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# First Christian Church News

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### Reflection

School supplies are out in the stores. Teachers and staff have reported back to our schools. The kids are enjoying the last few days of summer. This was a summer many have longed for the past few years, as activities opened back up and travel resumed following the pandemic. It might have been a busy summer for you, or a laid back one. Whatever the case was, not only is it time to get back to school; but it is also time to come back to church after a busy summer.

We invite you to a Back to Church on Sunday, August 21st as we celebrate those kids being promoted to a new class, as well as have a Backpack Blessing. All children/youth are invited to bring their backpacks for the special Backpack Blessing. Wherever your journeys have taken you; we invite you to come home to your church family. We hope you will join us on Sunday, August 21st.

Blessings,  
Pastor Tara

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**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.

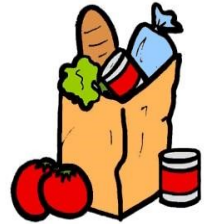
Our protocol has been updated and masks are optional for worship and all church activities. Masks are available should anyone need one. Please continue to social distance and use hand sanitizer.

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 August, the food pantry helped **65 families** with food, plus **various other items**, including **5 doz. Eggs**, and **10 Girl Scout Cookies**.



Our pantry continues to be a lifeline for those in our community.

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** Sister & Brother & Nephew

Bob Brewer

Marilyn Dalton

**Wanda Davis**

**Bonnie & Joe Denson**

**Joy Frevert**

**Joy Frevert's** Friend

**Anita Imhoff**

**Novella Merry**

Jennifer & Michael

**Jeanice Miller**

Jacob Ramirez Son of Sonya Ihde

**Dee Thompson & Bill Simpson**

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

~People of Ukraine~

~People of Uvalde~

~FCC as we search for a new minister~

**Upcoming Serving Schedule**

**August 14th, 2022**

**Elder**~ Janece Bacon

**Worship Leader**~ Nancy LeClear

**Young Disciples**~ Marie Harding

**August 21, 2022**

**Elder**~ Marie Harding

**Worship Leader**~ Janece Bacon

**Young Disciples**~ Judy Moore

**Attendance and Giving Record**

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July 31st, 2022 ~ SS 11/44 AH & IP Worship

August 7th, 2022 ~ SS 2/38 AH & IP Worship

**GIVING RECORD**

July 31st, 2022 ~Offering \$2,575.00/ Building \$130.00

August 7th, 2022~Offering \$2,416.00/ Building \$20.00



**AUGUST**  
Anniversaries

31 Dave & Carolyn Meierhoff

**AUGUST**  
Birthdays

10 Owen Tyler Hopkins  
 12 Dee Holmes  
 14 Wade Miller  
 15 Novella Merry  
 16 Carol Hopkins  
 20 Ed Dalton  
 23 Doris Baird  
 23 Nicole Dalton



### 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
- 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
- Wed. Aug. 10, 2022 12:00pm— DWF Group (Salad Luncheon)
- Thus. Aug. 11, 2022 4:00pm—Elders’ Meeting/Study
- Wed. Aug. 17, 2022 6:00pm—Board Meeting
- Sun. Aug. 21, 2022— Promotion Sunday
- Sun. Aug. 21, 2022—Backpack Blessing
- Mon. Aug. 22, 2022—Newsletter Deadline



**Novella Merry is turning 99 on August 15, 2022.** Her family would appreciate friends from FCC to send a card to Novella at **Sunset Manor, Rm 16; 128 S. Pearson Ave.; Waverly, KS 66871**

### Did you know?!

Did you know we have an Endowment Fund at the Christian Church Foundation?! By giving to our endowment fund, you are contributing to the ministries of FCC Emporia for years to come.

**Lectionary Schedule  
August 14th, 2022—  
September 11th, 2022**

**August 14th, 2022**

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20  
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16  
Luke 12:32-40  
Psalm 33:12-22

