



## Sunday Morning Worship

Remember the story of Job? What happened to him, how he handled it, and how it all turned out? And how his story touches our stories? Two passages from the book of Job provide our text for Sunday morning's sermon by Dr. Yonker, and answer some of these questions: Job 38:1-7; 42:1-6, 10-17.

Come and worship at 8:30 when Brenda Mosby will sing "He Looked Beyond My Fault" by Dottie Rambo. At 10:30 the Chancel Bells will help open the service with their prelude, "Earth and All Stars" arranged by Timothy Shepard. The Chancel Choir's anthem will be "Trust In Me" by Dave Dunbar. Chancel Bells will play again for the offertory, "Vesper Hymn", arranged by Barbara Kinyon.

### Weekly Report

Oct. 11, 2009

Received this week \$14,896

Received to Date \$132,971

Needed to Date \$127,935

Attendance - 257

(includes early worship - 46)



It was a muddy maze on Sunday afternoon! The 26 youth and adults from the JYF and Chi-Rho Youth Groups tramped through Shyrock's Corn Maze and had a good time finding clues and each other! Thanks to lots of adult partners for going along and getting muddy with us!

## NBA Woodhaven Celebration

Come and celebrate 45 years of ministry with us at the Peachtree Banquet Hall Thursday, October 22 at 6pm. Our church will be sitting together at a table or tables and would love for you to come and celebrate good years of wonderful ministry with adults with disabilities in Columbia. Larry Brown will be providing entertainment. There is no cost for this event, but this is a fund raiser for Woodhaven. There is a time when they ask for donations. This event is always well done and an uplifting experience. Visit with Carol Slusher or Amy Kay if you have any questions or to RSVP by Monday, Oct. 19.

## LIFE lives on...

The LIFE women's fellowship group will meet on Monday, October 19th from 6:30pm - 8:00pm in Bethany Hall. Child care is provided in the church nursery for pre-school aged children. If you have any questions about this group, please visit with Valerie Freed or Amy Kay. Thanks!

## Book Club



Because of the memorial service for Glenna Mae Kubach, the Oct. 14th Book Club meeting was postponed until this coming Wed., October 21st at 12 noon in Bethany Hall.

## Disciples History & Membership Class

Sunday Mornings  
in October (4 weeks)

9:40 - 10:15 a.m.

Back Room  
(behind the Sanctuary)

Everyone Wel come  
any or all sessions!

*S*eniors

*T*ogether

*A*ffirming our faith in God

*R*eaching out to others

*S*erving Christ

The 55+ Fellowship Group of

First Christian Church



## Fall Foliage Tour - Oct 21

There's still time to sign up for the STARS Fall Foliage trip, Oct. 21, 2009. Cost includes lunch on your own at Lewis & Clark Restaurant, plus \$10 for transportation to be paid when we board from the church parking lot at 8:15 a.m. Call Carol Slusher for more information (874-4902)

## sur-ette: noun

*Charrette* — a listening and sharing of findings between the architect consultants and the congregation.

The Master Planning Committee invites ALL to come learn and share in an important meeting (Charrette). Come hear the findings of the committee and the conclusions of the consultants in regard to the church building and property as we plan for the future of our ministry and mission.

Sunday, Oct. 25, 3:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall

## Heerrree's Johnny!

Since returning from our Disciples Heritage Tour many people have asked how it went, and a few others have said, "If you ever take that trip again, I want to go!" In response I have expressed my own willingness to do it again, and even mentioned a spring date to a couple of people. Such was the good time I had, and is my desire to help other people learn about the history of our church, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Eight of us in the church van traveling together had a great time learning the history of our movement. I use the word "movement" in keeping with the first lesson of our founding fathers and mothers who had no intention of starting a new denomination. The last thing they wanted to do was to split the Body of Christ. As far as Thomas and Alexander Campbell and Barton Stone were concerned, there were already far too many "sects"; for many years many of their followers even refused to acknowledge that they had produced another "denomination", although the fact could not be ignored as our people developed their own identity, separate and distinctive from the other Christian groups.

The Campbells' and Stone's passionate desire in dropping the names Presbyterian and Baptist was to take the names "Christian only," or "Disciples of Christ," as a way of uniting themselves with the followers of Christ in all the churches. And that has been the spirit of our movement from the beginning, to promote the cause of Christian unity, as Stone said, "to sink into union with the body of Christ at large." And so through the years we have been involved in ecumenical efforts whenever and wherever we could, from the founding of the old Federal Council of Churches, the World and National Councils of Churches, to the local level, with our participation in the great celebration of music last Sunday evening at Missouri United Methodist Church.

