# The Christian Visitor

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Sent With Love To You!

### **Easter Is Coming!**

As I sit down to write this article our countdown to Easter is at ten days. By the time anyone reads this article we will be closer to two or three days. Most of you could probably guess that Easter is one of my favorite days of the entire year, but here is a list of a few reasons WHY I think Easter is so incredible...

- The Lenten journey can be long and challenging. Many of us have made sacrifices
  or committed ourselves to specific spiritual disciplines over the last forty days. Holy
  Week and the events we observe through it are challenging as well. Easter is a
  time of celebration and a reminder that for those who follow Jesus a light lies at the
  end of EVERY tunnel.
- The fact that God raised Jesus from the dead gives us hope and reminds us that NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD! No challenge we face in life is too big for God to handle.
- Easter reminds us that God ALWAYS has a plan even when we can't see it and it
  seems as though all is lost. If we can just hang in there and not give up we will see
  God's hand in everything working all things together for good.
- Knowing that God has authority, even over death, confirms his promise to us that EVERLASTING LIFE with him (and also with those we have said goodbye to in the past) is a reality. We have SO MUCH to look forward to in Him.
- Theologians have tried many ways to articulate the exact nature of what God accomplished through Christ's death and resurrection (Google atonement theology if you want to learn more). I don't claim to know the logistics of how it all worked I just know that it did! Somehow, through the incredible events of this extended weekend, our sins (all of them) can be forgiven and we can be made a new creation in Christ. Because of the incredible love and sacrifice of Jesus we can have a relationship with God that begins in this life and extends through all of eternity.

This last reason might seem petty (compared to the ones I already mentioned), but it's a part of the reason I love Easter just the same. We celebrate Easter in springtime. Spring is a season of transition and new life – filled to the brim with possibilities. I look forward to celebrating this incredible day with my church family. I also look forward to the next season of our journey together – growing deeper in our relationship with God and with one another.

In Christ, Pastor Matt

P.S. Don't forget to invite a few guests to our Easter celebration this year!

### Like our Facebook Pages!

Check out our Facebook page? We post pictures and updates from time to time. "Like" us and "check-in" when you're here to stay connected with your church family!

#### www.facebook.com/fccatchison

Under GROUPS check out: FCC Children and Youth Ministry
FCC Youth Group pages and FCC Young Adult Group

https://www.facebook.com/AtchisonCountyFoodPantryatFirstChristianChurch

### **The Churches Website**

Check it Out: www.fccatchison.net

# Please Notify The Church Office

- If anyone in your family goes into the hospital.
- When your group plans to have a meeting.
- When a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence.
- When you're planning to move out of town or locally.
- When your phone number changes.
- When a new baby arrives in your family.
- When you feel the church can assist you in any way.
- When a new family moves into your neighborhood.
- When someone needs to be placed on, OR taken off of the Prayer List.

### Suicide Survivor's Support Group

Atchison Hospital Cafeteria Conference Room 4th Tuesday ~ 6:30-8:15pm

This is an adult peer led support group open to those grieving from the death of someone by suicide. A support group can be invaluable because participants in the group can understand the many emotions survivors feel. Facilitators: Ronda McDaniel and Michele Rasmussen. Please see Facebook Page: <a href="https://goo.gl/bbo8kN">https://goo.gl/bbo8kN</a>

### **Grief Support Group Marilyn Albright, 913-367-4754**

While we grieve the loss of a loved one, it can be helpful to share our thoughts, our feelings, our triumphs and our failure with others who are having the same experiences. We would like to invite you to join us at our grief support group. We meet at Paolucci's Restaurant, 113 S 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Please join us at one or both of the following times:

- > First Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm for dinner
- > Third Thursday of each month at 12 noon for lunch

### **Christian Women's Fellowship**

Keep saving your Best Choice UPC codes, Box Tops for Education, postage stamps and plastic sacks. We appreciate all that you do to help CWF help others. PLEASE NOTE — We are no longer sending in the medicine bottles.

The next meeting will be on Monday, April 29, 2019 @ 2 pm. We will meet in the library with Lavern Fitkin giving the devotion and Kathy Botts the lesson. Our hostess Lavern Fitkin will serve refreshments after the meeting in Wolf Hall. All ladies of the church are invited to attend.



