



### Welcome Jimmy!

We welcome **Rev. Jimmy Spear** to the staff this week as he begins his work as our newest Associate Minister. Jimmy has been unpacking and transforming a room of boxes into a beautiful new office space in the Land Beyond the Workroom. He will be available during regular office hours and on call as needed. His regular day off will be Friday. Come by to see Jimmy and visit his new office!

### Sunday Services

On November 11 our worship services will feature a recognition of military service of church members, and appropriate scripture readings and sermon by Dr. Yonker. Special music at 8:30 will be a solo by Brenda Mosby, "Blessed to be a Blessing". The Chancel Choir will sing and there will be organ/piano duets by Mary Bancroft and Norma Miller at the late service. Hymns for the day will include, "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand," "For the Healing of the Nations," and "Let There Be Peace on Earth."

### Welcome New Members!



**Dottie Galbraith** joined our congregation by transfer of her membership from another congregation in the city at the 10:30 service on November 4. She is retired from working at the Fulton State Hospital, where her deceased husband, Rev. Ralph Galbraith, a Baptist minister, served as chaplain before his retirement. She is the mother of a grown daughter who lives in British Columbia, Canada. She resides at 8 Broadway Village Drive, Apt. D. (65201), phone 443-8918. Welcome Dottie!

**Bob and Jean Black** united with us by transfer of their membership from another congregation in the city at the 8:30 service on November 4. Bob works in sales with the Sircal Contracting Company of Jefferson City, and Jean is a retired public school teacher, having spent many years working at Fairview Elementary School. They reside at 507 W. Lathrop, (65203), phone 442-0850. Welcome Bob and Jean!



### NE Area Assembly & Youth Rally

**November 9-10, 2007**

**Macon First Christian Church**

**Area Assembly Fee: \$30  
Youth Rally Fee: \$20**

Special hotel rates and scholarships available. The church office has registration forms and schedules.



## Dear Friends...

That seems to be the best way to begin. Amy Kay and I have laughed for several years about my use of the word "friends." During the church camp season, I am in the habit of calling the kids "friends" because I just can't, in the course of a few days, recall all 50+ names. And so, "friends" always seems appropriate. It seems to me to recall the very nature of our relationship even if it is very new.

On this Monday in my new office, I am reminded that while I am in a new city, at a new church with a new set of responsibilities in ministry, I am surrounded by something very familiar – a group of people called church. A group of friends. Church is perhaps one of the only places where friendship is fast-tracked. Upon entering and being welcomed at a church one can find familiar patterns of worship and service, of love and compassion and thus pretty quickly a group of friends. For it is in our friendship as a people of faith, and even more specifically a people of the chalice that we are allowed the opportunity to start out very easily as friends.

I look forward to the season ahead of developing a friendship with each of you. I am glad to get to know your names and stories, your children and young people, and your ways of living out the gospel in these days from the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> and Walnut.

Worship on Sunday morning was wonderful. The music and liturgy, the warm welcome by all ages, and the feeling that I have found a place to live out the next season of my calling. Thanks, friends for your welcome.

Rev. Jimmy Spear, Associate Minister

PS: Could you help a friend out? I have old cars... and so a priority is always finding a good mechanic. I also need to know of a good dentist and barber. Thanks.

### Weekly Report

October 28, 2007

Received \$13,616.50

Received to Date \$178,751.45

Attendance - 327

(includes early worship - 52)

I'd like to thank the many friends for their cards, calls and visits while I was recovering from this unexpected surgery. The Tracys for bringing flowers from the church, Millie Bolman, who knit a soft shawl, the Whites for bringing good soup, and John for his before surgery and after surgery visits. It's great to have this church family!



Will Houston

### Fred List's 90th Birthday Celebration!

You are invited, by his children, to a celebration of **Fred List's 90th birthday**. On **Sat., Nov. 17, 4 - 6 pm** we'll have refreshments at the Pasta Factory, 1020 E. Broadway. If you care to join us for dinner (dutch treat), we'll sit down at 6 pm. Whether you come for the party, dinner, or both, please RSVP to Elaine Kent 1-573-682-5698 or email [ekent@centurytel.net](mailto:ekent@centurytel.net) by Nov. 14. No gifts please.

