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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

On-line Bible Study  
Legacy of John Meal  
Our Graduates

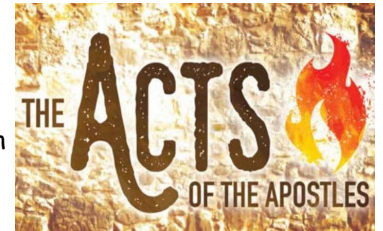
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### Reflections

Dear Friends,

In conjunction with our Leadership and Christian Education Teams, Pastor Lorraine would like to invite you to take part in a new kind of Bible Study beginning June 6, 2019.



This is an on-line Bible study that will be delivered via Google Docs. The first set of conversations will be sent out on June 6 and finish July 11, with one week of conversation following (6 weeks).

Pastor Lorraine will post the scripture, comments, and questions including sources. You will also be able to comment (in real time) and all people receiving the Bible study will be able to see your response and comment as well. It's a Bible study around a virtual table.

You will be able to read and comment anytime, whether it's during the day or in the middle of the night, at an athletic event, in a restaurant, or anywhere. This will allow for rich conversation as we each will have time to ponder the questions asked by either Lorraine or anyone else in the group. We can learn about each other as we relate the scripture to our lives today. This is an intergenerational group—from high schoolers to senior citizens, on-the-go parents to shut-ins and everyone in between.

Lorraine will share comments from commentators, study Bibles, and herself along the way. You are invited to do the same. If you have particular authors or study Bibles that you find helpful in learning about Acts, please feel free to share some of their thoughts. Be sure to include the source so that everyone knows where the thoughts came from. If you don't wish to comment, you can enjoy reading what other people have to say.

We can add pictures, tables, images (such as maps) to our conversation, too.

To sign up by **May 30th**, please respond to this email by clicking "reply" and say, "Yes." Then type in your email address. Your response will go to the church office email and will be kept on file there. Please only reply if you want to take part in the study. For example, Pastor Lorraine would reply, "**Lorraine Bailey. Yes. pastorlorraine@gmail.com.**" You may join the study at any time by contacting the church office.

You can retrieve the new document in your email about once a week. You can also find the Google Docs app in the Google Play Store or in the Apple Store.

We hope that this experimental study will open more people to the scriptures and into more meaningful relationships with each other as we study and learn together.

Sincerely,

Leadership Team, Christian Education Team, Pastor Lorraine

# Upcoming Serving Schedule

## May 26, 2019—6th Sunday of Easter

**Candlelighter** ~ Brayden Dill  
**Children's Message** ~ Lorraine Bailey  
**Diaconate** ~ Carl Headrick\*, Jill McGrath  
 Tammie McDiffett, Nik Roth  
**Elder** ~ Marlene Hanson  
**Greeters** ~ (N) Jim Tilton  
 (S) Melissa Tilton  
**Nursery** ~ Nikki Simmons  
**Worship Leader** ~ Judy Moore

## June 2, 2019—7th Sunday of Easter

**Candlelighter** ~ Kelsey Shull  
**Children's Message** ~ Jaylene Arnett  
**Diaconate** ~ Nikki Simmons\*, John Lexow  
 Bonnie Denson  
**Elder** ~ Robert Chatham  
**Greeters** ~ (N) Richard Becker  
 ~ (S) Lisa Rickbaugh  
**Nursery** ~ Richard Becker  
**Worship Leader** ~ Marlene Hanson

## June 9, 2019—Pentecost

**Outdoor Service at 10:30 a.m.**  
**Hammond Park**  
 Potluck Lunch follows the service

**Children's Message** ~ Nancy LeClear  
**Elder** ~ Jean Miller  
**Worship Leader** ~ Marie Harding

## June 16, 2019—1st Sunday after Pentecost Juneteenth Sunday

**Candlelighter** ~ Faith Ihde  
**Children's Message** ~ Cameron Moore  
**Diaconate** ~ Jake Dalton\*, Joy Wonser  
 Carl & Lana Richardson  
**Elder** ~ Nancy LeClear  
**Greeters** ~ (N) Carl Richardson  
 ~ (S) Lana Richardson  
**Nursery** ~ Briana Becker  
**Worship Leader** ~ Barb Gimple

So far in May we have helped **23 families**, consisting of **56 people** with food, plus **13 dozen eggs** and various miscellaneous donated items. Of those families, **5 were new to us**. Thank you for supporting your food pantry.