#### You are invited to join a small group!

Get connected with others at First Christian Church who have a similar interest or hobby and share in the fellowship. New small groups are forming to help you meet new people, catch up with friends or just enjoy sharing with your church family. The following is a list of CONNECTION GROUPS you are invited to join:

<u>Coffee Group:</u> Meets Thursdays at 10:00 AM at Paolucci's Restaurant (113 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Atchison, KS)

Walking Group: A group has been formed to walk on Sundays at 1:00. Meet at the Mall near Snap Fitness. Contact Sharon Bullock 913-370-0845

<u>Motorcycle Group:</u> If you ride and like to eat...come join the group. Events TBD. Contact Joe Bullock – <u>joebullock57@gmail.com</u>

Book Club Group: Come join our group of readers! We are reading Every Note Played by Lisa Genova We will meet to discuss our book in 6 weeks! Meeting date is Tuesday, May 21 @ 6:30 pm in the Young Adult Classroom (second level of the FCC Education Building). Each person is responsible for securing their own copy of the book. (Questions?? Contact Cindy Jacobson (cynthiajacobson1@gmail.com). Happy Reading!

<u>Dinners for 8:</u> The Fellowship Ministry Team is forming groups of 8 people to get to know each other. What better way than to break bread together! Groups will meet once a month, starting in June. Two different people in the group will host each month. Meals could be in your home, a park or at the church (check scheduling with Rosie). Sign-up sheet will be at the Connection Desk. For more information, contact Sharon Bullock. Sharonrb61@mail.com

<u>Daughters of the King:</u> All women of the church are invited. We plan to meet the first Sunday of the month. Contact Ronda McDaniel 913-360-2328. We are planning a trip to "Living Proof Live" with Beth Moore and Worship with Travis Cottrell in Lincoln, Nebraska. The event is Friday, June 21 and Saturday, June 22. Cost for groups of 10+ is \$59 each. For more information contact Ronda. **RSVP and \$\$ will be due by May 19.** 

**New Groups:** If you have a group that you would like to start, please contact the church office, 913-367-3036 and someone from the Membership Ministry Team will follow-up.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Sunday, April 21 – 9 AM SS Class 9:15 am Easter Egg Hunt – preschool through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

10:10 AM - 10:55 AM

ClassCurriculumNurseryDeep Blue Kids

Pre-School & Kindergarten Deep Blue Kids

Teachers: Dana Collins, Stacie Dougherty, Alison Simpson

1st, 2nd & 3rd Grades Deep Blue Kids Teachers: Shanae` Randolph, Vicki Tate

4th & 5th Grades Submerge

Teachers: Sarah Felton, Brooke Genail, Paige Schmidt

Middle School (6th, 7th & 8th Grades) LinC Teachers: Shawn & Pam Rizza, Jaime Tate

**Sr. High** (9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grades) LinC Teachers: Joe & Sharon Bullock, John & Cindy Jacobson



Each week LinC uses a newsmaking and sound biblical teaching to give you. Topics covered: Sports, Natural Disasters, Politics, Holidays, Movies, History, Viral Videos.

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Sunday, April 21 – 9 AM SS Class

#### Young Adult Class

Our Sunday morning class meets from 10:10 - 10:55 AM. in the young adult classroom located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> level of the educational building. Reach out to Angie Hausner at eiscang@gmail.com for more information.

#### Koinonia Class

The Bible is our text  $\dots$  come join us as. We meet at 10:10-10:55 AM in the library/parlor (next to Wolf Hall) on Sunday. The class is led by Carolyn Rodina.

#### **Logos Class**

Sundays from 10:10 to 10:55 in the Memorial Chapel. Everyone welcome!

#### Friendship Class

Class is held in the choir room each Sunday from 9:45 to 10:30 AM. Everyone is welcome. Led by *Keith Rawson* 



### **Atchison County Food Pantry@ FCC**

The food pantry is open on Mondays, 1-3:00 pm, Wednesdays, 4:30-6:00 pm and Fridays, 10-11:30 am and is located in the basement (Wolf Hall). Please use entrance off of Santa Fe St.

