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Reflection

It is hard to believe that schools will be on break for summer vacation in just a few short days. The days are longer. The pools are opening. The smell of barbecue grills fills the neighborhoods. While I always loved summer growing up, I also missed the structure of school and seeing my friends. I know some of our youth here at the church feel the same way, which is why I am hoping to rectify that a little bit.

I am excited to share that I am beginning Which Way Wednesdays this summer for our youth, grades 6-12th. Each Wednesday beginning June 8th, we will go somewhere different for lunch and do something fun like painting pottery or go carts or the movies. More details will be forthcoming, but I hope our youth will make plans to join me for Which Way Wednesdays this summer! If you would like to help me and serve as a sponsor for these outings, please let me know.

Grace and Peace,
Tara

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.

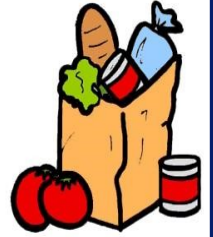
Our protocol has been updated and masks are optional for worship and all church activities. Masks are available should anyone need one. Please continue to social distance and use hand sanitizer.

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 May, the food pantry helped **130 families** with food, plus **various other items**, including **29 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

Sharon Ball's Grandson

Lea Beers

Marilyn Dalton

Wanda Davis

Bonnie & Joe Denson

Brooke Franklin

Novella Merry

Jeanice Miller

Jacob Ramirez Son of Sonya Ihde

Schneider Family, **Janet Lostutter's** Cousin's Family

David Smith, **Jeanice Miller's** Cousin

Scott Thomas

Dee Thompson

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

~People of Ukraine~

Upcoming Serving Schedule

May 22nd, 2022

Elder~ Jaylene Arnett

Worship Leader~ Cameron Moore

Young Disciples~ Nancy LeClear

May 29th, 2022

Elder~ Nancy LeClear

Worship Leader~ Marie Harding

Young Disciples~ Marlene Hanson

Attendance and Giving Record

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May 8th, 2022 ~ SS 22/ 51 AH & IP Worship

May 15th, 2022 ~ SS 12/ 36 AH & IP Worship

GIVING RECORD

May 8th 2022 ~Offering 1,186.00/Building \$20.00/
Special Offering. \$10.00

May 15th, 2022~Offering \$2,210.00



Birthdays and Anniversaries

May
ANNIVERSARIES

24 Kurt & Shelia Steinkuhler

May
BIRTHDAYS

23 Brandon Hopkins
25 Robert Hush
27 Robert Wells
28 Larry Gamblian
28 Nathan LeClear
31 Dennis Kelly
31 Lucy Steyer

Did you know?!

The primary purpose of the Pastoral Relations Committee (PRC) of First Christian Church is to serve as the liaison between the minister and the Congregation. If you have any questions, concerns, or joys to share regarding the ministries, and minister, of FCC please share with someone on the PRC.

Marie Harding, Chair
Tara Thompson, Minister

Jaylene Arnett
Carl Headrick
Cameron Moore
Judy Moore

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 (masks optional) & Facebook Live

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

Thurs. May 19, 2022 4:00pm— Elders Meeting/Study

Tue. May 24, 2022 10:00am— Romans Study

Mon. May 30, 2022— Memorial Day (Office Closed)

Mon. May 30, 2022— Newsletter Deadline

Tue. May 31, 2022 10:00am— Romans Study

DWF

The DWF group will not meet during June and July. We will begin meeting again the second Wednesday of August which is the 10th at noon in the church parlor for a Salad luncheon covered dish. We encourage all women to attend even if you have not been before for friendship, a few laughs and an enjoyable time. Don't know what to bring don't worry about it. Your friendship and attendance is more important to us.

