



# The Christian Visitor

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## 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](http://www.facebook.com/fccatchison)

Under Groups: Check out our NEW FCC Children and Youth Ministry  
and FCC Youth Group pages and FCC Young Adult Group

<https://www.facebook.com/AtchisonCountyFoodPantryatFirstChristianChurch>

## The Churches Website

Check it Out: [www.fccatchison.net](http://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 3:30 pm. The office will be closed on Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday. 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](mailto:fccatch@sbcglobal.net)

# Jesus is Love

I think about times that I have fallen instantly in love with someone, and can only recall the instant feeling of love only happening 4 times in my life. If you guessed when my children were born then you are correct. It always amazes me how when your child is born the instantaneous love that you feel. This time of the year always gets me thinking about the love that God has for us. He sent his son down and the instant love that he must have felt sending his son down in the form of a babe to show you and I the love that he has for us.

I have been listening to the No Outsiders by Rend Collective and love the words of the chorus. It really talks about how instant the love of Christ is for us.

There are no outsiders to Your love  
We are all welcome, there's grace enough  
When I have wandered Lord, your cross is the open door  
There are no outsiders  
I'm not an outsider to Your love

There are no outsiders to Christ's love instantly from the moment that he created us. In Romans it talks about how we do not owe anything to anybody but love. "Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. Romans 13:8

This season let us love instantly so that there are no outsiders to the love of Christ!

Pastor Brad

# Remember In Prayers

Jeff Amthor, Carole Baker, Rochel Berthelsen, Alex Blunt, Kathy Botts, Bobbie Bowen, Pat Brown, Melinda Calhoun, Glenda Camblin, Julia Clem, Bryson Connell, Ann Crockett, Alan Cummings, Jerry Daniel, Travis Dodson, Betty Donaldson, Faye Doyle, Laura Draper, Marion Ehret, Emmy, Alvyn Jayme Erhart, Lavern Fitkin, Ruth Frost, Gene Gillispie, Betty (Jones) Gleason (husband Dennis passed away), Robert Grosser, Grace Hale, Billy Hazelton and Family, Carol Hink, Cody Hundley, Jackie Jasper, Bill Kane, Erin Kane, Jonny Kane, Tiny Kibler, LA Kimes, Zach Kincaid, Charlie Kottman, Kylee Kottman, Jeff Kuhnert, Opal Lewman, Paul Lundgren, Kris Mann, Nadine Martin, Steve Martin, Kim Matthias, Katie McAllister, Soni Moranz, Sable Monroe, Joy Norfleet, Shari Oswald, Jennifer Otte, Ardith Peak, Abel Portenier, Stan Purdy, Beverly Reece, Larry Ryan, Elizabeth Seever, Robena Seever, Jo Shell, Juanita Shufflebarger, Becky Smith, Mary Soden, Gary & Linda Stecher, Bob Stephenson, Doris Sutton, Doug Thomas, Charlotte Thompson, Jackson Tull, Shirley Welch, Amy and Mitch West, 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.

# 2020 Attendance

October 25	10:00 AM Service - 64 FB Live Stream & Video - 234 Views
November 1	10:00 AM Service - 57 FB Live Stream & Video - 283 Views
November 8	10:00 AM Service - 54 FB Live Stream & Video - 176 Views
November 15	10:00 AM Service - 48 FB Live Stream & Video - 240 Views



Come one, Come All! This year the Worship Ministry Team invites everyone to come and help decorate the church for Christmas. We will gather on Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served. Please come join in the fun!

## Worship Service

Sundays @ 10:00 AM in the sanctuary  
The **parking lot entrance** is the only entrance available to enter 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)



## CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

The results from the Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020 meeting for the Proposed 2021 Budget: 37 – Yes and 0 – No Votes.