The Food Pantry is an important ministry in our community. Please check out our page on Facebook & Like us - Atchison County Food Pantry @ First Christian Church.



Suggested items for the pantry: **Peanut Butter**, **Jelly/Jam**, **Instant Potatoes**, **Pork** 'n **Beans**, **Cereal**. Cash donations are welcome too!

We need volunteers in various capacities. If you are interested please contact Linda Stecher, 913-426-4359, or David Gatewood at 367-2684 or 913-370-0480 for more information.

### Schedule for 2019

May 4 July 6

Meals are served, and delive sheets for volunteering are We need volunteers for kitch deliver meals to the homet questions, contact Barb Piper, 913-255-2461.



### Remember In Prayers

Jack Albright, John Barber, Rick Berger, Alex Blunt, Maryia Brant & Family, Melinda Calhoon, Glenda Camblin, Dallas Carver, Beth (Gilliland) Charnick, Blaine Clary, Bryson Connell, Jerry Daniel, Kayla Devore, Betty Donaldson, Betty & Bill Dorsey, Sr., Billy Dorsey, Jr., Karin Dulaban, Barbara Dykstra, Marion Ehret, Mary Ann Eiberger, Sandra Elliott, Gene Gillispie, Robert Grosser, David Hale, Grace Hale, Delores Hansen, Lisa Hansen, Karla Harter, Phyllis Haynes, Heavyn Hennen, Mike Henning, Mike Horton, Beverly Kennedy, Larry Kibler, Tiny Kibler, LA Kimes, Jeff Kuhnert, Laney Ledbedder, Opal Lewman, Katie McAllister, Cale Miller, Chad Miller, Dale Miller, Paige Miller, Sable Monroe, Pat Montgomery, Diana Moxley, Gary Norfleet, Kristi Olson, Sheri Oswald, Steve Otte, Tom Peak, Stephanie Seever Ramos', Rusty Randolph, Kelli Royer, Ann Ryan, Larry Ryan, Elizabeth Seever, Juanita Shufflebarger, Mark Shufflebarger, Becky Smith, Margaret Smith, Gary Stecher, Bob Stephenson, FJ & Doris Sutton, Eric Szymanski, Charlotte Thompson, Julie (Hill) Torrence, Shirley Welch, Amy and Mitch West, Kenny Winder, Joe Wurtz. [IF WE CAN TAKE ANYONE OFF OF THIS PRAYER LIST, PLEASE NOTIFY ROSIE AT THE CHURCH OFFICE

### **Military**

Ryan Callahan, Joshua Lambert, Nicholas Cline, Sean McCaffery, Anton Mak, Jesse McGlade, Curtis Ellis, Jerry Michaels, John Humbard, Robert Dickson, Quentin Rivers, Carlos Betts-Coffey, Daniel Collins, Ben Carlisle, Zach Kincaid.

### <u>Attendance</u>

March 24, 2019	9:00 am - 109 11:00 am - 64	SS - 27 (C & Y) 27 (A)
March 31, 2019	9:00 am - 79 11:00 am - 80	SS - 27 (C & Y) 25 (A)
April 7, 2019	9:00 am - 96 11:00 am - 84	SS - 39 (C & Y) 24 (A)
April 14, 2019	10:00 am – 200	SS – 43 (C & Y) 19 (A)

### Visitors March 24, 31, April 7, 14

Brett Morgan, Rae Baer, Wayne & Carolyn Carter, Pris & Vinnie Willmeth, Brandi Ross, Susan Krug, Kerry & Mary Bridges, Claudia & Dean Larkin, Hope O'Neal, Kihwan Pae, David & Nancy Roberts, Linda Walton, Logan Martin, Dillion Elliott, Faith Harding, Blair Shanks, Kylie Hays, Nathaniel Huber, Lori Judnick, Brayden Birkinsha, Scott Walton

### **Soup and Sermon**

Atchison United Methodist Church 501 Kansas Avenue



The last Soup and Sermon for 2019 will be held on Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 pm.

Homemade soup provided by local churches. Listen to a sermon by area pastors. Enjoy spiritually uplifting music.