**Don Allen** (*tumor*); **Lonnie Atchison** (*cancer*); **Lynn Cress** (*stroke*); **Joe Denison** (*fall & rehab*); **Brooke Franklin** (*cancer*); **Ana Gonzales** (*back problems*); **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*); **Joe Lozier** (*brain tumor, Father of Jen Dalton*); **Steve Martin** (*stem cell cancer treatment*); **Pastor Andrew McHenry & wife Hillary** (*Paradise, CA fire*); **Jeanice Miller** (*sciatic nerve pain*); **Ross Rhoades**; **Pam Scheve** (*daughter Jan Jones, health issues*); **Andrea Vandruff** (*kidney issues*); **Liam Wagner**, (*open heart surgery*); **Bob Wayman** (*hernia surgery & recovery*); **Aubrey Wescott** (*stomach & digestive problems*); **Hilda Wright** (*complications of diabetes, Pastor Lorraine's sister-in-law*); plus those affected by the flooding. **Eric MacGregor** (*Military-Deployed*)





## DISCIPLES CONNECT & EQUIP

*Kansas Disciples Regional Gathering*

9 a.m. Saturday, August 10 - Closing by 3:30 p.m.  
Disciples Center at Tawakoni

### SAVE THE DATE!

Workshops ... Worship ... Food Court ... Swimming ... Archery  
Jones Lodge ground breaking  
KLC Leadership Training and MORE!

## Attendance and Giving Record

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May 12, 2019 SS 15 / Worship 63  
May 19, 2019 SS 17 / Worship 70

### GIVING RECORD

May 12, 2019~Offering \$1,246.60 / Building \$82.00  
 May 19, 2019~Offering \$1,390.00 / Building \$10.00



**May Anniversaries**

- 17 Jeffrey & Vicki Cole
- 24 Kurt & Sheila Steinkuhler

**May Birthdays**

- 15 Jami LeClear
- 16 Slay'tn Davis
- 17 William Calvert
- 20 Jim Siebert
- 23 Brandon Hopkins
- 25 Robert Hush
- 26 Alexa Sunderman
- 27 Robert Wells
- 28 Larry Gamblian
- 28 Nathan LeClear
- 31 Dennis Kelly



**June Birthdays**

- 03 Kurt Steinkuhler
- 04 Gary Lukert
- 04 Harold Stevenson
- 05 Elizabeth Brown
- 07 Bob Colerick
- 10 Jeffrey Cole
- 10 Bonnie Denson
- 11 Tony Milner
- 13 Tyson Frevert
- 13 Jim Tilton
- 14 Sarah Richardson

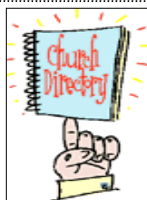


**THOUGHTS TO PONDER**

- Every day will not be good, but there is something good in every day.
- God's delays are not denials.
- It's the little things that make life big.
- Be the labor great or small, do it well or not at all.
- Instead of counting your days, make your days count.
- The difference between heaven and hell isn't the temperature, it's the management.
- God doesn't have a spam folder.

