

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 beginning Tuesday, September 8th are Monday through Friday, 9 am to 3:30 pm. **THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY!** 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

Prayer in Trials

I think about times when people are going through things in life that they believe to be an experience that is not going to end in well. In many of the movies we watch or stories we listen to about people going through difficult experiences we often find that the person struggling cries out to God. They cry out to God when they are desperate for help. I don't know about you but I am grateful for our Savior that listens to us in times of need and in times joy.

I know that right now we are facing many struggles in life including struggles in our country and struggles in our church. I want to encourage all of us including myself to not just focus on the struggles or difficulties that we are facing but to focus on how we can lift up joyful praises to God even in these difficult times. I will continue to lift up the prayer that we find in Philippians:

“Rejoice in the Lord always! I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all, for the Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:3-7

Let us remember to rejoice in our prayers during this season. If any of you are like me and find it harder to focus on rejoicing in your prayers rather than only asking God for the things that I want Him to fix. I am going to pray for God to guard our hearts and minds during this time and pray that He will grant us an enormous amount of understanding and peace during these challenging times.

Pastor Brad

Remember In Prayers

Jeff Amthor, Buddy Baldrige, Carole Baker, Rochel Berthelsen, Alex Blunt, Bobbie Bowen, Pat Brown, Melinda Calhoun, Glenda Camblin, Julia Clem, Bryson Connell, Alan Cummings, Jerry Daniel, Betty Donaldson, Marion Ehret, Emmy, Alvyn Jayme Erhart, Lavern Fitkin, Ruth Frost, Gene Gillispie, 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, Diana Moxley, Joy Norfleet, 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.



September 2, 2020

To: Church Members of the First Christian Church (FCC) (Disciples of Christ), Atchison, KS.

From: Dennis Stanton, Chairman of the Board, FCC (Disciples of Christ), Atchison, KS

FCC Church members,

I am writing you today to let you know of an important Congregational vote upcoming at our church. This vote will take place on September 20th at the end of our church service that day. The reason for this meeting follows.

The Elders of the church are our elected leaders and represent all church members' interests. The Elders have been reviewing the church's status under the leadership of Senior Pastor Matt Broxterman who has served in that capacity for four years now. Based on their findings, the Elders made a decision that effects all of the members of the church. The decision was made to move the church in a new direction and they requested that Pastor Matt resign his position, which he agreed to do. This resignation was received on August 20th, 2020.

On September 1st, I called a Special Board meeting to address this resignation as required by the By-Laws of our church. The Church Board voted to accept Pastor Matt's resignation at that meeting.

The final step in this process is for the congregation to vote to accept or deny Pastor Matt's resignation. To complete this step as required in the church's By-Laws, I am calling a **Congregational meeting to order on September 20th at the end of worship service that day. The only item on the agenda will be to vote to accept or deny Pastor Matt's resignation.**

These are difficult times that we live in and sometimes they require difficult decisions. The Elders contemplated their actions with thought and prayer. After careful consideration of all sides of this situation, they made their decision that has set this process in motion. We now must convene this meeting and determine the final outcome.

This letter will be the official notice to you of this upcoming meeting.

Thank you and God bless you all.

Signed,

Dennis Stanton,

Chairman of the Board, FCC for the year 2020.

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	YTDover/under
Thru July 31, 2020		168,416.11	177,003.60	(8,587.49)	(8,587.49)
August 2, 2020	17	3,335.00	5,900.12	(2,565.12)	(11,152.61)
August 2 Internet	15	2,563.51		2,563.51	(8,589.10)
August 9, 2020	21	6,777.58	5,900.12	877.46	(7,711.64)
August 9 Internet	11	1,006.50		1,006.50	(6,705.14)
August 16, 2020	6	2,255.00	5,900.12	(3,645.12)	(10,350.26)
August 16 Internet	8	1,065.50		1,065.50	(9,284.76)
August 23, 2020	9	1,263.00	5,900.12	(4,637.12)	(13,921.88)
August 23 Internet	12	824.34		824.34	(13,097.54)
August 30, 2020	15	4,710.00	5,900.12	(1,190.12)	(14,287.66)
August 30 Internet	9	1,329.40		1,329.40	(12,958.26)





BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - LOIS REID
- 4 - KAMREN THOMPSON
- 5 - IZZY KOTTMAN, RON RODINA
- 6 - BRADLEY SOWERS, DEACON STOUT
- 7 - MARILYN ALBRIGHT
- 8 - DIANA BOATRIGHT, PAT BROWN
- 9 - CONNIE SWOGGER
- 10 - LILY COOPER
- 11 - SHAWN ADAMS, ETHAN MATTHIAS, HEATHER MATTHIAS
- 12 - MARTY DUGGER, KENNY MORANZ
- 13 - ALEX LEE, ZANE MCDANIEL, ANN WEBB
- 14 - ROD AVERSMAN, HEAVYN HENNEN, SHARON SOWERS
- 15 - MARY SEXTON
- 16 - LUCILLE RAWSON
- 17 - MAIZEY LANG
- 18 - GRACE CAUDLE, MARK VANDERWEIDE
- 19 - STEVE JONES, AUSTIN PIPER
- 20 - SKYE CONNELL, JACOB GUNDLACH, CORKY HURST, ROBENA SEEVER (92)
- 21 - LILY HOFFMAN
- 23 - JOHN KURTH
- 24 - TANNER BUSH, JESSI COLLINS, SADIE MATTHIAS, NATHAN RANDOLPH
- 25 - KATHY BARE, BROOKLYNN CARTER, JASON DRURY, KARIN DULABAN, CONNER MCDANIEL
- 26 - RYAN SOPH
- 27 - GINI COLLINS, JEFF KUHNERT
- 30 - DENNIS DITSCH, PHIL WILSON

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 - BOYD & SHAWN SNODDY
- 5 - JEFF & TERI KUHNERT
- 19 - BETTY & WILLIAM DORSEY, SR.
- 20 - SANDRA & BRIAN ELLIOTT

September

2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7 pm Special Board Meeting in the Sanctuary	2	3	4	5
6 10 am Worship 10 am Live Stream FB 10 am Kair Radio (93.7 FM)	7 Labor Day Office Closed	8 7 pm Board Meeting in the sanctuary	9 7 pm Personnel Ministry Team Meeting in Wolf Hall	10	11 Atchison County Food Pantry Food Distribution	12 11 am – 2 pm Lisa Schwarzer Memorial Lunch in Wolf Hall
13 10 am Worship 10 am Live Stream FB 10 am Kair Radio (93.7 FM)	14 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts Meeting in Wolf Hall	15 Christian Visitor deadline	16 Peacemakers ZOOM practice	17	18	19 First Christian Church to prepare and deliver meals for the Loaves & Fishes Feeding Ministry
20 10 am Worship 10 am Live Stream FB 10 am Kair Radio (93.7 FM) Congregational Meeting	21 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts Meeting in Wolf Hall	22	23 5:30 pm Peacemakers practice in the annex	24	25 Atchison County Food Pantry Food Distribution	26 4 pm Travis Grossman and Heidi Hulsizer wedding in the sanctuary
27 10 am Worship 10 am Live Stream FB 10 am Kair Radio (93.7 FM) Reconciliation Special Offering	28 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts Meeting in Wolf Hall	29 1 pm CWF Meeting in Wolf Hall	30 Peacemakers ZOOM practice			





Atchison County Food Pantry held another drive through food pantry on Friday, August 28th. We provided food boxes including meat, soups, canned vegetables and fruits, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, laundry soap, deli items, fresh produce and bakery from Feeding America to 140 households with 444 individuals in these households. Thanks to all of the volunteers and donations that help make this happen. We are planning another drive through pantry on Friday, September 11th. At this time, the pantry will be scheduled from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM to help meet the needs of working families, but the scheduled time may change to earlier in the afternoon. We appreciate the assistance of KAIR Radio in helping us publicize these events. We are hoping to continue these food distributions outside of Wolf Hall through the month of October, if we continue to have good weather and we can schedule our events around other organizations that also use Wolf Hall.