Soup and Sermon is sponsored by the Atchison Ministerial Alliance and all are welcome to attend. Join us over your lunch break!

### **Elders Meeting**

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 6:00 PM

### Deacons and Deaconesses Meetings

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 6:30 PM

### **Board Meeting**

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 7:00 PM



### **Easter Special Offering**

We will collect the special offering on Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> and Easter Sunday, April 21. An insert and offering envelope will be included in the bulletin on both days. Please prayerfully consider your gift.

## **Sunday April 21, 2019**

#### Easter Sunday

8-9:30 AM Easter Breakfast in Wolf Hall 9:00 AM Children, Youth & Adult SS Classes 9:15 AM Easter Egg Hunt Preschool through 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades 10:00 AM Worship Service with Baptismal Service 10:00 AM KAIR Radio Broadcast (93.7 FM)

10:00 Communion Prep & Coffee: Jacque/Sally /Tohnya

10:00 Servers: Barb Piper, Robi Chowdhuri, Kevin Dykstra,

Gary Wohlgemuth, Peggy Montgomery,

Rhoda Butner, Ron & Linda Tuley, Kathy Bare

**10:00 Greeters:** Parking Lot – Carolyn Rodina

7th Street – Jackie Jasper

Santa Fe – Barb Piper

Visitor Guide – Hank Olson

Connection Center – Kevin Dykstra

10:00 Elders: Helen Birkinsha & Marilyn Albright

10:00 Cleanup: Vicki Jones & Kylee Kottman

## **Sunday April 28, 2019**

9:00 AM People of Praise Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Friendship SS Class 10:00 AM KAIR Radio Broadcast (93.7 FM) 10:10 – 10:55 AM Children, Youth & Adult SS Classes 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

9:00 Communion Prep & Coffee: Jacque/Sally /Tohnya

**9:00 Servers:** Rhonda Shell, Vicki Jones, Christen Lacev,

Jackie Jasper, Shawn & Pam Rizza, Ashley

Stout, Dale Erhart

<u>9:00 Greeters:</u> Parking Lot – Pat West

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Rick Stark Santa Fe – Ron Tuley

Visitor Guide – Linda Tuley

Connection Center – Patty Phillippe

11:00 Elders: Vicki Tate and Tammy Parrott

<u>11:00 Servers:</u> Dennis Ditsch, Alison Simpson, Jeremy Ellis,

Michel Fobbs, Lavern Fitkin, Kylee Kottman

<u>11:00 Greeters:</u> Parking Lot – Keith Rawson

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Linda Myer Santa Fe – Jan Merritt

Visitor Guide – Marvin Myer

11:00 Acolyte & Helper: Olivia & Jaime Tate

11:00 Preparers/Cleanup: Pam Rizza & Teri Kuhnert

11:00 Worship Leader: Kevin Dykstra

## **Sunday, May 5, 2019**

9:00 AM People of Praise Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Friendship SS Class 10:00 AM KAIR Radio Broadcast (93.7 FM) 10:10 – 10:55 AM Children, Youth & Adult SS Classes 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

9:00 Communion Prep & Coffee: Jacque/Sally /Tohnya

9:00 Servers: Sally Webb, Brooke Genail, Tohnya

Aversman, Cindy Jacobson, Patty & Roger Phillippe, Liz Montgomery, Deborah Myers,

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9:00 Greeters: Parking Lot – Helen Birkinsha

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Ashley Stout Santa Fe – Lisa Sutton Visitor Guide – Dana Ernzen

Connection Center – Ronda McDaniel

**11:00 Elders:** Tammy Parrott and John Jacobson

<u>11:00 Servers:</u> Linda Vanderweide, Tracie Caudle, Dennis

Stanton, Teri Kuhnert, Lucille Rawson, Heidie

Hennen

<u>11:00 Greeters:</u> Parking Lot – Mary Anna Dove

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Sharon Sowers Santa Fe – Jeremy Ellis

Visitor Guide – David Gatewood Connection Center – Gini Collins

11:00 Acolyte & Helper: Austin Mount-Lee & Penny Lee
11:00 Preparers/Cleanup: Deborah Myers & Lucille Rawson