### Your Special Birthday!



Fred List-90 on Nov. 13

### Happy Birthday



Genie Rogers-Nov. 11  
Stephanie Mottaz-Nov. 12  
Dan Gieseke-Nov. 12  
Daniel Backues-Nov. 14  
Pat Wright-Nov. 14  
Odette Schaffer-Nov. 15  
Hannah Brummett-Nov. 15  
Sarah Seltsam-Nov. 15  
Penelope Simon-Nov. 16  
Janet Ward-Swope-Nov. 16  
Sarah Loring-Nov. 16  
Amy La Hue-Nov. 16  
Rich Montgomery-Nov. 17  
Chelsea Swope-Nov. 17



## News of the congregation

We rejoice in the arrival of **Ryley Morgan Batterson**, daughter of **Hayley and Matt Batterson**, born at Boone Hospital at 7:30 a.m., Sunday, November 4, who came into the world at eight pounds, two ounces. Congratulations to proud two year-old big sister, **Delaney**, and grandparents **Bud and Debbie Batterson**, and **Glenda Clark**.

Thanks to **Pat Rybolt**, for leading the hymn singing and her solo at the 8:30 service, to **Harlan Hackett** for leading the hymn singing, and to **Jessica Klockow** and **Rob Martin** for their vocal/piano duet at the late service. Thanks to **all the young people** who helped welcome Jimmy Spear into the congregation at the late service! It was a great skit!

A nice article about **Rich Hoepfner** appeared in the November 4 Columbia Tribune newspaper announcing 1st place in the 48th Annual Boone County Art Show for his wooden sculpture, "Greek Amphora Vase."

We are saddened to learn of the death of two long-time members of our congregation. **Henrietta Phillippee**, age 93, died on Sat., Nov. 3 at Candlelight Lodge. A native Boone Countian, she graduated from Hickman High School, attended the University and worked more than 30 years as a secretary for the federal agricultural services. Her husband of 41 years, **Arthur Phillippee**, preceded her in death in 1991. Funeral services were conducted by John Yonker at Parker's Tues. morning, Nov. 6.

**Bonnie Paul Jennings** died at Columbia Manor nursing home on November 3 where she has resided the past few years. A native of Naylor, Missouri, Bonnie was a member of First Christian Church for more than 50 years. She was preceded in death by her husbands **Gerald Paul and Charles Jennings**, and is survived by her daughter, **Judith Williams** of Kansas City and her son, **Sam Paul**, of Longmount, Colorado, two grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and one great-great grandson. Funeral services were conducted by John Yonker at Memorial Funeral Home on Thursday afternoon, November 8.

**Cathy Seltsam** has been released after a stay at Boone Hospital. **Anita Dresser** is now a resident of Bluff Creek Terrace after a stay at Boone Hospital. **Ruth Brandon** was released from the hospital last week. Our prayers are also with **Willie Harris** who is at home recuperating from a recent fall.

# 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary News - Genie Rogers

November Theme: Thanksgiving

## November: the month of Thanksgiving

The weather is beginning to change with chilly nights and sunny days, the leaves are turning brilliant colors making our forests look like an artist sketch, the year is beginning to close and we turn our thoughts to all we have to be thankful for. This week we celebrate our nation's gifts of liberty and freedom and the people who have contributed and sacrificed to make our way of life and government flourish. We then move on to celebrate the harvest celebrations of the early American colonies, represented by FCC involvement in the grassroots agriculture project of planting and harvesting soybeans with the Food Resource Bank as a tool to combat world hunger. The Visitor will end the month with the work that is done on a regular basis to maintain and provide a wonderful music program for the church, and the resources we have for our denomination in the presence, opportunities and availability of a retreat area in the state known as the Rickman Center. All are blessings and reasons to be give thanks!

## Christmas Card, 1921

In rummaging through so many papers and old boxes for information, I have run across a real gem. It is a beautiful heavy card stock Christmas card (ink drawing on ivory colored card stock) sent out from the Ministers and Congregation of First Christian Church in 1921. It is signed (printed names) by Walter M Haushalter (Pastor) and Anne Fleming (Assistant to the Pastor). It is now in a display case in the Historical Room.

## Ornaments

The FCC gold ornaments will be for sale after the first and second services. We ordered plenty for all church families and for use as gifts. The cost is \$12.00 for one ornament or 2 for \$20.00. They will be available during the week in the church office.

## Two Year Old

The above was the heading for a short article in the Visitor dated September 15, 1944. It reads "The First Christian Church Visitor has passed its second birthday. This issue is the first of volume three. Nearly 200 people have sent in their twenty-five cents for their third annual subscription. Uncle Sam demands a genuine subscription list". This would indicate the Visitor has recently passed the 65 year mark. The circulation now is 700 copies sent out weekly at no charge to members and friends of the church.

