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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) VISITOR

Our mission: to know God and follow Jesus Christ

Easter egg hunt

THIS SUNDAY

March 25 at 3pm

The Rogers' Lawn

1400 Business Loop 70 East

2 HUNTS

Little-Kindergarten
 (you know if your
 child can do it)
 and 1st-5th Grade

Directions: It is a unique place to find. The Rogers have an old estate in the middle of a commercial area. It is on the Bus. Loop EAST of College on the south side of road. The driveway is in the middle of property with a white rail fence, across from the old Arrowhead Motel. Come up the long drive and look for people directing toward parking. In case of rain, the hunt will be held at the church.

Please bring your own pail or basket

Maundy Thursday March 29 at 6:30pm

Experience Jesus Christ's final night with his disciples. The FCC Chancel Choir is proud to present this special worship service of communion and Tenebrae.



HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday - March 25

The Hosanna Connection

Join us Palm Sunday for the triumphant joy shared in the news of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Rev. Brad Stagg's sermon, "The Hosanna Connection" leads us through the celebration of Jesus' fulfillment of scripture as he is cheered by the people.

Downtown Blessing of Palms - parade at 10:20

Members of our congregation are invited to join the other downtown congregations in the Ecumenical Blessing of the Palms Service on Palm Sunday morning. We will gather in the Narthex to get orders of worship and palm branches at 10:20 and then process together out through the Bell Tower entrance, west on Walnut and down 9th Street to Broadway for the 10:30 service. Bring a friend and join us for this event which is a witness to the unity in Christ shared with our brothers and sisters from other churches!

If you don't join the Downtown Blessing of Palms, join us in the Sanctuary at 10:30 for a hymn sing prior to a late start of worship.



Maundy Thursday - March 29

**Holy Communion & Service of Tenebrae
 featuring the FCC Chancel Choir**

6:30 p.m.



Childcare (up to 5 yrs) available.

Bus transportation available.



Easter Celebration of the Resurrection - Sunday, April 1

Come celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at one of our two services at either 8:30am or 10:30am. Both services will feature music by the Chancel Choir and all our hymns will be accompanied by a brass quartet. Childcare is offered all morning. *Please note – NO SUNDAY SCHOOL classes this day.

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Church Work Day a Success

In spite of cool, cloudy and windy weather, an intrepid group of volunteers assembled on Saturday morning, March 17, to accomplish a very successful grounds clean-up in anticipation of Easter Sunday and the coming growing season! Planning and direction



Above: Susan 'Hoodie' Gray shapes up the bed by the sign.

for the day was led by Mary Daugherty and Peggy Veatch, while Fred Mottaz took charge once again of the pickup/delivery of two truckloads of mulch. Special thanks to the following church members who participated in the morning's work (list below):



Right: Chris Creasy greets people while taking a break from trimming Pampas Grass by the door.

Below: we see Eric Seaman cleaning out the Iris bed by the sign.



Fred Mottaz, Larry Veatch, Peggy Veatch, Chris Creasy, Eric Seaman, Chuck Scott, Dan Gieseke, Susan Gray, Mary Daugherty and Mike Randerson.

As noted by many of the volunteers, the planting and maintenance efforts of the last few years are really paying off and made this work morning an hour shorter than previous years! The

proposed Adopt a Spot Program will be a great next step in keeping our grounds looking great throughout the coming growing season!

Thanks, everyone! Great job!



Concert & Silent Auction

An outreach ministry of Fifth Street Christian Church

Friday, April 27
6:00pm

at First Christian Church, 101 N. 10th Street

A variety of musical acts, dancers, a group sing and much more!

Join us for an evening of uplifting entertainment

Silent auction and a freewill offering will benefit the Feed the Community Ministry at Fifth Street.

Info: Rev. Angela Williams 573-529-4830
feedmysheepministree@yahoo.com



March 24 Jonathan La Hue, Kirsten Leach and Helen Stemmons

March 25 Natalie Barnard

March 27 Kira Hoenes

March 28 Monica Palmer

March 29 Ferd Lightner and Bradley Snyder

March 30 Sarah Storm



Report for Sunday, March 18, 2018

Attendance 157 (includes early service— 43) (visitors— 15)

Total offerings: \$5282.50

Woman at the Well Sunday School Lesson

The Pre-K through 2nd Grade Sunday School lesson was

"The Woman at the Well." Check out the class and their well with a bucket! All you need to have your kids or grandkids make one at home is: Well-Jenga Blocks, Water - Blue paper cut & crumpled, Bucket-cardboard box & yarn.