**August 21st, 2022**

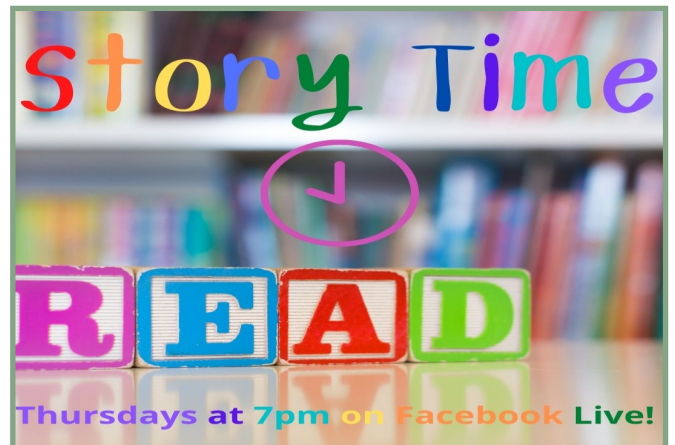
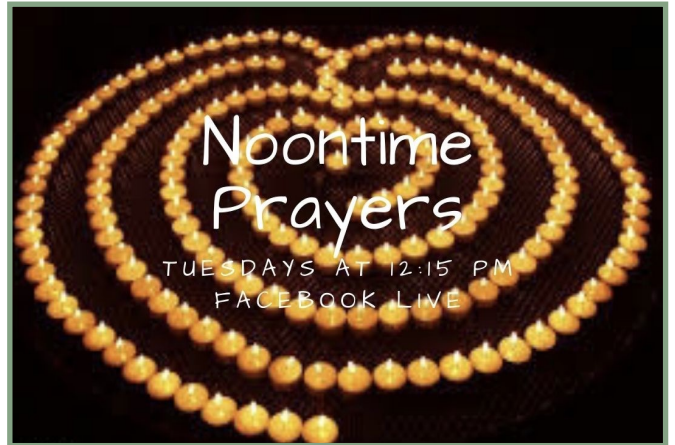
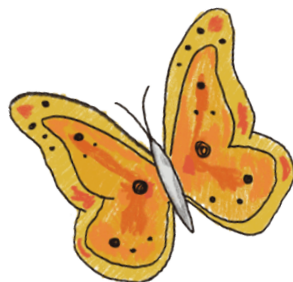
Jeremiah 1:4-10  
Hebrews 12:18-29  
Luke 13:10-17  
Psalm 103:1-8

**August 28th, 2022**

Jeremiah 2:4-13  
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16  
Luke 14:1, 7-14  
Psalm 112

**September 11th, 2022**

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28  
1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10  
Psalm 51:1-10



Food Pantry Needs

- 16 oz Jar Peanut Butter \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 oz Can Fruits \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 oz Can Vegetables \_\_\_\_\_
- Saltine Crackers \_\_\_\_\_
- Ramen Noodles \_\_\_\_\_
- Toilet Paper \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 oz Can Tuna & Chicken \_\_\_\_\_
- Mac N Cheese \_\_\_\_\_
- Soup \_\_\_\_\_
- Pork N Beans \_\_\_\_\_
- Instant Oatmeal Packets \_\_\_\_\_

With the rising cost of food our food pantry needs some help. This is a list of the items in the bags we give out. Donations of any of these items would be very **helpful!** This is a **continuing need** and your help is greatly appreciated!

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

# Food Pantry

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

Helping families in our community!

202 E. 12th Ave.

## Clothes Closet and Household Hut

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

### DWF SALAD LUNCHEON

Wednesday  
August 10th  
12 Noon

### Children and Youth Sunday School Classes

<p><b>Nursery (Infant-age 2)</b> 9:30-10:25am Church Nursery Teachers: Michaela and Rachel (Nursery attendants)</p>	<p><b>Pre-school (PreK-Kindergarten)</b> 9:30-10:25am Church Nursery Teachers: Rita Headrick or Sonya Hilde</p>
<p><b>Love Station (Grades 1-5)</b> 9:30-10:25am 2nd room on south side of top floor Teachers: Lisa Rickabaugh or Nik Roth</p>	<p><b>Youth Class (Grades 6-10)</b> 9:30-10:25am Basement behind stage Teacher: Pastor Tara Thompson</p>

**According to Church Covid Policy all persons over 2 will wear masks.**

### Outreach Notes

Time for school to start and Outreach will be collecting for William Allan White School again this year.

Items needed at this time are:

- Kleenex
- White board markers.

Our table will be at the back of the sanctuary starting Thursday.

~Outreach



### Did you know?

Did you know that just by using your Dillons Plus Card you are giving money to support our Food Pantry through the Dillons Community Rewards Program? If you have not registered your card for the Dillons Community Rewards Program, please contact Pastor Tara and she can help you get it set up!

## First Christian Church

Tara Thompson,  
Senior Minister

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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

August 22, 2022 & September 5th, 2022



August 11—August 122, 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

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

## AUGUST

Thursday **11**

4:00pm~ Elders' Meeting/Study

Wednesday **17**

6:00pm~ Board Meeting

Sunday **21**

Promotion Sunday  
Backpack Blessing

Monday **22**

Newsletter Deadline

## LET'S BEE CHURCH' – REGISTER FOR DISCIPLES WOMEN FALL RETREATS

Registration for the Fall Kansas Disciples Women retreat is now open. **Register for the midweek (Oct. 5-7) retreat online here** or **register for the weekend (Oct. 7-9) retreat here**. A downloadable copy of the registration form here to mail in your registration.

If you can't make it for the full retreat, a partial retreat registration is also available. The keynote speaker for retreat is the Rev. Christian Watkins, Executive Director/Campus Pastor at Ecumenical Campus Ministry, Kansas State University.

This year's theme is "Let's BEE Church and Make a Difference!" The Retreat Committee, chaired by Jeanette Hammond, North Heights CC, Wichita, has a full schedule of events planned. Workshops will get you thinking about how to BEE more aware of those around us and BEE the women we are called to be!

Registration cost is \$85 for the full retreat before Sept. 15 (\$100 after Sept 15) or \$50 for the partial retreat before Sept. 15 (\$60 after Sept 15).