



Morning Worship - Victory Sunday!

Each week four scripture lessons are listed in the Lectionary for the preacher and worship leaders to use in selecting a theme, setting the tone and providing a text for the sermon that Sunday. One of the selections from the Bible, Ezekiel 37:1-14, which was not used on Pentecost Sunday, will serve as the text for Dr. Yonker's sermon, "From the Bone Yard!" on this second Sunday of Pentecost. Special music will include the Chancel Choir anthem at the 10:30 service, "Gracious Spirit, Dwell In Me".

June 7 is VICTORY SUNDAY! Cliff Tompson, Chairperson of the Stewardship Department will announce the results of our 2009 Stewardship Campaign, and the Cabinet will meet on Sunday evening to prepare a budget for the new church year which begins on July 1.

Summer Teachers Needed for River of Life

Come share stories of Jesus this summer with our great kids on Sunday mornings! Elementary and Pre-school needed. See Rev. Jimmy Spear to inquire about the possibilities.

Weekly Report

May 31, 2009

Received this week \$6,981
Received to Date \$378,025
Needed to Date \$411,705
Attendance - 309
(includes early worship -69)

Pledge Report

New Pledges	= 17
Increased Pledges	= 64
Decreased Pledges	= 22
Unchanged Pledges	= 65
Total Received	168 pledges
	(totaling \$368,622)

Crocodile Dock is less than 10 days away...

Register your child now!

30 kids are registered, 50 more are expected...
(All kids need to be registered ASAP so to prepare for the right number!)

See www.firstchristian.org and go to the VBS Registration link.



Vacation Bible School 2009

June 14-18

5:30-8:00 p.m. (dinner served)

Church Dine-Out

Friday - June 5

5:30 p.m.

Bob Evans Restaurant
Everyone Welcome!

College Movie Night

Our first formal summer college gathering (outside of worship!) will be on Wednesday, June 17, beginning at 8:00pm in our Cinema. We will be watching and discussing "Rabbit Proof Fence". Popcorn and beverages will be provided... bring your Kleenexes. This is a great movie for us to process together.

Brunch in Bethany Hall

Sunday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

This week's menu:

Breakfast Enchiladas with
Hot Tomato Grits
Fiesta Smoothie
Spinach Bacon Quiche
Chicken Salad
Cinnamon Rolls

(You Are) Still Needed for Vacation Bible School:

- Chadder's Theater Leaders (showing video clip and sharing brief activity)
- Crew Leaders (leaders who lead the small groups from workshop to workshop throughout the week)
- Fishing equipment to borrow.
- Adult/Youth friend to journey with special needs children through each night.

Thanks to so many for filling the brown bags and turning in your paper towel rolls!

Call Jessica Humble or Jimmy Spear to volunteer.

Blood Drive



June 7th

8:30 - 12:30

Fellowship Hall



2009 High School Graduates

(per information received)

Maxwell Crane, son of Kevin Crane, from Rockbridge High School

Walker Embry, son of Mark & Kelli Embry, from Hickman High School

Elizabeth Flanders, daughter of Rebekah Hart, from Hickman High School

Ryan Hunsaker, son of Mark & Pam Hunsaker, from Hickman High School

Stephanie Mottaz, daughter of Fred and Ellen Mottaz, from Hallsville High School

Teddy Nichols, son of Julie & David Nichols, from Hickman High School

Kyle Pikop, son of Kyle and Jill Pikop, from Rockbridge High School

2009 College Graduates

John Allen Flanders, Jr. – B.S. in Biology from Mizzou

Sara Klockow – B.A. in Social Work from Columbia College

Rachel Gray Oliver – Master of Business Administration from Columbia College

Anna Read – Masters in Regional Planning from Cornell University

Elizabeth Rottmann – B.A. from Mizzou in Elementary Education

Kari Salmon – Bachelors in Recreational Management and Business Management from Central Methodist University (granddaughter of Sharon Winner and niece of Daryl and Lynn Winner Klotz)

Kyle Zimmer – B.S. in Aeronautical Engineering and Minor in Economics from Missouri Science and Technology (formerly University of Missouri-Rolla)

Note to Deacons!