Sunday, December 6, 2020–Election of the 2021 Board Members

## 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 later date.



## 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>.

*You are invited to a special  
live-streamed worship service of*

# **Christmas Scripture and Songs**

featuring

## **The Peacemakers**

an ecumenical choral group sponsored by the  
First Christian Church of Atchison, Kansas

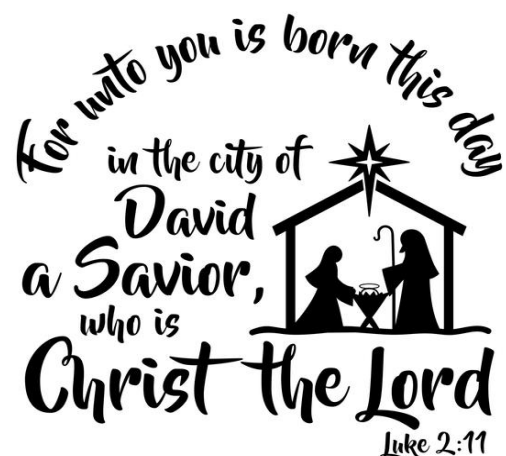
**Wednesday, December 16th  
beginning at 5:20 P.M.**

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fccatchison>.

(This is a virtual event. There will be no congregation present  
and the choir will be masked and safely distanced.

Please check the Church's Facebook page for  
announcements of the potential cancellation of the  
event if warranted due to Covid-19 concerns.)

*Please  
join  
us  
online*



## 2020 Community Christmas Gift

Atchison Child Care Association has been selected to be the recipient of the Community Christmas Gift this year. Our goal has been set at \$3,000.

Atchison Child Care Association is licensed to serve 174 children. Currently they have 162 children they serve.

Covid-19 has had a huge effect on the budget of ACCA. The rising costs of sanitation and staffing have led to a budgeting shortfall for ACCA, according to Carrie Sowers Director of ACCA. The plan at ACCA is to keep the same students with the same staff member all day to avoid multiple contacts for the children. This means that the staff is working 10 hour days, leading to overtime pay being necessary. This is time and a half for 10 staff members. As you can imagine, current stress and anxiety are taking a toll on staff and parents.

Sanitation supplies have seen a sharp increase in cost. A box of masks when first purchased was \$27 per box. The same box of mask now is \$112. The cost for sterile gloves was 10 cases (8 boxes per case) for \$1,000. Currently the price is \$700 with only 4 boxes per case.

According to Mrs. Sowers, they were able to get a SPARK grant for \$10,000 which was used to buy a fogger machine to help with sterilization of the facility and contents, a necessity in this time of Covid.

This Christmas gift will be a huge help in ACCA being able to continue to serve the children and working parents of the community. Please prayerfully consider making a donation to the Community Christmas Gift.

Thank you for your help,  
Outreach Committee

## Christian Sympathy

*Our deepest sympathy is extended to:*

The family of **DOROTHY SCHLETZBAUM** who passed away on November 1, 2020. Graveside services were held on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at 1:00 pm at the Doniphan Cemetery with Jim Cormode officiating.

The family of **DENNIS WILLIAM GLEASON** who passed away on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. A Celebration of Life Service was held on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Lauer's Funeral Home in Seneca, KS. Dennis is survived by his wife, Betty (Jones) Gleason.

The family of **R. CHERRY FIELDS**, wife of the late Rev. Roy Fields, former minister of First Christian Church, Atchison passed away on October 30, 2020. Cherry is survived by five children, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Family requests that in lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to the MacGregor Ranch, PO Box 4675, Estes Park, CO 80517.

### Elders Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2020  
5:30 Prayer 6:00 pm Meeting

### Diaconate Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2020  
6:30 pm Meeting

### Church Board Meeting

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

# **First Christian Church Offering Results**

	# of				YTD
	Givers	Given	Budget	over/under	over/under
Thru October 31, 2020		228,211.04	253,705.16	(25,494.12)	(25,494.12)
November 1 Church Service	15	2,380.00	5,900.12	(3,520.12)	(29,014.24)
November 1 Delivered to Office	4	770.00		770.00	(28,244.24)
November 1 Internet	14	1,710.09		1,710.09	(26,534.15)
November 8 Church Service	9	1,339.00	5,900.12	(4,561.12)	(31,095.27)
November 8 Delivered to Office	3	965.00		965.00	(30,130.27)
November 8 Internet	6	352.66		352.66	(29,777.61)
November 15 Church Service	12	2,062.00	5,900.12	(3,838.12)	(33,615.73)
November 15 Delivered to Office	6	1,395.00		1,395.00	(32,220.73)
November 15 Internet	5	404.16		404.16	(31,816.57)
Monthly Totals		11,377.91	17,700.36	(6,322.45)	

