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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

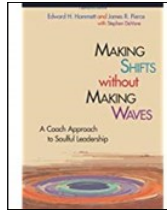
Rummage Sale Soon
Life Touch Pictures
BD Celebration
Sr. Life Fair in Oct.

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Reflections

Making Shifts Without Making Waves: A Coach Approach to Soulful Leadership by Edward H. Hammett and James R. Pierce with Stephen DeVane. St. Louis: Chalice Press, 2009.



Chapter 1: *Making Shifts without Making Waves—Is It Really Possible?* and **Chapter 2:** *Soulful Leadership Creates Transformation through Coaching.*

In these chapters, Hammett, Pierce, and DeVane relate what is happening with change in the church to the ingredients of the "perfect storm": 1) "Tsunami known as postmodernity, 2) The Big Hurricane, or more precisely an epidemic of related hurricanes, called post-Christendom, and 3) Global warming" (p.8). The authors quote Leonard Sweet's outline of postmodernity: *"propositional to experiential connections to truth; individualistic to communal experiences; theoretical to authentic values; and naïve certainty to a deeper understanding of the struggle"* (p. 2). Those who have this perspective see things from more of a feeling standpoint than a cognitive one. Hence, the contemporary music that leads to feeling the spirit rather than a traditional hymn that leads to a deeper knowledge-based understanding of God is the preferred style.

The current shift is in the differences between gaining more knowledge about God as the primary vehicle in worship and feeling God's Holy Spirit interacting with us on a personal level. The church has been riding this wave for 40 plus years. So far, the mainline protestant church has put up solid resistance. As the pillars of the old ways have passed on, the walls have weakened. We have noticed that the shifts really aren't so bad after all, as long as we can understand why the changes occur and how the postmodern experience works.

The authors make a case to bring in outside help. "Leaders using the coach approach help their organizations to not only weather the storm, but also to meet the challenge of making shifts without causing further destructive waves. Coaching allows the waves to subside to ripples that gradually allow the individual and/or the organization to embrace and create change. This is the beginning step to transformation" (p. 5).

The whole point of the shifts we are feeling in this wave is for us to become "soulful leaders" who trust their intuition and their knowledge and integrate the two. Using strategy, risk taking, experimentation, and collaboration, among others are key to riding the waves successfully. "Serious and challenging times call for a soulful leader" (p. 3). The tools we once used to navigate change no longer are useful. It is our trust in the Holy Spirit that helps us to ride out the storm and to come out wherever the Spirit takes us.

Those who have been riding these waves over the years understand that the storm is unpredictable. Encouragingly though, the church will most likely come to safe harbor over time in a weather beaten old ship, yet made stronger by its sturdy crew who has believed in God's love for humanity all along.

Staying on board,
Pastor Lorraine

Upcoming Serving Schedule

September 30, 2018—19th Sun. after Pentecost

- Candlelighter** ~ Jaiden Kurzen
- Children’s Message** ~ Lorraine Bailey
- Diaconate** ~ Richard Becker*, Laurie Kurzen,
Alan & Betty Richardson
- Elder** ~ Jean Miller
- Greeters** ~ (N) Judy Moore
~ (S) Janet Lostutter
- Nursery** ~ Juliana Martinez
- Worship Leader** ~ Robert Chatham
- Children’s Church** ~ Rita Headrick & Nikki Simmons

October 7, 2018—20th Sun. after Pentecost

- Candlelighter** ~ Brayden Dill
- Children’s Message** ~ Marie Harding
- Diaconate** ~ Jake Dalton*, Joy Wonser
Carl & Lana Richardson
- Elder** ~ George Arnett
- Greeters** ~ (N) Guy Bacon
(S) Janece Bacon
- Nursery** ~ Rita Headrick
- Worship Leader** ~ Janece Bacon
- Children’s Church** ~ Faith Coleman

October 14, 2018—21st Sun. after Pentecost

- Candlelighter** ~ Kelsey Shull
- Children’s Message** ~ Jaylene Arnett
- Diaconate** ~ Carl Headrick*, Jill McGrath
Tammie McDuffett, Nik Roth
- Elder** ~ Judy Moore
- Greeters** ~ (N) Diana Solis
~ (S) Joan Shumate
- Nursery** ~ Nikki Simmons
- Worship Leader** ~ Jean Miller
- Children’s Church** ~ Faith Coleman

