



## Tour St. Louis with the S.T.A.R.S. Wednesday, July 23rd, 8:00am - 6:00pm



Join the STARS for a fun-filled day tour in St. Louis. They will be traveling with friends from First Christian Church, Fayette, MO.

The tour includes the St. Louis Roman Catholic Cathedral Basilica, St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, and a fun-filled lunch surprise!

Sign-up this Sunday in the narthex.

For more information call Carol Slusher 874-4902 or the church office.

STARS is the senior (55+) fellowship and service group of First Christian Church.

## In the Life of the Church

Thanks to all of those who filled out their Time and Talents forms for the church this year! It is so helpful to know what you are interested in doing instead of us trying to guess. If you turned in your interest(s) form, we know what to contact you about. If not, check out these opportunities and let me know if you would like to volunteer for any of these areas:

**Usher** – hand out bulletins, help with seating availability if needed, make everyone feel welcome

**Greeter** – warmly greet everyone who comes to worship

**Van Driver** – pick up and take home anyone who would like a ride to Sunday School or the late worship service

**Sunday Receptionist** – answer the phone on Sunday morning, call the people who might be interested in riding the van, and generally manage questions of people who come into the office

**Banner Bearer** – carry the banner into the late worship service and place it in its holder

**Candle Lighter** – light the candle at the late worship service

**Nursery Assistants** – during the late worship service, volunteer to care for our preschoolers in the nursery. Staff members are always present but appreciate a hand during the traditionally busier times of the year.

Please call or email Amy Kay by Sunday, July 19, if you are interested in one or more of these important roles in the life of the church. Thanks!

## Community Missouri Honor Choir

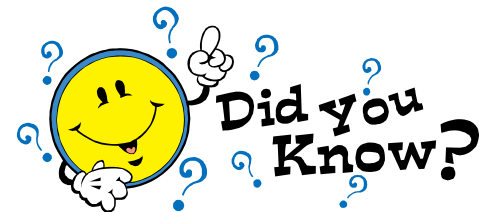
FCC Chancel Choir members Becky Baumgartner, Linda Chandler, Kelli Embry, Jordan Mills, David Read, Joyce Sawyer, and Debbie Scott have been nominated and accepted into the 2008 Church and Community Missouri Honor Choir. These eager singers were nominated by Cheryl Nichols, FCC Chancel and Bell Choir director, for this year's choir as she is an active member in Missouri's chapter of American Choral Directors. MCDA is holding its' annual conference and clinic at Jefferson City's Capitol Plaza hotel this coming week on Wednesday, July 16 through Saturday, July 19. The Church and Community honor choir will be rehearsing during the MCDA convention and will give a free performance in the banquet room of Capitol Plaza on Friday night, July 18th at 7:00 p.m. The honor choir this year will be conducted by Mark Hayes, Missouri composer and arranger of contemporary Christian and sacred music. Hayes has over 600 publications of music, including anthems sung by our FCC chancel choir and duets and piano works played by our very own Mary Bancroft and Norma Miller. Please congratulate our fortunate FCC choir members as they are in fellowship with other church choir members from all around the state, and culminate in a performance for the membership of MCDA in their final concert. The concert again will be free and open to the public in Jefferson City's **Capitol Plaza hotel, at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, July 19th, 2008**, and they'd love to see some of our FCC members in the audience!

## Sunday Services

With the text found in Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23, we come to a series of Jesus' parables which will form the basis for Dr. Yonker's sermons for the next three weeks. If you haven't read the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter of Matthew lately, now is a good time to spend some time with your Bible and a commentary seeking to understand the meaning of these bits of wisdom which were Jesus' favorite form of teaching.

We will have a special treat at the 10:30 service where the children will be singing some of the songs they are learning this week in Vacation Bible School. Drs. Concoction, Bunsen and Burner may even be there too!

The choir's anthem for the 10:30 service will be "Down In the River to Pray". Quartet soloists are Debbie Batterson, Kelli Embry, Harlan Hackett and David Read.



**Boonslick Chordbusters** will provide special music for the 10:30 service on July 27! Our own Harlan Hackett, Roy Rogers and Fred List are part of this group.

### Weekly Report

July 6, 2008

Received \$9,253.25

Received to Date \$9,253.25

Attendance - 277

(includes early worship - 63)



*Dr. C and friends in a singspiration moment*

## Dr. Concoction reports from THE POWER LAB!

Sixty-eight kids (68!) were in attendance last night as night two of the week long Vacation Bible School was in full swing. The theme of this year leads our kids in "discovering the miraculous power of Jesus" and all happens under the guise of a science lab. As the "head scientist" at The Power Lab, I have been monitoring the activity of miraculous power. The findings have been amazing: our little lab assistants are finding it! In hearing stories of Jesus' healing power, making crafts, playing games, and of course singing big songs with big movements our kids are discovering the power of Jesus. When the kids encounter the power to be thankful, the power to help others, the power to be brave, and the power to live forever, they discover this is Jesus' power.