The 2009-2010 Deacon Service schedules have now been mailed to all Deacons. If you have not received your booklet, please e-mail or call Gene and Micki Kirkham at GeneKirkham@centurytel.net or 449.8093.

Garage Sale Grand Total

Thank You FCC members! With the addition of the \$174 raised at the Stanley/Storm home garage sale, the Grand Total for mission trips raised through the All Church Garage Sale is **\$5,534.66!** Eight college students accompanied by Rev. Amy Kay Pavlovich and chaperone Dane Pavlovich worked and served at the Yakama Mission in Washington state. Rev. Jimmy Spear and the youth are looking forward to their mission trips this summer. ALL these mission trips are funded through the generosity and work of FCC members. Thank you for making this outreach mission work possible!

Ladies' Book Club

If you missed last week's *Visitor*, the Ladies' Book Club is reading John Steinbeck's *The Grapes of Wrath*. We gather in early August to select the next 8 books. Suggestions? contact Linda Hutton at 442-5423 or lhutton50@hotmail.com

News of the congregation

Sandra Powell died at the V.A. Hospital on Monday, May 18, after a brief illness. Arrangements were made by family members through the Carter-Ricks Funeral Home of Elsberry, Missouri. A grave side service was held in the Elsberry City Cemetery on Thursday, May 21. Sandra had been a member of our congregation since December 2005, recently living at Paquin Towers apartments, before moving to the Sturgeon Rest Home.

Elsie Hughes is recuperating from surgery on Thursday, May 29, at Boone Hospital and returned to Lenoir early this week. **Mary McRoberts** has returned to Lenoir after spending several days in the hospital recently. **Andrea Smith** is getting along well following outpatient surgery last week at Boone Hospital. **Barb Rothenberger** and **Ruth Brandenburg** are both scheduled for surgery on Thursday.

Amy Kay is taking vacation this Sunday so that she can preach at her home congregation's 125th Anniversary Celebration in Junction City, Kansas.

Thanks to **Beth and Ben Nelms, Sally Robinson, Chuck Scott, David Polach and Paula, C.K., Ava and Kira Hoenes** for preparing to serve at Loaves and Fishes in May. Because it was Memorial Day, the meal was actually delivered to the St. Francis House and we are confident that it fed many hungry folks in our community. Thanks for your willingness to serve!

Thanks to **Melissa Straw** for offering our final alternative offering at CAFÉ last week! We enjoyed making jewelry in Bethany Hall with her supplies and guidance.

Congratulations to the following couples who have celebrated wedding anniversaries of 50 or more years recently:

Bill & Ellyn Brothers-63 years on June 5
Larry & Yvonne Clark-55 years on June 6
Parker & Jean Rossman-57 yrs. on June 6
James & Billie Silvey-55 years on June 6

Your Special Birthday!



Dubby Muir
- 94 on June 11th

(youth) @ first christian

CYF (9-12 grade)

The CYF Mission Team will meet Wed., June 10 at 6:30 for EAT OUT and trip planning.

CYF Mon. Night Bible Study continues June 8 at 7:30 p.m.

JYF (grades 3-5)

Chi-Rho (grades 6-8)

On break for the summer with Day Camp and 33 of us going to summer church camp. Plus, monthly summer events TBA.

Summer Church Camp Transportation is being planned...all campers will receive information from Jimmy via email.

Disciple Kids Day Camp:
July 15 & Aug. 12
Registrations begin June 14

Chi-Rho Mission Trip:
August 15-17

CYF Mission Trips:
#1-Tulsa OK, June 19-26
#2- TBA, August 9-11

Thanks for teaching us about Zacchaeus! The Children on *The River of Life* thank...

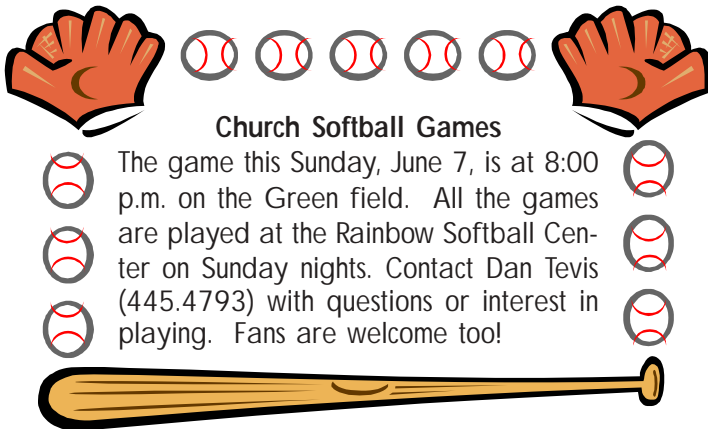
Kim & Hartley Rogers, Amy LaHue, Cindy Rose, Holly & Drew Gieseke, Holly Wheatley, and Erin Bower for the past 5 weeks of bible adventures!

