



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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Chalice Communicator

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Minister: Pastor Tracy Siegman

Music Director: Rachel Eve Davis

Moderator: Larry Steele

Elders: Roger Byrd
Linda Lombard
Dave Lombard
Dorice Perkins
Karen Powers
Martin Schaefer
Marilyn Strong
Cliff Thompson

SEE YOU SUNDAYS:

Adult Sunday School – 9:15
Young Adult and Children’s
Sunday School – 9:45
Worship – 10:30 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesdays -Choir Practice 6:00 PM

05/21 Budgets Due
05/28 Board Mtg.
06/07 Esther/Rebekah Circle 1PM
06/12 CWF Picnic @ Marilyn
Chamberlain home 6:30 PM
06/18 Father’s Day
06/18 Board Mtg.
06/19 Elder’s Mtg. 7 PM

STATISTICS:

Date	Attendance	Offering
05/14/17	81	\$1,355.00
05/07/17	91	\$3,753.00
04/30/17	67	\$1,984.00
04/23/17	50	\$1,681.00
Coins for Camp		\$109.67
Easter		\$75.00

The word that keeps coming to my mind is welcome when I think of you. As I said on my first Sunday, you are living into your vision statement that says you seek to be a community where all are welcome. I want to thank all of you who have welcomed me and Mo Mo, my dog. Now, I ask you for a little more welcome – please welcome me to meet with you in some personal time.

I’m sure many of you are curious to know more about me and I want to get to know you. I’d like to have some time to sit down with you to talk about you, your family and your faith. Please call me and invite me to a time when we can chat that’s convenient for you. I’ve accepted some invitations for next week and have had the opportunity to meet with others, but there are many of you with whom I’d still like to have some time. You can call or text me at (217) 710-9292, email me at tracy.siegman@gmail.com or FB message me.

Sincerely,

Pastor T

OHIO REGION NEWS

Our Regional Moderator, Tom Stephenson, is issuing regular communiqués regarding the Ohio Region. These are being distributed internally to all current members of FCC-Middletown. Those who have email will receive these via your email. For those who do not have email, there will be a few printed copies in the Narthex for you to pick up.

Larry Steele-Moderator



Summer is coming! Check out the dates for Summer Camp. Applications are available in the Narthex. The church pays half of what was the Early Bird registrations fee.

Grandparents Camp -June 2 & 3

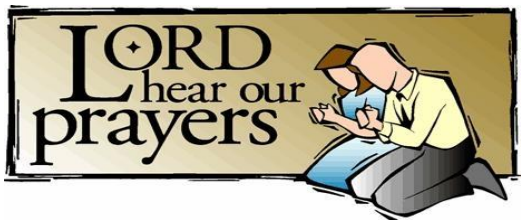
Otter Junior Camp – June 18-24

Ribbit Junior Camp – July 5-8

Chi Rho- June 4-10, July 9-15, or July 23-29

CYF- June 11-17, June 25-July 1, or July 16-22.

Advance Conference - July 30 - August 6



Prayer List:

Health: Edna Bartlett, Alayne Caudill, Ivis Caudill, Amy Cockerham, Briana Cuellar, Chuck Deaton, Maryjo Deaton, Wanda Deaton, Tommy Efker, Elliott Feltner, Troy French, Pauline Ginter, Barbara Gray, Jean Greathouse, Jack Gully, Bruce Henderson, Sara Hoelle, Diane Kinkade, Harry Little, Esther Saxbury, Bob Selby, Betty Stacy, Rev. Don Steffy, Guy Stone, Betty Vaughn, Dominic Watkins

Our Home-Bound: Kathleen Chamberlain, Elisabeth Lemmert, Janet O'Neal, Sue Whitt, and Leah May Wideman.

Others: Children and teachers, the homeless, heroin epidemic, racism, and all human rights, our Country, war, violence, S.H.A.L.O.M, our church, our congregation and our church leaders.

THANK YOU

Dear Friends at First Christian Church

Thank you so very much for the very special reception and send-off that you gave to Nik last Sunday. I was so very surprised with the lovely orchid that you gave me. It has been placed in our family room so we can enjoy its beauty all the time.

Even though I have not been able to be with you very much, I really do appreciate all the kindness and generosity that you have given to Nik during his time with you.

We will continue to have you in our thoughts and prayers as you begin this exciting time with your new pastor.

Again, thank you for the beautiful orchid. I will cherish and try to take very good care of it.

With fond memories,
Eunice Donges

CWF NEWS FOR MAY

CWF collected and dedicated our Blessing Boxes on Sunday, May 14th. If you were unable to be with us that Sunday, you may give your Blessing Box money to our treasurer, Angie Otis.

Hannah Circle will have a meeting after church on Sunday June 4th. Also, if you are not presently attending a circle, you are invited to attend.

CWF participates in the Kroger Community Rewards program. Every three months we receive a check from Kroger based on the purchases of those in our congregation who are already signed up for the program. If you would like your Community Rewards points to go to our church, you may go to their website, [kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com), and request that First Christian, Middletown (organization #81221) be the recipient of your rewards points.

On June 12th, CWF will have a carry-in picnic at the home of Marilyn Chamberlain in Monroe. Meat will be furnished. Circle members may call Dorice Perkins, Betty Stacy, Mary Back, or Crystal Watson and inform them of the covered dish they will bring. We will gather at 6:00 and have dinner at 6:30 that evening.

OUTREACH NEWS



Food Pantry Donations Needed

Our April collection of nonperishable food items for distribution by the Salvation Army Foodbank weighed 95 pounds. It was really appreciated and will go to those in need. Perhaps we will even beat that with our May collection!

Please don't forget our "Sunday of Giving" on the third Sunday each month when we remember our coins for camp and food donations.

HOSPICE CARE OF MIDDLETOWN


























Hospice Care of Middletown, The Woodlands of Middletown and Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio will be having a caregiver resource group beginning Tuesday, June 20th. The group will meet every 3rd Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:00 at The Woodlands of Middletown, 3000 McGee Ave. (2nd floor activity room). If questions, contact Careline at (513) 869-4483.

On Tuesday, June 20th from 6:30-8:00 there will be a presentation titled "The Caregiver's Challenge: Taking Care While Giving Care". Come receive support with the challenges of caregiving and gain valuable information on community resources. Caregivers will receive encouragement in the struggle to maintain balance and tips for taking care while giving care.



***INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR
PASTOR TRACY SIEGMAN***



<div> <div>May/June, 2017</div> <div>  -Birthdays! </div> </div>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		May 16	17  Leigha Blevins  Choir Practice!	18	19	20
21  Marilyn Chamberlain Marilyn Strong Budgets Due 	22	23	24  Choir Practice!	25	26  Allison Byrd	27
28  Ginger Alley Board Mtg. 	29 	30	31  Choir practice!	June 1	2  Connor Thompson	3
4	5	6	7 Esther/Rebekah 1PM choir practice 	8	9	10
11	12  Ethan Otis  CWF Picnic @ Marilyn Chamberlain's home 6 PM	13  Adam Blevins	14  Mary Back  Choir Practice!	15  Angie Otis	16	17
18  Board Mtg. <hr/> 25  Jean Greathouse ANNUAL MTG.	19 Elder's Mtg. 7 PM <hr/> 26  Helen Dennis	20 <hr/> 27  Kaitlyn Thompson	21  Cathy Treadway Choir Practice! <hr/> 28 Choir Practice	22 <hr/> 29	23 <hr/> 30  Matt Lyons	24 <hr/>