## FCC Logo Items

A new black design/black handled tote bag with the church image is in. This is an attractive, must-have tote! They will be available after church this Sunday or in the church office for \$5.00.

Baseball hats with the church name embroidered on them in tan and gray are available in two different styles. They are \$8.00 per cap.

Note cards tied in bundles of 5 of the ink drawing of the church are available for \$2.00 and bundles of 5 of the stained glass Christian College window postcards are available for \$1.00. These are great gifts as we approach the holiday season.

## Book of Biographical sketches of FCC Ministers

The book written in 1982, Partners with God, which profiles our ministers back to 1832 has been updated by Rev. Ken Watson and reprinted. This is a wonderful and informative booklet which everyone will enjoy reading. The new edition brings our ministerial history current to the present day. It will be sold at our printing cost of \$5.00.



## Book of Biographical Sketches of FCC Associate Ministers

Ken Watson is writing a complimentary book to the biographical sketches of the ministers about the Associate Ministers at FCC. Originally it was thought these could be available by Thanksgiving but there has been a delay. The good thing about the delay is that a large volume of information has been collected and it is taking more time to edit and process it into readable form. This information has never been gathered before and will be a wonderful addition to our historical record. Throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> century the role of the Assistant Ministers have been important in our lives and each associate has left their own legacy and imprint on the future of the church. This will be a well-timed addition to make our historical record more complete. The availability date has been pushed back to mid to late December.

## Reminders

We need your story about you and the church. It can be a funny recollection, an experience, a special event in your life that created a bond with the church or anything you want to write about. These stories will be collected and bound in a pamphlet to share with each other. Please turn stories in to the church office, or e-mail to Mary Bancroft at: [mbancr01@juno.com](mailto:mbancr01@juno.com) This is the last week to collect these stories. They must be to Mary by November 12, 2007.

In keeping with the commitment to education by FCC, a 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Scholarship has been established and donations are being accepted. This is how we as a church can continue our celebration of the past and influence the future.



## (youth this week)

### *The news:*

**Good stuff!** Meeting with some JYF and CHI-RHO youth this past Sunday afternoon was a real blast. I got to meet some great new friends, share some of our favorite games and most importantly I was introduced to the FCC-Columbia version of my most favorite game – Sardines!

This week 5 **CHI-RHO**ers, partner Joni Cupp and I will be over-nighting at the Northeast Area Youth Rally in Macon. I am looking forward to the road trip with these new friends. We will meet at church on Friday at 5:45 p.m. and return around 4:30 on Saturday.

### *The Plan:*

**JYF** (all 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders)

This Sunday after church for lunch and fun until 2:00 p.m.

\*Who will be an adult partner this week? Call Jimmy to volunteer.

**CYF** (9-12<sup>th</sup> graders)

Wednesday Night 7:00-8:30 p.m.

\*Note the new time.\*

We are eating out! (Which means **don't eat** before you arrive!)

Bring \$5.

Meet at church and be ready to show Jimmy the best place in town to eat!

**CHI-RHO** will **not** meet this Sunday due to our Friday-Saturday event.

All middle schoolers can stay tuned to find out about our next gathering on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>.

As I continue to learn how we do youth ministry at First Christian Church and how we will together do it in the future I welcome your input. Always feel free to call, email or come by the office to chat about the church's youth program.

A youth-parent meeting will be scheduled for the near future that we might create together a model of youth ministry that is fits our youth and church's needs.

-Jimmy Spear, Associate Minister  
[jimmyspear4@yahoo.com](mailto:jimmyspear4@yahoo.com)

## Our Fair Trade Store – Opening Soon!

During our long van ride back to Missouri from Mexico this summer, the College Mission Trippers discussed how we could continue to be of help to people south of the United States in meaningful ways. We can do a number of things... and that journey in the ol' church van was when the concept of opening our own Fair Trade Store was born.

By selling Fair Trade items, we can support farmers and artisans in their own lands. A fair price for their coffee beans, sugar cane, jewelry or whatever their good may be can allow them to have an income to sustain a family. In many of the areas we are supporting, sustenance simply means food and some education for their children. Family members do not need to leave their homes to find work so that their families can survive; they are paid a fair price for their goods in their homelands.

The World Outreach Department responded to the request of the college students to consider an endeavor with a store. The Property Department's leadership worked with John on a couple of issues and this is the manifestation of all of our preliminary work:

We will have a six week trial store beginning on **Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**. The store will have approximately \$2,000 of merchandise which will include coffee, jewelry, children's toys and some household products. There are a few items specific to Christmas. The store will be located in the Chapel during this trial period. (The Chapel is right off of Walnut Street on the south side of our big Sanctuary.)

