



**THE**  
April 14,  
2017

# First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) VISITOR

**Our mission: to know God and follow Jesus Christ**

## **STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS APRIL 23 - MAY 14**

**Sunday April 30**

Week two of this year's annual stewardship campaign will focus on the life we have together—as a community of faith and a shared ministry. What do we do together in the cause of Christ? How is it that we are devoted to sharing the ministry and life that is known to us as First Christian Church?

Rev. Stagg will preach from a continued text focus from Acts 2 this week verses 36-47.



**JOURNEY to  
GENEROSITY**

*The Way of Jesus*

**Devoted to Life Together**

In the mail this weekend members and friends should look for a letter of invitation to consider their stewardship of time, talent, and money in the 2017-2018 fiscal and program church year.

This year's "INTEREST SURVEY" looks different. This is on purpose. All are invited to consider how they will serve in the "devoted life together" called church.

# CINCO DE MAYO

***Bring Mexican food to share - potluck style!***

**Friday, May 5  
6:00 p.m.**

**Yonker  
Fellowship Hall**

**Sponsored by the  
Membership Department**



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## Bit from Brad

Capital Campaign Update: To date, 93.38% of our capital campaign pledges have been received!! We are not even close to December, which is when our 3-Year Tier One Campaign concludes. Thank you so much FCC for keeping your promises to your church!! Fred says we are right on track for the remaining \$54,061 to come in by year end, which is good as we still have our Life Safety items to complete (alarm system updates, various hand railings, and the balcony railing.) As the remaining pledges come in, we will address each item – first up is the Alarm system, budgeted at \$15,000 for which we only have \$8,757 on hand in the Capital Campaign account.

Tier Two: So, assuming all goes as planned with Tier One, what next? The Property Department, using their budget money, has contracted with CM Engineering to assess the current condition of the interior systems of the Education Building, in particular the electrical and plumbing systems. CM Engineering and FCC Leaders meet in the coming weeks to move the project along. The resulting engineering report will then be given to the Capital Campaign Committee for consideration about how best to proceed. Any further action would go before Property, Master Planning, Cabinet and Board before proceeding. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask me or Bob Hutton, our Capital Campaign Project Manager.

Stewardship Campaign: Just a reminder, the Capital Campaign is different from our annual Stewardship Campaign, *Journey to Generosity*. The annual Stewardship Campaign provides for staff salaries, outreach/compassion ministries (local and global), discipleship, education, program ministries, leadership development, utilities, insurance, and maintenance. The Capital Campaign provides for major repairs. So, as you receive letters and notices regarding the Stewardship Campaign, please don't confuse the two. If you have any questions, please ask me, Jimmy, or Fred, as we are here to help and answer your questions.

Blessings, Brad

## WHO AM I?

- My first car was a Pinto
- I love country music
- At FCC for 28 years

The answer will be in next week's VISITOR!

If you would like to submit a baby picture, elementary or high school picture, or simply a fun guess-who shot, e-mail it to [fcc@firstchristian.org](mailto:fcc@firstchristian.org) or bring it by the office and we'll scan it and give it right back! Happy guessing!



## NEWS OF THE PEOPLE

- Prayers of celebration are extended to **Jesse and Jordan (Mills) Barnes** in the birth of their first child. **Eli Denver** came into the world on April 21. First time grandparents are **Mark and Janet Mills**.
- Prayers of sympathy are offered to **Christy VonTalge** in the death of her grandfather Bill McCabe.
- **Mary Ann Niedergerke and Freda Martz** are in our prayers as they are patients at Boone Hospital.
- **Marsha Rawlings** requests prayer for her son **Scott Rawlings** (42) who has been diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis.

## CANTATA CDS AVAILABLE

If you would like a CD of the Chancel Choir's cantata presentation of "Upon This Rock" from Palm Sunday, they are available in the church office. Enjoy! Donations accepted!



## Youth Ministry Info

2 groups have the last meetings of the semester!

**April 30**

JYF (grades 3-5) Youth Group 4:30-6pm

CYF (grades 9-12) Youth Group 6-7:30pm

Youth activities will now be in summer mode. Each group will have gatherings including camps, mission trips, and local events throughout the summer.

### Mission Trips Locations Secured!

Chi-Rho will serve in Kansas City

CYF will serve in Denver, CO

### Summer Church Camp Sign Up

If you missed the deadline, please talk to Jimmy. We can still work it out!

## DINE-OUT NOTICE!

The first Friday church dine-out at Bob Evans restaurant scheduled for May 5 has been rescheduled to May 12 due to the *Cinco de Mayo* potluck.

**Report for  
Sunday, April 23, 2017**

**Offering - \$6,805**

**Attendance - 178**

(includes: early service - 32;  
visitors - 8)



## BREAKFAST FOR OUR BRETHREN

Sunday was national picnic day. It was a beautiful day to go outside and enjoy your lunch among nature; however, would you always want to eat your meals outside? For a population in Columbia, they do not have a house to go home to and eat their meals.

