



THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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Worship for June 19 5th Sun. after Pentecost

With the day's texts coming from Psalm 42 and Luke 8:26-39, the congregation will continue in the ways of Jesus. The Rev. Sally Robinson will bring the morning message, "The Transforming Power of God Offers."

Rev. Robinson is a long time member and elder at FCC and in ministry with Senior Adults. We welcome her voice to the pulpit this Sunday as guest preacher.

Rev. Jimmy Spear will offer prayers for the day and include time for recalling events of last Sunday in Orlando.

The hymns of the day include: *Eternal Father, Strong to Save; How Great Thou Art; Spirit Song* and *This is the Day*.

Worship for June 26 6th Sun. after Pentecost

Rev. Brad Stagg will bring the morning message; the CYF mission team will be commissioned and depart for Kentucky, and the hymns of the day will include: *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus; I have Decided to Follow Jesus; One Bread, One Body* and *This is the Day*.

There will be a CONGREGATIONAL MEETING held following both worship services. The agenda will be approval of the annual church budget presented by the Stewardship and Finance Department.



Sundays
9:20-10:20 am
& after Worship
in Yonker Hall

Whole Church Makes VBS Priority for July: Vacation Bible School to be held July 10-14

Mark your calendars now and get ready to "Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love" at our Surf Shack Vacation Bible School set for July 10 – 14 from 5:30 – 8 p.m.

As you know, VBS takes a TREMENDOUS amount of volunteers to make it a great week for the kids. Please call me at 808-6394 or email me at humblejess@aol.com to volunteer or register online at 2016.cokesburyvbs.com/FCCColumbia. The following positions are needed:

- Preschool Rotation Teachers –
Crafts, Story, Recreation, Science
- Preschool Crew Leaders
- Elementary Rotation Teachers –
Story, Recreation, Science
- Elementary Crew Leaders
- Kitchen Helpers
- Dessert Bakers
- Registration Helpers
- Decoration Helpers



We also would like to borrow any cool beach supplies you have available.

Items might include: Boogie Boards, Beach Towels, Beach Umbrellas, Surf Boards, etc. Please place your items on the Fellowship Hall stage by Sunday, June 26th with your name clearly marked on the items so we can get everything returned at the end of VBS. Contact Holly Gieseke at 864-4845 if you have any questions. Thank you so much for your participation!

~Jessica Humble, VBS Director

Kitchen Help and Cookies for Vacation Bible School

If you have time to bake two dozen cookies for the kiddos at Vacation Bible School, that would be greatly appreciated. Also, if you would like to spend some "quality" time with friends in the kitchen preparing food for those same kiddos, we would love for you to join us. There will be sign up sheets in the Narthex. Please stop by Sunday; we will be glad to help you.

~Amy Marrero and Brenda Mosby

Weekly Offering Report June 5, 2016

Offerings Received this week \$9,066
Offerings Received to Date \$378,842
Offerings Needed to Date \$397,224

Attendance Report June 5, 2016: 216

(includes early service - 54)

Weekly Offering Report June 12, 2016

Offerings Received this week \$5,852
Offerings Received to Date \$385,419
Offerings Needed to Date \$404,655

Attendance Report June 12, 2016: 177

(includes early service - 48, visitors - 13)

Please join us in honoring
Charles and Bettie Koelling
 as they celebrate their
 70th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, July 2
1-4 PM
 3040 W. Arrowhead Lake Dr.
 Columbia, MO

Patrick Koelling, Karen Koelling Weaver
 and our families
 RSVP pkoelling@gmail.com or
 (573)445-6336

No gifts, please




Thank you for the Bible and shawl!!!
 And for all the support over the years. I look forward to the next chapter.

~Jack Creasy

Thank you Friends of FCC! I appreciate the prayer shawl and the Study Bible! Also, thank you all for the many years of understanding, love, and support!

~Gavin Rose

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers and of course the prayers. Thank you to Helen & Perry Stemmons too, for delivering the flowers and visiting with me. I returned to work full time this week and am feeling better!

~Diana Provenzano

Thank you very much to all the members who already returned their VBS Brown Bags with supplies. I am always amazed at how generous our members are in supporting our kids! If you still have a bag out, please return to the Fellowship Hall stage by Sunday, June 19th. If you still would like to help we will have a few more bags available for pick-up this week. Thanks again to everyone that contributed! With all of us doing something little we get something great!

Thanks!
 ~Jessica Humble

STARS

...the 55+ Fellowship Group

Check out the future plans of this fun fellowship group. Please note many coming events have RSVP dates soon!



