



THE VISITOR

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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Worship for January 29th

“What Have You to do with Us, Jesus?” is the title of the morning message this coming Sunday. Texts from 1 Corinthians 9 and Mark 1 offer scripture for the day. Hymns will include the ever faithful *Amazing Grace*, *Take My Life*, and *My Hope is Built*. *O Cleansing Stream* will be the choral offering for the day.



Name Tags and Welcome: A friendly January reminder to take time on Sunday morning to put on your name tag. The tags are new and easy to use. With a church the size of FCC it is so important that we help each other with names! We might also take time this Sunday to do our part in making guests and even those who are back after an absence feel welcome in worship and within the building.



We welcomed the Hasanovic family in worship last Sunday. First Christian Church assisted the Hasanovic family in a move from Bosnia to the United States and in getting settled into life in Columbia in 2001. Hajrudan, Safija, Sanita, and Melisa continue to thrive in this community as these ten years have passed.

A chili lunch was held January 22 by the Church in Society Department to help Sanita offset the very expensive costs of official citizenship. She has gone through the process and is now a citizen. Congratulations, Sanita!

Pictured are Genie Rogers, Judy Cunningham, Safija, Sanita, John Yonker, and Melisa.



“Artists Among Us” Art Show

Closing Reception

Sat., Jan. 28
5-7 p.m.
Bethany Hall

Thank our artists by contributing finger food for the reception - call Tommy Gay Evans at 449-9259.



Coffman-Watson Invites all Women of the Church

A special invitation is extended to all women of the church to attend the next meeting of the Coffman-Watson group on Mon., Feb. 6 at the home of Moray Kiehl. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at 603 Edgewood Ave. Barbara Hodges, the Director of True North, the Columbia women's shelter, will speak about their program. This is an opportunity to learn about what is being done in our community to assist women who need to escape an abusive relationship.

Nominations Requested

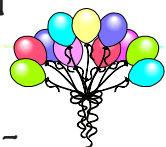
During the month of January each year we ask for nominations for elders, deacons and junior deacons or to receive an Outstanding Service Award. Nominations may be made by submitting a nomination form and returning it to the church office. Forms will be available in the narthex and church office throughout January and are due by Feb. 1.

This year's nominating committee includes: Elders—Pamela Hoepfner, Steve Humble, Charlie Koelling, and Nancy Watson; Deacons—Nora Dietzel, Mark Embry, Joy Overacre and Sarah Storm; Junior Deacons—Mitchell Taylor and Haley Evers; At-Large—Laura Crane and Angela Alexander.

Keystone Class

The Keystone Class is studying God's grace from the Old Testament books of Ruth and Esther. The class will be guided by Sandra Glahn using her coffee cup Bible study "Premium Roast with Ruth" and "Espresso with Esther" and by Woodrow Kroll's "Back to the Bible Study Guide - Ruth and Esther". Join us at 9:30 Sunday mornings on the second floor of the educational building.

Your Special Birthday!



Connie Guy -
91 on January 20
Millie Bolman -
93 on February 2

CAFÉ

Christian Action Fellowship Education
Wednesday Evenings

Feb. 1

Menu:

- Savory Beef Stew
- Multigrain Bread 'n Butter
- Cinnamon Applesauce gelatin
- Caramel Apple Pie



CAFÉ Programs

(6:30 - 7:30 p.m.)

- - Adult study with Dr. Larry Veatch: Allen's *The Life of Jesus for Today*
- - Children's Choir & Activities 3rd floor, 5:30 p.m.
- - Christian Youth Fellowship (grades 9-12) with Jimmy Spear

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

5:30-6:15 - Dinner
\$7-adults, \$3-kids 5-12 years
\$18 cap for a family. Under 5 free

*Child Care Available

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.

News of our people

Kudos to **Will and Donna Houston** for their repair work on doors and chairs around the church.

Congratulations to **Vitalii Akhemedov and Lanette Preston** in news of their recent marriage. Vitalii and Lanette also announce the news of the birth of a son, **Eastyn Christovich Akhemedov-Preston**.

Congratulations to **Monica Senecal and Russ Palmer** in the birth of a daughter, **Anastasia Claire**, on January 13. Big brother **Gabe** and grandparents **Royce and Susan Palmer** are all smiles too!

Prayers are extended to **Pam Hunsaker** who has recently been diagnosed with CML - Chronic Myeloid Leukemia. She is undergoing chemotherapy treatments and the prognosis is good.

Jim Ross underwent a double knee replacement and is now at Lenoir Healthcare Center for rehabilitation and doing well.

Thanks to musicians last Sunday (**Jerry Daugherty** in 8:30 and the **Chancel Choir** in 10:30) and **Cheryl Nichols**, choir director, in a different role at the grand piano with a lively arrangement of *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*.

Remember to put it away! A nice rule for us all to live by at church: "If you use it then please move it back, wash it, dry it, clean it up, and put it away!" This is especially applicable in Bethany Hall. If you wash any kitchen items please dry them and return them to where they should be stored. This allows the next group to walk into the space and be ready for a meeting or gathering.