Next time we plan another ecumenical celebration of music with our friends in the other churches, you should be there! The next time we hop in the church van and head for Cane Ridge and Bethany, you should reserve your seat. And the next time someone asks where you go to church, you can answer, "First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). We have a great history, and a great future. Why don't you join the journey of faith with us!"

## Festival of Sharing - Amazing Response!

Thank You! Thank You! Through the generosity of individual church members and CWF groups we were able to assemble 78 kits and packs to take to Festival of Sharing along with donations totaling \$814.37!! What a generous group of people we have at First Christian! Here's the breakdown of the kits and packs:

12 School Kits (value \$13 each) = \$156

11 Readin' & Writin' Packs (value \$12 each) = \$132

10 Prison Packs (value \$9 each) = \$90

35 Health Kits (value \$12 each) = \$420

10 Student Dental Packs (value \$11 each) = \$110

**Grand Total of Packs and Kits = \$908**



**Oct. 18-**Rebekah Hart, Lisa Snyder,  
Abigail Micek

**Oct. 20-**Sydney Embry

**Oct. 21-**Lauren Cupp, Tom Gray

**Oct. 22-**Ann Volmert

**Oct. 23-**Susan McCarty

**Oct. 24-**Brenda Mosby, Mercedes Smith,  
Rory Seltsam, Allie Schomaker

## Your Special Birthday!



**Mack Brushwood**

- 91 on Oct. 17



Our thanks to Dave and Julie Nichols for bringing the beautiful flowers from the church. Thanks for your prayers and concerns for Bill. Thanks also to Dr. Yonker for his visits. Bless each of you.

~Bill and Mary Ann Niedergerke

## News of the congregation

**Joyce Stanley** returned home on Saturday afternoon and is recuperating well from left knee replacement surgery last week at Boone hospital. **Bill Niedergerke** has also returned home to continue recovering from a surgical procedure last week, also at Boone Hospital. Our prayers are with **Judy Miller** whose husband **Keith** has been in one of the intensive care units at University Hospital for the past week. A friend of our church, Judy has been visiting our worship services the past several months.

**Glenna Mae Kubach** died at the Tablerock Health Care Center in Kimberling City, Missouri on Saturday morning, October 10. Along with her husband, **Tommy**, who preceded her in death in 2001, Glenna Mae was a member of our church for many years, who was actively involved in the work of the Christian Women's Fellowship, having served as CWF treasurer, and was one of the founding members of the Coffman-Watson group. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, **Carole and Jim Butts**, of Kimberling City, a brother and sister-in-law, **Norman and Bette Maughmer** of Kansas City, and her granddaughter and her husband, **Amber and Eric Cottle**, and their children, **Zach and Sam**, of Washington, D.C. A memorial service was conducted by John Yonker on Wednesday morning, October 14 at the church, with graveside services held on Thursday morning in Savannah, Missouri.

We extend our sympathy to **Marvin Tracy** on the death of his brother, **Larry Tracy** of Toledo, Ohio who died on Saturday, October 10 at the age of 73. Funeral services were scheduled to be held in that city this week.

Thanks to **Linda Chandler** for her vocal solo as special music at the 8:30 service last Sunday. Also thanks to **Jean Hall** and **Mary Bancroft** for their piano duets at both services.

Congratulations to **Holly Gieseke** who has recently been promoted to Vice-President of Landmark Bank. She has already assumed her duties of managing the sales and services efforts of all personal bankers, assisting with product development and training, and administrating the IRA and health savings accounts of bank customers.

# CAFÉ

ChristianActionFellowshipEducation

Wednesday Evenings

*Great Hot Meals Served  
Classes, choirs, and new opportunities  
for you and your family to learn and grow  
in spirit and faith.*

5:30-6:15 – Dinner  
\$6 adults  
\$3 kids 5-12 years  
\$17 cap for a family  
Under 5 free

6:20 - Devotion

6:30-7:30 - Adult Programming  
Child Care Available

## Oct. 21st CAFÉ

*Menu:* Creamy Vegetable Chicken  
Noodle Soup  
Multi-Grain Bread  
Oatmeal Scotties

\* **Program Choices:**

- Financial Peace University, 3rd Floor Cinema
- Bible Study, Keystone Class Room

\* **CYF** (grades 9-12) with  
Jimmy Spear

Place your reservation by marking the pew registration pad "activity box" on Sunday morning or call the church office (449-7265) for dinner reservations by **noon on Tuesday**.

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JYF (3-5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
CHI-RHO (6-8<sup>th</sup> grade)  
CYF (9-12<sup>th</sup> grade)

Sunday, Oct. 25

JYF: 4:30- 6:00 p.m.