During the month of May, FCC provides a place for this group to enjoy a hot breakfast. Next month, our doors will be open every Saturday morning at 7:00 for a wonderful program Breakfast for our Brethren. We have the building, but we now need the breakfast-and this is where you come in! There is a binder in the church office with a sign up of different items needed for each Saturday in May. Please look through the binder and sign up for what you are about to donate. If shopping/making items may not work for you, you may give a monetary donation and we will go shopping for you. In addition to the actual meal, **we are needing volunteers to help serve the breakfast to our fellow Columbians.**

Often times, when the weather is nice, we will choose to go on a picnic or eat outside; however, during the month of May, help us provide a place inside for some people in community to come and enjoy a meal, who may not have a choice.

~Church in Society Department



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for supporting our family during this difficult time. We greatly appreciated the beautiful flowers, cards, phone calls and text messages! Brad, we appreciate you coming to our house to talk and pray with us! We feel blessed to have such an amazing church family! Thank you again!

Blessings, Trish Gregory

Thank you to the people of Coffman-Watson for preparing and serving brunch for the Chancel and Bell Choirs Easter Sunday!

## SCHOLARSHIP TIME

First Christian Church scholarship funds will be awarded to those seeking degrees in programs of higher education - undergraduate degrees and in graduate seminary. The funds are made possible through the scholarship funds set up by members over the years to endow scholarships to members in college. The Scholarship Committee will meet in late May to review applications.

Applications can be picked up in the church office or received via email from Jimmy Spear (jimmy@firstchristian.org). He will email applications to those students/parents from whom he has contact information. The scholarship application deadline will be May 14.

Scholarships will be distributed during worship June 4.



## GRADUATE RECOGNITION

Graduating High School Seniors will be honored in worship on Sunday, May 7. All graduates will be listed with information about their schools and future in a mid-May *Visitor*. We welcome information on other church members graduating this spring from all levels of education. Please let the church office know/email Jimmy Spear and those names will be included.

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Don and Brenda Mosby  
54 Years, May 12



### YOUR SPECIAL BIRTHDAY

Doris Neidhardt, 91  
May 2

## BIRTHDAYS

May 1

Jane Ann Hackett

May 2

Dale Richardson

May 3

Nathaniel Leon-Rudy

May 4

Illa Hickey, Aubrey Schomaker,  
Deidre Tevis, Drake Tevis

May 6

Etta Bazzell, Delaney Tevis,  
Sue Underwood



## STARS

...the 55+ Fellowship Group

**Thursday, May 18 St. Louis**

Morning:

Ulysses S. Grant Home "White Haven"

Lunch:

The Sappington House "Red Barn"

Afternoon:

The Missouri Botanical Garden - see the garden via walking or tram

Tours/trams/travel fee: \$25

RSVP by May 10 on the pew pad/office:  
"ST LOUIS"



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**Return Service Requested**

**SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, April 30**

*Van Driver:* Russ Palmer

*Office Receptionist:* Gene Taylor

*Welcome Station:* Jennifer Alexander & Jan Davis

*Flower Ministry*

*Arranged by:* Steve & Jessica Humble

*Delivered by:* Steve & Jessica Humble

**Servers for 8:30 Worship Service**

*Worship Assts:* Will & Donna Houston and Tom Hughey

*Elder:* Larry Burnam

*Offering Counters:* Sarah Storm and Doug Smith

**Servers for 10:30 Worship Service**

*Communion Preparation:* Tammy & Jadie Arnett and

Jeff Underwood

*Liturgist:* Brenda Martin

*Elders:* Larry Veatch, Joyce Stanley, Eric Arnett

*Deacons:* The Hunsaker Team *Ushers:* The Rose Team

*Greeters:* Perry Stemmons (*N. Door*), Helen Stemmons (*S.*

*Door*), Sue Wright (*Atrium*), Pat Wright (*Portico*)

*Banner Bearers:* Jack Bower, Delaney Batterson

*Candle Lighters:* Lillian McCormack, Amelia Leon-Rudy

*Children's Worship:* Julie Nichols (*ldr.*) TBD (*hlpr.*)

*Offering Counters:* Cindy Smith and Deb Batterson

**CHURCH CALENDAR April 30-May 7**

**Sunday, April 30**

- Bell Choir, 8:30am, Bell Choir Room (3<sup>rd</sup> floor Ed. Bldg.)
- Chancel Choir Warm-up, 9:45-10:20am, Morris Parlor
  - JYF Youth Group, (grades 3-5), 4:30-6:00pm
  - CYF Youth Group, (grades 9-12), 6:00-7:30pm

**Monday, May 1**

- Newsletter deadline & Church Staff Mtg., 2:00pm
- Coffman-Watson Mtg., 6:00pm, Keystone Room

**Tuesday, May 2**

- Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor

**Wednesday, May 3**

- CWU May Friendship Day
- Wed. Bible Study, 12:05-12:55pm, Bethany Hall
- World Outreach Meeting, 5:00pm, Keystone
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, Sanctuary

**Thursday, May 4**

- College Town Hillbillies Jam Session, 6:30-8:00pm, Yonker Hall

**Friday, May 5**

- Cinco de Mayo Potluck, 6:00pm, Yonker Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, May 6**

- Breakfast for Our Brethren, 7:00-10:00am, Yonker Fellowship Hall