11:00 Worship Leader: Linda Stecher

**Shut-In Communion:** 

Team 1 – Jacque Pregont & Sharon Sowers

Team 2 – Joe Bullock & Joe Hausner

## **Sunday**, **May 12, 2019**

9:00 AM People of Praise Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Friendship SS Class 10:00 AM KAIR Radio Broadcast (93.7 FM) 10:10 – 10:55 AM Children, Youth & Adult SS Classes 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

9:00 Communion Prep & Coffee: Jacque/Sally /Tohnya

9:00 Servers: Helen Birkinsha, Kevin & Stacie Dougherty,

Janie Smart, Carolyn Rodina, Barb Carlson

<u>9:00 Greeters:</u> Parking Lot – Kay Greenly

7th Street – Rhonda Shell Santa Fe – Stacy Peuker Visitor Guide – Jesse Greenly Connection Center – Janie Smart

11:00 Elders: Jacque Pregont and John Dolenz

11:00 Servers: Nick Tate, Dixie Williams, Carolyn Campbell,

Susan Cummings, Mary Hoffman, Sharon

Sowers

<u>11:00 Greeters:</u> Parking Lot – Teri Kuhnert

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Mary Hoffman Santa Fe – Tammy Parrott Visitor Guide – Kathy Botts

11:00 Acolyte & Helper: Izzy & Kylee Kottman

11:00 Preparers/Cleanup: Peggy Stark & Dixie Williams

11:00 Worship Leader: Keith Rawson

# **Sunday May 19, 2019**

9:00 AM People of Praise Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Friendship SS Class 10:00 AM KAIR Radio Broadcast (93.7 FM) 10:10 – 10:55 AM Children, Youth & Adult SS Classes 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

<u>9:00 Communion Prep & Coffee:</u> Jacque/Sally /Tohnya 9:00 Servers: Jacque Pregont, Phyllis Walton, Shawn

Adams, Joe & Angie Hausner, Heather

Matthias, Rick & Peggy Stark

9:00 Greeters: Parking Lot – Carolyn Rodina

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Jackie Jasper Santa Fe – Barb Piper Visitor Guide – Hank Olson

Connection Center - Kevin Dykstra

11:00 Elders: Joe Bullock and Vicki Tate

<u>11:00 Servers:</u> Dennis Ditsch, Alison Simpson, Jeremy Ellis,

Michel Fobbs, Lavern Fitkin, Kylee Kottman

<u>11:00 Greeters:</u> Parking Lot – Joe Amthor

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Linda Stecher Santa Fe – Jeremy Ellis Visitor Guide – Alana Hale

Connection Center - Dennis Ditsch

11:00 Acolyte & Helper: Kate & Pam Rizza

11:00 Preparers/Cleanup: Ashley Stout & Sharon Sowers

11:00 Worship Leader: Dean Boggs



### The Peacemakers

Present

### "To Love Our God"



THANK YOU NOTES

A big "Thank You" to 13 awesome men of our church! You all did a fantastic job portraying the 12 disciples and Jesus for our Living Last Supper. A special thanks to Brian Rodina for stepping into a role at the last minute - actually 45 minutes before the service started! So shout out to Jacob Bullock, Parker Kottman, Jesse Greenly, Rusty Randolph, Zach Fischer, Buddy Baldridge, John Dolenz, Joe Bullock, John Jacobson, Kevan Birkinsha, Joe Hausner, Keith Rawson, and Brian Rodina. Thank you and looking forward to next year!

Dixie Williams and the Worship Ministry Team

#### God is good!

We are so blessed with all the prayers that was given to me. My tumor is gone! Praise God! Thank you Pastor Matt for his prayers. It means so much to have you all keeping me in your thoughts and prayers.

Wanda McHardie

### **Graduation Reception**

Sunday, May 5, 2019 10:10 – 10:55 am (Between Services in the Annex)

Graduates will be recognized during both services. There will be a cookie reception to honor all graduates of high school, GED, Jr. College, Vocational School, College, EfM & Master program. If you have a child/ren or you yourself will be a graduate, please call the church office and let Rosie know.