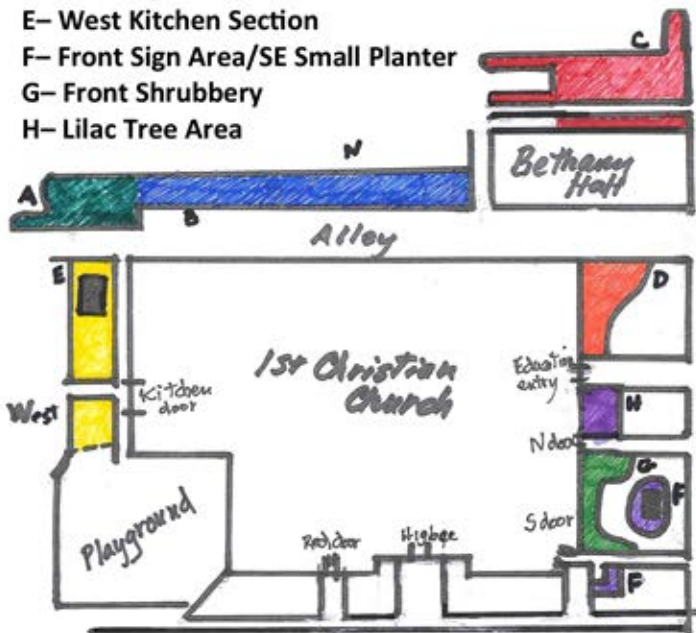
Thanks teacher Christy Von Talge and kids!



Will You Adopt-A-Spot?

The map of the church and grounds below highlights areas with which we need your help. It's easy—just a 7-month commitment that's chosen yearly; you won't be 'roped in for life.' You don't need to plant, mow or prune—just maintain the area you choose by weeding, routinely watering and—as needed—keeping it tidy. Is an area too big? Get a couple of groups and split it. You don't have to be a master gardener, and, each group will receive specific instructions so you won't have to worry about 'messing something up.' Adopt your spot today by contacting Mary Daugherty at 573-446-1366 or by e-mail at jddtiger44@gmail.com.

- A— West Alley Strip Section
- B— Alley Peony Strip
- C— Bethany Bed
- D— Hosta Bed
- E— West Kitchen Section
- F— Front Sign Area/SE Small Planter
- G— Front Shrubbery
- H— Lilac Tree Area



STARS: Spring 2018



Regional Church Gathering:

Mid-America Assembly April 20-21.

Meal, worship, workshops, riverboat cruise. Church bus will go. Talk to Jimmy Spear.

St. Louis/Art Museum and Zoo

Thursday, April 26 (cost \$35) Leave Target at 8:00am
Morning: STL Art Museum exhibit—*Sunken Cities: Egypt's Lost Worlds*; Afternoon: STL Zoo tour by Zoo Train

CWF Donations

Don't forget your CWF Silent Bazaar donations by April 1 so the budget may be set. Envelopes are on the bulletin boards below the hot pink sheets. Thank you!



News of People and Places

Prayers of celebration in the forthcoming marriage of **Lindsey Chandler** and **Matt Ingebritson** this Saturday, March 24. Lindsey is the daughter of **Russ and Linda Chandler**.

Children's Worship 2nd Adult Volunteers: Please check in again with the SIGN UP GENIUS—many Sundays coming up are open for your assistance. Thank you.

Prayers this week are offered for **Nannie Lou Mallett** who will have knee surgery on March 23.

SUMMER CAMP Signup EMAIL is coming!



The Junior Youth Fellowship pictured last Sunday, March 18. A dynamic group of young disciples!

Youth Group Times

- JYF (grd 3-4-5)
- Chi-Rho (grd 6-7-8)
(on alternating weeks)
- 4:30-6:00pm
- CYF (grd 9-12)
- 6:00-7:30pm

CYF - Spring Break:
Mar. 28, 3:30-6pm
Serving at Mobile Food Bank



Mar. 25	Sprg BREAK CR to hide eggs 12-3pm
Apr. 1	EASTER Day
Apr. 8	Chi-Rho/CYF
Apr. 15	JYF/CYF
Apr. 22	Chi-Rho/CYF
Apr. 29	JYF/CYF



Vacation Bible School
June 10-14
(Sunday-Thursday)

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Columbia, Missouri

FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2018-2019

Candidates below are presented for a vote by the Congregation on March 25, 2018.
They are submitted by the Nominating Committee, and have been approved by the Administrative Board.

