



## Pentecost is this Sunday!

The wind of the spirit moved among the people and many lives were changed! This Sunday morning we will worship in the spirit of Pentecost in both worship services. Hymns of the day include the ever so appropriate *On Pentecost They Gathered*, and the hymns for baptism *What Was Your Vow and Vision* and *Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*.

It is also a day to proclaim the good news found in the sacrament of baptism. Eight sixth graders, having confessed faith on Sunday, May 9, will be baptized by Dr. Yonker during the 10:30 worship service. Further, eight church members who are graduating from high school in this term will be recognized and given special gifts from the congregation during the 10:30 worship service.

Dr. Yonker will deliver the morning message, "All Wet!", based on the themes of the day and Acts 2. The Chancel Choir will sing "Train up a Child" in honor of the many baptisms during the 10:30 service. Chancel Bells will play "Meditation" with chimes.

Finally, in the spirit of Pentecost flame, wear your brightest red!

### Weekly Report

May 16, 2010

Received this week \$6,736.20

Received to Date \$403,299

Needed to Date \$406,568

Attendance - 280

(includes early worship - 53)



The Chancel Choir rehearsals are now from 9:50-10:25 a.m. and briefly after the 10:30 worship service each Sunday. All are welcome to join the Chancel Choir. We are always happy to see returning members, sometime singers and especially first timers in the Chancel Choir.

Make Plans now for the

## Fellowship Dinner June 2

All Church Talent Show &  
 Potluck Dinner



We can't wait to celebrate your talent!  
 Please let Amy Kay know if you are interested in participating in the show by Friday, May 21.



## Official Welcome

We were delighted to welcome **Candace Harris** to the church by transfer of membership on Sunday during the late worship service! Candace has been active in our college group for years and has attended worship and helped teach the Chi Rho Sunday School class for some time. She is going into her final semester as a Biology-Chemistry major at Mizzou and works with a professor on research in the department. Welcome to our friend Candace!

## Master Planning Nearing Completion

*What has been found?  
 What has been planned?  
 Did our surveys last year help?*

A presentation by the Master Planning Committee and Peckham & Wright Architects will be offered on **Wed., May 26, at 6:30 p.m.**, during a special meeting of the Administrative Board. All interested members and friends are invited. With great joy, the MPC nears completion of its near two year multi-faceted task and is ready to share findings and a new basis for a Master Plan to guide the future of First Christian Church.



## The God & Family Award

Cub Scout **Jonathan LaHue** is pictured above with Rev. Jimmy Spear receiving his Scouting God and Family Merit Badge/Award in 10:30 worship last Sunday. Jonathan and Jimmy worked for 6 weeks this spring on projects concerning God and Jonathan's family. Jonathan is in the fourth grade and is the son of **Jeff and Amy LaHue**.

**Special Note -  
 There will not be a  
 Visitor the week of  
 May 23-29**

## The Baptism & Discipleship Class 2010

### Ryan Boger

Son of Buddy & Kim Boger

### Jack Creasy

Son of Jay & Chris Creasy

### Logan Garton

Son of Bryan & Debbie Garton

### Devin Klotz

Son of Daryl & Lynn Klotz

### Hailey Korman

Daughter of Mike & Kim Korman

### Matthew Hoepfner

Son of Rich & Pamela Hoepfner

### Annika Hylen

Daughter of Mitch & Angela Allen-Hylen

### Megan Potthast

Daughter of David & Debbie Potthast

The Baptism and Discipleship Class met in late spring sharing in conversation about church membership, discipleship, the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, and the sacraments. Each of the eight young people confessed their faith on Sunday, May 9 and will be baptized on Sunday, May 23 in the 10:30 worship service.

Thanks to adult church member mentors **Linda Hutton, Susan Klockow, Bragg Stanley** and a variety of their parents who assisted in class sessions.

## The Norma Miller-Drennan Singers Music Scholarship

A new music scholarship has been established in memory of longtime member and church musician Norma Miller and in honor of her music ministry that included The Drennan Singers. This scholarship is available to church member young people grades 8-12 (and in special circumstances beyond) for the purpose of financially aiding those young people who attend summer music camps, workshops, and conferences. Interested parties should contact Brenda Mosby or Rev. Jimmy Spear.