# 2019 / 20 First Christian Church Scholarship

Application forms are now available are at the Connection Center (by the church office.) You must be a member of First Christian Church to apply. The deadline to have them completed and turned into the church office is Friday, June 14, 2019. Please make sure that all items requested are included with the application form. If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Albright, Scholarship Chairperson @ 913-367-4754.

### FOOD PANTRY SEEKING NEW CARGO VAN

The Courtney Turner Trust has provided a \$5,000 bequest to the Atchison County Food Pantry @ First Christian Church, to replace our 28-year old Dodge van. The van no longer has working air conditioning and has several safety issues. We use the van to transport donated and purchased food from Atchison and St. Joe. The Church Board has promised to consider a \$5,000 bequest, provided the Food Pantry can raise an additional \$10,000 toward the van purchase. We are reaching out to numerous community businesses and organizations to help with this purchase. If you would like to help, please consider a donation to the Atchison County Food Pantry at FCC, and note "van replacement" in the memo line.

Linda Stecher, Director

David Gatewood, Co-Director



### **Transportation Ministry Proposal**

One of the needs determined by the Christian Formation Summit is that of a Transportation Ministry. In the past when we had only one worship service this was handled by volunteers. With two worship services and a lack of volunteers to cover all our current needs, we feel that the transportation ministry could be handled like the nursery. With a paid staff person. A part-time bus driver on Sunday mornings would be a way to allow children and adults to be able to attend Sunday school and worship services.

Anyone under the age of 18 wishing to ride the bus would have to have a signed permission slip on file.

The church bus would run from 8am-1pm on Sundays, we would pick people up and take them home from first service, Sunday school and second service.

#### Example:

8:00-8:45 Home pickup for first service and early Sunday School
9:00-9:45 Home pickup for Sunday School
10:00-10:45 Deliver home from first service or pickup for second service
11:00-11:45 Deliver home from Sunday School
12:00-1:00 Deliver home from second service and return bus to church parking lot.

Anyone wishing to have the bus pick them up would need to contact the church office no later than 4pm on Friday or have registered on the signup sheet at the Connection Center in the Annex.

If approved, Mick West has agreed to oversee this ministry.

### Transportation Ministry Motion

April 9, 2019

Shawn Rizza moved that the Board approve for an evaluation period of up to six months a Transportation Ministry program to provide bus transportation services for home pickup and return on Sunday mornings. The driver must have a current Driver's License, DOT Certification and Approved Background Check. This program will report to the Membership Ministry team. Funding is being provided from the Outreach Ministry Team, a Sunday School Class and an anonymous donor. The program will be evaluated based on utilization and cost. Buddy Baldridge seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

### **Congregational Meeting**

Sunday, April 28, 2019 - Following both services To vote for approval of this motion.

# Welcome to Our New Members

On Sunday, March 10, 2019 Jimmy and Amanda Davis and Kaysen, Emmett and Brilynn joined our church family.



### **Care Cards**

Care for one another... 1 Corinthians 12:25

- ✓ Are you missing someone on Sundays?
- ✓ Do you know of someone who has been ill or had surgery?
- √ Have you noticed a church member has become inactive?

Take some time and give them a quick phone call and maybe a visit... Care Cards are available in the pew and at the Connection Center to update the church office or request Pastor Matt to contact someone special in your life.

Follow your

Heart in

Caring for others.





### Easter Sunday April 21, 2019

will be a combined service @ 10:00 am. The annual Easter breakfast will be served from 8-9:30 am in Wolf Hall , Sunday School at 9:00, then worship at 10:00 - lots of music with the praise band and chancel choir, separately and combined, lots of congregational singing of both styles of music utilized in our services, and ending with Ruthie playing the traditional "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah. In addition, baptisms from the Pastor's Class will happen during the service.

Please invite family and friends to come with you to both services.

### **Join Our Church Family**

Easter Sunday April 21, 2019 @ 10:00 AM Service

First Christian Church invites you to become a member of our church family on Easter Sunday! Please contact the church office and Pastor Matt for details or to schedule a date to join (913) 367-3036.

### Mark Your Calendar... New Member Orientation

If you are a new member to First Christian Church, please reserve the date of **Sunday**, **April 28**, **2019 from 10:10 – 11:00 AM** to attend the NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION with Pastor Matt and the Membership Team. We will meet in the Wolf Hall (located in the basement of the church). Refreshments will be served, and the nursery is available.

