

October 8, 2018

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Pastor Appreciation Month WAW Partner It's Coming-Rummage Sale in November

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## **First Christian Church News**

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#### Reflections

Some of our Emporia Disciples Women attended a very inspirational Kansas Women Disciples Retreat this past week. Attending the mid-week retreat were Barb Gimple, Judy Moore, and Janet Lostutter. The weekend retreat found Jaylene Arnett, Sonya Idhe, and Christine Kellum attending. Your pastor, who served as Worship Coordinator, attended both retreats. The theme of the week was "Together, We Are One." Lori Tapia, the first female National Hispanic Pastor of the Obra Hispana for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), was our speaker.

We received lessons on what it means to truly know God, not in just a factual way, but in a spiritual, relational way. As we seek to be in relationship with God, our lives become fuller and richer, not only in understanding, but in the relationships and connections we have with people around us. It is in this personal relationship with God that we find we matter. We are unique individuals who have value in the eyes of God and know that we belong to God, each especially chosen as God's beloved children. Realizing our worth, that we are the living stones of the church, we learn to rely on God and each other's gifts to build and nurture the Body of Christ. Finally, we are branches of the living vine of Christ whose fruit is evidenced in our living efforts to move the church forward. God is always at work within us making it possible for us to grow spiritually and to produce Spiritual Fruit. God, the Master Gardener, fertilizes and tends the garden and harvests the fruit of our lives. We are unique. We are valued. We are God's.

Whenever a person attends a retreat or camp, they come back as changed individuals. The Holy Spirit has moved them from who they were to something new. My prayer is that we each can share what we learned in ways that will make a difference to our continued spiritual transformation as First Christian Church. God is the living God. Jesus is the living Jesus. The Holy Spirit is the living Spirit, moving and living in each one of us. Once we "know" God in a deep relational way, there is no turning back. The abundant life that Jesus promises lies ahead for each one of us. Praise God!

Shalom,

Pastor Lorraíne

## **Upcoming Serving Schedule**

#### October 14, 2018—21st Sun. after Pentecost

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

#### October 21, 2018—22nd Sun. after Pentecost

<u>Candlelighter</u> ~ Mikinzi Simmons <u>Children's Message</u> ~ Nancy LeClear <u>Diaconate</u> ~ Nikki Simmons\*, John Lexow Bonnie Denson <u>Elder</u> ~ Gary Lukert <u>Greeters</u> ~ (N) Marie Harding ~ (S) Mary Volland <u>Nursery</u> ~ Richard Becker <u>Worship Leader</u> ~ George Arnett <u>Children's Church</u> ~Sonya Ihde

#### October 28, 2018—23rd Sun. after Pentecost

<u>Candlelighter</u> ~ Faith Ihde <u>Children's Message</u> ~ Judy Moore <u>Diaconate</u> ~ Richard Becker\*, Laurie Kurzen, Alan & Betty Richardson <u>Elder</u> ~ Marlene Hanson <u>Greeters</u> ~ (N) Tammie McDiffett ~ (S) Joy Wonser <u>Nursery</u> ~ Nicole Dalton <u>Worship Leader</u> ~ Mary Volland <u>Children's Church</u> ~ Jen Dalton

#### November 4, 2018—24th Sun. after Pentecost

<u>Candlelighter</u> ~ Gavin LeClear <u>Children's Message</u> ~ Joy Frevert <u>Diaconate</u> ~ Jake Dalton\*, Joy Wonser Carl & Lana Richardson <u>Elder</u> ~ Robert Chatham <u>Greeters</u> ~ (N) Sonya Ihde (S) Jill McGrath <u>Nursery</u> ~ Briana Becker <u>Worship Leader</u> ~ Nancy LeClear <u>Children's Church</u> ~ Faith Coleman In September we helped **40 families**, consisting of **95 people** with bags of food plus **14 dozen eggs and meat from Abundant Harvest**. Of those 40 families, **16 were new to us.** 



So far in October (Oct. 1 & 2) we have helped **15 families** consisting of **35 people** with food plus **2 dz. eggs.** Of these 15 families, **6 were new to us.** 

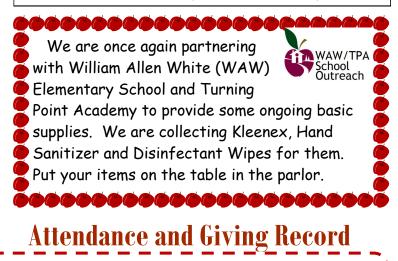
Voices of the people you have helped this month— "Your information has helped us so much in finding assistance here in Emporia. Thank you for helping us."

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); Steve Martin (stem cell cancer treatment); Janice Miller (health issues); Pam Scheve (daughter Jan Jones, health issues); Sharon Shannon (back surgery); Andrea Vandruff (kidney issues); Bob Wayman (knee surgery); & Elizabeth Wells (cancer & recovery).

Eric MacGregor (Military-Deployed)



#### **ATTENDANCE & GIVING RECORD**

<u>September 30, 2018</u> SS 13 / Worship 69 <u>October 7, 2018</u> SS 8 / Worship 51

#### **GIVING RECORD**

Sept. 30, 2018 ~ Offering \$3,334.00 / Building \$210.00

Oct. 7, 2018 ~ Offering \$1,025.10 / Building \$82.00



The Annual Church Rummage Sale is coming <u>Thurs-</u> day, 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 fundraising event. Can we count on you?

