



## Sunday Services

While the Chancel Choir is on vacation, at the 10:30 service on July 27 we will have the pleasure of sharing the music of The Boonslick Chordbusters. Our own Harlan Hackett, Roy Rogers and Fred List are part of this group. They will sing the Introit, "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"; Anthem, "Hush"; Offertory, "You Raise Me Up" with Harlan Hackett as soloist.

Also at the 10:30 service, Ryley Morgan Batterson, son of Matt and Hayley Batterson will be dedicated.

Pat Rybolt will be the soloist at the 8:30 service. She will sing "Just One Day at a Time".

A series of five of Jesus' parables of the kingdom of God found in Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 will serve as the basis for Dr. Yonker's sermon.



Children's  
Worship  
begins again  
August 10th  
(during the 10:30  
worship service).

## Fair Trade Store

Good jewelry, fun gifts, yummie drinks and chocolate will be coming again soon as we reopen our church's Fair Trade Store. The World Outreach Department in cooperation with our college students is organizing our efforts to support fairly traded goods. Our goal is to open on our church's kickoff to fall programming on **August 24<sup>th</sup>** or shortly thereafter. Want to know more about Fair Trade? Check out the Fair Trade Federation's web site at [www.fairtradefederation.org](http://www.fairtradefederation.org).  
~amy kay

### Fair Trade Coffee



**Salvador Urbina**  
Coffee Grower

Our Fair Trade coffee comes from Salvador Urbina. It is located in the southernmost state in Mexico, Chiapas, which shares a border with the country of Guatemala. It is a community of about 7,000 people and has been home to coffee growers for several generations.

Urbina is still largely a residential area for coffee producers. Although electricity has been there for almost 20 years, residential telephone lines are yet to arrive. There are two public phones where messages can be left. A typical family home would not include running water or a refrigerator. Water is available in a separate small structure that is used for cleaning dishes and clothes. Electric power is used for lights and perhaps a small stereo cassette/CD player.

Bicycles, taxis, and busses provide for transportation, depending on the distance and urgency. Chickens and other small livestock are kept handy. Small stores carry candy and snacks, toilet paper and cooking oil, fruits and vegetables, eggs and cheese. Many folks raise their own fruits and vegetables and trade is quite common.

The opportunities for employment in Urbina are very limited, and the wages are low, often less than \$0.50 per hour. This is a good reason for supporting fairly traded goods.

Source: [justcoffee.org](http://justcoffee.org)



### The Women of Loma Panda

The setting of Loma Panda is truly amazing. The workshop of this small group of women is perched on a hilltop overlooking a river and rolling hills. These half dozen women use the tri-color clay of their surrounding area to hand build truly adorable creations such as ceramic dolls, angels and make-believe creatures.

Source: [adifferentapproach.com](http://adifferentapproach.com)



**Loma Panda Potters**

## Heeerrreee's Johnny!

About this time of the year my thoughts begin to turn to golf course, fishing holes and afternoon naps - vacation days! Next week I will begin three weeks of vacation which will take Sara and me to a couple of different places.

On Sunday, August 3 we will be in Sterling, Illinois visiting our oldest son, Dave, and his wife, Liz. As you may remember, Dave graduated from seminary in 2004, was ordained, married and began serving the First Christian Church in Sterling that summer. He has asked me to preach for him that Sunday, so we will be with him on that day, and I will be doing my best to keep his people awake that morning in church. We'll see how it goes! Dave has established himself as a very good preacher and I will be challenged to follow in his footsteps in his pulpit!

Following our time in Sterling we will head back toward Columbia, and probably wander through the Amana Colonies in eastern Iowa, hopefully arriving in time to eat some great cooking in one of their German restaurants.

From August 9-16 we will find ourselves at the Chautauqua Institution in western New York. You have heard me talk about Chautauqua after having spent time there in the summers of 1999 and 2006, and we are very much looking forward to visiting there again this year. Established in the mid-1870's as a summer education institution for church teachers and workers, Chautauqua has become a world renowned center for intellectual and educational stimulation, musical enrichment, recreation and so many other things in a beautiful setting on the western side of Lake Chautauqua.

Of particular interest to us will be the afternoon lectures of Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan, two of the world's leading scholars of the historical Jesus. Hearing Borg lecture at Chautauqua in 1999 prompted me to invite him to visit our church in 2001, and has inspired me to continue studying the New Testament and contemporary research to learn about the man of Nazareth, the one we all claim to be our Lord and Savior. I can't think of a better way to spend some free summer time, and I'm really looking forward to it.