# From the 1st-3rd Grade Sunday School Class

We have been discussing Lent the past few weeks... What an amazing time of the year in the life of a Christian!

It gives us an opportunity to reflect on all the ways we could be better... giving up something... doing something special for others...

Several of the kids had ideas on how to be better Christians...

- ...Some chose to help their parents
- ...Some chose to be nice to their sisters and brothers
- ...lzzy Kottman chose to send a "care card" every day during lent to show kindness and appreciation for those in her life. What an awesome thing to do!

Recently we were discussing Palm Sunday and Holy Week...

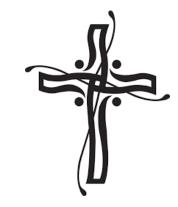
More than one member of the class asked why we called the Friday during Holy Week "Good Friday"... they thought it should be called "Sad Friday" or "Bad Friday"... they didn't see why someone as perfect as Jesus should have to die. They have such amazing hearts!

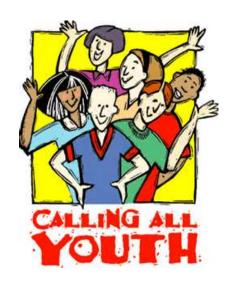
These young people truly are examples of the kind of person I want to be when I grow up!

Shana'e Randolph and Vicki Tate, Teachers

### Sunday, May 26th

Children and youth will not have Sunday School classes.





# May Youth Group Event

(Grades 6 – 12) Sunday, May 5th 4pm-7pm

Silo Climbing & Weiner Roast At the Bullock Family Farm Permission Slip is required!

### **Baby Dedication**

#### Sunday, May 12th

A dedication service of New Life will be held on Sunday, May 12th (Mother's Day) during the 9:00 and 11:00 am services. If you wish to have your child/ren dedicated, please contact the church office (913-367-3036) or talk to Pastor Matt and let us know you would like to participate in this very special service.

### **All Church Picnic**

#### Sunday, June 9th at Noon

Jackson Park Shelter House

Hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks and paper products will be furnished. Please bring a covered dish and lawn chairs.

There will be inflatables and games for children and youth.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	THESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	2	019	1 4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 5:30 - 7 pm Praise Team 6:30 pm Chancel Choir	2 10 am Coffee & Fellowship @ Paoluccis 5-6:30 pm Girl Scouts Troop 1850 in Wolf Hall 6:30 pm Memorial Handbell practice in Wolf Hall	3 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	First Christian Church to prepare, serve and deliver meals for the <b>Loaves &amp;</b> Fishes Feeding Ministry. A sign-up sheet is at the Connection Center if you would like to volunteer!
5 Graduation Sunday	6	7	8	9	10	11
9 am Contemporary Service 9:45 am Friendship SS 10 KAIR Radio (93.7 FM) 10:10 Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School Reception for Graduates 11 am Worship Service 12:15 pm Worship MT meeting in chapel 4-7 pm Youth Group Silo Climb @ Bullocks	1-3 pm Food Pantry 5:30-6:30 pm Girl Scouts in Wolf Hall 6:30 pm EfM in chapel 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts in Wolf Hall	6	4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30-6:30 Peacemakers practice in sanctuary 5:30 - 7 pm Praise Team 6:30 pm Chancel Choir	8:30 am – 3 pm C.W.F Sewing Group in Wolf Hall 10 am Coffee & Fellowship @ Paoluccis 6:30 pm Memorial Handbell practice in Wolf Hall	10-11:30 am Food Pantry	
12 Mother's Day Baby Dedications  9 am Contemporary Service 9:45 am Friendship SS 10 KAIR Radio (93.7 FM) 10:10 Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School 11 am Worship Service	1-3 pm Food Pantry 5:30-6:30 pm Girl Scouts in Wolf Hall 6:30 pm EfM in chapel 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts in Wolf Hall	6 pm Elders Meeting 6:30 pm Deacons Meeting 6:30 Deaconesses Meeting 7 pm Board Meeting	15 <u>Christian Visitor</u> Deadline info. for May 26 June 2-9-16 June calendar birthdays &anniversaries 4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm CEMT Meeting 5:30 pm Peacemakers 5:30 - 7 pm Praise Team 6:30 pm Chancel Choir	16 10 am Coffee & Fellowship @ Paoluccis 5-6:30 pm Girl Scouts Troop 1850 in Wolf Hall 6:30 pm Memorial Handbell practice in Wolf Hall	17 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	18
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26 Memorial Sunday Dedication of Memorials 9 am Contemporary Service 9:45 am Friendship SS	27 Memorial Day Office and Atchison	28	29 4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 5:30 - 7 pm Praise Team 6:30 pm Chancel Choir	30 10 am Coffee & Fellowship @ Paoluccis 6:30 pm Memorial	31 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	
10 KAIR Radio (93.7 FM) 10:10 Adult Sunday School 11 am Worship Service	County Food Pantry Closed	Office Closed Rosie on Vacation		Handbell practice in Wolf Hall		



