



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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Moderator: Larry Chamberlain

Elders: Sharon Amburgey
Roger Byrd
Dave Lombard
Matt Lyons
Dorice Perkins
Karen Powers
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:

Tuesdays- Bible Study 7 PM
Wednesdays- Bible Study 2 PM
06/24 Annual Congregational Meeting
06/30 Camp Christian Clean-up Day
07/01 Begins People’s Choice
07/10 Hope House Luncheon
07/23 Elder’s Mtg. 7 PM
08/04 Rummage Sale
08/19 Razor’s Edge during worship

STATISTICS:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
06/17/18	50	\$ 510.00
06/10/18	56	\$2,635.98
06/03/18	51	\$2,265.00
05/27/18	52	\$1,193.00
05/20/18	42	\$1,089.00
Pentecost		\$285.00

Tuesday, June 19th marks the 8th anniversary of my ordination to the vocation of Christian ministry. I still remember the sanctuary full of friends and family, professors, mentors and colleagues. I remember the weight of the hands laid upon me during the act of ordination. I felt so prepared for ministry having recently graduating from seminary and accepting my first call to ministry.

That was 8 years ago – in many ways the time has passed quickly. And, over that time, I have learned far more than I did in seminary. There is so much to teach to prepare students for ministry and so much we have to learn on the job. There are things they tell us to prepare for that we can’t ever really prepare for. There are things that they say can happen that we can’t believe ever would, until we experience it for ourselves. There are moments of profound joy and moments of great sorrow.

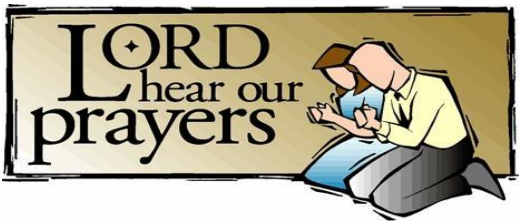
This past year with you, too has passed quickly. You are in some ways similar to the other churches I’ve served; yet, you are very unique. You are lovely, gracious and generous people. I’ve learned with you things I hadn’t in seminary and things I hadn’t learned from other congregations. I’ve experienced things I hadn’t been prepared, but should have expected. I’ve experienced things I couldn’t believe. I’ve had great joys and immense sorrow. I’m sure those feelings will be a rollercoaster through the summer.

Pastor Tracy

CWF NEWS

All ladies of the church are invited to join us for lunch after church on Sunday, June 24th, at the Olive Garden Restaurant. We can carpool from church if any are interested in doing this.

We are working on getting ready for the Annual Rummage Sale on August 4th. We will schedule a workday or two in the near future to sort out items which have been donated.



Prayer List:

Health: Paul Campbell, Allannah Caudill, Brenda Gully, Barbara Gray, Diane Kinkade, Dorice Perkins, Guy Stone,

Special Needs: Edna Bartlett, Jean Greathouse, Helen Hall, Janet O’Neal, Sue Whitt.

Others: Caregivers, children and teachers, the homeless, heroin epidemic, racism, and all human rights, our Country, war, violence, our church, our congregation and our church leaders.

Cards may be sent to
Dorice Perkins
Mt. Pleasant
225 Britton Lane Room 114
Monroe, Ohio 45050

THANKS

With a grateful heart, I want to thank everyone that supported my family as my father finished his journey to Heaven. I know we are loved by the way everyone took charge and made sure we were taken care of every step of the way. His service was beautiful and just the way he would have wanted it. Thanks to all that made it possible.

Ivis Caudill’s grateful daughter,
Frances Hollan

Dear First Christian,

On behalf of my family, we want to thank you for all the beautiful Sympathy cards and your expression of love. Harry passed April 20th. It goes to show that love is never lost.

Hazel Graham and family



OUTREACH

We recently delivered 80 pounds of cereal and other nonperishable food items to the Salvation Army. Our thanks to all who helped make this possible. We asked what the biggest needs are this month and were told there is a great need for paper products, tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and bar soap. If you can help with any of these items, please place them in the blue tub in the Narthex.

On June 12th, representatives from Outreach once again prepared lunch for the residents of the Hope House Women's and Children's Center.

We continue to collect used medicine bottles which are donated to the senior center and forwarded to third world countries.

We also collect used ink cartridges and receive rewards from Staples which help offset some of our office expenses. In order to participate in this program, we must purchase a minimum of \$30 in ink every six months. If anyone is preparing to purchase ink and would consider tying this into the Church's reward account, please talk to Sharon Amburgey. Our six months has expired so we are out of the program until another purchase is made.