Whatever your vacation time has been or will be this summer or this year, I hope it has provided and will provide the rest and renewal which you need to make you ready to come home and get back to work. I'm sure it will for me!

## Thank You!

Jean and Parker Rossman and members of their larger family are deeply appreciative of the ministry of John Yonker and Sally Robinson to us at the time of the death of our son Terry in an automobile accident. Also, we thank the congregation for the phone calls and sympathy cards, for the food, the friendship, the visits. We were grateful at the funeral in Indianapolis to hear the praise and tributes to our son from his employees and co-workers during his career at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, at Bank One where he was vice-president and at the Irwin Trust where he was an executive at the time of his death, and for the sermonette by our grandson, Jamie McMahon, who like Tom Yonker was a steward at the Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Brazil last year.

~Jean and Parker Rossman

Many thanks to the Ministry of Flowers for the pretty red, white and blue bouquet brought to my door after my brief hospital stay. They have cheered up my room and reminded me of my many friendships at First Christian.

~Genie Rogers

On behalf of Disciples Volunteering "Thank you" for your partnership with us in "Getting Dirty for Jesus" in Greensburg!! Your contribution of time and talents is greatly appreciated. We hope to work with you on another Disciples volunteering project in the future!!

~Carl and Robin Zerweck

Thank you for the support for my college by awarding me the Raymond E. and Helen I. Miller Scholarship and the John and Marvlee Ridgeway Scholarship. It will be very helpful for the cost of college. Thank you.

~Kyle Boger

### Weekly Report

July 20, 2008

Received \$6,864.20

Received to Date \$23,690.45

Attendance - 223

(includes early worship - 51)

## News of the congregation

Thanks to **Brenda Mosby** and to **Linda Chandler** for providing special music at the 8:30 and 10:30 services last Sunday. The **Chancel Choir** will be on vacation for three more Sundays and return on August 17.

**Freda Martz** has returned home after an outpatient surgical procedure at University Hospital on Monday, July 21. **Ruth Brandenburg** has returned to her home at the Terrace Apartments after spending a few days at Boone Hospital last week. **Mildred Todd** was released from Boone Hospital on Monday, July 21 and returned to Sturgeon Rest Home and will be under hospice care.

We continue to keep in our prayers **Tyler Joseph Lay**, son of **Rob and Suzanne (Scott) Lay**, and grandson of **Chuck and Emily Scott** as he continues to gain weight and strength at St. John's Hospital in St. Louis where he was born on July 4.



## Ladies Book Club

Aug. 6 marks the start for a new Book Club year! Please join us at the Columbia Country Club at noon to discuss the life of an incredible American woman, Katherine Graham, and her book, *Personal History*. In addition, we'll be selecting nine books for our new reading year. For reservations, please call Linda Hutton at 442-5423 or email [lhutton50@hotmail.com](mailto:lhutton50@hotmail.com).

### Birthdays



### This Week

Jewell Dietzel-July 27  
Derrick Evers-July 27  
Mark Martin-July 28  
Shane Bower-July 29  
Peyton White-July 29  
Donna Heinen-July 30  
Anna Rorvig-July 30  
Matthew Thomas-July 30  
Nancy Grieme-July 30  
Nitasha Bradrick-July 31  
Andrew Tarwater-July 31  
Hayley Batterson-July 31

## (youth) @ first christian

The **CYF Mission Trip #2**, will be August 3-5. The work will be Flood Relief in North East Missouri...reserve your spot with Jimmy by July 30.

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

The August "**Disciple Kids Day Camp**" is Aug. 13. A trip to the St. Louis Zoo is planned. Reserve a spot with Jimmy by August 6.

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

## Disciples Farmers and Congregations Respond to Global Food Crisis

After a flurry of recent media attention, the escalating global food crisis has quickly and quietly slipped from the front page to the back page, but by no means has the crisis in any way lessened, and the threat it is posing to millions and millions of impoverished people in scores of countries throughout the world is real and growing. In the last six months alone, prices of such basic food staples as corn, rice and wheat have increased more than 50%, even as much as 100% in some countries. Poor families that were spending 10-20% of their income on food are often forced now to spend more than 50%. For the more than one billion people already living on the UN minimum survival wage of US \$1 a day, this is devastating.