Emporia First Christian Church

Thank you Pastor Lorraine

for all you do for

APPRECIATION MONTH

#### Check out the Punography!

I tried to catch some Fog. I mist.

When chemists die, they barium.

Broken pencils are pointless.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.

Class trip to the Coca-Cola factory. I hope there's no pop quiz.



The church's sympathy is extended to the family and friends of <u>Galen Simmons</u>, father of Kent Simmons, grandfather of Parker and Mikinzi Simmons who

passed away Friday, October 5, 2018. Services will be held Thursday, October 11, 2018 at the Elmdale UMC at 10 am.

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Lectionary Readings

#### Lectionary Schedule Sept. 30—Oct. 21, 2018 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)

Job 38:1-7, (34-41) Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45 October 28 Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Psalm 34:108, (19-22) Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 10:46-52 November 4 Ruth 1:1-18 Psalm 146 Hebrews 9:11-14

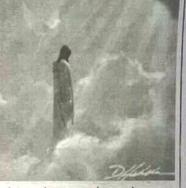
Mark 12:28-34

#### Calling for Gallon Milk Jugs

We are collecting gallon milk or water jugs <u>with lids</u> for a special project. Bring your empty, rinsed gallon jugs and leave in the kitchenette or the office. Thanks.

# **GOD SAID NO!!**

I asked God to take away my habit. God said, No. it is not for me to take away, but for you to give it up. I asked God to make my handicapped child whole. God said, No. his spirit is whole, his body is only temporary. I asked God to grant me patience. God said, No. patience is a byproduct of tribulations; it isn't



granted, it is learned. I asked God to give me happiness. God said, No. i give you blessings; Happiness is up to you. I asked God to spare me pain. God said, No. suffering draws you apart from worldly cares and brings you closer to me. I asked God to make my spirit grow. God said, No. you must grow on your own, but I will prune you to make you fruitful. I asked God for all things that I might enjoy life. God said, No. i will give you life, so that you may enjoy all things. I asked God to help me LOVE others, as much as He loves me. God said...Ahhhh, finally you have the idea.

### THIS DAY IS YOURS DON'T THROW IT AWAY ...



#### We are all 2018 today!

Today the whole world is the same age! Today is a very special day. It happens only once every 1,000 years.

> Your age + your year of birth, every person is = 2018.

### Together We are One - Fall Retreat of Kansas Disciples Women







Disciple Women's Fall Retreat at Camp Tawakoni. Left—Pastor Lorraine with her loom and weavings. Attending from Emporia First Christian Church were Barb Gimple, Janet Lostutter, Judy Moore and Pastor Lorraine on Wednesday, Thursday & the Friday session.



#### Life Touch Photography dates and times are: Thursday, October 18 from 2:00 pm to 8:40 pm Friday, October 19 from 2:00 pm to 8:40 pm and Saturday, October 20 from 10:00 am to 4:40 pm.

Sign up with Rita after church on Sunday for your appointment or give her a call 342-4438 to set up your appointment. Just make sure you are included.



#### Together We are One - KDW Fall Retreat

Disciple Women's Fall Retreat. Left to Right—Sonya Idhe, Pastor Lorraine Bailey, Keynote Speaker Lori Tapia, National Hispanic Pastor-Disciples of Christ Obra Hispana, Christine Kellum and Jaylene Arnett attended the Friday, Saturday, Sunday session at Camp Tawakoni. It was reported to be an enlightening experience for all and a wonderful time of fun and fellowship.

#### **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.



sometimes you have to let go of the picture of what you thought life would be like and learn to find joy in the story you are actually living.

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	8:00 : Anderson Buildin	a.m. to g - Lyo	7th, 2018 o 2:00 p.m. on County Fairgrounds 0, Emporia, KS
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#### October 2018

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KDW Retreat	Newsletter Deadline	• 1:30pm Grief Share	• 9:30am NE KS Clergy-To	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	• 9am Clothes Closet & H
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• 9:30am Sunday School	• 7pm Boy Scouts	• 6pm Choir Practice	• 6:15pm Stewardship Co		3	
• 10:30am Worship Servic			• 6:30pm FCC Family Pror			
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		• 6pm Choir Practice	• 3pm Emporia Place Serv		Lorraine gone-Equip to Le	
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		• 7pm Elders Meeting				

#### Trail Blazers Wear Alen White

#### Community Connections: Buddy Program

William Allen White School Is looking for adult volunteers to eat lunch with a K-5 student once a week or to read with a K-5 student once a week. Each meeting would take approximately 30 minutes. We have severa students in our school who would look forward to having weekly meetings with a "Community Buddy." If you would like to volunteer your time please submit this form Volliam Allen White School. If you have questor please contact the school coursect, rMs. Tabibia Pavlik, at <u>tabibia application</u>

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Your av	vailability:					
1	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	nesday	Thursday	Fri

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon

Kids like to know a little about their new buddy before meeting them. What are 2-3 facts about you that we could share with your buddy? (hobbies, family/pets, favorite food, likes/dislikes etc.)

#### Will You Be A Community Buddy?

We are partnering with William Allen White/Turning Point Academy Elementary School. The school is asking for volunteers to read to a student once a week and/or be a lunch buddy to a student once a week. Each meeting would take approximately 30 minutes. If this is something you would be interested in doing, fill out one of the forms found on the parlor table, or get one from the office and submit it to William Allen White School. The students are looking forward to meeting you.