

The Christian Visitor



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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.

The office hours for the month of **June** are Monday's and Friday's, 10 am to 2 pm and Wednesday's, 10 am to 4 pm. **July** the office hours will be from 9 am to 3 pm. If you call and no one is available, please leave a message and Rosie will return your call ASAP. Or you can send an email to the church office @ fccatch@sbcglobal.net

More Than Enough

About a month ago, I was helping with the food distribution in our church parking lot. There was a moment (between carloads) when Pastor Brad and I had a brief opportunity to talk. I remember saying to him, "If you would have told me (six months ago), that we would all be out here (passing out food in face masks & latex gloves) I don't think I would have believed you!" Pastor Brad agreed.

A similar thought crossed my mind a few weekends ago as I found myself working my way through a crowd of protesters in Kansas City (trying to get to where our car was parked). A similar thought crossed my mind again (last night) as my wife and I talked about the financial impact the last few months has had on our family.

No doubt about it, these past few months have been DIFFICULT for everyone - in unique and particular ways. At times like these (especially), I find myself turning to the promises we find in scripture - that God will never abandon or forsake us and that He will always provide what we need, when we need it. Here are two of my favorites I would like to share with you:

"No test or temptation that comes your way is beyond the course of what others have had to face. All you need to remember is that God will never let you down; he'll never let you be pushed past your limit; he'll always be there to help you come through it." - **1 Corinthians 10:13 (MSG)**

"God is our refuge & strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea." - **Psalms 46:1 (ESV)**

These promises (and many other like it) are TRUSTWORTHY and TRUE, but there is a catch. The catch is this - we must CHOOSE to PLACE OUR TRUST IN GOD (instead of ourselves) in order to experience His PROVISION and PROTECTION. I know, it sounds really obvious, but, in the heat of the moment, it can be one of those things that is EASIER SAID THAN DONE!

We have come a long way over these past few months, but there are many challenges that remain in front of us. As we continue to navigate these challenging waters, I would encourage each of us to FIX OUR EYES UPON JESUS and to find peace in knowing that (despite everything that is happening in the world around us) GOD IS SOVEREIGN, HE REMAINS ON THE THRONE & HE LOVES US MORE THAN WE COULD EVEN BEGIN TO IMAGINE.

Take heart my friends and remember, "This too shall pass."

In Christ, Pastor Matt

Loaves & Fishes Schedule for 2020

Saturday's, July 11, September 19 and November 28

Meals are prepared and deliveries made from First Christian Church. We need volunteers for kitchen helpers at 9 am and drivers and helpers to deliver meals to the homebound of Atchison at 10:15 am. If you would like to sign up as a driver call the office, 913-367-3036 and leave a message or call Barb Piper, 913-255-2461. [Sign-up sheets for volunteering are in the red notebook in the annex.] If you have questions, contact Barb.



Remember In Prayers

Justin Andrews, Buddy Baldrige, Carole Baker, Rochel Berthelsen, Alex Blunt, Bobbie Bowen, Pat Brown, Melinda Calhoon, Glenda Camblin, Blaine Clary, Julia Clem, Bryson Connell, Alan Cummings, Jerry Daniel, Kayla Devore, Betty Donaldson, Marion Ehret, Emmy, Alvyn Jayme Erhart, Lavern Fitkin, Alan Foreman, Ruth Frost, Gene Gillispie, Andrea Gordon, Robert Grosser, Greenly Family, Grace Hale, Billy Hazelton and Family, Mike Horton, Cody Hundley, Pat Jenkins, Erin Kane, Tiny Kibler, LA Kimes, Charlie Kottman, Kylee Kottman, Lisa Krick, Jeff Kuhnert, Opal Lewman, Paul Lundgren, Kris Mann, Nadine Martin, Steve Martin, Kim Matthias, Katie McAllister, Tina Meudt, Cale Miller, Sable Monroe, Pat Montgomery, Diana Moxley, Shari Oswald, Abel Portenier, Larry Ryan, Sandra Schraer and Family, Elizabeth Seever, Jo Shell, Juanita Shufflebarger, Becky Smith, Gary Stecher, Bob Stephenson, Doris Sutton, Charlotte Thompson, Ron Thompson, Jackson Tull, 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, Gavin Rebant, Dylan Birkinsha.



Atchison County Food Pantry is continuing to operate a drive-through food pantry from Wolf Hall. Distributions are scheduled every two weeks from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM on Friday afternoons. Our last distribution was to 79 households, with a total of 212 individuals in the households. We continue to have a lot of elderly and disabled individuals in the households, as well as laid off workers from the community. Our next distribution is scheduled on Friday, June 19th, and we will also have distributions on July 3rd, July 17th and July 31st. We have not made a decision at this time whether we will move the food pantry back into Wolf Hall in August, or continue to operate it as a drive-through pantry. The safety of our volunteers and clients is paramount as we negotiate these uncertain times. We expect the number of households receiving distributions to pick up as the Farm to Families distributions distributed through the Salvation Army ends at the end of June. We are in the process of applying to be an emergency backup for TECAP (commodities) distributions, and Second Harvest Food Bank at Saint Joe has offered us an opportunity to be a mobile pantry site, which we are also considering. The need is great, as Atchison County has one of the lowest median household incomes in the state, approximately \$7,000 annually lower than the state average.