Children & Youth - A Shared Blessing & Evidence of the Pentecost Spirit

On Sunday, Itsel Hayden Updegraff, baby daughter of Derek and Elizabeth Updegraff, was dedicated by Dr. John Yonker during the second service; well over a dozen children joined Rev. Jimmy Spear in the chancel for the Children's Moment; high school graduates received the gift of a Bible from the congregation, and both high school and college graduates were presented with prayer shawls by Rev. Amy Kay Pavlovich and Rev. Jimmy Spear in recognition of their achieving the milestone of graduation.

The Spirit led support and love of the congregation was summed up in the Unison Covenant following Itsel's dedication. As the congregation stood together with parents and child, they shared the following words, **"We seek God's grace to be a community in which the gospel is truly proclaimed to all. We will support you and minister with you as workers together in Christ Jesus and heirs to his promise."**

Members of First Christian Church are blessed to have young people with us each Sunday- from the very youngest child to college students. We have the opportunity to know them, grow with them and love them. We have the opportunity to support them in mission, Vacation Bible School, the River of Life, Youth and College Groups and in so many other ways. They, in turn, give us hope. As First Christian Church continues to grow as a church for all people and all ages, thanks be to God for our children and youth!



Church Softball Games

The game this Sunday, June 7, is at 8:00 p.m. on the Green field. All the games are played at the Rainbow Softball Center on Sunday nights. Contact Dan Tevis (445.4793) with questions or interest in playing. Fans are welcome too!



Monday, June 8 - "Improving Communication With Your Physician", 6:00-8:00 p.m., 1701 E. Broadway, Broadway Medical Plaza 3 (3rd Floor large conference room), free, registration not required.

Saturday, June 20 - Olivet Christian Church Chicken and Mutton Barbeque, serving 3:30-7:00 p.m., 1991 South Olivet Road, Eat-In or Carry-Out, Adults-\$9 and Children-\$4 in advance, for tickets contact Sally Robinson.

**No Newsletter
the week of June 14-20**

News articles for the week of June 7-13 are due no later than Monday morning, June 8. Thank you!



The Children's Moment with Rev. Jimmy Spear and a dozen or so FCC children (left)

High School graduates, Stephanie Mottaz and Ryan Hunsaker, are presented prayer shawls and bibles by the ministers (below)



The Updegraff Family with Dr. John Yonker (above)



College Grad, Sara Klockow, receives prayer shawl from Rev. Amy Kay Pavlovich (right)



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Return Service Requested

Serving Schedule - Sunday, June 7

Van Driver: Jeff Ripley
Office Receptionist: Bobbi McCormack
Church School Greeter: Judy Hall
Flower Ministry:
Arranged by - Thomas and Cindy Rose
Delivered by - Gary and Cheryl Unterschutz

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assistants: Mary Dewey, Tom and Freda Martz
Elder: Sally Robinson

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Preparation: Steve and Tracy Evers, Jordan Mills
Liturgist: Erin Bower
Elders: Sarah and David Read, Millie Bolman
Deacons: The Campbell Team
Greeter North Door: Laura Crane
Greeter South Door: Sally Robinson
Ushers: The Pavlovich Team
Banner Bearers: Zac Ruffolo and Kim Potthast
Candlelighters: Makali Hawkins and Megan Potthast

This Week (June 7 - 13)

- Sun. - Blood Drive, 8:30-12:30, Fellowship Hall
- Victory Sunday
- Cabinet Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Morris Parlor
- Church Softball Game, 8:00 p.m., Green Field at Rainbow Softball Center
- Tue. - Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., Morris Parlor
- Wed. - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center
- CYF Eat Out, 6:30 p.m.

