



First Christian Church News

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Reflection

Quoting from the book *Disciples, Who We Are & What Holds Us Together*, authors Michael Kinnamon and Jan Linn state “There is so much we appreciate about this community called Disciples, including:

- The central place we, Disciples, give to the Lord’s Supper, and our insistence that, since it is Christ’s table, it is not up to us to decide who is welcome at it;
- How this church, in the words of one of its historians, is “an experiment in liberty,” bound not by hierarchy or creed, but by a covenant of mutual accountability and the simple confession that Jesus is the Christ;
- The place of honor that lay leaders have among Disciples, and the importance we give to scripture, but also human intelligence, when attempting to discern God’s will;
- Our practice of believer’s baptism which emphasizes the decision of discipleship each person must make for him/herself, coupled with the affirmation that persons baptized in other ways in other churches are also members of Christ’s one body;
- How, at our best, we strive to be bold in our proclamation that God was in Christ, acting to reconcile people to God and to one another (2 Cor. 5:16-20), yet humble in our recognition that we are not the only Christians or God’s only people.

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.

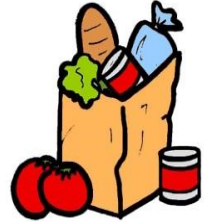
Our protocol has been updated and masks are optional for worship and all church activities. Masks are available should anyone need one. Please continue to social distance and use hand sanitizer.

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 September, the food pantry helped **131 families** with food, plus **various other items**, including **8 doz. Eggs**,



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

George Arnett

Sharon Ball's Family.

Bob Brewer

Marilyn Dalton

Joy Frevert

Joy Frevert's Friend

Friends and Family of Tammie McDiffett

Anita Imhoff

Jennifer & Michael

Jeanice Miller

Jacob Ramirez Son of Sonya Ihde

Dee Thompson & Bill Simpson

Brooklyn Quick, Jeanice Miller's Great-Granddaughter

~FCC as we search for a new minister~

Upcoming Serving Schedule

September 25th, 2022

Elder~ Janis Thogmartin

Worship Leader~ Barb Gimple

Young Disciples~ Barb Gimple

Presiding Elder: Jaylene Arnett

October 2nd, 2022

Elder~ Jaylene Arnett

Worship Leader~ Judy Moore

Young Disciples~ Marie Harding

Presiding Elder: Marlene Hanson

Attendance and Giving Record

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August 28th, 2022 ~ SS 13/47 AH & IP Worship

September 4th, 2022 ~ SS 12/42 AH & IP Worship

September 11th, 2022 ~ SS 10/40 AH & IP Worship

September 18th, 2022 ~ SS 12/32 AH & IP Worship

GIVING RECORD

Aug. 28th, 2022 ~ Offering \$1,305.00/ Building \$20.00

Sept. 4th, 2022~ Offering \$1,161.00

Sept. 11th, 2022~ Offering \$1,070.00/ Building \$20.00/
Special Offering \$10.00

Sept. 18th, 2022~ Offering \$1,040.00/Spec. Offering \$65.00



Birthdays and Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER
Anniversaries

30 Lane & Shelby Fuller

SEPTEMBER
Birthdays

23 Joe Denson
 24 Glenn Boyce
 24 Karen Shumate
 26 Jeanice Miller
 27 Justin Wilson
 28 Alberta Brinkman

OCTOBER
Birthdays

01 Richard Becker

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

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. Sept. 21, 2022 6:00pm—Board Meeting

Tue. Sept. 27, 2022 10:00am—Romans Study

Oct. 3, 2022—Newsletter Deadline

Oct. 4, 2022 10:00am—Romans Study



Volunteers Needed!

First Christian Church is looking for volunteers on Sundays to help run the sound and PowerPoint for the church service. Training is available.

Please call 620-342-1582 or email fccoffices@yahoo.com if interested!

-Thank You



And the peace of God,
 which surpasses
 all understanding,
 will guard your hearts
 and your minds
 in Christ Jesus.

