

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS



First Christian Church

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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.*

STARTING IN MARCH THE NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED ON THE 2ND AND 4TH WEEKS OF EACH MONTH. IF YOU WISH TO SUBMIT NEWS, IT NEEDS TO BE TURNED INTO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY THE FIRST FRIDAY OR THE THIRD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH.

Come on Down to the Annual Ham 'n Bean Supper

Sunday, March 7, 2010

4:30p.m. -7 p.m.

First Christian Church

Christian Life Center

101 East Gay Street

Adults: \$6, Children: \$3

**Homemade Ham'n Beans,
Cornbread, Slaw, Pie & Drink
(Vegetable soup also available)**

Come to Worship.

All Are Invited.

8:30 Praise Service

10:40 Traditional
Service

Sermon for Sunday
"The Tempter"

1st Scripture Reading
Romans 10:8-13

Sermon Scripture
Luke 4:1-13



Please remember that we began our Lenten worship last Wednesday with our Ash Wednesday service. We will now have Lenten Services for the next five weeks at 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday in the sanctuary. As always, these services will include Holy Communion.

During Holy Week we will have our annual Maundy Thursday service on April 1 at 8:00 p.m. Please note the time change on this as we need it darker in the Sanctuary for that service. Easter Sunday is April 4. As always, we will have baptisms on that special day. My pastor's class will be meeting on March 7, March 14, March 21, and March 28 during the Sunday school hour. Please have your kids meet me in the C.L.C. at 9:30 a.m. on these days and we will go to a classroom. They will be done at 10:40 a.m. Please talk with your child about where you want them to go after class. I'm always excited to teach this class and look forward to it. Also, if you are an adult who has never been baptized and would like to explore that possibility, please let me know.

We announced last week that we are going to print a newsletter twice a month beginning in March. We do want your feed-back on this. Most churches we receive newsletters from are twice a month and several have gone to all e-mailed ones. Please let us know what you think.

For your pleasure and consideration, please enjoy a piece called, Happy?

HAPPY?

I'll be happy when...

We convince ourselves that life will be better after we get married, have a baby, then another. Then we are frustrated that the kids aren't old enough and we'll be more content when they are. After that, we're frustrated that we have teenagers to deal with. We will certainly be happy when they are out of that stage. We tell ourselves that our life will be complete when our spouse gets his or her act together, when we get a nicer car, when we are able to go on a nice vacation or when we retire.

The truth is there's no better time to be happy than right now. If not now, when? Your life will always be filled with challenges.

It's best to admit this to yourself and decide to be happy anyway. Happiness is the way. So, treasure every moment that you have and treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time with...and remember that time waits for no one.

So, stop waiting...

Until your car or home is paid off, until you get a new car, until your kids leave the house, until you go back to school, until you finish school, until you lose 10 lbs, until you gain 10 lbs., until you get married, until you get a divorce, until you have kids, until you retire, until summer, until spring, until winter, until fall, until your life is over...

There is no better time than right now to be happy. Happiness is a journey, not a destination.

So work like you don't need money, love like you've never been hurt, and, dance like no one's watching.

February 14, 2010 Attendance

Praise Service: 43
Sunday School: 40
10:40 Worship: 132

Blessings!
Pastor Jerry

Youth News!

6th -12th Grades

February Calendar

21st-5 p.m.-Youth Meeting

26th-7 p.m.-Jr. High Fun Night @ Middle School

28th-10:30 a.m.-Leave for Winter Jam

@ Sprint Center (if we have enough interested in going)

We would like to thank our loving congregation for all your support in our fundraising efforts for our trip to the Young Christians Weekend in Branson. We currently have reached our goal. Thank you so much.

CWF Ham and Bean Supper

The CWF is having their annual Ham and Bean Supper Sunday, May 7 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Vegetable soup, slaw, cornbread, and pie will also be served. Tickets will be on sale in the CLC and parlor after worship. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets may also be purchased from a CWF member and will be available at the door. All proceeds will benefit our mission work. Take-out orders and home deliveries will be available. If you have any kerosene lamps or lanterns that we could borrow for our decorations, please let Phyllis Evans or the Church Office know.

CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE **10 years ago in February, 2000**

Congratulations were extended to **Taylor Brockhaus** upon receiving the role of Annie in a local children's musical. . . . Recognition was given to the Boy Scouts of America upon the occasion of the 90th Anniversary of the founding of the organization. Scouting brings families together and, under the sponsorship of FCC, over the past 40+ years many of our young people and adult volunteer leaders have participated in worthwhile scouting activities with our troops. . . . **Millie Burton, Chair, Christian Action/Community Service Committee**, announced the results of the January Souper Bowl Challenge from the Open Door Class to all Sunday School Classes as follows: CYF = 67 cans; Free Spirits = 87 cans; Open Door = 171 cans; Forty-Niners = 40 cans (+ \$5 donation); Ad-Eva = 59 cans. . . . Campbellite Construction Crew Update reported that ceiling tiles in the Fellowship Hall and carpeting in the Education Wing were being replaced.

Thank You Note

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness. Thank you so very much for all your calls, cards, and prayers. Love to you all.

Reylene Harbit

Lent Services

Lenten services will continue on Wednesday evenings through March 24. Then we will celebrate Holy Week with a Maundy Thursday Service on April 1 at 8 p.m. Please come join us in this time of learning and reflection.



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Come to Worship!
Everyone is Welcome!

Coffee House in CLC: 8:00 a.m.
 Praise Service: 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. All Ages
 Worship: 10:40 a.m.
 Coffee Fellowship: 12 noon in Parlor

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Return Service Requested



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

Name

Janie Uhler
 Chris Mahon
 Our Law Enforcement
 Our Military that are deployed



February Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

2-Anita Grigsby	9-Jennifer Schnakenberg	20-Ray Fitterling
3-Kristal Tappin	10-Ben Etter	20-Bonnie Etter
5-Jeanne Jackson	12-Sadie Mapes	24-Judy Cammack
5-Janette Howard	16-Olivia Petersen	26-Sherin Sellman
6-Maddison Baty	16-Keegan Newberry	27-Bryce Seigfreid
8-Alex Etter	19-Scott Newberry	28-John Howard
		28-Kristen Sullivan

Happy Anniversary

8-Missy & Mike Whisenhunt
 9-Kristen & Sean Sullivan
 14-Nichelle & Scott Newberry