**Mark The Dates**

- Friday's 3-6 pm—Clothes Closet & Household Hut open
- Saturday's from 9—Noon—Clothes Closet and Household Hut
- ~~Thurs. at 6:00 pm Choir practice- Summer break until Aug. 22~~
- Thursday's at 6:30 pm through May 30—Grief Share**
- Thur. May 23—5:00 pm Elders meet  
6:30 pm Grief Share
- Sun. May 26—2:00 pm Presbyterian Manor Services
- Mon. May 27—Memorial Day—Office Closed
- Tue. May 28—6:00 pm Chi Rho Mission Club
- Thur. May 30—4:00 pm Vacation Bible School meeting  
6:30 pm—Last night of Grief Share
- Tue. June 4—5:30 pm Youth Choir practice
- Wed. June 5—3:00 pm Emporia Place Services
- Thur. June 6—On-line Bible Study begins with the Book of Acts
- Sun. June 9—10:30 am Outdoor Worship at Hammond Park with covered dish following services.
- Sat. June 22—Boy Scout Biscuit & Gravy Breakfast in FH
- Sat. June 29—10 am—3 pm Small Groups Workshop at FCC
- Sat. July 20—Wed. July 24, 2019—General Assembly in Des Moines, Iowa
- Aug. 10—9 am to 3:30 pm, Tawakoni; Combine New Vision & KS Leadership Center Training
- Sept. 27-28—5 pm to Noon, Tawakoni; Disciples Men's Retreat
- Sept. 28—7:00 pm, Tawakoni; Men's Odyssey
- Oct. 2-4—Women's Fall Retreat (midweek) at Tawakoni
- Oct. 4-6—Women's Fall Retreat (weekend) at Tawakoni
- Nov. 8-10—Youth Conference, Grades 6-12 at Hutchinson Conference Center



**New Address**

Mary Ginivan  
**Emporia Place Rm. 111**  
**1200 W. 12th Ave.**  
 Emporia, KS 66801



**New e-mail**

John Lexow  
**johnlexow@gmail.com**  
 Please make the changes to your directory.





Lectionary Readings

**Lectionary Schedule**

**June 9—July 7, 2019**

**June 9, 2019—Pentecost Day**

Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9  
 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b  
 Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21  
 John 14:8-17, (25-27)

**June 16, 2019—1st Sun. after Pentecost—Juneteenth Sunday**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31  
 Psalm 8  
 Romans 5:1-5  
 John 16:12-15

**June 23, 2019—2nd Sun. after Pentecost**

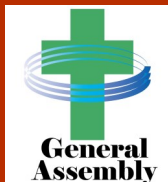
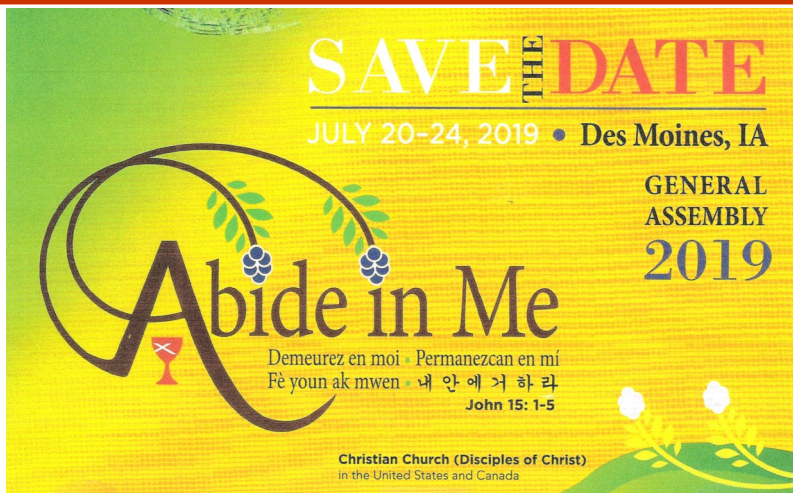
1 Kings 19:1-4 (5-7), 8-15a  
 Psalms 42 and 43  
 Galatians 3:23-29  
 Luke 8:26-39

**June 30, 2019—3rd Sun. after Pentecost**

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14  
 Psalm 77:102, 11-20  
 Galatians 5:1, 13-25  
 Luke 9:51-62

