

# 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.*

### **Come to Worship.**

All Are Invited.

8:30 Praise Service

10:40 Traditional  
Service

**Sunday's Sermon:**

"The Greatest Thing  
Since Sliced Bread"

**1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading:**

Psalm 8

**Sermon Scripture**

**Reading:**

John 6:47-51

### CWF News

The big rummage sale is over for this year. It was a lot of hard work, but if you could have heard the chatter and laughter of the workers, you would know it was worth all the time and work getting ready for the sale. We wish to thank everyone for making the sale a huge success. Due to the generosity of the contributors and shoppers, CWF made \$8,915.78, the most ever, on the sale. Many of the shoppers coming in would say this is the best sale in town, and each year they look forward to the First Christian Church sale. \$500 from the third weekend sale will be given to CROP Walk.



The Faith Matters Class will be going through the book *Twelve Ordinary Men* and *Twelve Extraordinary Women* written by John MacArthur. Using this book as our guide, we will discuss the lives of Jesus' twelve disciples and also twelve women from both the Old and New Testaments. We meet during Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. in Room 11.

Mark Goodwin

### **Nominating Committee**

The following has been appointed to the Nominating Committee: Joyce Speas, Larry Cammack, Pat Turner, Bill Elliott, Joan Mees, Sharon Sellman and Joe Klein.

Suggestions from members of the congregation for nominees may be given to any member of the Nominating Committee through October 7, 2009.



Last week we had finished the historical portion of the Disciples' history. We now look at other aspects of our life as a church.

#### God

Disciples, while not given to defining God, usually think of God as Creator and as revealed through the life of Jesus Christ. Many writers cite transcendent human attributes such as a sense of moral obligation, the capacity to appreciate beauty, the power to love, and ability to know justice, honesty, mercy, and happiness as rational proofs of the existence of God in persons. Disciples do not reject reasonable evidences of God's existence but neither do they limit their understanding of God to rational definition. They view God as beyond definition, transcending time and geography, greater than all the energies shooting through nature, and more than a magnification of human powers. To reduce God solely to rational proof eliminates the role of faith. Disciples affirm the reality of God in the world but resist the temptation to enclose God in human definition.

#### Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ was fully human, fully God. The historical circumstances of his life reveal the human Jesus. The presence of God in Jesus adds a dimension we recognize and confess through faith. The joining of God with humanity in the person of Jesus Christ forms the very heart of Christian faith. Although the question of Jesus Christ being divine or human or both confounds human wisdom, it is this union of humanity and divinity--the uniting of the historical Jesus with the Christ of faith into a single being--that expresses the fundamental claim of Christianity. The story of Jesus' life is well documented. It is the character rather than the biography of this man that is important. The very name "Jesus Christ" affirms that the historical life was united with the grace of God. The human Jesus died at the crucifixion; the Christ of faith was resurrected. It is this resurrection that provides for all generations the experience of faith in the Lord, Jesus Christ.

*Blessings!*  
*Pastor Jerry*

#### **Attendance for September 27**

**Praise Service: 35**

**Sunday School: 52**

**10:40 Service: 137**

## **Ozark Lakes Area Assembly**

### **November 7**

**Clinton Christian Church**

**1201 W. Ohio St.**

**Clinton, MO 64735**

**Keynote Speakers**

**Roger & Michelle Jenks**

**You must pre-register by October 30 and forms are in the church office.**

**Registration Fee: Adult-\$25 & Youth-\$10**

## Youth News!

*6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Grades*  
October Calendar

4-5:00 p.m.-Youth Meeting

11-2:30 p.m.-Meet at Church parking lot  
3:00 p.m.-CROP Walk @ Methodist Church  
4:30 p.m.-Youth meeting in our Youth Center

17-7:00 a.m.-Festival of Sharing @ State Fair Gr.  
Sedalia Mo. Over @ 3 p.m.

18-5:00 p.m.-Youth Meeting

25-NO YOUTH MEETING

30-3:30 p.m.-Downtown Candy Handout

## 2009 Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, Oct. 25, 2009  
1:30-4:30 p.m.

Farmers Market Site, corner of  
North & Holden

“PAWS” Walk To Benefit local Animal Shelters

## September Financial Report

### Income

General	\$17,483.27
Outreach	1,143.31

### Expenses

General	\$13,752.61
Outreach	1,063.50

CLC Building Contributions	\$ 5,819.67
CLC Building Payment	\$ 5,927.00

## CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE 50 years ago in October, 1959

Members of the Forty-Niners Class had a roller skating party with children of all ages accompanying their parents. **Cecil Speas** was president of the class . . . Members of the United Campus Christian Fellowship, assisted by our campus sponsor, **Dr. Laura Naum**, held a pancake supper fundraiser; . . . more than 40 CYFers went on the hay ride held at the **Martin Roach** farm, chaperoned by **Forrest Whitt** and the **Roaches** . . . 27 Chi Rhos attended the District Rally at New Franklin, accompanied and transported by the **J.W. Ellers**, the **Scott Rolands**, **Mrs. Larry Booth**, the **Ralph Watsons**, the **Jack Kreisslers**, and the **Owen Wyatts** . . . New members, **Sgt. & Mrs. Clayton Basye**, transferred their membership to our church, and their daughter, **Vera Lynn**, joined by confession and baptism.

## West Central MO. Genealogical Society Invites You To Sunset Hill Cemetery Walk October 4, 2-5 p.m.

*Sunset Hill on West Rus 50*



Items that are desperately needed:  
Canned Tomatoes  
Laundry Detergent  
Bar Soap and Deodorant

Thank you all for the support you are giving to this collection. The need is greater than ever this year. So please just pick up a few items every time you go grocery shopping to give to the Food Center.



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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**

Flo Mullis  
 Our Law Enforcement  
 Our Military who are deployed

**CROP Walk**  
**October 11**  
**3 p.m.**  
**@ First United Methodist**

# October Celebrations

**Happy Birthday!**

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|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 5-Nancy Anderson     | 19-Janet Borchers   | 29-Don Smarr       |
| 9-Vivian Sutton      | 20-Earl Uhler       | 28-Margaret Barker |
| 12-Max Tyler         | 21-Richard Dudley   |                    |
| 14-Lorraine Baldwin  | 21-David Tackett    |                    |
| 14-Robert Burrows    | 23-Ganna Walker     |                    |
| 14-Johnathan Blevins | 26-Sara Jones       |                    |
| 15-J.C. Sutton       | 26-Dee Bodenhamer   |                    |
| 17-Greg Etter        | 26-Shirley Brockman |                    |
| 17-Dana Burchard     | 28-Amy Haller       |                    |
| 18-Ruby Kanoy        | 28-Carrie Laws      |                    |

**Happy Anniversary**

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