Lectionary Schedule
May 22nd, 2022—June 12th, 2022

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Acts 16:9-15
 Revelation 21:10
 John 5:1-9
 Psalm 67

May 29th, 2022

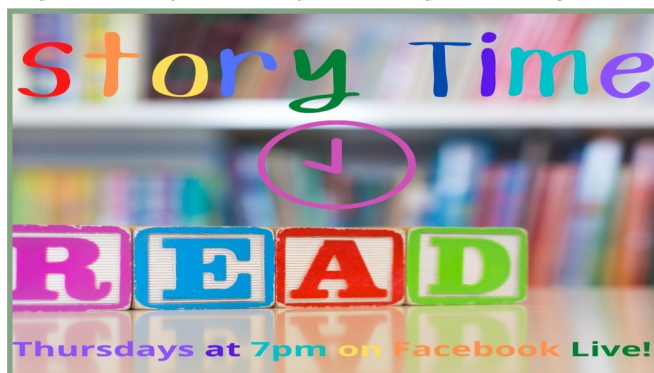
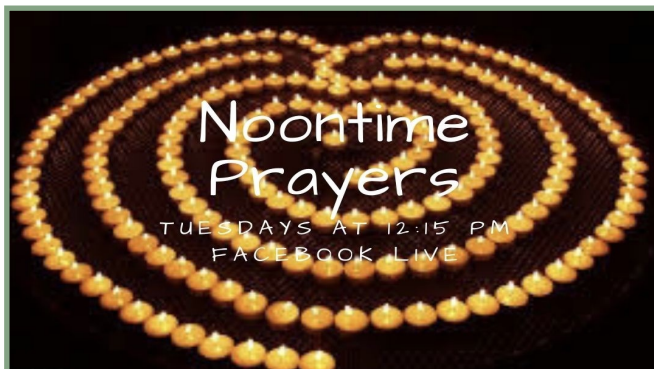
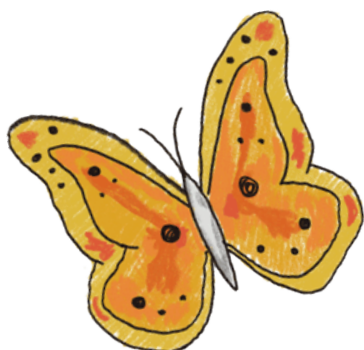
Acts 16:16-34
 Revelation 22:12-14
 John 14:23-29
 Psalm 97

June 5th, 2022

Acts 2:1-21
 Romans 8:14-17
 John 14:8-17, (25-27)

June 12th, 2022

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



Family Promise of the Flint Hills is in need of some items for their amazing new space! Please check out their Amazon wish list and other needs. This organization does amazing things for our community! If you need help getting items to Family Promise, just let us know!

With us moving into the apartments, we will need help furnishing them with the following items:

- Bunk beds or twin beds
- Twin bed sheets and blankets
- Couches
- Loveseats
- Recliners/chairs
- Small Dining Tables with chairs
- Cleaning supplies
- Size 5 & 6 diapers
- Conditioner (no shampoo)
- Women's deodorant

Our 2022 Graduates

College

Rachel Aranda is graduating from KSU with a degree in interior design. Rachel is the daughter of Amy & Oscar Aranda. Granddaughter of Barb & Glenn Gimple.

Baylee Jordan Booker is graduating from Pittsburgh State University with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Education. Her major is in Early Childhood Unified Birth-Grade 3. Baylee already has a job as a preschool teacher in Baxter Springs. She is the daughter of proud parents Wendy & Matthew Booker Granddaughter of Carl & Rita Headrick

High School

Allison Arment is graduating from Hiawatha High School. She will attend KSU and major in Agriculture Education. She is the daughter of Valerie & Darrin Arment. She is the granddaughter of Jean Miller.

Orion Turner is graduating from Emporia High School. Orion is our church pianist. While in high school, Orion was very involved in the music theatre department. After graduation, Orion will be attending Oklahoma City University where he plans on majoring in music theatre & vocal performance. Orion is the son of Alaska & Matthew Turner.

Middle School


Jaiden Kurzen is graduating 8th grade from Emporia Middle School. Jaiden is very involved in all sports. Jaiden is the son of Laurie & Chad Kurzen. Grandson of Carolyn & David Meierhoff.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH


Food Pantry

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

Helping families in our community!




First Christian Church
202 E. 12th Ave.