Sharon Amburgey and Linda Poynter, Outreach Co-chairs

PEACE INTERN CARE PACKAGES

Disciples Peace Fellowship has 3 volunteer Peace Interns every summer. The Peace Interns spend the summer traveling across the country to Disciples camps. They each have their own schedule so the program can cover as many camps as possible. The Peace Interns volunteer as camp counselors for the week. They have another important job. They speak to young people about issues of justice and peace.

I've signed us up to send care packages to 2 of the Peace Interns this summer. They will be mailed to the camp they will be at in mid-July.

Y'all are invited to help fill the packages. There is a table in the Narthex with slips of paper on it. The slips of paper have ideas for things to include in the care package. Most of them are already taken. If you took a slip and are going to get that item for the packages, please return those items on or before July 8th. You can leave the items on the table or on my desk.

If you didn't get a slip of paper, but would like to contribute, we need \$20 for postage or some raffia paper stuffing. Or, if you have an idea of something fun to include, go for it.

Let Pastor Tracy or Matt Thomas know if you have any questions.



UPCOMING EVENTS

CAMP CHRISTIAN

First Christian will be going to Camp Christian on Saturday, June 30th. We will meet at the church at 7:45 AM. We will need to get on the road by 8:00 and arrive at Camp Christian around 10:00. We will be helping with cleaning of cabins and bathrooms and mowing the lawn at camp. There is a sign-up sheet on the Narthex Table. We need to show up in a big way as there is a lot of work to do. I also ask that you please bring your breakfast with you to church (including coffee and juice) and a sack lunch. Any questions, please see Matt Thomas.

RUMMAGE SALE

It's that time of year again folks! First Christian second annual rummage sale event will be held on August 4, 2018 between the hours of 8 AM and 2 PM. If you have items that need to be transported to the church that you are unable to bring, please contact Larry Chamberlain or Larry Steele. We look forward to another successful event.

GOSPEL FEST

Kettering Health Network will present the 5th annual GospelFest on August 19th at the Frazee Pavilion in Kettering. This free community concert will feature award-winning artist, Natalie Grant.

FYI:

Property has located a key for the lock on the outside door of Memorial Room on the wall next to the door, if anyone should need it. The door is also connected to our security system.

Last Sunday Barbara Ingram came forward to rededicate her life to Christ. Thank you to Barbara for the gift in memory of her mother, Wanda Buede. The lovely wind chime is a beautiful addition to our new landscape.



A reception was held for Rachael Eve 's final Sunday with us. We wish her best of luck in her further endeavors.



June/July, 2018



Birthdays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<div>June 19</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div> <div></div>	<div>20</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div> <div></div>	<div>21</div> <div></div> <div>Cathy Treadway</div>	<div>22</div>	<div>23</div>
<div>24</div>	<div>25</div> <div></div> <div>Jean Greathouse</div>	<div>26</div> <div></div> <div>Helen Dennis</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div>	<div>27</div> <div></div> <div>Kaitlyn Thompson</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div>	<div>28</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div> <div></div> <div>Matt Lyons</div> <div>Camp Christian Clean-up Day Meet @ Church @ 7:45AM</div>
<div>July 1</div> <div></div> <div>Renee Lyons</div>	<div>2</div>	<div>3</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div> <div></div>	<div>5</div> <div></div> <div>Larry Back</div>	<div>6</div> <div></div> <div>Natalie Byrd Karen Powers</div>	<div>7</div> <div></div> <div>Kelsey Byrd</div>
<div>8</div>	<div>9</div>	<div>10</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div> <div>Hope House Lunch</div>	<div>11</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div> <div></div>	<div>12</div> <div></div> <div>Sharon Smith JoAnn Hoelle</div>	<div>13</div>	<div>14</div>
<div>15</div> <div></div> <div>Paulette McCandless</div>	<div>16</div>	<div>17</div> <div></div> <div>Don Dixon</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div>	<div>19</div>	<div>20</div> <div></div> <div>Zola McClish</div>	<div>21</div> <div></div> <div>Helen Morgan</div>
<div>22</div> <div></div> <div>Peggy Burgess</div> <div>-----</div> <div>29</div>	<div>23</div> <div>Elder Meeting 7 PM</div> <div>-----</div> <div>30</div>	<div>24</div> <div></div> <div>Myranda Holland</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div> <div>-----</div> <div>31</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div> <div></div>	<div>26</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div> <div></div> <div>Pastor Tracy</div>

