



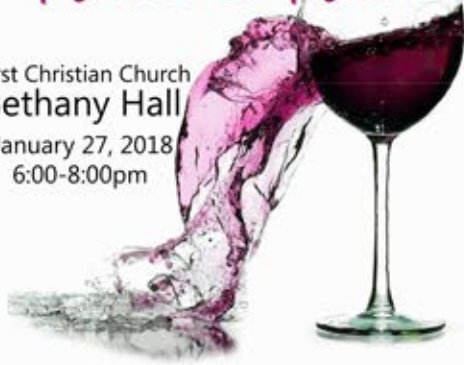
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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) VISITOR

Our mission: to know God and follow Jesus Christ

Wine to Water

First Christian Church
Bethany Hall
January 27, 2018
6:00-8:00pm



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

For childcare please RSVP to Jimmy Spear at jimmy@firstchristian.org by Sunday, January 21

Water is Everything

Don't miss this special event: Wine to Water. This is an opportunity to enjoy some fellowship, drink good wine, share a light food spread and impact the lives of those who need clean drinking water, the most basic of elements. Next week's Visitor will feature information about the water needs to be met by our donations at this year's Wine to Water. We look forward to seeing you at Bethany Hall on Saturday, January 27. Bring your family and friends and prepare for a great time!

Must be 21 years of age or older. Please enjoy this event responsibly and choose a designated driver or service to get you home safely.

Worship for Sunday, Jan. 14 "Come and See"

Gathering for worship this Sunday will find the congregation centered around themes of calling and following - disciples' style.

John 1:43-51 is the textual base for Rev. Brad Stagg's sermon "Come and See." Hymns and prayers will include themes of justice considering the themes of the Martin Luther King Jr. weekend observance.

Hymns for the day will include *For the Healing of the Nations, I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* and *Let There Be Peace on Earth*.

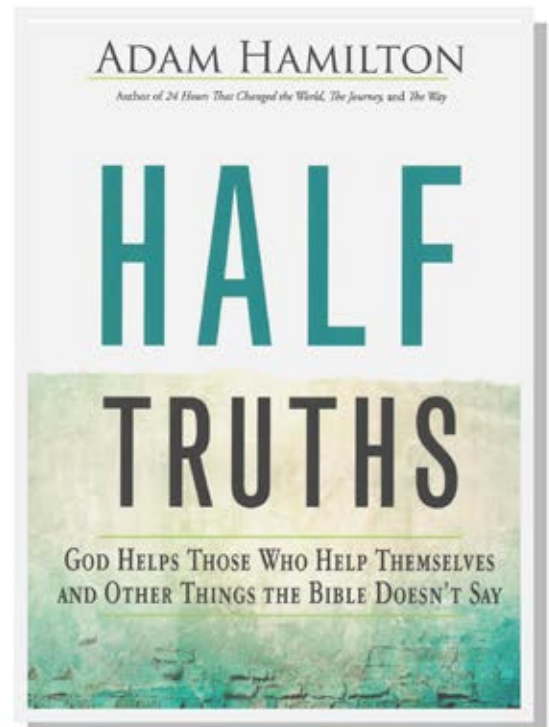
Sunday School is on for this Sunday. Some CYF youth/leaders and Rev. Spear will be away in Clarence, MO attending a regional CYF Winter Retreat with a focus on justice.



Everything Happens for a Reason... or Does It Really? That's Just Chapter ONE!

Adult Education Class, Sunday Mornings: 9:30 a.m.
Keystone Room, 2nd floor
6 weeks: January 14 - February 18

Join us for an intriguing look at things you've always heard— and probably misquoted— from the bible! This eye-opening study on Adam Hamilton's new book, *Half Truths*, is an adult class that encourages discussion and thought; no prior class experience required! The class is led by members and books can be purchased for \$10. This study will include a video segment by Hamilton, book and bible discussion. Those who currently attend the Sunday morning adult class received an email invite to reserve a book. All are welcome and others can contact Jimmy Spear to reserve a book; jimmy@firstchristian.org. Come and experience the whole truth!



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DOC Winter Break Mission Trip: Brookfield

The Disciples on Campus college student ministry group spent part of last week in Brookfield, MO serving in the local food pantry and Senate Bill 40 agency. A Central MO Food Bank semi-truck was unloaded then stocked, restocked and distributed in a two day serving at the Linn Co. Ministries Food Pantry which became known as "A little space with a lot of food and organization!" Time was also spent working with the variety of jobs taken on by the folks with disabilities at Senate Bill 40. The DOC team of 8 enjoyed the gracious hospitality of First Christian Church in Brookfield. FCC was represented by Megan Potthast, Reid Glenn and Rev. Jimmy Spear.



