



# THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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## Sunday Morning Worship

Where your treasure is...

A Sermon Series for August 1, 8, and 15.

The three week sermon series on Luke 12 will continue this Sunday with a focus on Luke 12:32-40. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. These great words of faith will be celebrated as we uncover the gospel for our day. Special music for the day will be offered in both worship services by The Drennan Singers.

Congregational singing will abound with: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing; Lord, I Want to Be a Christian; When You Do This, Remember Me; I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me.*

Following the 10:30 service, a special short **Administrative Board meeting** will be called to officially approve the Ministerial Search Committee.



## The Norma Miller/ Drennan Singers' Music Scholarship

Norma Miller directed *The Drennan Singers* for more than 25 years—from 1983 until her death last year, and this special choir was only a part of her wonderful music ministry to First Christian Church. August 9<sup>th</sup> was Norma's birthday, so on Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, *The Drennan Singers* will be singing at both services and will be taking the opportunity to ask for the congregation's help in establishing *The Norma Miller/Drennan Singers' Music Scholarship*. For more information, contact Brenda Mosby or Micki McGuire Kirkham. Please prayerfully consider how you can help us perpetuate Norma's gift of music by investing in the talented youth of First Christian Church.



## The Chi-Rho Mission Trip:

10 Youth and Adults are in St. Louis, MO this week on the annual Chi-Rho Mission Trip. The middle school youth group is staying at Union Ave. Christian Church's "Urban Mission Inn" and serving several inner city organizations. The group will partner with organizations to clean a community garden through Gateway Community Gardens, serving food/preparing meals for delivery at Five Star Senior Center, and playing games with seniors at Little Sisters of the Poor Retirement Home.

The group will also take in the sights and sounds of the big city in the evenings. The group includes Jack Creasy, Megan Potthast, Emily Unterschut, Heather Hunsaker, Logan Garton, Devin Klotz, Macauley Keevins and partners Holly Gieseke, Lynn Klotz, and Rev. Jimmy Spear.

## Potluck Brunch in Bethany Hall

First 4 Sundays in August!  
9:30-10:15 a.m.



Bring food, share fellowship with  
church families and friends.

## The First 4 Sundays in August:

Sunday School for all children will be on summer break but families will be in fellowship together over potluck brunch in Bethany Hall. (Classes on break include: Pre-School, Elementary River of Life, New BackRoom Class, & Pathfinders)

Music on these Sundays: The Chancel Choir will be on summer break but the Drennan Singers, Soloists, and the Boonslick Chordbusters will be offering special music in worship services.

### Weekly Report

Aug. 1, 2010

Received this week \$10,219

Received to Date \$51,488

Needed to Date \$36,109

### Church Dine-Out

Friday - Aug. 6

5:30 p.m.

Bob Evans Restaurant

Everyone Welcome!



# STARS Breakfast Picnic


Wed., August 25  
8:30-10:00  
Potluck  
Location TBA

STARS is the 55+ fellowship group of First Christian Church

## News of the congregation

Our prayers continue to be with **Peggy Cline** and **Don Seltsam** who continue to be patients at Boone Hospital.

Congratulations to **Carl and Norma Miles** who celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Wednesday, August 3!



**Aug. 8-**Don Mosby, Nathan Sapp  
**Aug. 9-**Muriel Leach, John Yonker, Brenda Bailey  
**Aug. 10-**Kristy Rees, Robert Seltsam, Carolyn Snow  
**Aug. 11-**Brianna Shepard  
**Aug. 13-**Marvellee Ridgeway, Gerald Guy, Tommy Tomlin  
**Aug. 14-**Janet Mills, Courtney Martin

### Pictures from Sunday Worship, August 1

The Boonslick Chordbusters sang at both services.

A quartet consisting of **Jean Hall**, **Susan Woodbury** and two close friends provided beautiful a capella music during communion at the 10:30 service.



Rev. Sally Robinson and Rev. Jimmy Spear led worship.

(Pictures provided by Joyce Stanley)



To celebrate **Jerry and Connie Guy's** 90<sup>th</sup> birthdays, our church has been invited to their lake cabin on August 12<sup>th</sup>. For directions, time of scheduled events, etc. check in the church office or the invitation posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. RSVP to Patti (573-864-7415) or Kathy (785-845-8197).