- 3 MYA LACEY
- 6 CINDY JACOBSON
- 7 ASHLEY FANSHER, DERRICK PARROTT
- 9 BRANSON DAME, GLENN PARROTT
- 10 STEPHANIE JONES, HANK WEBB
- 11 CORBY AVERSMAN, ALLISON COLLINS, MARKELLE MIKKELSON, CHAD MILLER, LAYNE TATE
- 12 EVELYN ANN HAUSNER
- 14 AMY OSWALT, RACHAEL SUTTON
- 15 ANGIE HAUSNER
- 16 JERRY BOTTS
- 18 TERI KUHNERT
- 19 JANE AMTHOR, EMILY RIVERS, QUENTIN RIVERS, MARY SODEN, PAM WILLIAMSON
- 20 SAMUEL TATE
- 21 CIENNA BRUNA, MARNIE KOCH
- 22 PENNY BOWEN, MACKENA THOMPSON
- 24 JOE AMTHOR
- 25 JOLENE REID, PEGGY STARK
- 26 SANDRA ELLIOTT, MIKE ROBERTS, DEAN SEXTON JR, MARGIE WILBURN
- 28 BARBARA DYKSTRA
- 31 VICKI JONES



### **ANNIVERSARIES**

1 - JEFF & TRACIE CAUDLE
2 - BUDDY & SHARON BALDRIDGE
5 - PATTY & ROGER PHILLIPPE
8 - PEG MONTGOMERY & GARY WOHLGEMUTH
22 - TIM & ROSIE TROWER
26 - DALE & TAMMY ERHART
26 - DON & JOLENE REID
29 - CINDY & RAYMOND HOVERSON

### **ONLINE GIVING**

For your convenience, the Stewardship Ministry Team is making it possible for individuals to give their tithes and gifts online. In order to create an account, it is necessary to have your correct email address in the database. **Once the email address is verified** in the database, an account can be created by going to the website <a href="https://engage.suran.com/fccatchison.">https://engage.suran.com/fccatchison.</a> Creating an account will allow you to keep track of your gifts, as well as, other functions that will be added to the website at a later date. There will be someone available at the end of each service for the next several Sundays to assist you in verifying your email address.

Keith Rawson, Stewardship Ministry Team

### First Christian Church Offering Results

	Given	Budget	over/under	YTD over/under
March 24, 2019	4,520.00	6,047.02	(1,527.02)	(8,644.08)
March 31, 2019	7,599.01	6,047.02	1,551.99	(7,092.09)
March 31 Internet	96.08		96.08	(6,996.01)
Thru March 31, 2019	71,615.25	78,611.26	(6,996.01)	(6,996.01)
April 7, 2019	5,324.70	6,047.02	(722.32)	(7,718.33)
April 7 Internet	249.66		249.66	(7,468.67)

### **Christian Visitor Deadline**

Deadline: Wednesday, May 15, 2019

This issue will include worship information for May 26, June 2, 9, 16 as well as the June calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. The deadline for the next *Christian Visitor* is Saturday, June 15 and will include worship information for June 23, 30, July 7 & 14 as well as the July calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. Please have your items either typed or written out. It is difficult to take this information over the phone. You may also email your information to the church at fccatch@sbcglobal.net.