We have scheduled a presentation from the Atchison Area Community Foundation for the next Church Board meeting on September 8th. The Community Foundation provided the food pantry a \$6400 donation in the spring to help the food pantry with additional expense incurred because of the pandemic. If the Board approves, the food pantry would like to set up an Endowed Fund with the Community Foundation. This fund would accept tax deductible contributions from members of the community and estates that would help fund the food pantry into the future years. The food pantry has been in operation for sixteen years and the need continues to grow. The food pantry has also applied for a grant from the Kansas Department of Commerce to build a

fourteen foot roof structure over the entrance to Wolf Hall, which will provide shelter from the elements for both volunteers and clients of the food pantry during the winter months. This grant is subject to both Board and Kansas Department of Commerce approval.

We appreciate donations to the food pantry this month which totaled 176 pounds. This included generous donations from Effingham Union Church and a Thrivent Card in the amount of \$250 from a parishioner at St Mark's Lutheran Church. As always, we can use donations of hot and cold cereal, canned goods, laundry and dish soap, toilet paper, pancake syrup and mix, jam and peanut butter, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, soups and coffee. Cash donations and Thrivent Cards are also very much appreciated and help us to conserve our cash.



Loaves & fishes
— MINISTRY —

Saturday's, September 19 and November 28, 2020

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.



SEEVER TO CELEBRATE **92ND BIRTHDAY**

September 20th will be Robena Seever's 92nd birthday. Her family would like to encourage her friends to join in for a Birthday Card Party. If you would like to help her celebrate, by sending a card to her, she would be thrilled.

Robena Seever
Medicalodges
1637 Riley St
Atchison, KS 66002

Results Special Church **Board Meeting**

The board voted to accept the Resignation of Pastor Matt Broxterman. The vote was accepted with 17-YES and 1-NO

Church Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 8, 2020
7:00 PM
In the Sanctuary

Christian Visitor Deadline

Deadline: Tuesday, September 15, 2020

This issue will include worship information for September 27, October 4, 11 & 18 as well as the October calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. The deadline for the next *Christian Visitor* is Thursday, October 15th and will include worship information for October 25, November 1, 8 & 15 as well as the November, 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.

2020 Attendance

July 26	10:00 AM Service – 36 FB Live Stream & Video – 359 Views
August 2	10:00 AM Service – 42 FB Live Stream & Video – 193 Views
August 9	10:00 AM Service – 45 FB Live Steam & Video – 230 Views
August 16	10:00 AM Service – 41 FB Live Stream & Video – 246 Views
August 23	10:00 AM Service – 47 FB Live Stream & Video – 245 Views
August 30	10:00 AM Service – 46 FB Live Stream & Video – 209



SELF-MANAGEMENT EDUCATION

Living with Chronic Conditions

If you are living with an ongoing health condition (such as arthritis, asthma, diabetes, high blood pressure, or depression) or you are a caregiver of someone who does, *this is for you!*

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- **Manage** diabetes
- **Learn** new ways to eat healthy
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- **Increase** physical activity
- **Set and accomplish** goals
- **Deal with** anger, depression, and difficult emotions

- *Workshops sponsored by Atchison Community Health Clinic*



"The workshop put me back in charge of my life and I feel great. I only wish I had done this sooner."

- CDSMP Participant

6 week workshop begins

Tuesday, Sept. 15

1 to 3:30 p.m.

To be held in USD 409

Community room

626 Commercial Street

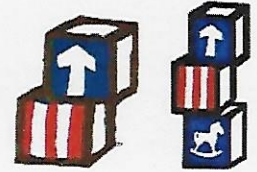
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** Returning Students – contact your Family Development Advocate **

Outreach Office ~ 509 Commercial ~ Atchison

Head Start Center ~ 751 S. 8th Street (Feeney Building) ~ Atchison

Early Head Start (Prenatal – 3 years)

For an appointment contact:

PAM 913-370-1381 or 913-367-7185, ext. 5

Melissa 913-370-2849 or 913-367-7185, ext. 9

Renee 913-702-2412 or 913-367-7185, ext. 1

Head Start Center 913-367-7848

Head Start (3 - 5 years)

For an appointment contact:

Megan 913-370-2478 or 913-367-7114, ext. 4

Robin 913-370-2335 or 913-367-7114, ext. 2

Head Start Center 913-367-7848



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