October 21, 2018—22nd Sun. after Pentecost

- Candlelighter** ~ Minkinzi Simmons
- Children’s Message** ~ Nancy LeClear
- Diaconate** ~ Nikki Simmons*, John Lexow
Bonnie Denson
- Elder** ~ Gary Lukert
- Greeters** ~ (N) Marie Harding
~ (S) Mary Volland
- Nursery** ~ Richard Becker
- Worship Leader** ~ George Arnett
- Children’s Church** ~ Sonya Ihde

So far in September we have helped **28 families**, consisting of **66 people** with bags of food plus **10 dozen eggs and meat from Abundant Harvest**. Of those 28 families, **12 were new to us**.



Voices of the people you have helped this month—
“Thank you for always being here. You don’t know how much this helps us get by until payday!”

Lonnie Atchison (*cancer*); **Denise Calvert**; **Bonnie Denson** (*recovery*); **Joe Denson** (*stroke/rehab*); **Ana Gonzales** (*back problems*); **Amy Hossfeld** (*brain tumor*); **Bob Hush** (*knee surgery*); **Grace Hyatt** (*Betty Pearson’s mother*); **Brad Jones** (*son of Jan Jones, heart problems*); **Gale Kelley** (*hospice*); **Joyce Kellison** (*health issues*); **Steve** (*broken neck*) & **Ramona Langley** (*brother-in-law and sister of Betty Richardson*); **Doug Law**, (*health issues*); **Nathan McDonald & Family** (*motorcycle accident*); **Steve Martin** (*stem cell cancer treatment*); **Pam Scheve** (*daughter Jan Jones, health issues*); **Sharon Shannon** (*back surgery*); **Andrea Vandruff** (*kidney issues*); **Bob Wayman** (*potassium issues*); & **Elizabeth Wells** (*cancer & recovery*). **Eric MacGregor** (*Military-Deployed*)



Statements of Giving

If you would like to receive a statement of giving for 1/1/2018 through 9/30/2018 to check your giving status or to check the accuracy of your statement of giving, please contact Marie Harding, Treasurer (620-342-3543 or marieharding59@gmail.com). At the September Stewardship meeting the question was asked “Why don’t we receive quarterly statements of giving anymore?” It was decided to offer a statement of giving periodically to those who would like to receive them.

Stewardship Ministry Team, Janet Lostutter & Lana Richardson, Co-Chair

Attendance and Giving Record

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September 16, 2018 SS 21 / Worship 69
September 23, 2018 SS 21 / Worship 71

GIVING RECORD

Sept. 16, 2018 ~ Offering \$1,490.00/ Building \$10.00
 Sept. 23, 2018 ~ Offering \$1,417.00 / Building \$10.00



September Anniversaries

30 Lane & Shelby Fuller

October Anniversaries

26 Carl & Rita Headrick (1973)

28 Tyler & Shelby Pedersen (2017)

September Birthdays

- 23 Joe Denson
- 24 Glenn Boyce
- 24 Karen Shumate
- 26 Jeanice Miller
- 27 Justin Wilson
- 28 Alberta Brinkman
- 29 Ann McNeese Brown



October Birthdays

- 01 Richard Becker
- 05 Julia Giger
- 07 Gary Bowman
- 10 Kelley Giger
- 11 R. J. Kuhn
- 11 Dennis Douglas
- 14 Harold (Hal) Lewis
- 15 Mike Calvert
- 15 Torchy Duncan



