

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.*

Come to Worship.

All Are Invited.

8:30 Praise Service

10:40 Traditional
Service

Sunday's Sermon:

"Pentecostal Power"

1st Scripture Reading:

John 20:19-23

Sermon Scripture

Reading:

Acts 2:1-11

Love Thy Neighbor Benefit

You don't have to leave Warrensburg to see BIG Needs! We have mission work to do "right here." The area churches need everyone's help to make a difference. There will be a benefit dinner for the Johnson County Emergency Care Coalition (JCECC), **Friday, June 5, 2009, 5-7 PM**, in the First Baptist Church Apex, hosted by local church secretaries. The menu includes Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls, drinks and dessert. Live music will be provided by local entertainment. Cost is \$7 Adults - \$4 Children 10 & under. This fund helps those living in poverty in Johnson County.

"Jesus commands us to love our neighbor."

(We will need volunteers to wipe tables down, refill drinks and help with the clean-up after the event.)

Music during the meal

4:45 – 5:30 pm - Dulcimers

5:30 – 6:00 pm – Pickin' Friends Band

6:00 – 6:30 pm – David & Denise Robinson (various music)

6:30 – 7:00 pm – Bell Soloist or Quartet



“Follow Him”

Jesus said: “**Follow Me**” (Mark 1:14-20). The **Capital Fund Campaign Committee** has been working hard to follow **His** lead as we organize the campaign!

A major factor impacting the cost of financing the CLC building is the **length of time** we borrow the money. Our principal balance as of June 1, 2009, is \$495,470. Assuming a 10-year pay-off period, our monthly payment is just under \$6000 a month.

If our church family increased this monthly payment by only \$500, we could pay off the building a whole year early. If we increased this by an additional \$500, we save about 2 years of payments! The \$500 represents about \$6.00 per church family per month. We have about 350 names of active members, inactive members, and friends. Averages sound nice, but we are a diverse congregation.

Please prayerfully consider this as you decide what your level of **Capital Fund Campaign Pledge** can be. The sum of the whole is greater than the sum of the parts!



Church Wide Bake Sale
Sunday, May 31, FCC
This will benefit the A.C. Fund!

Attendance for Sunday, May 24

8:30 Praise Service –51
Sunday School-42
10:40 Worship-121

Summer Sunday School Schedule

Jun. 7-Jackie Shumard	Aug. 9-Jackie Shumard
Jun. 14-D.D. Breckel	Aug. 16-?
Jun. 21-Greg Turner	Aug. 23-?
Jun. 28-Brenda Dooley	Aug. 30-?
Jul. 12-D.D. Breckel	
Jul. 19-Jackie Shumard	
Jul. 26-Tori Hunter	
Aug. 2-?	

As you can see, there are 4 Sundays left to fill.
Please call Dianne and sign up for this ministry
with our children.



MUSIC Needed

We are needing 16 weeks filled with special music for our 10:40 worship service. Contact Cindy in the church office or call Anita Grigsby to schedule a date. This is a very important ministry.

Handbell Choir Concert

Rezound!, the premier community handbell choir in greater Kansas City, will present a concert at First Presbyterian Church on Monday, June 15, at 6:00 p.m. The fourteen adult ringers are chosen by audition from throughout the KC metro area. The one-hour concert will be played on three different sets of handbells plus hand chimes. The sound of this excellent ensemble will be thrilling in the new acoustics of our sanctuary. The Warrensburg appearance will be the final concert of a five-day tour of Iowa, Illinois, Michigan and Missouri. No admission will be charged, but a freewill offering will be received.

Welcome New Members

The Etter Family joined First Christian Church on May 24, 2009 at the 8:30 Praise Service. Gregg and Bonnie and their children Gregg Jr., Alex, Nick and Ben, we are so happy to have you in our church family. Welcome! You may add them to the back of your church directory: 133 Cedar Ct., Warrensburg, MO. 64093, phone-660-624-0507.

Pentecost Special Offering

Two weeks ago we included an envelope for the Pentecost Special Offering. This offering is used to help start new Disciples' congregations. Half of the offerings received are used by the New Church Ministry Team of the general church to help call, train and support new church planters. The other half of the offerings are used within our own region to help start new churches right here in Missouri.

These gifts are bearing fruit. Since 2001 we have started more than 600 new congregations who are adding new members to our church family faster than all the other 3100 congregations combined. The Ozark Lakes Area New Church Task Force is actively working on starting a new congregation in the Springfield area. Let's share our gifts with this vital work of sharing our faith with others.

Thank you kindly for the lovely carnations, which Donna Elliott presented us at church on Sunday for our 67th Anniversary. We also enjoyed the nice card from all of you. You're the Greatest!!

Russell & Louise Elsberry

CHRONICLES: THE WAY WE WERE

10 years ago in May 1999

1999 graduates from Warrensburg High School included: **Chris Burton, Scott Foley, Chris Howard, Paul Howey, Doug Brubeck, and Fran Smarr**. . . . Ruth Newton Scholarship recipients were: **Amy Haller, Carrie Haller, Chris Howard, Paul Howey and Daniel Neal**. **Chris Howard** and **Paul Howey** received the Monia Morris Scholarship. . . . **Tommy Neal** was congratulated for placing first at state in the 2-Mile Run. . . . Memorial Day tribute was given to the following who passed away during the preceding year: **Gladys Carpenter, Stella Christopher, Margaret Corum, Roy Mees, O'Neal Fitzgerald, Earl Baldwin, Frank Frost, Sylvia Bell, Rozelle Haller, Hazel Dyer, Lila Little and John Frost**. . . . In the first of a series of articles highlighting the duties of functional and special committees of the church, the focus was on the Personnel Committee. One significant recent action taken was reported as follows: *In response to Title VII mandates, recent Supreme Court rulings, and suggestions by national church authorities, the committee proposed a straightforward, concisely worded policy on Sexual Harassment/Abuse for consideration. The policy is a proactive stance by the Church, not resulting from any specific incident, but designed as a safeguard to any possible future litigation.* The policy was unanimously approved by the Board.



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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 Maurine Achauer
 Fred Wolff
 Jeremiah Creek (Betty Wilson's son)
 Beatrice Johns Family (Joan Fitterling's sister)
 Guy Spears (Joe & Margaret Klein's Step-father)
 Our Law Enforcement
 Our Military who are deployed

June Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

3-Joe Klein	13-Rosalie Elwel	22-Gary Baldwin
5-Fred Wolff	16-Klayton Osborne	23-Lorena Reynolds
6-Matt Smith	17-Peggy Baldwin	24-Margaret Neal
6-Myla Laws	17-Fran Mahon	26-James Burrows
9-Emma Brockway	19-Vernon Elsberry	27-Ren DeShong
9-Donna Elliott	20-Joni Turner	27-Brad Hunter
9-Mark Ellgass	20-Mason Good	28-Dylan Godfrey
10-Steve Granger	21-Megan Holter	29-Joan Fitterling
11-Greg Turner	21-Brittany Gelbach	
12-Amanda Corbett	22-Russell Elsberry	

Happy Anniversary

1-Anne & Brian Remlinger	23-Reylene & Charles Harbit
6-Millie & Bill Burton	
12-Wilella & Marion Baldwin	
17-Judy & Larry Cammack	
18-Cathy & Sam Jones	