Brookfield Ministries
Food Pantry
OPEN
Monday- Friday
9:00 am- 11:00 am
No Smoking
Emergency #: (660)258-7715



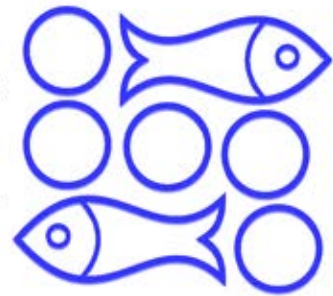
- January 14** Jesse Barnes, Bradley Daugherty, & Nannie Lou Mallett
- January 15** Susan Ballard & Charles Brown
- January 17** Carolyn Savoy & Mason Stevens
- January 18** Mike Korman & Mike Mountjoy
- January 20** Kay Ahrens



Your Special Birthday

Mildred Caringer was 94 on January 9

Calling All Hands



Do you like to cook? Do you have a heart to serve? Well, we need you! First Christian Church is signed up to serve **Loaves 'N Fishes** on Monday February 26, 2018 and we are searching for a group to be assigned to this ministry. Mary Moeller has agreed to spearhead it and looks forward to all volunteers who can make this event the success it always has been. We will meet at the church kitchen Sunday, the 25th to cook, then serve it at Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church on Monday at 5:00pm. Many hands make it easier; buying ingredients, cooking, serving or cleaning— please contact Mary Moeller at msm_cpa@yahoo.com or by phone at 573-321-3555. Thanks!

Thank you!

To our FCC friends:

Thanks to Bob & Linda Hutton for bringing us flowers from the church and for the cards and expressions of sympathy after Alan Austene, my brother, unexpectedly died. We are fortunate to have such a great church family.

Pat & Sue Wright



Warming Station Host and Driver Schedule

If you would like to help in those slots marked TBD, please contact Sarah Storm.

- JANUARY 14:** Jerry Miller and Sarah Storm, Hosts
Jeff Wheeland, Bus Driver
- JANUARY 21:** Valerie Freed and **TBD**, Hosts
Bill Carney, Bus Driver
- JANUARY 28:** Eric Seaman and **TBD**, Hosts
Eric Seaman, Bus Driver
- FEBRUARY 4:** **TBD**, Hosts
Jeff Wheeland, Bus Driver
- FEBRUARY 11:** **TBD**, Hosts
Jeff Wheeland, Bus Driver
- FEBRUARY 18:** Amy and Jeff Lahue, Hosts
Jeff Wheeland, Bus Driver
- FEBRUARY 25:** Eric Seaman and **TBD**, Hosts
Eric Seaman, Bus Driver
- MARCH 4:** **TBD**, Hosts
Jeff Wheeland, Bus Driver
- MARCH 11:** Colleen Nilges and **TBD**, Hosts
Jeff Wheeland, Bus Driver

Youth Groups Return
January 21

Group Times:
Chi-Rho (grd 6-7-8) /
JYF (grd 3-4-5) 4:30-6pm
CYF (grd9-12) 6-7:30pm



Jan. 21	Chi-Rho/CYF
Jan. 28	JYF/CYF
Feb. 4	Chi-Rho/CYF
Feb. 11	JYF/CYF
Feb. 18	Pres. BREAK
Feb. 25	Chi-Rho/CYF
Mar. 4	JYF/CYF
Mar. 11	Chi-Rho/CYF

Mar. 18	JYF/CYF
Mar. 25	Sprg BREAK
Apr. 1	EASTER Day
Apr. 8	Chi-Rho/CYF
Apr. 15	JYF/CYF
Apr. 22	Chi-Rho/CYF
Apr. 29	JYF/CYF

January is LOCAL!
Archaeology & Lunch

Thursday January 25– 11:30am

Join us for a fun-filled day in Columbia as we enjoy a Mexican food lunch at Agave then tour the MU Archaeological Museum! RSVP by Tuesday, January 23.



February is not far, neither is Fayette!

ART Museum at Central Methodist Univer. & Emmet's!
Be looking for details on this one coming soon.

Happy New Year
Reminder



Remember to date your checks to the church "2018". THANKS!

Reconciliation Book Study. Interested?