July 7 – Thursday, departure time 12:00 Noon (no meal)
Lyceum Theater, Arrow Rock for show "1776"
 Bus Filled to Capacity

July 17 – Sunday
Lunch at Claysville General Store "Homemade fried chicken served family style -- with all the good fixins"
 Deadline for reservations - July 12

August 3 – Wednesday
Maples Theater in Macon for show "Joseph and Amaz. Tech. Dreamcoat"
 Lunch at AJs, Ben Franklin after show
 Cost \$32 (includes ticket & transportation)
 Departure 10 a.m.
 RSVP to office by June 21

September 8 – Thursday
Tour of Bothwell Lodge, Sedalia
 Lunch in Sedalia, afternoon Daum Museum

September 15 – Thursday
Lyceum Theater in Arrow Rock for show "Million Dollar Quartet"
 RSVP by June 21
 Cost \$40 (includes ticket & transportation)

October 20 – Thursday
Color Tour to Rosebud, MO

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND:
 Daniel O'Donnell in Branson**

November 15-16, 2016 – Tues. & Wed.
Branson, Missouri to see Daniel O'Donnell at Welk's Theatre
 Shopping and other options possible
 RSVP by August 15
 Cost TBA (tickets, hotel, travel fee)

News of People & Place

Sunday, June 5 found the congregation in the 10:30 service surrounded by much joy. At some point during the service – I believe at the end of communion, there was a baby making baby sounds – perhaps a little fussy. How great to have that sound in the background of our worship experience...a reminder of our new life.

We also had the chance to share in the joyful news of engagement! **Amy Lightner** and **William Green** have announced their engagement. They both stood in their respective sections of the choir and the congregation cheered. Amy and Will both grew up in the life of the church and these years later have found each other AND a shared church home. Indeed a reminder of our new life.

Congratulations to **Jim and Tommie Ross** on their 66th wedding anniversary June 24th.

Ella Rogers was awarded the American Legion Award her last day of school at the Honors Assembly at Ridgeway Elementary School. She was the only recipient. Ella will be attending Jefferson Middle School next year.

June 20
 Donna Meyer

June 21
 Carol Slusher
 Rodney Swope

June 22
 Mark Hunsaker
 Glenn Rainey
 Kim Reardon
 Pat Rybolt

June 23
 Heather Hunsaker
 Sarah Keithley

June 25
 Steve Evers

June 26
 John Hickey
 Julie Holliday

June 30
 Bill Moon

July 1
 Mary Jane Anderson
 Cole Freed
 Bette Scavone
 Emily Unterschutz

July 2
 Gina Henry
 Mary Moeller

STARS - history, geology, good times in SE Missouri

The STARS group recently adventured off to Iron County, MO for their annual overnighter. Walking among the Elephant Rocks, looking down upon the ancient waterways of Johnson Shut-Ins, and looking out from the Taum Sauk Mountain's highest point in MO were combined with great foods, historic churches, antiques, and a whole lot of friendship!



The Summer Church Yard



Many thanks to Harlan Hackett, Valerie Freed with Paige and Cole, Brenda Mosby, Susan Gray, Linda Hamilton, Mike Randerson, and Doug Smith who helped us weed and trim up the plantings in our church yard. We were so appreciative of the great turn-out and excellent work! ~Peggy, Larry, and Mary



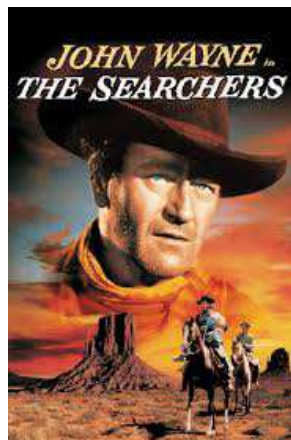
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Friday Night Classics

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- *“The Searchers” -- a western!*
- Friday, July 8 7:00 p.m.
- 3rd Floor Cinema at FCC
- June’s *Adam’s Rib* had the biggest crowd yet with 20 or so folks! Popcorn provided. Join us and bring a friend.
- Hosted by Dan & Holly Gieseke.

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Newsletter Schedule

Here is the summer schedule for the newsletter: It will be mailed every other week during the summer months. The weekly schedule will resume after Labor Day. Look for the *Visitor* the weeks of: June 27, July 11, July 25, Aug 8, Aug 22

Chi-Rho Mission Team: Springfield MO

The middle school youth group was in mission June 5-7. The group of 16 spent time working with senior adults, a community garden, and a ministry warehouse sorting donations for those in need. Fun was had too... An awesome trip with great kids!



Springfield's original "Cashew Chicken"



SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, June 19

Van Driver: TBA

Office Receptionist: Richard Barnard

Flower Ministry - Arranged by: Gerald and Susan Ramsey

Delivered by: Gerald and Susan Ramsey

Welcome Station: Pat Rybolt and Jeff Underwood

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assts: Tom and Carol Hughey

Elder: Jerry Daugherty

Offering Counter: Moeller and Carol H.