Of course the week at The Power Lab would not be complete without help from more than 30 adults and youth. They have truly made it all possible. This Sunday morning, our kids will be sharing this good news in 10:30 worship. We hope you will come to sing along about Jesus' power.

~Dr. Concoction

**Attention Parents:** All VBS kids are invited to sing together a favorite song from this year's Power Lab during the Children's Moment on Sunday, July 13th.

## August Book Club Mtg.

The Ladies Book Club begins anew on Wednesday, Aug. 6, at 12 noon. If you've been thinking about attending one of our get-togethers, please consider joining us for lunch at the Columbia Country Club when we discuss Katherine Graham's autobiography, *Personal History*. In addition, we'll select the next nine books for our reading pleasure. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Linda Hutton at 442-5423 or [lhutton50@hotmail.com](mailto:lhutton50@hotmail.com)

I have been so touched by the outpouring of concern and donations for the all-church mission trip to Chapman, Kansas this coming weekend. Six adults, seven youth and four kids are planning on traveling to help this town that was hit by a tornado and they are traveling and eating with the six hundred dollars that was donated by our church family. Thank you so much! We will certainly be thrifty and will donate all that is left over to the aid fund for Chapman's people. With thanksgiving for this community that cares for other communities.

~amy kay

## Church Blood Drive!

Our Church Blood Drive is fast approaching. It will be held on **Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Many of you come to me during the drive and say that you would like to give but are unable because you are too soon to give another unit. For all of those church members who are regular donors and would like to give at our church drive the last day you can give at another drive and still be eligible to give at our church drive is **August 10<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions, feel free to ask.

~Brianna Shepard

## Thank You

Thank you so much for the beautiful red and white bouquet of flowers from the Ministry of Flowers that Lorene and Nelson Trickey brought to me during my hospital stay. They are now decorating our dining room at my Sturgeon home. I appreciate your remembering me.

~Mildred P. Todd

## News of the congregation

Congratulations to **Rob and Suzanne (Scott) Lay** on the birth of their son, **Tyler Joseph**, born Friday afternoon, July 4, at St. John's Hospital in St. Louis. He arrived nine weeks early and was 3 lbs, 12 ozs, 16 inches at birth, but he is getting along well and will spend a few weeks in the hospital as he grows. Big sister, 4 ½ year old, **McKenzie** and grandparents, **Chuck and Emily Scott** are beaming with pride.

**Russ Chandler** has asked us to keep his mother in our prayers as she begins chemotherapy treatment for cancer this week. We also keep in our prayers **Marion Storm's** father, **Marion Storm**, who has been hospitalized recently.

**Jim Fay** has returned to South Hampton Nursing Home to continue recuperation after spending a few days at Boone Hospital where he had surgery last week. **Genie Rogers** is also doing well at home following a surgical procedure last week.

Thoughts and prayers are with **Kari Salmon** who had back surgery July 7th in Springfield, MO, as a result of a college sports injury. Kari is the oldest daughter of **Shane and Jill Winner Salmon**, granddaughter of **Sharon Winner**, and the niece of **Lynn Klotz**. Jill grew up in our church and she and Shane were married in our church.

Congratulations to **Bettie and Charlie Koelling** on the birth of their great-grandson, **Elijah Thomas**. His grandparents are **Karen and Tom Weaver**.

## Happy Birthday!

Bragg Stanley-July 13  
 Christopher Stormer-July 13  
 Eric Seaman-July 13  
 Richard Underwood-July 13  
 Anne Campbell-July 14  
 Buddy Green-July 14  
 Tommie Ross-July 15  
 Micki McGuire Kirkham-July 16  
 Paul Rinehart-July 17  
 Cullen Snow-July 17  
 Kim Boger-July 18  
 Ellyn Brothers-July 18  
 Judy Cunningham-July 18  
 Tom Sisson-July 18  
 David Ross-July 19  
 Mike Perry-July 19  
 Dave Beem-July 19



← **Power Lab!**  
**Monday Night at  
 Vacation Bible School**

## **(youth) @ first christian**

### **The CHI-RHO July Event: *Water Mania***

This Sunday, July 13 @ 3:00 p.m. Meet @ church.  
 Bring water launchers, shooters, water guns etc.  
 Get ready to be wet!

Members of the CYF will go to the regional youth event  
**C.R.Y. Festival**, July 21-24 @ Columbia College.

The **CYF Mission Trip #2**, will be August 3-5, the work will  
 be Flood Relief in North East Missouri.

The **CHI-RHO Mission Trip** is scheduled for August 10-12.  
 "Spread some paint!" Reserve your spot by August 3.