**July 7, 2019—4th Sun. after Pentecost**

2 Kings 5:1-14  
 Psalm 30  
 Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16  
 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20



General Assembly

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

General Assembly is coming! July 20-24: at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines, IA

Join our brothers and sisters in Christ this summer in:

**Worship:** engage in powerful preaching and inspiring music.

**Bible Studies:** to dig into scripture (John 15:1-5).

**Educational Workshops:** for both lay and clergy leaders.

**Luncheons and dinners:** to share in and to learn about ministries and missions of the church.

**Coming together at the Lord's Table:** in worship, luncheons, and dinners.

An Experience for Everyone in our Church Family to Share!



**Grief Share Starting in March**

Have you lost someone close and are going through the grief process? Grief Share is a program designed to help understand and cope with the feeling of loss and grief.

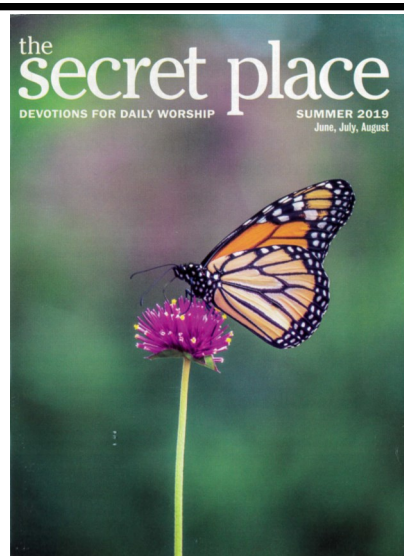
We meet on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the church library and will continue through May 30, 2019.

Nancy Hopper LeClear and Janet Willard Lostutter Facilitators



**Household Hut**

Check out our Clothes Closet and Household Hut. We add new items on a weekly basis and there are some great summer bargains to be found.



**They're Here!  
 On the Hall Table**



**Interested in Electronic Giving?**

Download the free app from the Apple's App Store or Google's Play Store. You are not charged a fee to make donations using the app.

*Save the Date*  
 Saturday, August 24  
 5:30 pm  
 Hillside Christian Church  
 8330 East Douglas, Wichita, KS 67206  
**Legacy of John Benefit Dinner**  
 Kansas Christian Home

**The Acts of the Apostles Bible Study**

Would you rather have a hard (paper) copy instead of the electronic version?

Please call the church office at (620) 342-1582 to request your paper copy. Paper copies will be sent one week after the original posting date to include the conversation.

We suggest that you participate by calling and discussing the material with others who are taking part in the study. We will let you know who is in the group if you wish to do this.

Everyone is encouraged to read the study whether or not you choose to comment.

Thanks for studying and learning with us!

Your Leadership Team,  
 Christian Education Team,  
 and Pastor Lorraine



**Our 2019 FCC Graduates**

**College**

**Clarice Bolen** BS Education ESU  
 Grandfather: Bob Hush Clarice plans to teach.

**Nathan LeClear** PhD in Plant Biology  
 University of Texas, Austin  
 Parents: Michael & Nancy LeClear

**Sarah Richardson** BFA-Painting & Graphic Design ESU  
 Minor in Creative Writing & Art History  
 Parents: Alan & Betty Richardson

**Joe Ruiter** FCC Sub Pianist  
 BM in Trumpet Performance ESU

**High School**

**Cierstin Bolen** Eldorado High School  
 Grandfather: Bob Hush

**Baylee Jordan Booker** Argonia High School  
 Baylee plans to attend Pittsburg State University  
 Grandparents: Carl & Rita Headrick

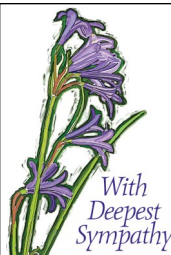
**Cole Corkran** Anchorage High School, AK  
 Grandfather: Bob Hush