We are pleased to announce that we have been able to purchase a slightly used 2017 GMC Savana cargo van, a ¾-ton model. This vehicle has less than 24,000 miles and should serve the food pantry for many years. The vehicle is equipped with a trailer hitch and trailer brake, and so might be used for other uses of the church from time to time. The van was purchased through Lewis Chevrolet in Atchison. We owe a debt of gratitude to many people and organizations, including the First Christian Church Board, Trustees and congregation who have voted to contribute toward the purchase price. We will take delivery of the van on Tuesday, June 16th.

The food pantry will continue to need donations of food, supplies and cash to sustain us. The food pantry will spend more than \$30,000 this year on food and household supplies, in addition to donated food. Nearly 100% of our donations and grants will go to food and essential household supplies for our clients, other than small amounts for office and cleaning supplies as well as PPE. We have no administrative salaries and expenses. If you would like to make a tax deductible contribution to the food pantry, you can make your check to Atchison County Food Pantry at FCC, or contribute on the internet through the First Christian Church website. This is also a great way to use your Thrivent Dollars, as every dollar we use on the cards reduces our cash outlays. If you would like to make a food or supplies donation, you can leave these at the church office. We especially need laundry soap and toilet paper, as well as our usual food staples of hot or cold cereals, canned vegetables and fruit, pancake mix and syrup, peanut butter, jams and jellies, spaghetti or elbow macaroni and sauce, rice and beans, soups, and ramen noodles.

Christian Visitor Deadline

Deadline: Wednesday, July 15, 2020

This issue will include worship information for July 26, August 2, 9, 16 as well as the August calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. The deadline for the next **Christian Visitor** is Saturday, August 15, and will include worship information for August 23 & 30, September 6, 13 and 20 as well as the September 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.

Christian Sympathy Is Extended To:

- ❖ TRAVIS GROSSMAN and HEIDI HULSIZER on the passing of his mother, DONNA GROSSMAN. Services were held for Donna on Sunday, May 24th.
- ❖ LINDA and RON TULEY on the passing of her brother.

Worship Services

Sunday's June 21 & 28 10:00 AM

July 5, 12, 19, 26 8:30 AM Traditional 11:00 AM Contemporary

The **parking lot entrance** will be the only entrance coming into the church.

Giving by Text

1. To give by text an account must first be created at <https://engage.suran.com/fccatchison>.
2. To (913) 204-0973, text: GIVE <dollar amount>. For example: GIVE 100 will make a \$100 contribution to the General Fund.
3. A confirmation text should be received. Example: Reply YES to give \$100.00 to OFFERING from your account. Reply YES if this is correct.
4. A message will be received: Submitting your gift...
5. The last message received should be a final confirmation. Example: Success! Thank you for your gift of \$100 to OFFERING. You will receive an email confirming our gift to <your email address>.

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:

<https://engage.suran.com/fccatchison>

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.

Keith Rawson, Stewardship Ministry Team



First Christian Church 2020 Offering Results

	# of Givers	Given	Budget	over/under	YTD over/under
Thru April 30		126,252.98	129,802.64	(3,549.66)	(3,549.66)
June 7	14	2,717.00	5,900.12	(3,183.12)	(6,732.78)
June 7 Internet	12	1,258.11		1,258.11	(5,474.67)
June 14	10	1,640.00	5,900.12	(4,260.12)	(9,734.79)
June 14 Internet	8	1,510.20		1,510.20	(8,224.59)

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - BUDDY BALDRIDGE, JACQUE PREGONT
- 2 - JORDAN LEE
- 3 - JOE BARE, DEAN BOGGS, CLAIRE HEALY, JAN MERRITT
- 4 - ASHER COOPER, LAVERN FITKIN
- 5 - HELEN BIRKINSHA, TERRY KNOPKE
- 6 - CAROL ADAMS, REBECCA KINCAID, STEVE OTTE,
MEGAN PRUESSNER
- 7 - ROGER FARRIS, PAISLEY GREENE, JERENE OLSON
- 8 - ABBY WEBB
- 9 - MARSHA CHALFANT, SUSAN CUMMINGS
- 11 - COLTON GREENE
- 12 - MATTHEW CARPENTER, KELSEY REBANT
- 14 - CHRISTOPHER GOODPASTURE, ZANDER HITCHENS, JESSICA SUTTON
- 15 - EMBER COOPER, CHRISTEN LACEY
- 16 - GUNNER COLLINS, RICK EBLING, DENISE KELLY, RHONDA SEXTON
- 21 - CINDY HOVERSON
- 23 - GRACIE PEUKER, RICHARD PHILLIPS, LINDA TULEY
- 24 - JEFF CAUDLE, SAM HALE, AUSTIN MOUNT-LEE, JAN OTTE, ROBERT SWOGGER
- 25 - ALANA HALE, RUSTY RANDOLPH, KRISTI SUMPTER
- 26 - JAIME TATE
- 30 - LUKE GENAIL, JERI KURTH, RANDY PHILLIPS
- 31 - ANNA MIKKELSON, PHYLLIS WALTON, MICHELLE WILSON



ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 - MARK & LINDA VANDERWEIDE
- 2 - BARBARA CARLSON & GARY GUINN
- 5 - BRIAN & AMY OSWALT
- 19 - FLOYD & WANDA MCHARDIE
- 20 - RON & LINDA TULEY
- 21 - DENNIS & MICHELLE STANTON
- 22 - BARBARA & BILL PIPER
- 28 - JOE & RHODA BUTNER

July



2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Office Hours Monday - Friday 9 AM to 3 PM	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Virtual VBS Month Further Details will be emailed, posted on FB and website! </div>		1	2	3 4-6 PM Atchison County Food Pantry Food Distribution	4
5 8:30 AM Traditional Service 10 AM KAIR Radio (93.7 FM) 11 AM Contemporary Service	6	7	8	9	10	11 FCC will prepare and deliver meals for the Loaves & Fishes Feeding Ministry
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26 8:30 AM Traditional Service 10 AM KAIR Radio (93.7 FM) 11 AM Contemporary Service	27	28 1 PM CWF Meeting in the library and Wolf Hall	29	30	31 4-6 PM Atchison County Food Pantry Food Distribution	

FCC COVID SAFETY PROTOCOLS

As voted upon and adopted by FCC Board on June 9th, 2020

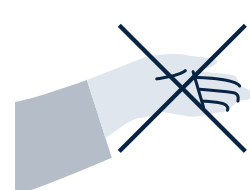
The following set of COVID-19 safety protocols has been developed for the safety of our congregants. These protocols are subject to change at the discretion of the Board and without notice.

1. There will be one entrance to the building with signs posted for pre-screening purposes.
(See attached sign)
 - Volunteers will be posted to screen entry, open door, provide masks, etc.
2. People gain entrance to services upon:
 - Screening for COVID symptoms, simple “yes” to posted questions
 - Temperature taken and less than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit
 - Wearing a mask (provided, if needed)
3. Pre-packaged communion will be dispersed as people enter by someone wearing gloves. Any packaging will be disposed of by the individual after their use in the containers provided.
4. Congregants will practice preventative guidelines within the building:
 - Frequent hand-washing
 - Avoid touching eyes, nose, mouth
 - Avoid close contact with others
 - Practice social distancing (6ft of separation)
 - Cover coughs and sneezes
5. Seating in the sanctuary will begin 5 rows back from the altar and be 6 feet apart.
6. There will be no congregation singing for either service until further notice.
7. All Pens/Pencils, Bibles, Hymns, and Sign-in Registers will be removed from the pews.
8. An offering “bucket” will be placed at the back of the sanctuary or in the annex to collect an offering.
9. The facility will be cleaned and disinfected after each gathering following CDC guidelines, with special attention given to high traffic areas.
10. Service times have been altered to give time for cleaning in between services, as well, limit exposure for those that are high risk.

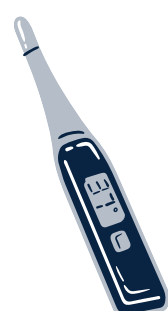
PLEASE PROTECT ONE ANOTHER FROM COVID-19



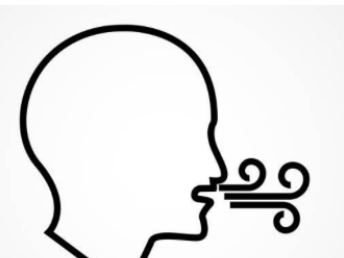
Covid-19 Screening Questions:



Have you been in contact with anyone who has been confirmed or is suspected of having contracted COVID-19 in the last 21 days?



Do you have a fever over 100° F?



Do you have a cough or shortness of breath?



Do you have any of the following symptoms?

Headache

Sinus and/or chest congestion

Fatigue/joint aches

Sudden loss of smell or taste sensation without a known cause

Intestinal distress including nausea and/or diarrhea

Pink eye

Please help in protecting everyone:

- Please wear a mask at all times
 - Please practice social distancing by staying 6ft away from others.
 - Please Wash/Sanitize hands often .
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