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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, May 23

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

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

Future meeting date:  
June 6 (last of the school year)

JYF/Chi-Rho: No sandals/flip flops!  
We might go outside/to the park.

### Summer Church Camp Forms

See Jimmy Spear for Registration Forms

### CYF Weekly Events

Bible Study on Tuesday Nights

6:30-7:30 p.m. in Bethany Hall

Youth Group - Wednesday Nights

6:30-8:00 p.m. (Dinner at 5:30 p.m. \$5)

CYF Mission Trip: Whitesburg, KY

June 20-27 Adult Partners needed.

## News of the congregation

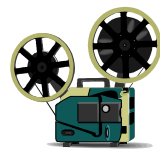
Our prayers continue to be with the **Steve Evers Family**: On Saturday morning, May 15 at Memorial Park Cemetery, Dr. Yonker conducted a grave-side service for Steve's brother, **Bruce Evers**, who died several weeks ago in St. Louis.

**Iva Dell Thurman** suffered a fall at the Lenoir Woods Manor on Friday, May 14, and was taken to Boone Hospital where she continues as a patient at this time. Our prayers are also with **Jean Rossman**, who fell at her Lenoir Village home on Friday morning, May 14. She is recovering from surgery on Monday afternoon, May 17 at University Hospital.

**Margie Dudley** died May 12 at Prebyterian Manor in Fulton. Services were held Saturday, May 15, at Memorial Funeral Home. She had been a member of the church since March 1959.

Special thanks to **Larry Burnam** for working on the kitchen exhaust fan.

Congratulations to **Ray and Beuna Lansford** on their 65th wedding anniversary, May 25th.



## YOUNG AT HEART

On Tuesday, May 25 at 1:30 p.m. Drennan CWF group is hosting the showing of the movie "Young at Heart" in the church cinema. It is about fun-loving senior citizens singing together and caring about each other. To quote: "their inspiring story celebrates the unbreakable bonds of friendship and the life-affirming power of music." Some have seen this movie and it is worth seeing many times. We invite OTHERS to come, sit in comfortable seats, eat popcorn which Jimmy Spear will pop for us, enjoy the movie and fellowship together. It will be a fun, relaxing afternoon.

## Your Special Birthday!



**Parker Rossman**  
- 91 on May 20



**May 25**-Evan Holliday, Dottie Galbraith

**May 26**-Mary Banken, Genny Brown

**May 27**-Bud Batterson

**May 28**-Bruce Woodbury, Isabella Arnett

**May 29**-Mary Dewey, Abigail Reardon

**May 30**-Amanda Holman, Kameron Freed

**May 31**-Tim McCarty

**June 2**-Paul Seigel, Katie Stanley

**June 3**-Sarah Hoffman, Kyle Sheppard, Maury Ellis

**June 4**-Ron Hall

**June 5**-Joni Cupp

## Blessings in Abundance...

It is difficult for me to express my gratitude and thanksgiving for the outpouring of blessings in the service of my Ordination and the time surrounding worship. I have tried to put words together to convey my heartfelt, deepest emotions and all have fallen short.

Perhaps the best I can do is to say that I thank God for you all who were able to attend and for the gifts shared through worship on Sunday afternoon. I was blessed. I continue to be in awe of the experience.



I seem to be in a continuous state of prayer of thanksgiving to God for all of the privileges that I have had in life. I am blessed by my husband who has loved me and supported me in many ways through some difficult times

certainly including this last semester. Dane is the best clergy spouse I could ever imagine and I feel blessed to be his wife. Sebastian and Atticus have been helped along by their daddy and have been a great source of joy. I am blessed by my parents, siblings and their families and all of my aunts, uncles and cousins almost all of whom came this weekend. I am blessed.

I am blessed by the staff of our church who have listened, tolerated, celebrated, and simply cared about me. Fred, Keith and especially Kay have been quietly supporting me throughout the years and certainly helped prepare for Ordination. I am blessed by Mary, Cheryl, Nora, Melissa and the choir who shared their talents of music and their beautiful spirits with me and us on Sunday. I am blessed by the sounds of the brass that seemed to help us all lift our voices more joyfully and more fully in worship.

I am blessed by John, Jimmy and Ken who have been my colleagues here as well as my pastors. They have laughed with me and allowed me the space to find my own voice. They each, in their own way, helped prepare for and lead the service of my Ordination and even in our Monday lunchtime reflection of the event I have been blessed.

