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Reflection

God of love,
 We take time out of our day to stop,
 to light a candle,
 and to pray for Ukraine,
 as we have been for months.
 We continue to pray,
 we pray without ceasing.

We pray for protection.
 We pray for those who have made the ultimate sacrifices:
 for their families,
 for their neighbors.

Our hearts break.

We pray for those who don't know if they should flee,
 or if they should stay,
 it is home after all..

We pray for children being shielded by gunfire in bunkers as teachers continue
 to teach,
 and love,
 and protect.

Holy One,
 We also pray for oppressors.
 We pray for an end to hate,
 for an end to violence.

We KNOW the power of love is far greater than the love of power.
 We KNOW that prayer is an act of love.
 When we don't know what to do,
 how to help,
 how to be present... we pray.
 We will pray,
 and pray,
 and pray some more.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

Join us for Worship

In Person Worship

We are meeting back at the church for worship at 10:40 a.m. on Sundays! We care about the safety of our congregation and have taken many precautions during this time.

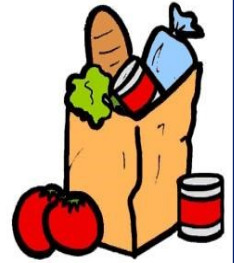
Our protocol has been updated and masks are optional for worship and all church activities. Masks are available should anyone need one. Please continue to social distance and use hand sanitizer.

We have resumed singing during worship. We will continue to use prepackaged communion. We hope to see you Sunday!

At Home Worship on Facebook/Vimeo

Find us on Facebook at **First Christian Church—Disciples of Christ of Emporia, KS.** to join us for worship at 10:40 a.m. on Sundays. Leave a comment on our worship service to let us know you are with us! Find us on Vimeo at **First Christian Church— Emporia.**

During the month of March, the food pantry helped **64 families** with food, plus **various other items**, including **47 doz. eggs**.



Our pantry continues to be a lifeline for those in our community (masks are required).

During this time, we have implemented a no contact method for providing food to the community and have reduced our food pantry hours to Mondays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Church Family Prayer List

Lonnie Atchison

Guy Bacon

Sharon Ball

Wanda Davis

Bonnie & Joe Denson

Brooke Franklin

Joy Frevert

Karen Garnett

Joe Lozier

Jeanice Miller

Pastor Tara's Uncle Mike Brown & Family

Brooklyn Quick- **Jeanice Miller's** Great-Granddaughter

~People of Ukraine~

Upcoming Serving Schedule

March 13, 2022

Elder~ Cameron Moore

Worship Leader~ Marlene Hanson

Young Disciples~ Judy Moore

March 20th, 2022

Elder~ Judy Moore

Worship Leader~ Nancy LeClear

Young Disciples~ Marlene Hanson

Attendance and Giving Record

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February 27th, 2022 ~ SS 16/44 AH & IP Worship

March 6th, 2022 ~ SS 22/54AH & IP Worship

GIVING RECORD

February 27th, 2022 ~Offering \$1,070.00/Building \$5.00/
Special Offering \$300.00

March 6th, 2022~Offering \$1,531.00/Building \$13.00/
Special Offering \$60.00



MARCH
Anniversaries

22 Glenn & Dorothy Boyce

MARCH
Birthdays

10 Sarah Roth
11 Imegene Marsh
21 Nikki Simmons
21 Minkinzi Simmons



Lets celebrate Imegene Marsh by sending her a card for her 100th birthday! You can send a card to 727 Ardundel St. Emporia, KS 66801

Due to spring break, Board has been moved to March 23rd.

Pastor Tara will be out of the office the week of March 14th. If you have any pastoral needs please contact your elder.

Mark The Dates

Until further notice, the method of meeting (In Person, via Zoom, E-mail, etc.) will be determined on a meeting by meeting basis.

Sundays at 9:30am— Sunday School

Sundays at 10:40 am—Worship Service via In Person & Facebook Live (masks optional)

Mondays from 9:00—11:00 am—Food Pantry

Mondays at 7:00 pm— Boy Scouts

Tuesdays at 12:15 pm— Noontime Prayers

Thursdays at 7:00 pm— Facebook Storytime

Fridays from 3:00—6:00 pm—Clothes Closet & Household Hut

Saturdays from 9:00 am—12:00 pm—Clothes Closet (Masks recommended for CC&HH) & Household Hut

Tue. March 8, 2022 2:00pm— Christian Ed. Meeting

Wed. March 9, 2022 10:15am— Lyon Co. Ministerial Alliance

Wed. March 9, 2022 1:30pm— DWF Group

Wed. March 9, 2022 4:00pm— Stewardship Ministry Meets

Thurs. March 10, 2022 10:00am— Lenten Study

Sat. March 12, 2022 8:30am— Elders’ Retreat

Sun. March 13, 2022— Daylight Savings

Thur. March 17, 2022— St. Patrick’s Day

Thurs. March 17, 2022 10:00am— Lenten Study (Via Zoom)

Mon. Mach 21, 2022— Newsletter Deadline

Wed. March 23, 2022 5:15pm— Diaconate Meeting

Wed. March 23, 2022 6:00pm— Board Meeting



Lectionary Schedule
March 13th—April 3rd, 2022

March 13, 2022

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
 Philippians 3:17-4:1
 Luke 13:31-35
 Psalm 27