**Lauren Corkran** Anchorage High School, AK  
 Grandfather: Bob Hush

**Tionna German** Topeka High School  
 Tionna plans to attend Washington Univ. in St. Louis  
 Majoring in Occupational Therapy.  
 Grandparents: George & Jaylene Arnett

**Middle School (8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition)**

**Brenna Paige Booker** Argonia Junior High School  
 Grandparents: Carl & Rita Headrick



**Sympathy**

The church's sympathy goes out to the family and friends of **Sandy Heller** who entered new life Wednesday, May 8, 2019. Services were held at First Christian Church on Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 11:00 am.

Cremation followed with interment at Highland Park Cemetery in Pittsburg, KS at a later date.

**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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**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**  
**June 3 & 17, 2019**



**May / June 2019**

19	20	21	22	23	24	25
5th Sunday of Easter Graduation Recognition ● 9:30am Sunday Scho ● 10:30am Worship Ser	Newsletter Deadline ● 7pm Boy Scouts		● 5:30pm Facilities Met	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL ● 5pm Elders Meeting ● 6:30pm Grief Share	● 3pm Clothes Closet &	● 9am Clothes Closet &
SUN 26	MON 27	TUE 28	WED 29	THU 30	FRI 31	SAT Jun 1
6th Sunday of Easter ● 9:30am Sunday Scho ● 10:30am Worship Ser ● 2pm Presbyterian Ma	Memorial Day ● 7pm Boy Scouts	● 6pm Chi Rho Mission		● 4pm VBS Meeting ● 6:30pm Grief Share	● 3pm Clothes Closet &	● 9am Clothes Closet &
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7th Sunday of Easter ● 9:30am Sunday Scho ● 10:30am Worship Ser	Newsletter Deadline ● 7pm Boy Scouts	● 5:30pm Youth Choir	● 10:30am Lyon Co. Mij ● 3pm Emporia Place S	● 5pm Leadership Tear	● 3pm Clothes Closet &	● 9am Clothes Closet &
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Pentecost Day ● 10:30am Outdoor Wo ● 11:30am Potluck Lun	● 7pm Boy Scouts	● 6:30pm Christian Ed.	● 9:30am NE KS Clergy ● 6:15pm Stewardship	● 5pm Elder's Study	● 3pm Clothes Closet &	● 9am Clothes Closet &
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1st Sunday after Pente Father's Day ● 9:30am Sunday Scho ● 10:30am Worship Ser	Newsletter Deadline ● 7pm Boy Scouts		● 5pm Worship Ministr ● 6:15pm Board Meetin		● 8:30am CWU Friends ● 3pm Clothes Closet & ● 6pm Set up for Biscu	● 6am BS Troop 157 Bi ● 9am Clothes Closet &

**Spotlight on Disciples**

Information for this article came from Journey in Faith by Lester G. McAllister and William E. Tucker, pp. 392-399.

**New Developments and Institutional Changes (part 2)**

Many changes came about in the 1930's. The now established *Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ* needed to be separated from the UCMS (United Christian Missionary Society) because of legal requirements as well as the National Benevolent Association (NBA). The Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ was established in 1934 as a separate agency. This allowed congregations to provide parsonages to clergy. By 1946, interest-free loans were available to congregations needing them. The Board of Higher Education was created in 1938. During this period much work was done to expand the work of the Division of Christian Education. Christian Youth Fellowship (CYF) and the summer camp program were established. The Disciples Peace Fellowship organized and has served as "a conscience for Disciples on world peace" ever since. Work that was begun in the 1920's on reducing financial appeals to congregations continued. *Unified Promotion* was created and accomplished the task. The creation of the Home and State Missions Planning Council of the Disciples of Christ gave innovative leadership in local church programs and in the home missions program through 1972. The work that was done by many good and hard-working people laid a solid foundation that has strongly held these organizations through the years.