SERVICE BOARD NOMINEES

(for an indefinite term)

Elders

Tracy Evers
Jeff Underwood

Deacons

Adriene Floyd
Scott Schaefer
Shannon Schaefer
Christy Von Talge

Junior Deacons (for a 1-year term)

William Bower
Derrick Evers
Kameron Freed
Ian Gaffney
Cole Galbraith
Max Gregory
Mia Gregory
Emma Hawkins
Ava Hoenes
Olivia Johnson
Julia La Hue
Maddie Marrero
Joseph McCormack
Elayna Mottaz
Abigail Reardon
Coleman Rogers
Hunter Rogers
Wyatt Rogers
Liam Rose
Wolfgang Schaefer
Luke Stagg
Andrew Stormer

EMERITUS AND HONORARY

Elder Emeritus

Donna Houston
Will Houston
Don Mosby

Deacon Emeritus

Ed Bright
Eva Bright

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD NOMINEES

(for a 3-year term)

Elders

Sonya Carney
Joyce Stanley
Julie Hickey

Deacons

Richard Barnard
Kim Boger
Holly Gieseke
Tori Pine
Doug Smith
Jeff Wheeland
Pat Wright

Chair/Co-Chairs of Elders (for a 1-year term)

Fred Mottaz

Chair/Co-Chairs of Deacons (for a 1-year term)

Amy La Hue

Trustee (for a 3-year term)

Joe Reardon

**OFFICERS of the
Administrative Board/Congregation
(for a one-year term)**

Moderator: Eric Arnett

Vice Moderator: Colleen Nilges

Secretary: Jan Davis

Treasurer: Dan Gieseke

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Support Staff:

Robert Floyd, Office Manager
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Fred Mottaz, Business Manager
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Keith Picker, Custodian

Minister Emeritus:

Dr. John J. Yonker

Return Service Requested

CHURCH CALENDAR MARCH 25-MARCH 31

Sunday, March 25, PALM SUNDAY

- CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS AFTER BOTH SERVICES
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 8:30am, 3rd Floor Bell Room
- Coffee Hour, 9:20-10:20am, Yonker Hall
- Sun. School, 9:30am, Child/Youth, 3rd Flr; Adlts, 2nd Flr
- Chancel Choir Warm Up, 9:45am, Morris Parlor
- Easter Egg Hunt, 3:00pm, Rogers' Lawn
- Lenoir Healthcare Worship, 3:30pm, Rev. Sally Robinson
- Youth on Spring Break

Monday, March 26

- Church Office Staff Meeting, 2:00-3:00pm, Keystone

Tuesday, March 27

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

Wednesday, March 28

- Wednesday Bible Study, 12:05pm, Bethany Hall
- Brummett-Harrah Group, 1:30pm, Lenoir
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, Sanctuary

Thursday, March 29

- NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
- DOC (Disciples On Campus), 4:30-6:00pm, Bethany Hall
- Maundy Thursday Worship Service, 6:30pm, Sanctuary

Sunday, April 1 EASTER SUNDAY

- NO BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
- FCC CHANCEL CHOIR SINGS AT BOTH SERVICES!
- BRASS AT BOTH SERVICES!
- Chancel Choir Warm-up, 8:00am, Morris Parlor
- Coffee Hour, 9:20-10:20am, Yonker Hall
- Sun. School, 9:30am, Child/Youth, 3rd Flr; Adlts, 2nd Flr
- YOUTH ON EASTER BREAK

SERVING SCHEDULE SUNDAY, MARCH 25

Bus Driver: Eric Seaman
Office Receptionist: Carol Slusher
Welcome Station: Lexy Bell
Flower Ministry Arranged & Delivered by: Perry & Helen Stemmons

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assts: Tom & Carol Hughey and Eli Gaffney
Elder: Will Houston
Offering Counters: Mary Moeller and Doug Smith

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Prep: Stacia, Kurt and Wolfgang (JR) Schaefer
Liturgist: Robert Floyd
Elders: John and Julie Hickey
Deacons: The Hunsaker Team **Ushers:** The Scott Team
Greeters: Steve Humble (N. Door) Jessica Humble (S. Door) Pat Ritchie (Atrium) Paul Ritchie (Portico)
Banner Bearers: Gabe Palmer and Alex Johnson
Candle Lighters: Amelia Leon-Rudy and Ryley Batterson
Children's Worship: Eric Arnett (ldr.) Allie Schomaker (hlpr.)
Offering Counters: Jerry Miller and Harlan Hackett