The **CYF Sunday morning class** is learning the Joseph story  
 from Genesis. Join us @ 9:30 a.m. Sundays in the CYF room.

**ALL Parents:** Jimmy needs your email addresses...  
[jimmy@firstchristian.org](mailto:jimmy@firstchristian.org)

### **FCC Kids at Church Camp next week:**

Junior Camp II: July 15-19



**Delaney Tevis**  
**Peyton White**  
**Sam Poole**  
**Logan Garton**  
**Ryan Boger**  
**Hailey Korman**  
**Jimmy Spear**

Write to them (send by Tuesday):

Child's name  
 Junior Camp II  
 Rickman Center  
 PO Box 104298  
 Jefferson City, MO 65110



## **BOOK O R N E R**

Recently we found in the library what may be Edith Taylor's  
 last book review. Some of you may not know that for her last  
 few years Edith's sight was greatly diminished; she could read  
 only with magnified assistance; writing was harder. She wrote  
 this about a book that was published in 1921: Pioneering in  
 Tibet, by A. L. Shelton.

"You are influenced by what you read. Yesterday I found a  
 stack of books on the library desk. On top was a very familiar  
 brown volume. Yes, it was Shelton's book on Tibet—my first  
 missionary book!

Back in 1929 I spent the summer quarantined with typhoid fe-  
 ver. Mother read to me to keep me quiet in bed. One of the  
 books was Pioneering in Tibet by Albert Shelton. Raised on  
 the prairie, never exposed to hills, that book introduced me to  
 mountains, and bandits who captured Shelton, and women who  
 wore quilted skirts to keep warm! The little brown book with  
 travel design panels at top of front cover was eagerly held as I  
 waited for mama to have time to read the next chapter.

A year later I went with my dad to a 'One Day Convention'  
 where there was a book display for sale. I couldn't stay away  
 from the books. When we were ready to go home, Dad said,  
 'I'll buy you a book. Do you like this one?' I was soon reading  
 every copy of World Call that I could get my hands on and  
 eagerly went to hear missionaries speak."

A.L. Shelton was an amazing Disciple missionary—in what we  
 would consider very difficult circumstances. It has been sug-  
 gested that the book would make an interesting and unusual  
 book review for a youth doing a school paper. You will find it  
 on the Book Cart.



### **Disciple Kids Day Camp:**

The June Day Camp was a great adventure for the "Creation Explor-  
 ers" Ryan, Jacob, Jonathan, Jadie, Alexandra, Julia, John, and adults  
 Molly, Elizabeth, and Jimmy. The day included exploring the Gen-  
 esis story of creation, crafts, songs, games, lunch on the Governor's  
 lawn, hiking at Runge Nature Center, and ice cream at Central Dairy!  
 A great day together as FCC's Disciple Kids!

**The next Disciple Kids Day Camp** will be July 30 (Wed.) and July 31  
 (Thurs.) Reserve your space with Jimmy by July 23.

# The Visitor

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Rev. Jimmy Spear, Associate Minister  
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and Molly Read

### Music Staff:

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Norma Miller, Pianist  
Cheryl Nichols, Choir Director

**Mother's Day Out:** Tracy Westhoff, Director

### Support Staff:

Kay Beissenherz, Administrative Secretary  
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Fred Mottaz, Business Manager  
fred@firstchristian.org

## Sunday's Schedule-July 13, 2008

*Van Driver:* Jay Creasy *Telephone:* Cindy Rose

### **8:30 Early Worship, Sanctuary**

*Worship Asst:* Sue Fink and Joni Cupp

*Elder for 8:30 Service:* Cherry Hinderberger

*Communion Preparation:*

Jay and Chris Creasy, Judith Creasy

### **9:30 Church School**

*Church School Greeter:* Dorothy Porter

### **10:30 Worship in Sanctuary**

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

*10:30 Elders:* Shirley Park, Dan Backues, Barb Rothenberger

*Deacons:* The Creasy Team

*Greeters:*

TBA, North Door

TBA, South Door

*Ushers:* The Burnam Team

*Banner Bearers:* Sam Creasy and Ben Creasy

*Candlelighters:* Logan Garton and Sam Poole

*Flower Ministry:*

*Arranged by:* Kim Williams and Sue Fink

*Delivered:* Roy Rogers and Thomas Yonker

*Evangelism Calls:* Jacki Davidson

## This Week (July 13 - 19)

- Sun. - MCDA Choir Rehearsal, 1:30, Sanctuary  
- No Softball Game this week
- Mon. - Membership Dept. meeting, 5:30 p.m., Morris Parlor
- Tue. - Junior Camp II (July 15-19)
- Wed. - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center



### **Church Eat-Out**

Friday - July 11

5:30 p.m.

Bob Evans Restaurant

Everyone Welcome!