

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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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.*



Everyone is invited!!

October 24 at 6 p.m.

At the home of Brenda and Rick Dooley
500 NW 13 Hwy, Warrensburg

Hot dogs and drinks are provided. Bring a side dish and a lawn chair. Come and join the fun!

Come to Worship.

All Are Invited.

8:30 Praise Service

10:40 Traditional
Service

**Sermon Title and
Scriptures will be
announced in the
Sunday Bulletin.**

A Birthday Celebration!

Ruby Kanoy's 90th

Sunday, October 18, 2009

2:00-4:00 p.m.

First Christian Church

Christian Life Center

R.S.V.P. Missy 660-233-6548

No Gifts Please



We are about halfway through our look at the book *A Handbook for Today's Disciples*. We move now to the chapter called "Disciples and the Sacraments."

Over 2,000 years ago Jesus stepped into the waters of the River Jordan and was baptized. This event essentially marked the beginning of His ministry. With that seemingly simple act, Christ instituted a holy sacrament that has grown complex in meaning and diverse in form.

Disciples' Traditions:

In 1812, Alexander Campbell, along with his wife, mother, and father were immersed in Buffalo Creek in the hills of Western Pennsylvania. The act resulted from careful study and Campbell's conclusion that persons baptized in New Testament times were responsible believers and were immersed. By consensus rather than formal declaration, those who founded the Disciples' movement rejected infant baptism and adopted immersion as the accepted form. For many years there was great debate about whether or not to have fellowship with those who had not been immersed. Ultimately, the moderate views of Barton Stone prevailed, with the acceptance of mutual recognition for all who are baptized into Christ and belong to the people of the one God.

Disciples believe the baptismal ceremony marks the line between church and the world. Baptism is seen as a rite of the church that is conferred rather than chosen. The primary act is God's and we respond to it. The sacrament of baptism assures us of the grace of God as divine love touches us personally, cleanses us of sin, relieves the burden of guilt, claims us for a new life, and ordains us to serve in Christ's name. The following are five sentences that tell about Disciples' thoughts on baptism:

- Baptism is a transaction between God and the soul.
- Baptism reenacts the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.
- Baptism purges all things that have diminished the life of our spirit.
- Baptism brings us into the fellowship of the church.
- Baptism creates a bond linking us to all people of God.

Blessings!
Pastor Jerry

Bible Study

We will start Bible Study October 27 at 6:30 p.m. and will be studying "The Bible for Dummies" by Jeffrey Geoghegan and Michael Homan. If you still need a book you can order off www.amazon.com and find a used copy for about half price. There are a couple of extra books. Ask Mark Beck if you need one.

Attendance for October 11

Praise Service: 50
Sunday School: 48
10:40 Service: 118

Welcome New Members

We welcome Neal & Carol Homes to our church family. They joined First Christian on October 11, at the 10:40 Worship Service.

Youth News!

6th -12th Grades October Calendar

17-7:00 a.m.-Festival of Sharing @ State Fair Gr.
Sedalia Mo. Home by 4-4:30 p.m.
18-5:00 p.m.-Youth Meeting
25-No Youth Meeting
30-3:30 p.m.-Downtown Candy Handout

CWF/Festival of Sharing

The CWF thanks everyone who helped with the health kits for the Festival of Sharing. We sent 34 kits. These kits provide help to those who are experiencing natural disasters, violence or poverty.

There will be 10 youth from our church attending the Youth Fest at Festival this year. They will help sort and pack the different items.

Thank You Notes

We would like to thank everyone for their care and concern during and after Marissa's spine surgery. We received great news on Monday; she has been released from all restrictions. We also learned that her spinal curve has gone from 36 degrees to 16 degrees. We are blessed to be a part of this loving community.

The Crabtrees

We would like to thank our church family for all the kind thoughts, words, and cards during Mom's illness and passing. The visit from Sarah Haller during Mom's visitation added a special touch from home.

Ren and Jay DeShong

CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE 10 years ago in October, 1999

Prime-Time hosted The Fifth Annual Hayride and Wiener Roast at the Sellman farm. Prime-Time was family oriented and always included a fun activity, great fellowship, and a meal or snack. It was open to all church members and friends. Past activities provided by Prime-Time included skating, swimming, picnics and pumpkin decorating. New members were especially invited to meet people within the congregation and enjoy a night of fun. **Brenda Dooley & Janelle Sellman** hosted the hayride activity. . . . The congregation was invited to a special concert by **Eldar Djangirov**, the young Russian pianist, by his family, to express their appreciation to all who helped them feel at home in the United States and in Kansas City. FCC had previously participated in supporting Eldar's training and living in the area. The concert was held at the Country Club Christian Church and was filmed and aired by the CBS program, *Sunday Morning*.

"Survival" biscuits were served at the meal after the C.R.O.P. Walk on Sunday. People make these healthy biscuits and send them to children who are hungry in other countries. Several people asked for the recipe...

Survival Biscuits

Cream these ingredients together:

1 cup packed brown sugar
½ cup granulated sugar
1 cup real butter
4 tablespoons honey
4 tablespoons non-fat milk
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla

Add in these dry ingredients:

1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
2 cups whole wheat flour
Mix well and then add:
2 cups oat bran
2 cups quick oats

Pour onto a greased 11 x 20 cookie sheet. Use cornmeal on your hands to flatten dough evenly. Bake at 325 degrees for 25-30 minutes. Cool and cut into bars.



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

Name

Peggy Baldwin
 Flo Mullis
 Kathryn Owings
 Our Law Enforcement
 Our Military who are deployed

**We are collecting candy for the
 downtown Trick-or-Treat on
 October 30. Please bring donations
 to the church office.**

October Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

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| <i>11-Wes Maness</i> | <i>19-Janet Borchers</i> | <i>29-Don Smarr</i> |
| <i>12-Max Tyler</i> | <i>20-Earl Uhler</i> | <i>28-Margaret Barker</i> |
| <i>14-Lorraine Baldwin</i> | <i>21-Richard Dudley</i> | |
| <i>14-Robert Burrows</i> | <i>21-David Tackett</i> | |
| <i>14-Johnathan Blevins</i> | <i>23-Ganna Walker</i> | |
| <i>15-J.C. Sutton</i> | <i>26-Sara Jones</i> | |
| <i>17-Greg Etter</i> | <i>26-Dee Bodenhamer</i> | |
| <i>17-Dana Burchard</i> | <i>26-Shirley Brockman</i> | |
| <i>18-Ruby Kanoy</i> | <i>28-Amy Haller</i> | |
| | <i>28-Carrie Laws</i> | |

Happy Anniversary

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| <i>1-Cindy & Kevin Howard</i> | <i>12-Megan & Larry Holter</i> |
| <i>6-Janice & Fred Wolff</i> | <i>22-Vivian & William Turnbow</i> |
| <i>8-Nancy & Jim Seigfreid</i> | <i>24-Jackie & Phil Shumard</i> |