Mark The Dates

- Friday's 3-6 pm—Clothes Closet & Household Hut open
- Saturday's from 9—Noon—Clothes Closet and Household Hut
- Tuesday's 1:30 pm—Grief Share group meets in the parlor
6:00 pm— Choir Practice
- Tue. 9/25 ~ 6:00 p.m. Chi Rho Mission Club
7:00 p.m. Elders meet
- Wed. 9/26 ~ 5:30 p.m. Facilities meets
- Thur. 9/27 ~ 6:00 pm Girl Scouts
6:30 pm Discovering Disciples class
- Fri. 9/28 ~ Men's Odyssey Retreat at Camp Tawakoni
- Sat. 9/29 ~ Men's Odyssey Retreat at Camp Tawakoni
- Sun. 9/30 ~ Afterglow after worship to celebrate Alberta Brinkman's 98th birthday.
- Sun. 9/30 ~ 3:00 pm Holiday Resort Service
- Wed. 10/3 ~ 10:30 am Lyon Co. Ministerial Alliance meets
1:30 pm DWF Day Group meets in parlor
6:15 pm DWF Night Group meets in parlor
- Thur.—Sun. 10/4-10/7 ~ KS Disciples Women's Retreat
- Fri. 10/5 ~ EHS Homecoming-Parade 6:30 pm, game 7:00 pm
- Sat. 10/6 ~ WAW Legacy Day & Book Award
- Sun. 10/7 ~ World Communion Sunday

It's Coming, It's Coming

The **Annual Church Rummage Sale** is coming **Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 1 (3-7:30 pm), 2 (12-7:30 pm), & 3 (8-12)** so plan now to help move items out into fellowship hall to tables and work at marking items the week of October 22-26 and 29-31. It takes everyone's help in order to sponsor this big fundraiser event. Can we count on you?

October is

Pastor
APPRECIATION MONTH



They're Back! Those wonderful **Church Bulletin Bloopers!** Thank God for church ladies with typewriters (and thank God we now have computers!).

Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 pm. Please use the back door.



Lectionary Readings

Lectionary Schedule

Sept. 30—Oct. 21, 2018

September 30

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22

Psalm 124

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

October 7

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

Psalm 26

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

October 14

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Psalm 22:1-15

Hebrews 4:12-16

Mark 10:17-31

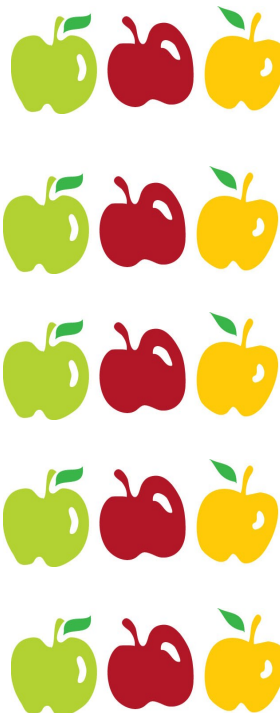
October 21

Job 38:1-7, (34-41)

Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c

Hebrews 5:1-10

Mark 10:35-45



Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin!

God picks you from the patch and brings you in.
(John 15:16)

Then washes all the dirt off of you.
(2 Corinthians 5:17)

He opens you up and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc.
(Romans 6:6)

Then He carves you a new smiling face.
(Psalm 71:23)

And He puts His light inside you to shine for all the world to see.
(Matthew 5:16)



Together We are One Kansas Disciples Women Fall Retreat
October 3-5 (midweek) or October 5-7 (weekend)

Pastor Lori Tapia will keynote. She is the National Hispanic Pastor of Obra Hispana for the Christian Church. She and her husband Martin are the founding co-pastors of Iglesia Alas de Salvacion, a bilingual church in Gilbert, Arizona. Lori serves with a passion for relevantly sharing Jesus and discipleship.

Join with other women in a variety of activities, such as a movie study on **Victoria and Abdul**, service projects including Fresh Start Bags and tied blankets, prayer stations, painting (additional \$30 workshop fee), and more!

Registration cost of \$100 includes lodging at camp, five meals and program expenses.

Register on-line at <https://kansasdisciples.org/together-we-are-one-kdw-fall-retreat>

Who Me, An Elder?

Information for this article came from Your Calling as an Elder by Gary Straub, p. 24-25. Here is Straub's continued brief interpretive summary of the biblical qualifications for elder leadership:

The Biblical Duties of an Elder

At least 14 responsibilities can be found in scripture specifically mentioned as duties of the office.