The amazing amount of clergy who came to worship and some of whom helped lead or facilitate the service were a blessing. I did not send out a single formal (not counting facebook;) invitation to anyone including clergy friends around town or from seminary and yet they passed along the word and came. Those who had a special part in the service all seemed to share perfect words that touched my soul... especially Dr. Patterson. I am blessed by them all.



The church members who helped lead worship ministered to me and blessed my very being. The words of Thomas, Cliff, CK, Joyce, Mary, Brenda and the college students were beautiful. The bodily proclamation of the Word from Elizabeth Updegraff (pictured above) with Rob Martin was absolutely moving. I wish I could hear and see it again and again. I am blessed.

I have indeed been ordained through your laying on of hands. Holding Sebastian's hands, feeling your touches on my leg, shoulders, head and knowing that we all were connected was a moment that I truly experienced the powerful Spirit of God. I am generally more about Jesus than I am about the Spirit, but in that moment I truly experienced and felt the Spirit of God through you.

I am blessed. Thank you. I thank God for you all. ~amy kay



*Amidst the business of finals and recovering from illness, Molly Read blessed us all with her visual proclamation of the Word. She contributed "The Great Feast" (above) which adorned the Ordination's worship bulletin cover. You can see it in color online at [www.firstchristian.org](http://www.firstchristian.org) and click on the Visitor.*



*The Great Feast reception was indeed a banquet of abundance! The tables were open and inviting to one and all! Many thanks are extended to Joyce Stanley for her organization of the party and the actual work of it all. Thanks also to Mary Jane Anderson for the beautiful center pieces (above) and to all of those who helped prepare for the event and clean it up. I apologize for not knowing who all of you were, but will find out and thank you properly soon!*



## Dust Dust Dust: A Cleaning Party!

The old church building is big and full of places and things that collect dust! Baseboards, radiators, windows, books and lights are just the beginning! A *"first of summer cleaning the church day"* will take place on **Thursday, June 3**. We will begin work at **9 a.m.** and will conclude with a lunch provided in Fellowship Hall at noon.

Bring your handy cleaning tools and products — the ones you like to work with! We will have some collected as well. This cleaning will become an annual event to not only support the efforts of a fine custodian whose tasks are more than his paid time, but also to make the beautiful church building shine for its many good uses throughout the coming summer.

**All church cleaning party: Thursday, June 3, 9 a.m.**

## Email Woes

Amy Kay's First Christian email account has not been well for some time. It has now been put to rest and will never return. Please simply use amykayp@gmail.com or facebook from now on. Thanks and sorry for the inconvenience.

## Congratulations Graduating High School Seniors 2010!

### Albert Browne

Rock Bridge High School  
Son of Al & Beth Browne



### Lindsey Chandler

Hickman H.S., going to University of Missouri-Columbia  
Daughter of Russ & Linda Chandler

### Drew Gieseke

Hickman H.S., going to University of Missouri-Columbia  
Son of Dan & Holly Gieseke

### Taylor Humble

Hickman H.S., going to Moberly Area Community College  
Daughter of Steven & Jessica Humble

### Jordan Mills

Hickman H.S., going to University of Missouri-Columbia  
Daughter of Mark & Janet Mills

### Drew Nichols

Hickman H.S., going to Oklahoma State University  
Son of David & Julie Nichols

### Matthew Taylor

Rock Bridge H.S., going to University of Missouri-Columbia  
Son of James & Debbie Taylor

### Alec Wright (CYF member)

Rock Bridge H.S., going to University of Tulsa  
Son of Jamie & Terri Wright



## Jesus Loves Me!

The pre-school class led the congregation in this great proclamation last Sunday. These fun little 3-5 yr olds are taught on Sunday mornings by lead teachers Hayley Batterson & Paula Hoenes. Their witness of joy and curiosity is abundant and most contagious!

## Come one, Come all!

Come to this year's **All-Church Talent Show!**  
**Wednesday, June 2 from 6:00-7:30pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**



Do you juggle? Do you sing? Do you tap dance? Do you tell jokes? We would love to see, hear, experience your talents. We bet you do something cool and we would love to celebrate it with you! Sign up with Amy Kay to be a part of the show!