## Ladies' Book Club

Next Wednesday, Aug. 11, at 11:30 a.m, the **Ladies' Book Club** will select eight books at the Columbia Country Club. Please come have lunch and help us decide what books to select for our 6th year of reading pleasure. Reservations are requested. Call or email Linda Hutton at 442-5423 or [lhutton60@gmail.com](mailto:lhutton60@gmail.com)

# START - August 29

## (youth) @ first christian

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

### JYF Pool & Pizza Event

Sunday, August 15, 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
 Southwest Swim Club, College Park Dr.



## Annual Meeting for Parents of all Children and Youth

Wednesday, August 25, Bethany Hall

Introduction to the new Children's Choir Fellowship (ages pre-school to 5<sup>th</sup> grade). Come meet new children's choir director Cynthia Williams and hear of the great plan for kids music! **6:00 p.m.**

Annual *Check-In Meeting* about the three youth groups - JYF, Chi-Rho, CYF (3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) - to discuss the meeting times and plans for the coming year—hopes, changes, expectations, concerns. **6:30 p.m.**

## Think about...

- Teaching the high school class on Sunday mornings.
- Teaching a month of Sundays on The River of Life.
- Being an Adult Partner with the CYF-high school youth group.
- Being the 2<sup>nd</sup> Adult Partner/Volunteer in Children's Worship.

These are just a few areas of leadership that are integral to the education and youth program of First Christian Church. These groups will not function without adult leaders.

## Festival of Sharing - Jump Start!

The Festival of Sharing is held in mid October - but many items which we donate to the Festival are on sale now! Soooo - the World Outreach Committee is encouraging members to pick up a list of items needed for the 4 Kits and Packs we're working on this year: Readin' & Writin' Packs, School Kits, Baby Bundle Packs, and Health Kits.

The Festival of Sharing is a huge gathering held in Sedalia every year. Dozens of denominations work together to bring in a variety of food, basic supplies and necessities which are distributed to the needy in Missouri as well as around the world. You'll read more about this in future *Visitors!*



## BOOK ORNER

If you're about to leave home for college, this is the book for you NOW. Just about the time you get high school completely figured out—here is your diploma, you have to move on. Suddenly you go from being an upperclassman back to being a freshman again!

So—how will you survive remembering a different class schedule every day? Doing your own laundry? Eating cafeteria food every meal? Moving a long way from home? Meeting tons of new people? And what about keeping your faith during all these changes?

Confessions of a College Freshman, written by Zach Arrington during his first years in university—a time in which he was already finding his way to his chosen life's work. You'll laugh, wonder, dream, pray—and hope that you can also survive your first year of higher education with faith and a smile. On the Book Cart.



## Loaves & Fishes Monday, Aug. 23

Group needed to prepare & serve meal

## Weeds!

The church yard has become over-run with the seasonal weeds! Take on a part of the church yard and help us fight the weeds and get the place ship-shape for START Sunday, August 29. The hedges need a trim and all the flower beds need attention, not to mention the bushes on the north side of Bethany Hall that have taken over the sidewalk. Tackle it! (and let Jimmy Spear know... thanks!)

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## Return Service Requested

### Serving Schedule - Sunday, August 8

*Van Driver:* Dan Gieseke  
*Office Receptionist:* Carol Slusher  
*Church School Greeter:* Colleen Nilges  
*Bethany Hall Greeter:* TBA  
*Flower Ministry:*  
*Arranged by -* Becky and Kerry Bramon  
*Delivered by -* Shane and Erin Bower

#### Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

*Worship Assistants:* Joe and Kim Reardon, Mary Daugherty  
*Elder:* Linda Ridgeway

#### Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

*Communion Preparation:* Chris and Candace Stormer, Bud  
Batterson, Hayley Batterson  
*Liturgist:* Dan Gieseke  
*Elders:* Rich and Pam Hoepfner, Fred Mottaz  
*Deacons:* The Creasy Team  
*Greeter North Door:* Millie Bolman  
*Greeter South Door:* Tom and Susan Gray  
*Ushers:* The Burnam Team  
*Banner Bearers:* TBA  
*Candlelighters:* TBA

### This Week (August 8 - 14)

- Sun. - Drennan Singers, both worship services  
- Potluck Fellowship Brunch, 9:30-10:15 a.m.,  
Bethany Hall
- Wed. - Ladies' Book Club, 11:30 a.m., Columbia Country Club  
- Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center