## **LETTER OF THANKS**

Dear First Christian Church Family,

Thank you all so much for contacting mom the last couple of years with your cards and letters that have kept her spirits up. Each Saturday I would read your notes of encouragement and tell her you were praying for her. Her response was a "thumbs up." I would put the card on Mom's dresser for her to look at through the week. She would enjoy looking at the butterflies or the flowers. Mom was a special lady. She touched many lives either through church, youth center, nursing, library, community activities or just walking around the block. We will see her again someday and I look forward to hearing her voice.

Love to you all,  
Gary Moxley, Jr.

First Christian Church Family,

Thank you so much for letting us have mom's (Pat Montgomery) funeral at the church. And, for letting us be a part of the church. It was our home for praising God.

Thank you,  
The Montgomery Family

Dear First Christian Church and Scholarship Committee,

Thank you very much for your generous gift towards my schooling! It is very appreciated, and I am using it to help pay my tuition at Washburn University. Your contribution will help me tremendously and thank you again!

Sincerely,  
Hailey McConnaughey

# 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Card Shower for Hoffman

Marcedes Hoffman will celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 24<sup>th</sup>. Her family is helping her celebrate with a card shower. Please send cards to: Marcedes Hoffman, c/o Marjean Rickert, 2339 76<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ct., Greeley, CO 80634.



## Free Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner

November 26, 2020 ~ 11am-2pm  
Methodist Church @ 5th & Kansas Ave

Delivery & Carry Out Only (NO "DINE IN" DUE TO COVID)

RSVP appreciated but not required to 913-367-1391

Sponsored by: Local Scouts and Leaders & Community Volunteers

## Angel Tree

We are helping the Salvation Army once again with gifts for Christmas for children and youth in our community. Please take an angel (or two) and purchase the suggested gift items listed. Please return the gifts and angels to the church by Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. The Angel Tree (formerly "Stars of Hope" Tree) is located in the lobby off of the annex.



The Worship Ministry Team invites you to send a Poinsettia this Advent Season to help decorate our sanctuary in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion. We ask that only RED poinsettias be shared. Please call Rosie at the church office and let her know who it will be in memory of or what special occasion and when it will arrive at the church.

# December 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
			5:30 pm Peacemakers practice in annex	6:30-7:30 pm Cub Scouts	1-3:00 pm Atchison County Food Pantry "Food Distribution"	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<i>Congregational Meeting Election of 2021 Board</i>  10 am Worship Service 10 am Live Stream on FB 10 am Kair Radio-93.7 FM 5-6 pm Youth Group	7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	5:30 pm Elders Prayer 6 pm Elders Meeting 6:30 pm Diaconate Meeting 7 pm Board Meeting	5:30 pm Peacemakers practice in annex	6:30-7:30 pm Cub Scouts		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10 am Worship Service 10 am Live Stream on FB 10 am Kair Radio-93.7 FM 2 pm Meadowlark 4-H 5-6 pm Youth Group	7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	Christian Visitor deadline with January calendar, birthdays and anniversaries	5:20 pm Christmas Scripture and Songs featuring The Peacemakers live on FB	6:30-7:30 pm Cub Scouts	1-3:00 pm Atchison County Food Pantry "Food Distribution"	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Check Presentation to ACCA from Outreach 10 am Worship Service 10 am Live Stream on FB 10 am Kair Radio-93.7 FM 5-6 pm Youth Group	7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts			Christmas Eve Service Office Closed 6 pm Christmas Eve Service	Christmas Day Office Closed	
27	28	29	30	31		
10 am Worship Service 10 am Live Stream on FB 10 am Kair Radio-93.7 FM	Office Closed  7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	Office Closed		New Year's Eve Office Closed	New Year's Day Office Closed	







