



First Christian Church

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# Chalice Communicator

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**Elders:** Sharon Amburgey  
Roger Byrd  
Dave Lombard  
Matt Lyons  
Dorice Perkins  
Karen Powers  
Martin Schaefer  
Guy Stone  
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  
08/20 Hannah Circle (after church@  
El Rancho Grande  
08/21 Elder/Board Mtg. 7 PM  
08/27 Membership Committee mtg.  
following church  
09/06 Esther/ Rebekah 1 PM  
09/10 “Pie the Pastor”  
09/11 Sarah Circle 7 PM  
09/18 Elder/Board Mtg. 7 PM

## STATISTICS:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
08/13/17	65	\$1,824.00
08/06/17	63	\$1,729.00
07/30/17	58	\$1,158.00
07/23/17	58	\$2,808.85



Who wants Bible study? Everyone, right! I’ve had requests for a study on the Apostle Paul’s life and writings and a request for a study on the Holy Spirit. I need to know who is interested in attending Bible study. There will be slips of paper on the table in the Narthex for you to complete to let me know if you’re interested. You can place them in the offering plate over the next couple weeks for me to receive – if you can’t make it to church next week, you can text or e-mail me your interest.

### What I want to know is:

- **What interests you?** Please let me know if there is a topic or book of the Bible you want to study. Or, let me know if you’re interested in a book club.

- **How committed do you want to be?** We can do the traditional style of meeting every week. I like to offer options for people with busy lives. We could do short-term studies - a study of 5 weeks then have a few weeks off then do a study of 4 weeks. Another option is a flexible study that doesn’t build week to week so you can come one week then skip 2 and not be lost.

- **When do you want to meet?** Please let me know if you want to meet in the mornings, afternoons or evenings and if Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday are best for you.

I’ll review who’s interested in what and when. Then, I’ll plan a Bible study for a time when there is the most interest and availability. Your input will help my planning.

You’ll only be getting one e-mail this week from the office. As the “Tracy Talks” becomes more of a supplement to the newsletter, it will be published the weeks opposite the week of the newsletter.

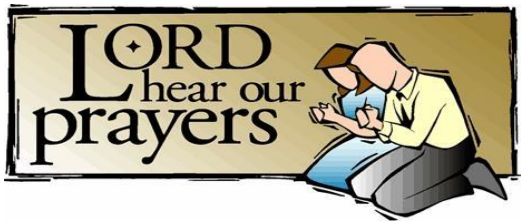
Sharing your love of God’s Word,

Pastor T

## WELCOME

We welcome Nancy Milton on rededicating her life to Christ and professing her love of Christ and the church.





### **Prayer List:**

**Health:** Ken Amburgey, Edna Bartlett, Alayne Caudill, Ivis Caudill, Amy Cockerham, Briana Cuellar, Chuck Deaton, Maryjo Deaton, Wanda Deaton, Troy French, Pauline Ginter, Barbara Gray, Jack Gully, Helen Hall, Bruce Henderson, Sara Hoelle, Diane Kinkade, Harry Little, Bill Poynter, Esther Saxbury, Bob Selby, Betty Stacy, Rev. Don Steffy, Betty Vaughn.

**Our Home-Bound:** Kathleen Chamberlain, Jean Greathouse, 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 FCC Congregation,  
Thank you so much for your expression of sympathy with cards and prayers upon the death of my mother, Zona Courey. Thank you for attending her Celebration of Life service. My family and I appreciate your kind hugs and thoughts.  
In Christian Love,  
Paulette McCandless

I have all new (never used) bedside commode, shower chair, and toilet seat topper to sell. If interested, please call Paulette McCandless. (513-424-1700) Thank you

Dear Friends,  
Thank you very much for your recent \$300 donation to WHIIMS. We are blessed to have your organization supporting our mission of helping local women with their many medical needs.  
With Sincere Gratitude,  
Pat Dupps, President

## **MOST RECENT PRAYER REQUESTS: CONCERNS**

Bill and Linda Poynter as Bill continues receiving care in the Atrium Medical Center. Janice Kash and her brother, Bob Selby, as he continues to be under Hospice care in New Mexico. Ivis Caudill as he is scheduled for a final review with the transplant team this week. Karen Powers requested prayers for Ginger Powers, as she is recovering from brain surgery. Several in our congregation requested prayers for Ed Rudder as he is undergoing chemo treatments. Angie Otis asked for prayers for Angie Wright. Angie was in a motorcycle accident and is hospitalized. Brenda Gulley shared that her brother, Jack, is scheduled for a PET scan this week and is in need of prayers. Martin Schaefer asked that we keep John Wells and his wife in prayer as she is in a fight against cancer. Frances Hollan asked for prayers for a co-worker, Danille, who recently lost her grandfather. Debbie Wells said MaryJo is undergoing radiation treatments. She asked that we pray for MaryJo and Chuck Deaton. Nancy Milton said her sister, Susan Lauth, is beginning chemo treatments and prayers are appreciated. **JOYS** Rick and Cathy

Treadway are seeing prayers being answered in their two year old grandson who had an allergic reaction to an antibiotic. Little Grayson is showing some improvement with his health. We also learned that Rev. Don Steffy transferred from his hospital stay to Doverwood Village. He is looking forward to seeing visitors.

