

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 are Monday through Friday, 9 am to 2 pm. If you call and no one is available, please leave a message and Rosie will return your call. Or you can send an email to the church office @ fccatch@sbcglobal.net

Lessons We Can Learn From COVID

I still remember the first time I heard the word COVID.

It was on a news podcast I listen to a lot when I am driving.

I had no idea (at the time) how much the world was about to change, but it has.

And we are still a long way away from being on the other side.

The suffering and havoc that COVID has created is (in many ways) unprecedented.

For that reason (among others), it is hard to believe that

ANYTHING good could come from any of this.

The past few months have taught me some valuable lessons though. I have also talked to others who feel the same way. Below is a short list of the kinds of lessons I'm talking (and hearing) about -

Lessons We Can Learn From COVID:

1. **Life is full of SIMPLE BLESSINGS for us to enjoy!** *Worshipping together on Sunday mornings, going out to eat, spending time with friends & loved ones, and (frequently taken for granted until now) - toilet paper! Of course, these are just a few.*
2. **Nothing is more important in life than FAITH & FAMILY.** *This is one that I have heard again and again. Many of us spend our lives trying to accomplish so many different tasks that we reach the end of the day (or the end of our days) only to realize that we have neglected these two (most important of all) PRIORITIES. Every day we are blessed with is another chance to start DOING THIS ONE RIGHT.*
3. **There is very little in life that we can actually CONTROL.** *These past few months have been an absolute whirlwind of ups and downs! So many things have happened that none of us could or would have planned. Learning to be flexible (if we don't want to break) is vital & so is being intentional about the things we do have some control over (our actions & our attitude).*
4. **GOD IS GOOD!** *It is amazing to me how naturally & how quickly we turn to God in the midst of difficult times. The comfort God provides is reassuring, but we are also reminded that God wants to share the good times with us as well!*
5. **THIS TOO SHALL PASS.** *We are not there yet, but a little bit of time in our Bibles (and a few moments reflecting on our own lives) confirms that God will bring us through (just as He always has) - at just the right time and in the way that only He can.*

Until these difficult days are behind us - I pray that God would grant us

PEACE THAT PASSES UNDERSTANDING.

I also pray that we might continue to learn ALL THAT WE
can from this experience.

In Christ, Pastor Matt

Loaves & Fishes Schedule for 2020

Saturday's, 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

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, Ruth Frost, Gene Gillispie, Greenly Family, Robert Grosser, Grace Hale, Billy Hazelton and Family, Mike Horton, Cody Hundley, 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, Jennifer Otte, Abel Portenier, Larry Ryan, Dorothy Schletzbaum, Sandra Schraer and Family, Elizabeth Seever, Robena Seever, Jo Shell, Juanita Shufflebarger, Becky Smith, Gary Stecher, Bob Stephenson, Doris Sutton, Doug Thomas, Charlotte 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, Zach Kincaid, Gavin Rebant, Dylan Birkinsha.

Christian Visitor Deadline

Deadline: Saturday, August 15, 2020

This issue will include worship information August 23 & 30, September 6, 13 and 20 as well as the September calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. The deadline for the next **Christian Visitor** is Tuesday, September 15th and will include worship information for September 27, October 4, 11 & 18 as well as the October, 2020 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:

- ❖ The family of RONALD L. "RON" THOMPSON who passed away on Tuesday, July 7, 2020. Ron is survived by his significant other, MARILYN HANSEN.

2020 Attendance

June 21	10:00 AM Service - 53 FB Video - 242 Views
June 28	10:00 AM Service - 35 FB Live Stream & Video - 242 Views
July 5	10:00 AM Service - 33 FB Live Steam & Video - 267 Views
July 12	10:00 AM Service - 41 FB Live Stream & Video - 286 Views
July 19	10:00 AM Service - 44 FB Live Stream & Video - 171 Views



Atchison County Food Pantry is continuing our drive-through food pantry every two weeks on Friday afternoons. We believe this is the safest way to operate for both our clients and volunteers at this time. At our last drive-through on July 3rd, we served 129 households and 392 individuals in those households. We provide each household around 25 lbs. of staples, plus two kinds of meat, fresh produce, bakery and deli products from Feeding America. We work with a very dedicated crew of six or seven individuals who prepare these boxes, and twelve or thirteen volunteers to staff the drive-throughs. Parker Kottman is our newest volunteer, and is proving to be a hard worker.

On Thursday, July 30th, we will have a special distribution of food and produce from the Mobile Pantry of Second Harvest, our Food Bank. This distribution will be from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM.