One of the quiet but effective ways Week of Compassion has been responding to the global food crisis is through the partnership we Disciples share with the Foods Resource Bank. The partnership enables local Disciples farmers to donate a portion of their harvest to FRB, and in turn, FRB works with numerous partners around the world to empower poor farming families to become self-sufficient in their own food production and security.

In 2007, WOC provided \$1000 partner grants to 22 local FRB growing projects here in the U.S. - \$22,000. The return from all those projects has now been made to FRB and the harvest total is \$345,154.38! From these funds and those of its other 14 members, FRB is funding 44 food security/production projects in 32 of some of the world's poorest countries. From its FRB account, WOC is supporting 30 of those 44 projects.

There were 23 Disciples congregations participating in 2007 growing projects - and one of them was our own!

## Church Child Care

We can say "thanks be to God" for our church's Child Care staff. They are reliable and provide a safe environment for our kids. Many churches have a hard time keeping child care providers, and we can feel fortunate that we are an exception to the culture of turnover. Peggy Dinsmore, Supervisor, has been a gift to us all for many years and continues to work herself and coordinate all of our staff. Currently, Peg counts on Jason Stanley to take care of our preschoolers on a full time basis, Kim Bowden two Sundays a month, and Vicki Johnson continues to work part time as well. We are hiring a college student to be an additional substitute care provider. Almost every single Sunday our own Heather Hunsaker is a youth helper with the children as well. She loves the kids and they love her!

On Sunday mornings, the staff cares for our children in the infants' room and two of the pre-school rooms so that the kids have a smaller group environment within which to play. During meetings and other mid-week gatherings, one staff person plays with the kids in the large, corner class room. If we anticipate a large number of little cuties, we obviously ask for more staff persons to be scheduled.

Please pop by the nursery sometime and thank our folks for the great work they are doing so that our young families can feel good about coming to church and using the care we offer. ~amy kay

## FCC Kids at Church Camp next week:

Chi-Rho Camp:  
July 28-Aug. 2

**Brian McCarty**  
**Jenny McCarty**  
**Jeff Ruffolo**  
**Kelsey Korman**



Write to them  
(send by Tuesday):  
Child's name  
Chi-Rho Camp  
Rickman Center  
PO Box 104298  
Jefferson City, MO 65110

## Former Associate Minister Dies

The Rev. Leonard J. Brummett, age 81, died at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 14, at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville, Indiana. Memorial services were held on Saturday morning, July 19, at First Christian Church in Henderson, Kentucky by Drs. Lon Oliver, Linda Parker, and David Leslie.

Rev. Brummett served as Associate Minister of our congregation from 1964 to 1970, assisting with pastoral and evangelism calling, and administering programs of membership cultivation and new member enlistment. A native of Childress, Texas, he held degrees from Phillips University, Lexington Theological Seminary, the University of Kentucky and Yale University. Prior to coming to Columbia, he had served a congregation in Little Rock, Arkansas, and along with his wife, served five years as missionaries in the Philippines.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Ruth Brummett; one daughter, Kimberly Aliseri; and three sons, Barry Brummett, Gregory Brummett and Kevin Brummett. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to his wife, Ruth, at 1403 McDowell Rd., Evansville, IN 47712.

# The Visitor

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## Sunday's Schedule-July 27, 2008

*Van Driver:* Bryan Garton *Telephone:* Nina Oliver

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

*Worship Asst:* Bettie and Charlie Koelling

*Elder for 8:30 Service:* Barbara Rothenberger

*Communion Preparation:*

Chuck and Emily Scott, Eric Seaman

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

*Church School Greeter:* Doris Neidhardt

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

*Sermon:* Dr. John J. Yonker *Liturgist:* Lynn Klotz

*10:30 Elders:* Pamela and Richard Hoepfner, Bettie Koelling

*Deacons:* The Stanley Team

*Greeters:*

TBA, North Door

TBA, South Door

*Ushers:* The Scott Team

*Banner Bearers:* Logan Garton and Megan Potthast

*Candlelighters:* Gavin Rose and Sam Poole

*Flower Ministry:*

*Arranged by:* Mary and Mike Taylor

*Delivered:* Hartley and Kim Rogers

*Evangelism Calls:* Sara Klockow

## This Week (July 27-Aug. 2)

Sun. - Lenoir Worship, 3:30 p.m.

Mon. - Loaves & Fishes meal preparation, 4:00 p.m.

Wed. - Day Camp, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
- Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center

Thr. - Day Camp, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

