

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.

All Are Invited.
8:30 Praise Service
10:40 Traditional Service

30-Hour Famine April 30 & May 1

Attention Youth!

For those of you who signed up to do the 30-Hour Famine, you should be working on collecting \$30 in donations before April 30. You will receive a group t-shirt when you turn your packet in to Cindy.

Youth who have not signed up—it is not too late to do so! Please give Cindy a call or stop in the church office to sign up. You will receive a certificate of community service hours that you can use for your NHS hours.

Youth meet at the First United Methodist Church at 6 p.m. on April 30. Parents need to sign the consent form so youth can participate. We will have frequent juice breaks and stay well hydrated. We will be doing group activities with several other youth groups in Warrensburg and will be participating in events at the different churches in the area. We will also be doing many different mission projects around Warrensburg. The highlight of the evening will be a campfire service and the building of our cardboard houses that we will be sleeping in outside. (In case of rain, we will be under the covered parking area here at First Christian Church.) The Famine will be over by 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 1, at First Christian Church.



HELP ME SURPRISE VYRDEL!!!

I NEED YOUR HELP! As many of you know, Vyrdel is retiring from teaching after 36 years at the end of this school year. All along I have been downplaying the event telling her I wasn't going to do anything special, and because she knows me so well, she believes me. So, on Sunday, May 9, I want to have a surprise open house for her after the Campbellite dinner. As you know, the dinner is right after the 10:40 service and so, about 1:00 p.m. we'll break out the cake and punch and hopefully surprise her. I've invited the folks she taught with at Knob Noster and the churches in Concordia and Emma, so hopefully, there will be several there. We'll hang around until 2:00 or 2:30 p.m. My thanks to Peggy Dudley, Mary Howey, and Linda Hoover for putting this together for me. Please don't say anything to Vyrdel. Also, at the 10:40 service that morning I am going to preach a special sermon just for her. I'll do the regular sermon at 8:30 and again hope to fully surprise her. I'm not taking a newsletter home these next few weeks.

I realize May 9 is Mother's Day, but I hope you'll be able to join us. I really want to surprise and honor her. She's never had time off in those 36 years even when she had the boys and she truly deserves this day.

Again, Sunday, May 9, after Campbellite Dinner—cake, punch, and fellowship. Any questions, give me a call.

Also, I want to thank everyone for the thoughts, the prayers, the calls, the cards, the food, the help for us after my gallbladder surgery. I'm feeling better everyday and hopefully will get released from the doctor this week.

Thanks for always being there!

Blessings,

Pastor Jerry

Youth News!

6th -12th Grades

April Calendar

25-5 p.m.-Meet @ Elliotts' Skating Rink (3rd -12th grades invited for this event.)

28-6 p.m.-YOUTH Rally for 30-Hour Famine @ Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Family Center.

30-6 p.m.-Meet @ First United Methodist Church for 30-Hour Famine Event. Event over on May 1, 6 p.m.

May Calendar

2-NO YOUTH-Rest after 30-Hour Famine

8-2:30 p.m.-Eat in Sedalia and attend Rush of Fools Concert, presented by Christian Xplosion, at the Mathewson Exhibition Center. Sign up is necessary to attend this event and deadline is April 30. The ticket will be paid for.

9-At both Worship Services, youth will give gifts to women in the congregation. Please attend these services.

Attention Graduates!

We will honor our graduating Seniors of High School and College during the 10:40 service on May 2, 2010.

We need you to call the church office if you will be graduating this year. We don't want to miss anyone.

Summer Sunday School

Summer is almost here and we need to start thinking of giving Vyrdel and Carrie a break. Please think about helping out with our church children for summer Sunday school. There are 13 Sundays that will need to have volunteers for the months of June, July and August. If you look at your calendars and can give up one Sunday or more, please call Dianne McCloud at 747-7334 to set your dates.

Thanks
Dianne

Ruth Newton

Application forms for this scholarship are available in the church office. A complete application includes: The filled-out application form, two letters of reference and a secondary school transcript or a college transcript if you have earned 30 or more semester hours of credit. These forms must be turned in to the church office **no later than May 7, 2010.**

CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE

50 years ago in April, 1960

The dedication of the beautiful brass cross on the communion table was held in an impressive service during Sunday morning worship. The cross was given to the church as a memorial to **Mrs. W.B. (Bess) Palmer**. The gift was sponsored by the Martha-George Class, of which **Mrs. Palmer** was a member, and a number of other donors. **Mrs L.H. Beebe**, on behalf of the class, formally presented the cross to the congregation. A formal acceptance on behalf of the congregation was expressed by Pastor **Woodruff**. A litany and a prayer of dedication followed and the cross was placed on the communion table. All of the **W.B. Palmer** family were present, and provided two beautiful hydrangea for the service.

. . . Those who were added to the church by confession and baptism this month were: **Gary Warren, Steven Warren, Ronnie Lacy, Bobby Buente, Danny Wegener, Daric Elwell, Betty Stump, Sarah Googe, Deborah Kay Tackett, and Jane Pittman.**

10 years ago in April, 2000

The Worship Committee expressed thanks to all members who donated to the new baptistry helping to make it a reality, and to the construction crew - **Bill Elliott, Bob Cochran, Jerry Evans** and other helpers, advisors, plumbers, and electricians who worked to get it ready in time for Easter baptism. Those baptized were: **Amanda Corbett, Sarah Cauthon, Jennifer Hanna, Wesley Maness, Jennifer Russell, Kyle Shackelford, and Rachel Vaughn.** **Katy Klein** joined by profession of faith and **Tom, Rhonda & Rachel Atkinson** joined by transfer of membership. . . . Congratulations were extended to **Casey Laws & Carrie Haller** on their marriage on April 1, and to **Derrick Sisk & Angie Gosney** (daughter of **Al & Anita**) on their marriage, April 8, in Columbia, South Carolina. . . . **John David Sellman** left for Lackland AFB, Texas, for basic training in the U.S. Air Force.

Congratulations!

Brian & Danielle Creek are the proud parents of **Kaspian Cooley Creek**. The paternal Grandparents are **Betty and Scott Wilson**.



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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

Family of Bill Anderson
 Family of Melvin Cunningham (Ruby Kanoy's brother)
 Doug Wilson (Scott's brother)
 Mary Ruth Googe
 Sadie Mapes

May Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

2-Eva Kline	11-Georgia Frizzell	24-Jerry Evans
2-Katelin Ritchhart	13-Sampson Stillwell	24-Casey McNeel
5-Kathryn Owings	15-Tom Neal	25-Karen O'Dell
5-Jeanne Nichol	15-Jacelyn Laws	25-Natalie Good
7-Phyllis Evans	17-Ana-Ashli Baldwin	27-Marge Dyer
7-Katy Klein	17-Earney Burchard	28-Pam Owings
9-Brenda Blevins	18-Tyler Holter	28-Mary Martin
9-Tyler Wiss	19-Kelley Good	29-Tammie Crabtree
10-Shirley Hare	22-Jackie Shumard	29-Garrett Good
10-Mary Ruth Googe	22-Nicholas Albright	

Happy Anniversary

4-Donna & Larry Elliott	17-Louise & Russell Elsberry
6-Teri & Matt Smith	18-Renee & Allen Shackelford
6-Jane & Norman Russell	23-Jeanne & Nick Nichol
10-Mary Jay & Gene Lang	28-Kelley & Joe Good
	30-Yvonne & Dale Slifer