If you would like to make a food or supplies donation, we are always in need of canned vegetables and fruit, hot or cold cereals, pancake mix and syrup, peanut butter and jellies or jams, spaghetti or elbow macaroni and spaghetti sauce, rice and beans, soups, ramen noodles, toilet paper, and laundry or dish detergent. Cash donations and Thrivent cards are always welcome, too. The Thrivent Cards are especially helpful as they help us conserve our cash. You may leave your donations outside the Church office, which is currently open until 2:00 PM, and 4:00 PM on Wednesdays.

Worship Service

Sundays @ 10:00 AM in the sanctuary

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

10:00 AM Live Streaming on the Facebook @ First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) – Atchison, Kansas
Video is also available on FB after the Live Stream

10:00 AM KAIR Radio Broadcast (93.7 FM)

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 Offering Results

	# of Givers	Given	Budget	over/under	YTD over/under
Thru June 30, 2020		146,548.16	153,403.12	(6,854.96)	(6,854.96)
July 5, 2020	18	3,052.00	5,900.12	(2,848.12)	(9,703.08)
July 5 Internet	13	2,077.43		2,077.43	(7,625.65)
July 12, 2020	17	2,582.00	5,900.12	(3,318.12)	(10,943.77)
July 12 Internet	9	983.51		983.51	(9,960.26)





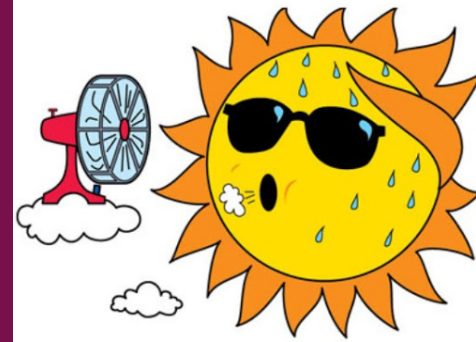
BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - ELAINE FRAKES
- 2 - KRYSTAL ERHART, BROOKE GENAIL, BRODY KOTTMAN
- 3 - CAROLINE DRURY
- 4 - ELMER BRAUER, GABRIEL RANDOLPH, EDITH SMITH
- 5 - JANET ENZBRENNER
- 6 - DANNY FITKIN
- 7 - DALE ERHART
- 8 - ERIK CUMMINGS, DAVID GATEWOOD
- 9 - DANIELLE COLLINS, ROSIE TROWER
- 10 - RHONDA SHELL, JENNA WILLIS
- 11 - J.R. BARE, ZAYDEN ERHART, MADALYNN STOUT
- 12 - MARY ANNA DOVE
- 13 - DEBBIE CHOWDHURI
- 14 - ASHLYN PIPER
- 15 - CLARK PREGONT
- 16 - TINY KIBLER, KEITH RAWSON, JOSIE RENO
- 17 - MILES GREENLY
- 19 - DOUG SEXTON, SHAWN SNODDY
- 21 - DANIEL CARPENTER, BONNIE ROBERTS
- 22 - BRIAN ELLIOTT, EARNESTINE ENGEMAN
- 23 - ALISON ENZBRENNER, ARCHER WILLIS
- 24 - TIFFANY HALE, LARRY KIBLER, DOROTHY SCHLETZBAUM
- 25 - CAMERON DRURY
- 28 - PENNY LEE, KIM MATTHIAS, JO SHELL
- 30 - KEVIN DYKSTRA

ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 - RICK & PEGGY STARK
- 14 - JERRY & KATHY BOTTS
- 24 - WILLIAM & DEBORAH MURPHY
- 13 - JOE & KATHY BARE
- 24 - JUSTIN & HEATHER MATTHIAS
- 25 - RON & CAROLYN RODINA

August 2020



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23 10 AM Worship 10AM Live Stream FB 10 AM Kair Radio (93.7 FM)	24	25 1 pm CWF Meeting in Wolf Hall	26	27	28 Atchison County Food Pantry @ FCC Food Distribution	29	
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FCC COVID SAFETY PROTOCOLS

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

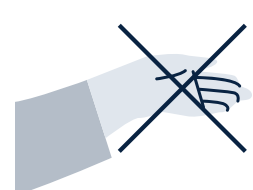
The following set of COVID-19 safety protocols has been developed for the safety of our congregants. These protocols are subject to change at the discretion of the Board and without notice.

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.

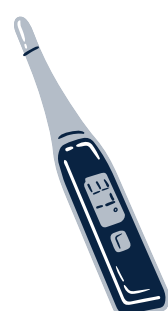
PLEASE PROTECT ONE ANOTHER FROM COVID-19



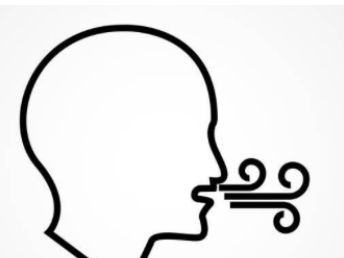
Covid-19 Screening Questions:



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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