

# CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS



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## Our Mission

*God calls us...  
And the Holy Spirit  
empowers us to:*

- *Share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all ages*
- *Explore and express a growing faith*
- *Equip believers for ministries which expand the Kingdom of God.*

**Come to worship**  
this Sunday at  
10:40 a.m.  
**Invite friends and  
family.**

January 28:  
"The Bridge  
Builder"

Luke 6:27-38



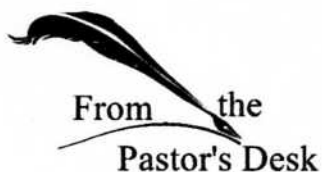
## "Souper Bowl" Let's Meet The Challenge!

At the time of this writing, we had approximately 600 cans of soup to be given to the Food Center for "Souper Bowl" Sunday. There is no doubt this is a lot of soup, but it is not enough to meet the challenges we have received. One of our members has challenged each of us to contribute one case of soup, and the Methodist church has challenged us to be the church contributing the most cans of soup.

Remember, this "Souper Bowl" challenge is to help those in our community who are in need of a warm meal.

Last year the Methodist Church won the "Souper Bowl Challenge" by contributing over 3000 cans of soup. We are going to have to come together and contribute more soup to meet that challenge. Keep in mind, only \$10.50 will purchase one case of soup. We will be happy to shop for you if you would like to contribute the money marked for "Souper Bowl."

It's almost game time! February 4 is the big day. Come on members of First Christian Church, let's play "Souper Bowl!"



Just before the Old Testament prophet, Jonah, was swallowed by the fish, he was on board a ship that was taking him away from where God wanted him to be. God had asked Jonah to go to Ninevah and witness to them about their wickedness. Instead, Jonah catches a boat headed in the opposite direction.

While on the voyage, a great storm hits and the boat is ready to be swamped and surely sink. Jonah figures it's his fault and has the crew throw him into the sea in hopes of saving the crew's life. It's at this point he is swallowed by the giant fish, Jonah's life is spared, and he eventually does what God asked him to do in the first place.

Jonah's story came to my mind as we have experienced two pretty significant storms in the last two weeks. The snow, the ice, the inconvenience. I hope you have endured them as I hope you endure all the storms of life. We all have to weather storms in this life and it is my hope and prayer you're all able to do this, no matter how fierce the storm may be. Depend on God for strength, look to His word for guidance, and take Jesus into your heart of hearts.

Let me say just a couple of things about these situations. We are in the process of setting up some guidelines and procedures if it is necessary to cancel services. For the most part we will try to always have services but caution you not to come if you're at all concerned for your safety. We don't want anyone to feel unsafe. Also, if you ever need a ride to church, for any reason, give us a call at the office and we'll arrange that. We have many people who'd be willing to provide a ride. Also, if you need us to help to get groceries, medicines, etc. let us know. We can help with that also and would be happy to do that for you. We are family! Always think of First Christian in that way.

Blessings,  
Pastor Basye

Family Christmas Ornaments are ready for pick-up in the parlor.

Also, the church shirts are in. If you ordered a church shirt, they are ready for pick-up in the parlor.



## Joyful Noise

JINGLE JINGLE JINGLE!!

The Joyful Noise Singers will be back this Sunday, January 28, singing and collecting your pocket change during worship. The offering will be used to purchase soup for the Warrensburg Food Center on "Souper Bowl" Sunday, February 4. Thank you for supporting the children as they help First Christian Church meet the challenge as the "Most Souper Church" in Warrensburg by helping others!!

Need a ride to church on Sunday?  
Call Richard Dudley @ 747-7560

**Are you snowed in?**  
Do you need help getting groceries, medicines, etc? Let us help you.  
Call the Church Office @ 747-6815.



**January-February  
Chi Rho/CYF Calendar**

- 28 5-7 p.m.-regular meeting  
\$20 Deposit due for Young Christian's  
Weekend.  
Meal by GAnna and Floyd Walker
- 4 5-7 p.m.-regular meeting
- 11 5-7 p.m.-regular meeting
- 18 5-7 p.m.-regular meeting
- 25 5-7 p.m.-regular meeting

**January-JYF Calendar**

- 28 5-7 p.m. regular meeting

**CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE**  
*10 years ago, in January, 1997*

FCC began a ten week spring semester of Logos, a midweek ministry to children and youth which included Playtime (recreational fellowship), Family Time (table fellowship), Bible study (education) and Worship. Logos Coordinators were Shelly Burrows and Brenda Dooley. Area Coordinators were John David Sellman (Playtime), Sherin Sellman (Family Time), Suzanne Holdren (Bible Study) and Vivian Eller (Worship).

Congratulations were extended to Noel and Shirley Doughterty on the birth of their granddaughter, Kristal Leann, born on December 30.

The Nursery Committee expressed special thanks to Steve and Vicki Granger for rebuilding and repainted the nursery shelves; to Jackie Shumard, Hanna Sellman and Lauren Sellman, for helping in the nursery on Sunday; and to Dave Adney and everyone involved in installing the phone in the nursery for safety and emergency purposes.



- Sun. 28- 8:30 am Elders' Mtg.  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:40 am Worship Service  
5:00 pm Chi Rho & CYF Mtg.  
5:00 pm JYF Mtg.
- Mon.29- 9:00 am Bell Choir  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- Tue. 30- 2:45pm Girl Scouts  
6:00pm DOC
- Wed. 31-6:00 pm Worship Meeting  
7:00 pm Choir
- Frid. 2- 8:00 am Breakfast Bunch @  
Tiger's Den
- Sun. 4- 9:30 am Sunday School  
10:40 am Worship Service  
5:00 pm Chi Rho, CYF and JYF  
Bring Your Soup for "Souper Bowl"

Community Blood Center  
Friday, February 16  
11:00 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Western Missouri Medical Center  
Meeting Room 2



The worship Committee will meet Wednesday, January 31, at 6:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. Plans for our journey through the season of Lent will be discussed. If you have a suggestion, please contact one of us serving on your Worship Team: Jeanne Nichol, Ruth Channels, Jon and Austin Frandsen, Janette Howard, Gary Grigsby, Jackie Shumard and Greg Turner.



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**Come to Worship!  
Everyone is Welcome!**

**Sunday**

**Sunday School (All Ages): 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 10:40 a.m.  
Youth Ministries: 5:00 p.m.**

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**Return Service Requested**



Throughout this week, we invite you to pray for these and others announced in worship.

**Name**

- \*Sammy Briscoe
- \*Jim Kimbley
- \*Donna Hays

**2006 Committee Chairs**

**You need to send  
your annual reports to the  
church office before  
January 31, 2007.**

# January Celebrations

**Happy Birthday!**

*26-Towanda Gelbach  
29-Doris Buell  
29-Jane Russell  
February 2-Anita Grigsby*

**Happy Anniversary!**

*28-Margaret & Robert Neal*