Weekly Reports

Jan. 15, 2012

Received this week \$4,619
Received to Date \$247,191
Needed to Date \$244,604
Attendance - 189
(includes early service - 46
and total visitors - 13)

Jan. 22, 2012

Received this week \$5,729
Received to Date \$252,920
Needed to Date \$252,832
Attendance - 215
(includes early service - 41
and total visitors - 21)



Jan. 29-Anita Dresser, Bryan Freed, Cole Galbraith
Jan. 30-Ronald Sheppard
Feb. 1-Amy Marrero
Feb. 2-Millie Bolman, Itsel Updegraff
Feb. 4-Susan Palmer

(youth) @ first christian

CYF (9th-12th grades) - Feb. 1
6:30-7:45 p.m., 3rd floor

Sunday, Feb. 5 (change for Superbowl)

JYF (3rd-5th Grade)

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

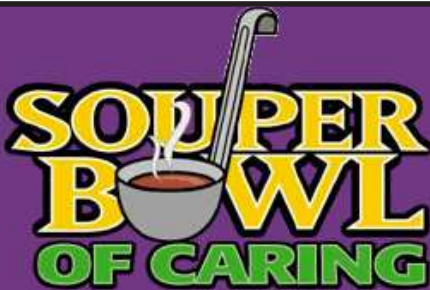
Chi Rho (6th-8th Grade)

12:00-3:00 p.m.

(Lunch provided. Bring \$3)

Winter Youth Group dates include:
Feb. 19, March 4, 18

Chi Rho attend NEA retreat Feb. 24-25.



Sunday, February 5th

Help feed **100,000** hungry people each month in central and northeast Missouri. Please bring non-perishable food or a financial donation. Each dollar donated allows The Food Bank to provide 15 meals to Missourians in need!



Garage Sale Dates Set!

March 30, 31 and April 1 are the dates for the Annual Garage Sale!! Start sorting through your closets, corners and cubby-holes — we want all your “stuff”. Treasures may be brought to the church March 25 - 29. Contact Joyce Stanley 445-5058 with questions. Call Jimmy Spear at 449-7265 to arrange pickup for large items.

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

2012 NEOLA Outdoor Ministries Sneak Peek

2012 Events	Dates	Grade Completed (by 6/12)
Young Adult Camp	6/1-4	2005-2011 HS Grads
Program Staff Orientation	6/4-8	
CYF Conference	6/11-16	9 - 12
Elementary 1-Junior 1 Combo Camp		
Elementary 1 Camp	6/18-20	2 - 3
Junior 1 Camp	6/18-22	4 - 5
Try-It Camp ¹	6/22-24	Adults & children (3yrs-Gr 2)
6-9 MAD (Music, Art & Drama)	7/8-14	6 - 9
10-12 Water Sports Camp	7/7-11	10 - 12
	7/30-8/2	
Elementary 2-Junior 2 Combo Camp		
Elementary 2 Camp	7/17-19	2 - 3
Junior 2 Camp	7/17-21	4 - 5
That Camp About God & Sex	7/23-28	8
Chi Rho Camp	7/30-8/4	6 - 7
Chi Rho Current River Canoe Trip	6/17-21	6 - 8
Chi Rho Smoky Mountain Trek	TBA	6 - 8
CYF Wilderness Backpack (Footnotes)	TBA	9 - 12

¹Try-It Camp is a taste of camp for parents and younger campers. One adult may bring up to three children. Lodging is in cabins or hotel-style rooms.



BIG HOUSE song and motion by the Children's Choir last Sunday

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Return Service Requested

The Mission of First Christian Church: to know God and follow Jesus Christ

Serving Schedule - Sunday, Jan. 29

Van Driver: Steve McCormack

Office Receptionist: Barbara Rothenberger

Church School Greeter: Pam Hunsaker

Flower Ministry: Arranged by - Dan and Holly Gieseke

Delivered by - Dan and Holly Gieseke

Servers for 8:30 Worship Service

Worship Assistants: Will and Donna Houston, Judy Hall

Elder: Donna Houston

Servers for 10:30 Worship Service

Communion Preparation: Rebekah Hart, Jay & Chris Creasy

Liturgist: Jim Campbell

Elders: Sharon Winner, Brenda Martin, Tommy Tomlin

Deacons: The Campbell Team

Greeters: Eric Arnett (N. Door); Tammy Arnett (S. Door)

Ushers: The Robinson Team

Banner Bearers: Wyatt Rogers and Wolf Schaefer

Candlelighters: Erich Unterschut and Andrew Stormer

Children's Worship Leader: Kim Boger

Children's Worship Helper: Kim Leon

This Week (Jan. 29 - Feb. 4)

- Sun.** - Pre-K Choir Rehearsal, during 10:30 worship, 3rd floor
- CORE, 5:00 p.m., Bethany Hall
- Mon.** - Nominating Committee Mtg., 7:00 p.m., Morris Parlor
- Tue.** - Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., Morris Parlor
- Wed.** - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center
- World Outreach, 5:00 p.m., Keystone Room
- Children's Choir & Activities, 5:30-7:30 p.m., 3rd floor
- CAFÉ: dinner - 5:30 p.m., Yonker Fellowship Hall
program - 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- CYF (grades 9-12), 6:30-7:45 p.m.
- DOC (Disciples on Campus), College Group, 8:45 p.m.
- Fri.** - All Church Eat-Out, 5:30 p.m., Bob Evans Restaurant
Everyone Welcome!