## **OUTREACH**

We are collecting used ink cartridges which we recycle through Staples and in turn, are able to purchase office supplies for the Church. If you have any cartridges to donate, please drop them in the receptacle by the coatrack near the restrooms.

We are also collecting used medicine containers which will be donated to the Senior Center in Middletown. They may be dropped off in the receptacle in the same area.

## **CWF NEWS**

We wish to thank Hannah Circle for putting together the Rummage Sale and Bake Sale on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Thanks also to the men for the luncheon and to all who donated items to the Bake Sale and who worked that day.

CWF prepared a funeral luncheon for the family of Peggy Campbell on July 26<sup>th</sup>. We thank all who donated food items and who prepared the meal.

Hannah Circle will meet after church on August 20<sup>th</sup> to plan their meetings for this year. Sarah Circle will meet at church on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm and Esther-Rebekah Circle will meet at church on Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00.

## **PIE THE PASTOR**



In supporting Pastor Tracy's creative ways of helping those within our community, we selected the month of August to make a huge push for donations to our food pantry. The non-perishable items will then be given to the Salvation Army. Pastor Tracy volunteered to participate in a "Pie the Pastor Day" if we reach 200 lbs. of donations in August. If we reach 300 lbs., we will get to "Pie" Martin and if we reach 400 lbs., we get to include Larry Steele.

For every 2 items donated, you may have your name placed in a drawing which will determine who gets to throw the pies we provide. We will be collecting donations all month. Please let Sharon Amburgey know how many items you contributed so she can give you tickets to place in our drawing. If you prefer not to throw a pie, please still consider bringing in items to help with our food drive. This is a new event for Outreach and "Pie the Pastor Day" will take place after church on September 10<sup>th</sup>. In addition to tossing special pies at our volunteers, the congregation is invited to have a piece of yummy pie to enjoy (desert first) prior to the pie tossing.

Your support of Outreach is always appreciated!

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Member ship Committee will meet after service on Sunday August 27<sup>th</sup>. Any current members or anyone who would like to share their ideas for future membership projects please join us. You can contact me at [cwatson1228@gmail.com](mailto:cwatson1228@gmail.com) or (513) 478-9471 for any details or questions. I would like to also welcome our newest committee member Matt Thomas! I am excited to reach out to the community and let them know our doors are open!

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## **OUTREACH SUPPORTING HOPE HOUSE**

# August/September, 2017

 -Birthdays!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		August 15	16  Travis Fowler   Choir Practice!	17  Guy Stone	18	19
20  HANNAH CIRCLE (Following church @ El Rancho Grande)	21  Seth Treadway  ELDER & BOARD MTG. 7 PM	22	23   Choir Practice!	24	25	26
27  Helen Hall Doug Cockerham Karen Thompson  MEMBERSHIP MTG. FOLLOWING CHURCH	28  Cliff Thompson	29	30  Esther Saxbury  	31	September 1  Frances Hollan	2
3	4  Libby Benson  	5  Landon Lovin	6  JoAnn Grimes  Esther/Rebekah 1PM @church  choir practice 	7	8	9  Emily Farkas Spears
10 "PIE THE PASTOR" DAY 	11	12	13   Choir Practice!	14	15	16
17  ----- 24	18  ELDER & BOARD MTG. 7 PM  ----- 25	19  ----- 26	20  Choir Practice!  ----- 27  Heather Hardewig Choir Practice	21  ----- 28  Lora Schueller	22  ----- 29	23  ----- 30

# ***RUMMAGE SALE***

***What a great success!***

***August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017***

Success! The Rummage Sale was a great success. We estimate 300 people entered our doors. Great fellowship, great volunteers and generous patrons helped to make our 1st Annual Sale a great event. In all we raised \$1067. Thanks to everyone for all their hard work. Hannah Circle will meet after service on Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup> at El Rancho Grande for a luncheon meeting/celebration. All volunteers are invited to join the group.



Dorice and Brenda greeting shoppers



Cliff helping with outside sales



Crystal and Monica



Matt and Martin preparing lunch



Shoppers browsing



Gail and Travis selling "Grab Bags"



Enjoying a delicious lunch

