



First Christian Church News

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Reflection

ATTENTION ALL!

This coming Sunday, March 12, 2023 at 3:00 pm

“Town Hall” meeting in the Parlor

Update from the Transition Team!

All are encouraged to attend

Important information will be shared by the Transition Team and an open forum for all.

Town Hall meetings were very helpful in the past and seem appropriate again.

Thanks for your attendance and participation in this next important part of our transition time.

From the Transition Team. . . .

Energy Assessment Results:

First, thanks again to the 27 of you who completed, signed and turned in the form. It was something new and different but important to try to determine the energy level of the people of the congregation. It was not scientifically accurate but provided information for us to assimilate and evaluate.

27 of 80 responded

17 Items, events or activities we have been or are doing that respondents indicated could be dropped

142 items, events or activities that respondents indicated should be kept

Only 18 respondents indicated they would help/participate – 2 indicated unable to help anymore

From the above information, you can make your own assessment of the interest and energy level of the congregation.

Transition Team: Barb Gimple, Marie Harding, Carl Headrick, Janet Lostutter, Jean Miller, Judy Moore

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Join us for Worship
In Person Worship

We are meeting at the church for worship at 10:40 a.m. on Sunday mornings! We are using pre-packaged communion. We hope to see you Sunday!

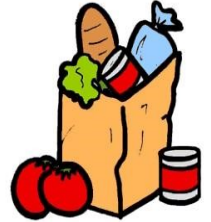
At Home Worship on Facebook/Vimeo



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 **72 families** with food, plus **various other items**, including **2 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

Mark Davis, **Marilyn Dalton's** Cousin

Joy Frevert's Friend

Glenn Gimple

Dick Hubert

Marla, Friend of **Anita's**

Max- **Janece Bacon's** Brother

Jennifer & Michael

Jeanice Miller, Kenny Miller

Jacob Ramirez Son of Sonya Ihde

JoAnn Rincon, Friend of **Marilyn Dalton**

Dee Thompson & Bill Simpson

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

~The church as we go through the transition process with Pastor Dale Matherly~

Upcoming Serving Schedule

March 12th, 2023

Elder~ Marlene Hanson

Worship Leader~ Jean Miller

March 19th, 2023

Elder~ Jaylene Arnett

Worship Leader~ Marie Harding

Attendance and Giving Record

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February 26th, 2023 ~ SS 14/41 AH & IP Worship

March 5th, 2023 ~ SS 10/36 AH & IP Worship

GIVING RECORD

Feb. 26th, 2023 ~ Offering \$3,375.00.00

March 5th, 2023 ~ Offering \$1,405.00/ Building \$8.00



MARCH
Anniversaries

22 Glenn & Dorothy Boyce

MARCH
Birthdays

10 Sarah Roth
 11 Imegene Marsh
 21 Nikki Simmons
 21 Mikinzi Simmons
 30 Adam Hines
 31 Mary Volland

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

Mark The Dates

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 & Household Hut

March 8 2023 1:30pm—DWF Group

March 8 2023 4:00pm—Stewardship Meeting

March 10 2023 12:15pm—LCMA Soup Luncheon (First Christian Church)

March 12 2023—Daylight Saving Times

March 12 2023 3:00pm—Town Hall Meeting

March 13 2023 11:00am—Lenten Study (Honoring the Body)

March 15 2023 6:00pm—Board Meeting

March 17 2023—St. Patrick’s Day

March 17 2023 12:15pm—LCMA Soup Luncheon (St. Mark’s Lutheran Church)

March 20 2023—Newsletter Deadline

March 20 2023 11:00am—Lenten Study (Saying Yes, Saying No)

Lectionary Schedule March 12th, 2023—April 2nd, 2023

March 12th, 2023

Exodus 17:1-7
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-42
Psalm 95

March 19th, 2023

1 Samuel 16:1-13
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41
Psalm 23

March 26th, 2023

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45
Psalm 130

April 2nd, 2023

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 27:11-54
Psalm 31"9-16



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!

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>

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!

LCMA LENTEN SOUP LUNCHEONS

Fridays in Lent is 12:15pm to 12:45pm. Devotional begins at 12:30pm and last no more than 10 minutes. Ministers signed up to provide the devotional and congregation provides the soup luncheon

MAR 10 FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

MAR 17 ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAR 24 EMPORIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MAR 31 ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



LENTEN STUDY

Practicing Our Faith
FCC Emporia Lenten Study
Mondays, 11:00am

- March 13th~ Honoring the Body
- March 20th ~ Saying Yes, Saying No
- March 27th ~ Dying Well
- April 3rd ~ Forgiveness

Thank You!

Thank you to
Flinthills Mall for
donating to our
food party!

First Christian Church

202 East 12th Avenue

620-342-1582 Church Office

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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

March 20th, 2023 & April 3rd, 2023



March 10th—March 20th, 2023

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

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

*Even through troubled waters
God is with you*

Isaiah 43:2

MARCH

Friday 10 12:15pm ~ LCMA Lenten Soup Luncheon (First Christian Church)	Sunday 12 3:00pm ~ Town Hall Meeting	Monday 13 11:00am ~ Lenten Study (Honoring the Body)
Wednesday 15 6:00pm ~ Board Meeting	Friday 17 12:15pm ~ LCMA Lenten Soup Luncheon (St. Mark's Lutheran Church)	Monday 20 Newsletter Deadline 11:00am ~ Lenten Study (Saying Yes, Saying No)

MATTHEW 5:1-12

Blessed
ARE THE ().

2023 REGIONAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT

SPIRITUAL RETREAT

The 2023 retreat will explore attitudes Being which define what it means to live in God's Kingdom. Matthew 5:1-12 will be contemplated from different Biblical, cultural and experiential perspectives.

We are excited to gather this year on April 22 at Topeka West Side and May 6 at Wichita Woodridge Christian Church as women of faith for Spirit Fest 2023.

Susan Hill, Hutchinson Park Place Christian Church, and Spirit Fest Coordinator has put together a wonderful day that will focus on keeping our faith anchored in Christ..