring of Ironton Mo. area, the Elephant Rocks and Johnson Shut-Ins.  
 Staying at the Hotel Fort Davidson.



## Chi-Rho Finishes Season

The Chi-Rho Youth Group had their last regular gathering Sunday, April 10. The group pictured above (as they piled into Jimmy's truck bed upon arrival) has had a great school year together. They now anticipate helping with the garage sale project, a summer mission trip to Springfield, MO and summer church camp – of which a majority are in the habit of attending. Of the 8<sup>th</sup> graders that regularly attend Chi-Rho Youth group we said goodbye to Will Bower, Julia LaHue, Maddie Marrero, Elayna Mottaz as they will go to CYF at the end of summer.

### Listen In...

### Radio Spots M-W-F

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

### Graduate Recognition; Scholarships

The congregation will recognize graduating high school seniors on Sunday, May 8 in the 10:30 worship service. Are there others that will be graduating from places of higher education? If you or an immediate church family member will be graduating, please let Jimmy Spear know via email. Please share student name, school name, degree, future plans. Information on all our graduates will be published in a mid-May issue of the *Visitor*.

**Scholarships:** The FCC Scholarship committee will soon be making available the application forms for the annual giving of church scholarships. Watch the *Visitor* for announcements.

### Sign Up, Now What?

Did you sign up to serve at the April 23<sup>rd</sup> ForColumbia?

You will receive via email or from Jimmy Spear information about your placement/ serving group and location along with a t-shirt from Jimmy. Thanks for taking part in this day!



### Capital Campaign Progress Report



Due to inclement weather, no progress was made last week. The sheet-metal workers are scheduled to return this week, continuing the capstone flashing. The picture above reflects the quality of roof work completed to date. It sure looks nice!

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## First Christian Church

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### Ministerial Staff:

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### Music Staff:

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**Mother's Day Out:** Tracy Westhoff, Director  
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### Columbia Area Older Adult Ministry:

Rev. Sally Robinson, Chaplain  
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### Support Staff:

Kay Beissenherz, Administrative Assistant  
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**Minister Emeritus:** Dr. John J. Yonker

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## Return Service Requested

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

## SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, Apr. 17

*Van Driver:* Eric Seaman  
*Office Receptionist:* Gene Taylor  
*Flower Ministry - Arranged by:* Kim Reardon  
*Delivered by:* Cherry Hinderberger  
*Welcome Station:* Pat Rybolt, Jeff Underwood

### **Servers for 8:30 Worship Service**

*Worship Assts:* Will and Donna Houston, Carol Hughey  
*Elder:* Larry Burnam

### **Servers for 10:30 Worship Service**

*Communion Preparation:* Sharon and Steve Smith, Helen Stemmons  
*Liturgist:* Eric Arnett  
*Elders:* Sarah Read, Genie Rogers, Joyce Stanley  
*Deacons:* The Rogers Team *Ushers:* The Rose Team  
*Greeters:* Don Mosby (*N. Door*), Brenda Mosby (*S. Door*),  
Linda Ridgeway (*Atrium*), TBA (*Portico*)  
*Banner Bearers:* Carleigh Snow, Kate Volmert  
*Candlelighters:* Lena Schaefer, Liam Rose  
*Children's Worship:* Holly Gieseke (ldr.); TBA (hlpr.)

## CHURCH CALENDAR Apr. 17 - 23

Sun., Apr. 17      Baptism Sunday  
- Coffee Hour, 9:20-10:20 a.m., Yonker Hall  
- Bible Study, 4:30-6:00 p.m., Morris Parlor  
- JYF (grades 3-5), 4:30-6:00 p.m.  
- CYF (grades 9-12), 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Mon., Apr. 18  
- Newsletter deadline and church staff meeting, 2:00 p.m.

Tues., Apr. 19  
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., Morris Parlor

Wed., Apr. 20  
- Shawl Ministry, 9:30 a.m., Millie Bolman's home  
- Wed. Bible Study, 12:05-12:55 p.m., Morris Parlor  
- CWF Board Mtg., 5:00-6:00 p.m., Keystone Room  
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary  
- DOC (college group), 8:45-10:00 p.m., Bethany Hall

Sat., April 23  
- Multi-Church Service Day "ForColumbia"