FCC is invited to join other local participating churches at 4:30 p.m., January 14 for a kickoff of the Reconciliation Book Study, Critical Conversations in Troubled Times. The event will be held at Second Missionary Baptist Church, 407 East Broadway in Columbia. Contact Don Day, member at Broadway CC, at 573-819-7779 or dday@centurytel.net This will be a chance to meet others involved in the twelve churches participating in the study. The event will include a worship service and a fellowship dinner. Meat, table service and drinks will be furnished. Please bring a dish of food to share with others.

Report for Sunday, January 7, 2018

Offerings \$ 7,361.00

Attendance 124 (includes early service– 14) (visitors– 4)

INCLEMENT WEATHER
UPDATES

Well, we had a white Christmas. It's been cold. It's been icy. How do you know if events are cancelled? Look on the local TV stations for "First Christian Church, Columbia" to be listed. Without the city name— it's not us! Also, when Columbia Public Schools are closed, so are any programs at church. The church office adjusts as able.

UNDECORATE fcc

Thank you to everyone who came out to UNDECORATE fcc. With all the help, everything was taken down and put away in just a little over thirty minutes; even though it was raining, the stable was taken down, too! AWESOME!



The church office will be closed on Monday, January 15, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and celebration of the national holiday.

Heifer Giving From FCC Helps Needy Families

Thank you for your gifts to Heifer this past Christmas! We sent a check for \$1,345 to Heifer at the end of December. Thank you for sharing these wonderful gifts with your family. A Heifer gift offers hope worldwide to families who are poor and hungry. Your generous gift goes right to work helping families. Each family who receives livestock will pass on one or more of the animal's offspring to other families who are in need in their community helping to make a better community. So as we fill the Ark what animal or part of an animal will you purchase?
2 Cows will bring milk and income to a village in Armenia.
2 Sheep will help families in Arizona produce wool.
2 Flocks of chicks will help families in China improve nutrition and generate income through the sale of eggs.
2 flocks of geese will help families in Georgia better their nutrition and income through the production of eggs and meat.
There are gift cards in the church office if you want to make a gift to a family member for their birthday or anniversary throughout the year.



From your World Outreach Department

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Return Service Requested

CHURCH CALENDAR JANUARY 14-20

Sunday, January 14

- CYF Retreat
- Bell Choir rehearsal, 8:30am, 3rd Floor Bell Room
- Coffee Hour, 9:20-10:20am, Yonker Hall
- Sunday School, 9:30am, Child/Youth, 3rd Flr;
Adults, 2nd Flr, Keystone
- Chancel Choir warm up, 9:45am, Morris Parlor

Monday, January 15

- CYF Retreat
- Church Office CLOSED— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

Tuesday, January 16

- Tuesday Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor
- Elders Dinner, 6:00-8:00pm, Yonker Hall

Wednesday, January 17

- Shawl Ministry, 9:30am, Millie Bolman's House
- Wednesday Bible Study, 12:05pm, Bethany Hall
- CWF Board Meeting, 5:00-6:00pm, Yonker Hall
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, Sanctuary

Thursday, January 18

- NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
- DOC (Disciples On Campus), 4:30-6:00pm, Bethany Hall
- CAOAM Advisory Board Meeting, 5:30-6:30pm, Yonker Hall

Thursday, January 25

- STARS Luncheon and Archaeology Trip, 11:30am, Columbia

SERVING SCHEDULE SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Bus Driver: Dan Gieseke
Office Receptionist: Pat Rybolt
Welcome Station: Chris Creasy & Valerie Freed
Flower Ministry Arranged &
Delivered by: Sue Underwood

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assts:
Will & Donna Houston and Eric Seaman
Elder: Jerry Daugherty
Offering Counters: Mary Daugherty and Doug Smith

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Prep:
Kathy & Jerry Miller and Opal Stites
Liturgist: Bill Carney
Elders: Larry Burnam and Jean Hall
Deacons: The Beary Team **Ushers:** The Burnam Team
Greeters:
Diana Provenzano (N. Door) Wyatt Rogers (S. Door)
Hunter Rogers (Atrium) Hartley Rogers (Portico)
Banner Bearers: Cullen Snow and Kenzie Von Talge
Candle Lighters: Kate Volmert and Kayla Von Talge
Children's Worship:
Eric Arnett (ldr.) Christy Von Talge (hlpr.)
Offering Counters: Deb Batterson and Cindy Smith