Chi-Rho: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Chi-Rho will watch the classic hilarious movie "The Ghost of Mr. Chicken" as a pre-halloween treat!

JYF and CHI-RHO in the Fall 2009

These are the dates for the fall season: Both groups will meet twice a month on **Nov. 8; And on Nov. 22:** Bring canned food item for scavenger hunt

CYF – Wednesday Nights

6:30-8:00 p.m.

(Dinner served at 5:30 p.m. \$5)

## Extra Fun College Gatherings

Friends, along with the Back Room Wednesday night happenings and Sunday morning worship, we have three additional fun times ahead:

- This Thursday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm those of us who are able are invited to Molly Read's Artists Reception at the Senior Art Teachers' show. Coordinate with Amy Kay about where to meet exactly.
- This Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> we are invited to Fred and Stephanie Mottaz's house for a bonfire, roast and hay (rack) ride. We will leave from the church together after the late worship service and will return by 3pm. The Mottaz's live outside of Hallsville, so if you need to drive separately, know that it is a 15 minute drive.
- Sunday, November 1st we are invited to go with Emily Rienbott to one of the MU Research Farms for a bonfire and general outdoor frolicking. We will either go right after the late worship service or in the afternoon. Voice your vote for the start time in the coming week.

Looking forward to good times ahead!  
w/thanks – amy kay

## Election Day Luncheon - November 3

There is still time to volunteer to help with the luncheon! We need to sell tickets, make or buy a pie(s), clean the kitchen after church on November 1st, or work the day. Just call Brenda Mosby at 442-7507 and we will find a place for you. There will also be someone in the Narthex before and after Church with tickets and sign-up sheets. Don't forget both women and men are welcome! Let's have a great day!

## Bowling Date Night

Young-ISH couples, married or dating and with or without children, it's time for another Date Night! Mark your calendars for Friday, November 20th.

We will be bowling at AMF Town and Country Lanes located on North Providence. Childcare will again be provided at the church until 9pm. You are welcome to drop your pre-school and elementary aged kids off between 5:30-5:45 in the church nursery and meet at the bowling alley by 6pm. We will be responsible for our own bowling fees and refreshments. Please RSVP to the church office at 449-7265 by Wednesday, November 18th. Hope to see you there for another great evening of fellowship! ~Kim Rogers



Way to go, **FCC Fall Softball Team!** Many a good Sunday night has been had on the field and we are thankful for you all who have represented us! Team members come and go as they are able – those pictured are but a few of our friends who have worn their First Christian t-shirts with pride for us. ;) Thanks to you all!

### Blood Drive Thanks...

to Brianna Shepard for organizing us  
and the 20 people who  
tried to give with  
18 successful givers!

# The Visitor

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## Return Service Requested

### Serving Schedule - Sunday, Oct. 18

*Van Driver:* Ben Micek  
*Office Receptionist:* Cindy Rose  
*Church School Greeter:* Mark Hunsaker Family  
*Bethany Hall Greeter:* Ben and Jen Micek  
*Flower Ministry:*  
*Arranged by -* Rebekah Hart  
*Delivered by -* Jessica and Steve Humble

#### **Servers for 8:30 Worship Service**

*Worship Assistants:* Millie and Larry Caringer, Mary Daugherty  
*Elder:* Charlie Koelling

#### **Servers for 10:30 Worship Service**

*Communion Preparation:* David and Jan Keithley, Lana Poole  
*Liturgist:* Dan Gieseke  
*Elders:* Marilyn Schappert, Linda Ridgeway, Anne Campbell  
*Deacons:* The Nichols Team  
*Greeter North Door:* Edward Bright  
*Greeter South Door:* Susan and Gerald Ramsey  
*Ushers:* The Nichols Team  
*Banner Bearers:* Max Schaefer and Emily Unterschut  
*Candlelighters:* Wolf Schaefer and Erich Unterschut

### This Week (Oct. 18 - 24)

- Sun. - Cabinet Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Morris Parlor  
- College Group, Fred Mottaz farm, after 10:30 worship until 3:00 p.m.
- Mon. - LIFE group, 6:30 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Tue. - Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., Morris Parlor
- Wed. - STARS Fall Foliage Tour, 8:15 a.m., leaving from church parking lot  
- Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center  
- CAFÉ, dinner: 5:30 p.m., programs: 6:00 & 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall and Cinema  
- CYF, 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
- College Group, 8:45 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Fri. - Parker-Scott group, 1:30 p.m., Lenoir Community Ctr.