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Preparation: Kurt, Stacia, Max & Wolf Schaefer

Liturgist: Pat Rybolt

Elders: Rich Hoepfner, Hayley Batterson, Pamela Hoepfner

Deacons: The Rogers Team *Ushers:* The Rose Team

Greeters: Doug Smith (*N. Door*), Cindy Smith (*S. Door*),
TBA (*Atrium*), Susan Gray (*Portico*)

Banner Bearers: Carleigh Snow, Chase Hofmann

Candlelighters: Kate Volmert, Lena Schaefer

Children's Worship: Kim Boger (ldr.); TBA (hlpr.)

Offering Counter: Diana P. and Susan R.

CHURCH CALENDAR June 19 - 25**Sun., June 19**

- Rev. Sally Robinson will preach at both services
- Coffee Hour, 9:20-10:20 a.m., Yonker Hall

Mon., June 20

- Chi Rho Camp, Camp Hickory Hills in Columbia all week
- Church Staff Mtg., 2:00 p.m.

Tues., June 21

- NO Tuesday Morning Bible Study this week
- Administrative Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Morris Parlor

Wed., June 22

- Ladies' Book Club, 12:00 p.m., Bethany Hall
- NO Wed. Bible Study this week
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Thur., June 23

- College Town Hillbillies Jam Session, 6:30 p.m., Bethany Hall

Vacation Bible School July 10 - 14

Register Children Now! Online at:
2016.cokesburyvbs.com/FCCCLolumbia

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

SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, June 26

Van Driver: Carol Slusher

Office Receptionist: Carol Slusher

Flower Ministry - Arranged by: Barb Rothenberger

Delivered by: Tommy Gay Evans

Welcome Station: Jan Davis and Steven Humble

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assts: Will and Donna Houston, Larry Burnam

Elder: Larry Burnam

Offering Counter: Sarah S. and Bob H.

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Preparation: Brad and Khons Volmert and
Ryan Hunsaker

Liturgist: Brenda Mosby

Elders: Tommy Tomlin, TBA, Don Mosby

Deacons: The Hunsaker Team *Ushers:* The Scott Team

Greeters: Jeff Wheeland (*N. Door*), Willie Mae Wheeland
(*S. Door*), Jacki Davidson (*Atrium*), Colleen Nilges (*Portico*)

Banner Bearers: Mia Gregory, Izzy Arnett

Candlelighters: Jack Bower, Delaney Batterson

Children's Worship: Holly Gieseke (ldr.); TBA (hlpr.)

Offering Counter: Gene T. and Cindy S.

CHURCH CALENDAR June 26 - July 2**Sun., June 26**

- Congregational Meeting (budget) after both services
- Coffee Hour, 9:20-10:20 a.m., Yonker Hall
- Lenoir Healthcare Worship, 3:30 p.m.

Mon., June 27

- God and Sex Camp (grade 8), Covenant Point, Holt Summit, all week
- Newsletter deadline and church staff mtg., 2:00 p.m.
- Loaves and Fishes, by Drennan Group

Tues., June 28

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

Wed., June 29

- Wed. Bible Study, 12:05-12:55 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Fri., July 1

- Church Dine-Out, 5:30 p.m., Bob Evans Restaurant
Everyone Welcome!

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Created in God's Image:

Racism, Faith and Justice

July 9, 2016



Offered by the Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism
Team of Mid-America



Columbia College, Dulany Hall
1001 Rogers St. Columbia, MO 65201

Schedule: The workshop begins at 9:00 a.m. (check-in from 8:00 a.m.) and concludes at 4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$40, includes lunch & materials

Registration Due: Friday, June 24, 2016

Call the church office for registration info.

More Information about: Created in God's Image Event

This workshop is an outreach of the Reconciliation Ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). As one of its top four priorities, Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism (PRAR) is intimately tied to the church's mission to be a church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion for justice. This initiative seeks to nurture the wholeness of the church through educating and engaging congregational leaders to dismantle systemic racism and other oppressive structures.

Who should attend? Clergy, youth and children's ministry staff/volunteers, young adults, church boards, elders, deacons and pastoral search committees. Continuing Education Units are available for clergy. Check box on registration form online for CEU.

Sponsors: PRAR Team of the Christian Church of Mid-America and Mid-America Center for Ministry.

Attendees will learn to:

- Name and understand key terms/concepts related to racism
- Describe contemporary and historic examples of institutional racism, white privilege, civil and human rights in the U.S.
- Articulate a biblical foundation for justice ministry
- Engage in informed dialogue about current issues of racism and reconciliation in the U.S. and in local communities
- Develop personal and community-based "Next Steps" to address systemic racism in participants' own communities.