The store will begin with the following hours: Thursdays, 3 - 8pm  
Saturdays, 10am - 3pm  
Sundays, 9am - 1pm

We need two volunteers working the store at all times. There are stairs leading up to the Chapel, so one would need to be able to navigate stairs easily in order to assist customers and check people out. If you are interested, we have two training sessions scheduled with child care provided here at the church. Thursday evening, November 15<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7pm and not lasting past 8pm and Saturday morning, September 17<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:30am and not lasting past 9:30am. Volunteers must be trained to work at the store, but if neither of these times works for you, please let Amy Kay know and we can work out an alternative training

time for you. As a huge benefit, volunteers get to shop in the store at the training sessions so that we can practice checking out!

This is an exciting time for our church's world outreach and for us as consumers. There is nothing better than Fair Trade – it is fun and reasonably priced to buy and it is great to support skilled people in other lands while doing it!  
~Amy Kay

## Thanksgiving—around-the-world celebration

**Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**  
**Congregation Beth Shalom**

It was my privilege to be the chair of a committee composed of people from the faith traditions of Jewish, Christian, Buddhist, Muslim, Hindu and Baha'i planning this celebration. It will be a wonderful evening of song, dance, power point presentation plus punch and cookies. Please bring non-perishable food for the Columbia Food Pantry and St. Francis House. Each faith group will take ten minutes to show how they GIVE THANKS in their tradition. Last year was a great success and we hope this year will be just as rewarding. This will be the first such event in the new building. The Synagogue is located at 500 W. Green Meadows (ph. 499-4855).

~Harsh Brown

## Grieving Through the Holidays

The holidays are coming and you are not sure you are ready. In fact you are not sure you will ever be ready again. You may find it difficult to think about gifts and fun and the holidays when a loved one has died. If you are feeling this way, join Rev. Sally Robinson, Chaplain of Older Adult Ministries and Dr. John Yonker on **Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.** in the Morris Parlor. We will explore ways to help you cope with the holidays this season as you continue to grieve your loved one. You may feel like the scattered pieces of a broken puzzle. As you honor that feeling take comfort in knowing that the pieces of the puzzle can be reshuffled, rearranged, and pieced together to form a new picture. Join us as we help you learn ways to create a new reality for yourself, help you temper your expectations with compassion and gentleness this holiday season. You will heal, but only as you allow yourself to experience the full range of emotion on your journey through grief.  
~Sally Robinson

# The Visitor

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## Sunday's Schedule-Nov. 11, 2007

*Van Driver:* Dan Gieseke *Telephone:* Anne Campbell

### 8:30 Early Worship, Sanctuary

*Worship Asst:* TBA

*Elder for 8:30 Service:* Don Mosby

*Communion Preparation:*

Carol Roder, Scott and Teresa Foster

### 9:30 Church School

*Church School Greeter:* Dorothy Porter

*Nursery Volunteer:* TBA

### 10:30 Worship in Sanctuary

*Sermon:* Dr. John J. Yonker *Liturgist:* David Read

*10:30 Elders:* Shirley Park, Cherry Hinderberger, Millie Bolman

*Deacons:* The England Team

*Greeters:*

Anne Campbell, *North Door*

Kent and Paula Kurtz, *South Door*

*Ushers:* Burnam Team

*Banner Bearers:* Ben Creasy and Matt Hoepfner

*Candlelighters:* Jadie Arnett and Logan Garton

*Flower Ministry:*

*Arranged:* Barb Rothenberger and Terri Chance

*Delivered:* Pat Rainey and Fred Mottaz

*Evangelism Calls:* Jacki Davidson

## This Week (Nov. 11 - 17)

- Sun. - Veterans Day  
- JYF (grades 3-5), after 10:30  
worship until 2:00 p.m.
- Mon. - CWF Board Mtg., 11:00 a.m.,  
Morris Parlor  
- Drennan Singers, 6:00 a.m.,  
Sanctuary
- Tue. - Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.  
- Holiday Grief Session, 3:00 p.m.,  
Morris Parlor  
- Administrative Board Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Morris Parlor
- Wed. - Shawl Ministry Mtg., 10:00 a.m., Mary Tompson's  
- Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center  
- CYF (grades 9-12), 7:00-8:30 p.m.  
- Back Room (college group), 8:45-10:00 p.m.
- Fri. - Parker-Scott Group, 1:30 p.m., Lenoir Community Ctr.