Clothes Closet and Household Hut

FRIDAYS, 3-6PM
SATURDAYS, 9AM-12NOON
FACE MASKS ARE ENCOURAGED!



JUNE 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
						
27	28	29	30			



WHICH WAY WEDNESDAYS

JUNE 8TH- Emporia Zoo and El Lorrilo

JUNE 15TH- THE ALLEY IN WICHITA

JUNE 22ND- POTTERY PAINTING AND GRAVEL CITY ROASTERS

JUNE 29TH- MAZE EVENT AND WAHLBURGERS- KC.

JULY 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		Chicken N Pickle				
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
		The End				



Which Way Wednesdays

JULY 6TH- BREAK FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

JULY 13TH- PECKLE IN THE PARK AND GAMES

JULY 20TH- CHICKEN N PICKLE IN WICHITA

JULY 27TH- END OF SUMMER PARTY AT THE CHURCH



Adoption Celebration

A long and challenging journey came to an end on April 15th when Tara and Ian officially became a family. Join us for an adoption party honoring Tara and Ian in the church parlor following worship on Sunday, May 22nd. Bring your favorite children's book to share with them.

Love makes a family



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"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."

Office Hours

Monday- 8:00-12:00

Tuesday- 8:00-12:00

Wednesday- 8:00-12:00

Thursday- 8:00-12:00

Friday- 8:00-12:00

Next Newsletter Deadline

May 30, 2022 & June 13, 2022



May 19—May 31, 2022

Weekly Events

Sundays at 9:30am~ Sunday School

Sundays at 10:40am~ Worship Service

Monday's from 9:00am-11:00am~ Food Pantry

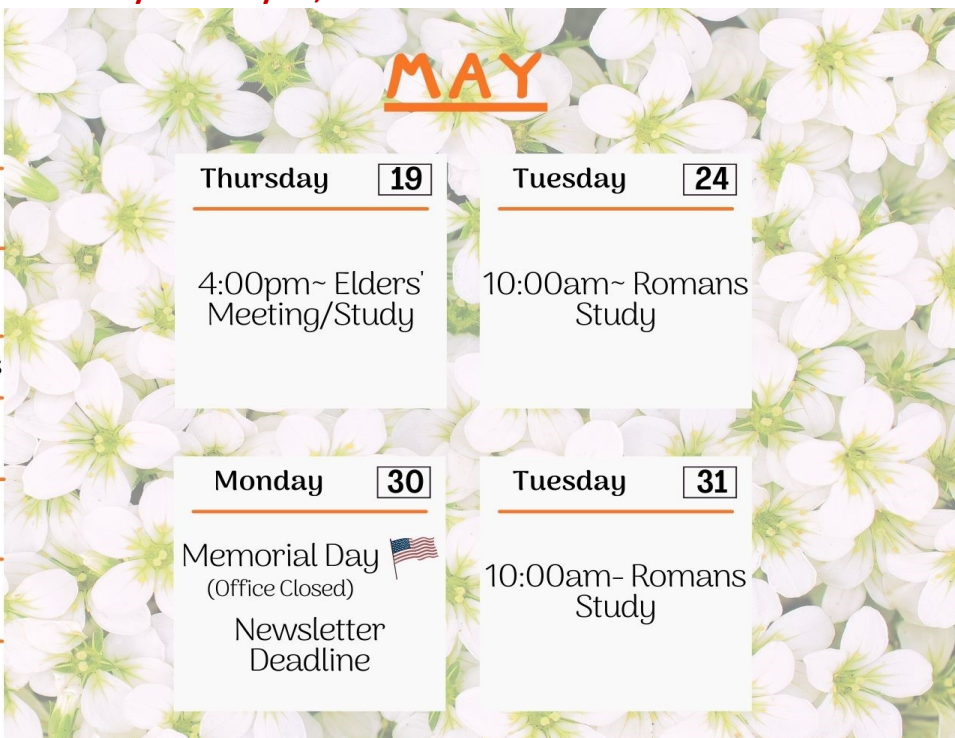
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Saturdays from 9:00am-12:00pm~ Clothes Closet & Household Hut



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