March 20, 2022

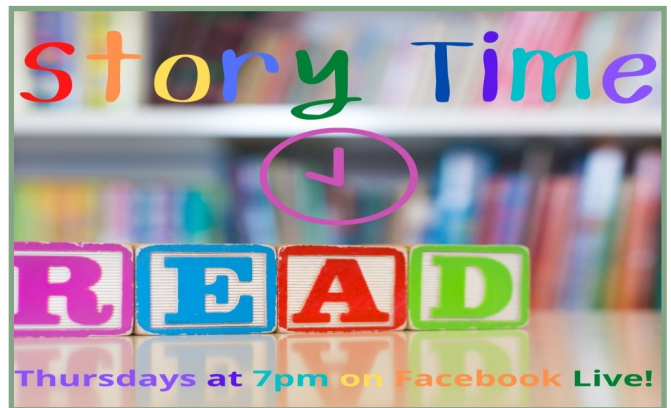
Isaiah 55:1-9
 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
 Luke 13:1-9
 Psalm 63:1-8

March 27, 2022

Joshua 5:9-12
 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
 Psalm 32

April 3, 2022

Isaiah 43:16-21
 Philippians 3:4b-14
 John 12:1-8
 Psalm 126



Family Promise of the Flint Hills is hosting a 5K Fun Run on Saturday March 26, to support and provide resources to families in the Emporia area who are experiencing homelessness.

Registration begins at 8:00 am and the Fun Run begins at 9:00 am!

Register by March 12th to guarantee a t-shirt!





First Christian Church
202 E. 12th Ave.

*Clothes Closet
and
Household
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FRIDAYS, 3-6PM
SATURDAYS, 9AM-12NOON
FACE MASKS ARE
ENCOURAGED!



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Food Pantry

202 E. 12th Ave.
Mondays, 9-11am
Masks are encouraged!!

Helping families in our community!



DWF

DWF is meeting in-person on Wednesday, March 9th. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

2022 KDW SPIRIT FEST

Disciples Women are invited to attend one of three Spirit Fest opportunities this spring. The Bible study will be based on "Micah for You", written by Stephen Um. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at Spirit Fest. Amazon also has the Kindle version of the book available.

Rev. Angéle Saunders Johnson, Executive Director of Disciples Women will provide the keynote address. Angéle previously served as the Minister of Discipleship and Outreach for Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church in Memphis, Tennessee. Her prior experience includes faith-based community organizing, executive pastoral leadership, and serving as Director of Christian Education for New Covenant Christian Church in Nashville, Tennessee.

She will join us by recorded message at Belmont Boulevard Christian Church, Salina, on April 2, and Emporia FCC on April 9 before joining us in person at the April 30 event at Riverside Christian Church in Wichita.

As we have done in the past, our Blessing Box monies will be dedicated during our morning worship. Checks for Blessing Box offering should be made out to Christian Church in Kansas.

If you would like to register please contact the church office.

First Christian Church
Tara Thompson,
Senior 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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Office Hours

Monday- 8:00-11:30 **Tuesday- 8:00-1:00**
Wednesday- 8:00-12:00 **Thursday- 8:00-11:30**
Friday- 8:00-12:00

Next Newsletter Deadline
March 21, 2022 & April 4, 2022



Weekly Events

- Sundays at 9:30am~** Sunday School
- Sundays at 10:40am~** Worship Service
- Monday's from 9:00am~ 11:00am~** Food Pantry
- Mondays at 7:00pm~** Boy Scouts
- Tuesday's at 12:15pm~** Facebook Live Noontime Prayer
- Thursday's at 7:00pm~** Facebook Live Storytime
- Fridays from 3:00pm-6:00pm~** Clothes Closet & Household Hut
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March 9—March 23, 2022

MARCH

Wednesday 9	Thursday 10	Saturday 12	Sunday 13
10:15am~ Lyon Co. Ministerial Alliance 1:30pm~ DWF Group 4:00pm~ Stewardship Ministry Meets	10:00am~ Lenten Study	8:30am~ Elders' Retreat	Daylight Saving
Thursday 17	Monday 21	Wednesday 23	
St. Patrick's Day 🍀 10:00am~ Lenten Study (Via Zoom)	Newsletter Deadline	5:15pm~ Diaconate Meeting 6:00pm~ Board Meeting	



SUMMER CAMP

Summer church camps give children and youth the chance to encounter God through nature, solitude, and a Christian community to build leaders for today and tomorrow.

Visit our [Disciples Center at Tawakoni](#) website for full details about our facility including our [Summer Camp Frequently Asked Questions](#) page.

2022 Summer Camp Schedule:

The CCK Outdoor Ministries team has six, age-appropriate, camp sessions and three specialty camps are planned for the 2022 Summer Camp Season. This year's theme, "What's in a Name," will explore the power and meanings we apply to names and how God equips us to care for others.

Camp Leadership Volunteers:

Our camp program and ministries depend on hundreds of volunteer hours to be successful. From lifeguards, challenge course facilitators, and group game and activity instructors to directors, chaplains, and counselors to nurses and maintenance workers, it takes us all.