# CAFÉ

Christian Action Fellowship Education

## May 26th

**Menu:** Roasted Pork Loin  
Salad  
Wild Rice  
Chocolate Pie

**Programs (6:30 p.m.):**

- **Special Administrative Board Mtg.**, Morris Parlor

- **Elementary aged Children's supervised craft & play time**

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

## **Wednesday Evenings**

*Opportunities for the church family to share in fellowship, while learning and growing in spirit and faith.*

**5:30-6:15** – Dinner

\$6 adults

\$3 kids 5-12 years

\$17 cap for a family  
Under 5 free

Child Care Available

Place your reservation by calling the church office (449-7265) by **noon on Tuesday.**

## Serving Schedule - Sunday, May 23

*Van Driver:* Eric Seaman  
*Office Receptionist:* Valerie Freed  
*Church School Greeter:* Doris Neidhardt  
*Bethany Hall Greeter:* Pat and Sue Wright  
*Flower Ministry:*  
*Arranged by -* Cindy Ruffolo and Darren Hellwege  
*Delivered by -* Justin and Jessica Bright

### Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

*Worship Assistants:* Tommy Gay Evans, Barb Rothenberger and Mary Daugherty  
*Elder:* Sally Robinson

### Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

*Communion Preparation:* Daryl & Lynn Klotz, Brianna Shepard  
*Liturgist:* Amy LaHue  
*Elders:* Don and Brenda Mosby, Sharon Winner  
*Deacons:* The Stanley Team  
*Greeter North Door:* Elizabeth Updegraff  
*Greeter South Door:* Jessica and Steve Humble  
*Ushers:* The Scott Team  
*Banner Bearers:* Anna Poole and Jacob Ripley  
*Candlelighters:* Jonathan LaHue and Julie LaHue  
*Children's Worship Leader:* Jessica Humble  
*C.W. Helper:* Valerie Freed

## This Week (May 23 - 29)



- Sun. - Pentecost Sunday: Wear Red!  
- Breakfast for High School Seniors and families, 9:30 a.m., Morris Parlor  
- High School Graduate Recognition, 10:30 service  
- Baptisms, during 10:30 worship service  
- Church Softball Game, 7:00 p.m., Red Field at Rainbow Softball Center
- Mon. - LIFE Group, 6:30 p.m.
- Tue. - Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., Morris Parlor  
- Drennan Group, 1:30 p.m., 3rd Floor Cinema  
- CYF Bible Study, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Church Office
- Wed. - Hannah-Jones Group, 9:30 a.m., Lenoir 2nd Floor Apts.  
- Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center  
- Brummett-Harrah Group, 1:30 p.m., Bethany Hall  
- CAFÉ: Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
\* Special Administrative Board Mtg., Morris Parlor  
\* Children's supervised play and craft time, 6:30 p.m.  
- CYF, 6:30-8:00 p.m.



## Serving Schedule - Sunday, May 30

*Van Driver:* Ben Micek  
*Office Receptionist:* Carol Slusher  
*Church School Greeter:* Lorene and Nelson Trickey  
*Bethany Hall Greeter:* Holly Wheatley  
*Flower Ministry:*  
*Arranged by -* Susan Klockow  
*Delivered by -* Russell and Linda Chandler

### Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

*Worship Assistants:* Bob and Linda Hutton  
*Elder:* Donna Houston

### Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

*Communion Preparation:* Jennifer and Jacob Alexander, Molly Read  
*Liturgist:* Drew Gieseke  
*Elders:* Sally Estes, Shirley Park, Barb Rothenberger  
*Deacons:* The Stanley Team  
*Greeter North Door:* Pat and Sue Wright  
*Greeter South Door:* Moray Kiehl  
*Ushers:* The Pavlovich Team  
*Banner Bearers:* Hunter Rogers and Wyatt Rogers  
*Candlelighters:* Coleman Rogers and Alexandra Estes  
*Children's Worship Leader:* Holly Gieseke  
*C.W. Helper:* Cindy Rose

## This Week (May 30 - June 5)

- Mon. - Memorial Day - office closed



- Tue. - CYF Bible Study, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Church Office
- Wed. - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center  
- Fellowship Dinner (potluck) and Talent Show, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
- CYF, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Thr. - Cleaning Party, 9:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall  
- World Outreach Committee Mtg., 5:00-6:00 p.m., Keystone Room

# The Visitor

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