## **BIRTHDAYS**

1 - COLE GENAIL  
3 - KAREN BLUNT  
6 - JASON WELLS  
10 - BRIDGETT KELLY  
12 - SHIRLEY SHAVER, MITCH WEST  
15 - NICHOLAS FANSHER  
20 - GEORGE PHILLIPS  
23 - DON PRUETT, SHANAE' RANDOLPH, TITAN REBANT  
27 - JUSTIN MATTHIAS, HERB WYRICK  
29 - JACOB BULLOCK

2 - JIM BIRKINSHA  
5 - EMMETT DAVIS, KAYSEN DAVIS, STEVE TATE  
7 - QUINN KOCH, WANDA MCHARDIE  
11 - TAMMY ERHART  
14 - DELBERT BOATRIGHT  
16 - SHARON BALDRIDGE, STEVIE RAE LEE  
21 - TROY PHILLIPS  
26 - JADEN CARTER, BRYNNLEIGH GREENE  
28 - BEN GERMANI  
31 - KEVIN DOUGHERTY

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

2 - DWIGHT & KAREN MYER  
8 - GARY & FRANCES MASON  
14 - JERI & JOHN KURTH  
26 - DUANE & DIXIE WILLIAMS

3 - MITCH & AMY WEST  
13 - RICKY & PENNY LEE  
22 - PHIL & CHRIS WILSON  
30 - CLARK & JACQUE PREGONT



# Loaves & fishes

— MINISTRY —

*Saturday, November 28, 2020*

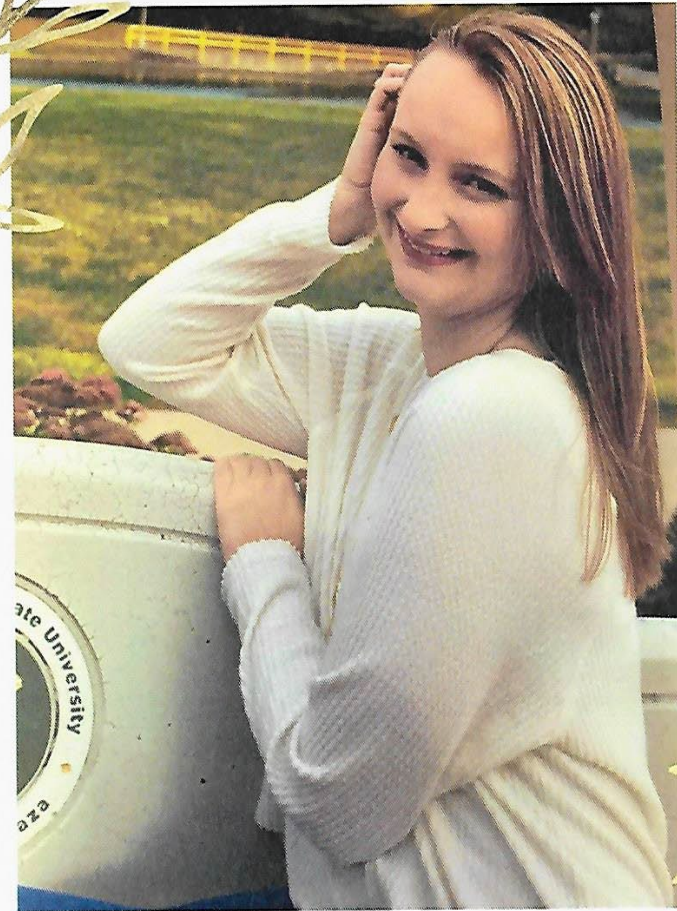
Meals are prepared and deliveries made from First Christian Church. We need volunteers for kitchen helpers at 9 am and drivers and helpers to deliver meals to the homebound of Atchison at 10:15 am. If you would like to sign up as a driver call the office, 913-367-3036 and leave a message or call Barb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

## Christian Visitor Deadline

*Deadline: Tuesday, December 15, 2020*

This newsletter will include the January, 2021 calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. The deadline for the next *Christian Visitor* is Friday, January 15, 2021 and will include the February, 2021 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](mailto:fccatch@sbcglobal.net).

GRADUATE  
CLASS OF 2020



*Maizey Lynn Lang*  
*Northwest Missouri State University*  
*Bachelor of Science, Education*