☞ Philippians 4:7, ESV ☞

Lectionary Schedule September 25th, 2022— October 16th, 2022

September 25th, 2022

Jeremiah 32:1-3a
1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31
Psalm 146

October 2nd, 2022

Lamentations 1:1-6
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10
Psalm 37:1-9

October 9th, 2022

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19
Psalm 111

October 16th, 2022

Jeremiah 31:27-34
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8
Psalm 121



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!

CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

<p>NURSERY (Infant-Age 2)</p> <p>➤ 9:30am-10:25am</p> <p>➤ Church Nursery</p>	<p>PRE-SCHOOL (PreK-Kindergarten)</p> <p>➤ 9:30am-10:25am</p> <p>➤ Church Nursery</p>
<p>LOVE STATION (Grades 1-5)</p> <p>➤ 9:30am-10:25am</p> <p>➤ 2nd Room on South Side of Top Floor</p>	<p>YOUTH CLASS (Grades 6-10)</p> <p>➤ 9:30am-10:25am</p> <p>➤ Basement Behind Stage</p>

A Year Of PROMISE



Dinner & Silent Auction

to benefit
Family Promise of the Flint Hills

September 24th

5:30-7:30pm

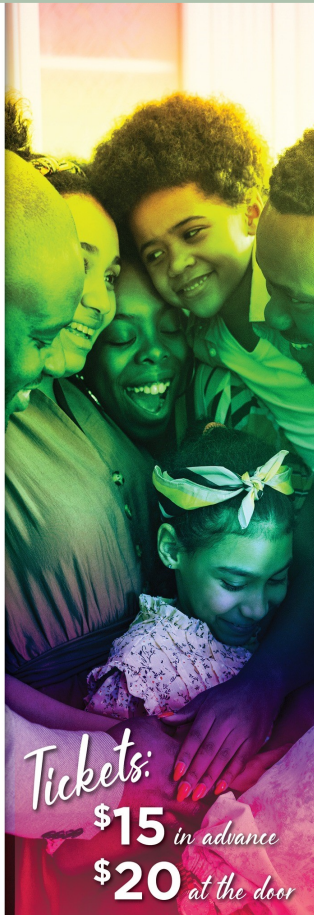
First United
Methodist Church

823 Merchant St. • Emporia, KS

LOADED baked potato bar,
sides and dessert (To-go boxes available!)

Silent Auction ("Like" the Family Promise of the
Flint Hills Facebook page for more details on advance bidding)

Our Executive Director will be sharing about the
successes of our first year of helping families
experiencing homelessness in the community!



Tickets:
\$15 in advance
\$20 at the door

WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY

WE WILL BE GLAD TO SEE YOU!

DWF MEETING IN PERSON OCTOBER 12TH 1:30 PM

To purchase tickets, call the office (620-208-7774)
or contact one of the following board members:
Bev Long, Joan Kloppenberg, Kathryn Martin, Kristi Roemer, Amanda Gutierrez, Kathy Herrera



From Your Pastoral Search Committee:

- We continue to meet and have communication with Rev Tom Stanley, Co-Regional Minister. His support and prayers are greatly appreciated.
- We have received a few more names of candidates for interim minister.
- We reviewed the profiles and determined which to interview.
- We have nothing new to report at the time this newsletter is being prepared.
- Your continued prayers are appreciated throughout this process.

Marie Harding, Chair

Team members: Diana Solis, Secretary; Marilyn Dalton; Joy Frevert; Barb Gimple; Marie Harding; Carl Headrick; and Janis Thogmartin.



Summing up: Be agreeable, be sympathetic, be loving, be compassionate, be humble. That goes for all of you, no exceptions. No retaliation. No sharp-tongued sarcasm. Instead, bless—that's your job, to bless. You'll be a blessing and also get a blessing.
— 1 Peter 3:8-12 The Message

First Christian Church

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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

October 3rd 2022 & October 17th, 2022



September 21—October 4th, 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

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

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*Even through troubled waters
God is with you*
Isaiah 43:2

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

Wednesday **21**

6:00pm~ Board Meeting

Tuesday **27**

10:00am~ Romans Study

Monday **3**

Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday **4**

10:00am~ Romans Study

'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!