11. Be an Example to the Flock. 1 Peter 5:3

The most positive attribute an elder has is his or her attitude. An elder's attitude is an example to the congregation of a "powerfully effective witness." An elder walks their talk. People watch and notice an elder's integrity in their daily life. "Face up, 'fess up, and keep walking in the light of the Lord" (1 John 1:9). An elder lives so that others can imitate their obvious walk with Lord. An elder humbly accepts that their "example is already tarnished by the fact that it is not a perfect one . . . and knows how and when to repent, confess, and be restored to the mind of Christ." The reconciling spirit will make an elder "more approachable by those who have wounds and struggles."





This fall we will have **Life Touch Photography** come and take pictures to make a new pictorial directory for First Christian Church. Mark your calendar and plan time for both individual and family portraits either on **Thursday, October 18, or Friday, October 19 or Saturday, October 20**. There will be both day and evening times available, we just wanted you to know the dates.



Remember These?

DWF is still collecting Best Choice labels as a fund raiser. So, cut the UPC code off any Best Choice can, bag or other Best Choice item and drop them by the office or put in the Best Choice Label Box in the parlor kitchenette.



Thanks for your help. It's an easy fundraiser for us to do, with all of us saving, it counts up.

DWF News (Disciple Women's Fellowship) . . .



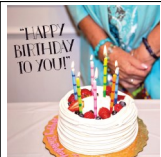
Mark your calendars for October 3 for the next DWF meetings. . . .

- Day Group will meet at 1:30 in the Parlor with Janece Bacon as hostess and study leader.
- Night Group will meet at 6:15 in the parlor with Joy Frevert as hostess and study leader.
- The study at both meetings is entitled, "Martha & Mary."
- All women are welcome and encouraged to attend

Retreat News:

- Pastor Lorraine is Worship Coordinator & song leader at the KDW Retreat at Camp Tawakoni, at both mid-week and weekend. Two of our women are attending mid-week, three are attending weekend, and one is attending for the day on Thursday.
- There is still time to register for either the mid-week (October 3-5) or weekend (October 5-7).

Contact either of us if you are interested in attending KDW Retreat, or if you have questions about DWF meetings or activities.
Karen Garnett and Marie Harding, Co-Leaders



After-glow After Church

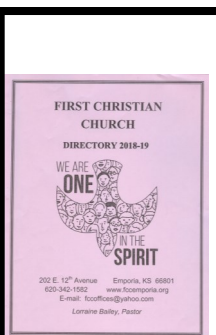
Sunday, September 30

Come help a member observe the 75th anniversary of her 23rd birthday on Sunday, September 30, 2018. There will be an afterglow after church with family and friends. Refreshments will be provided by Judy and her crew and fellowship provided by you. Please be there.

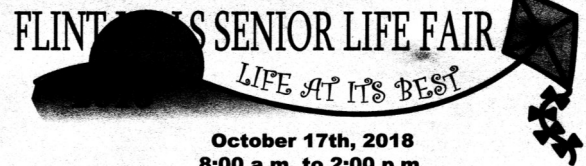


Saturday, 10 am October 6, 2018

there will be an auction of the household estate of Jim and Joyce Cress at 2420 West View Terrace. There will be household items plus a garage full of tools. Plan now to attend at 10 am.



Check the Hall Table or the Parlor Table for a copy of the Updated Church Directory



October 17th, 2018
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Anderson Building - Lyon County Fairgrounds
2700 W. Hwy 50, Emporia, KS

- **Entertainment**
- **Educational Sessions**
- **Exhibits**
- **Door Prizes**

Highlights:

Keynote Speaker, 12:45 p.m.
"Kansas Myths, Legends and Folk Tales"
Jim Hoy, Professor Emporia State University
Educational sessions will feature information on "Healthy Food Options for Seniors" – Tina Khan, Center for Engagement and Community Development, KSU and "What You Need to Know About Your Medications" – Amber Haag, Owner/Pharmacist Haag Pharmacy

FREE Health Screenings from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Includes Blood Pressure and Dental
Fair Attendance is FREE
Lunch will be provided at a cost of only \$7.
Advance lunch registration required by October 12th

Senior Life Fair Lunch Registration Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____

My non-refundable \$7.00 lunch payment is enclosed.
Lunch buffet includes entrée, sides, bread, dessert and beverage.

Registration and payment are due by October 12th. Please mail registration and fee to:
Flint Hills Senior Life Fair
P.O. Box 1811, Emporia, KS 66801

First Christian Church
Lorraine W. Bailey,
Transitional Minister



“The mission of First Christian Church is to inspire each other to reach out to the un-churched and to serve and share with our community by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.”

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 Pastor: Rev. Lorraine Bailey
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Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Office Hours
8 a.m. until Noon, Monday through Friday.
Pastor Lorraine—8:00 am to 11:00 am, Tuesday through Friday. Afternoons by appointment.



Next Newsletter Deadline
Oct. 8 & 22, 2018



September/October 2018

23	24	25	26	27	28	29
● 9:30am Sunday School	● Newsletter Deadline	● 1:30pm Grief Share	● 5:30pm Facilities Meetir	● 6pm Girl Scouts	● Men's Odyssey Retreat	● Men's Odyssey Retreat
● 10:30am Worship Service	● 7pm Boy Scouts	● 6pm Chi Rho Mission Cl		● 6:30pm Discovering Dis	● 3pm Clothes Closet & H	● 9am Clothes Closet & H
● 2pm Presbyterian Mano		● 6pm Choir Practice				
		● 7pm Elders Meeting				
Sun 30	Mon Oct 1	Tue 2	Wed 3	Thu 4	Fri 5	Sat 6
● 9:30am Sunday School	● 7pm Boy Scouts	● 1:30pm Grief Share	KDW Fall Retreat	KDW Fall Retreat	KDW Fall Retreat	KDW Retreat
● 10:30am Worship Service		● 6pm Choir Practice	● 10:30am Lyon Co. Minis	● 5:30pm Youth Choir	● 12:30pm PEO Meeting-H	WAW Book Award
● 11:30am Alberta Brinkm			● 1:30pm DWF Day Group		● 3pm Clothes Closet & H	WAW Legacy Day
● 3pm Holiday Resort Ser			● 6:15pm DWF Night Grou		● 6:30pm EHS Homecomi	● 9am Clothes Closet & H
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
KDW Retreat	● Newsletter Deadline	● 1:30pm Grief Share	● 9:30am NE KS Clergy-To	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	● 9am Clothes Closet & H
● 9:30am Sunday School	● Columbus Day (regional f	● 6pm Chi Rho Mission Cl	● 6:15pm Stewardship Coi	● 6pm Girl Scouts	● 3pm Clothes Closet & H	● 1pm Ihde Shower-FH
● 10:30am Worship Service	● 7pm Boy Scouts	● 6pm Choir Practice		● 6:30pm Christian Ed.		

SPOTLIGHT ON DISCIPLES

Disciples and the Social Gospel (part 1)

Information for this article came from Journey in Faith by Lester G. McAllister and William E. Tucker, pp.284-288.

In the latter part of the 19th century, great wealth stood side by side great poverty in the United States. By 1881, the Federation of Labor had been organized. Labor strikes “precipitated deep bitterness between labor and management.” The church was greatly affected. “The membership of Protestant churches was made up largely of employers, salaried persons, farmers, and those engaged in personal service for such persons, and as a result, naturally had the employer’s viewpoint.” Bitterness between employers and employees erupted into labor strikes. Disciples were not sure what to do about it. On one hand they expressed sympathy for the downtrodden and on the other reacted with intolerance.

Out of the conflict grew a desire “to apply the social teachings of Jesus.” A new theology arose out of sociology. “Disciples leaders and their followers came to believe that the purpose of the church was to work for the redemption of society as well as the saving of the individual.” For a while, the pendulum swung in full favor of the social gospel by some young ministers who preached it with fervency. By the 1890’s, “Disciples preachers in general took the position that the Christian faith should be a balance between a desire to win the individual for Christ and a concern for correcting certain social ills, in that order. . . Reform minded ministers preached challenging sermons on social questions.” A practical result of Disciples interest in social change was the development of institutional churches in several cities. In 1894, for example, one congregation in Iowa “began a ‘night school’ to teach the illiterate and the immigrant such practical subjects as grammar, reading, shorthand, and bookkeeping. By the first decade of the twentieth century the congregation, in addition to its earlier programs, was providing reading rooms, a kindergarten, Bible studies, and a music program.”