



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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# Chalice Communicator

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**Minister:** Pastor Tracy Siegman

**Music Director:** Michael Hefner

**Moderator:** Larry Chamberlain

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

Tuesdays- Bible Study 7 PM  
Wednesdays- Bible Study 2 PM  
07/28, 07/29 Rummage Sale Set-up  
08/03 Evening Rummage Sale set-up  
08/03 - 08/05 Back to school - tax  
free weekend  
08/04 Rummage Sale 8AM-2PM  
08/14 Hope House lunch  
08/19 Razor’s Edge during worship  
08/27 Board Meeting  
09/16 Family Movie Day

## STATISTICS:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
07/15/18	39	\$2,139.63
07/08/18	50	\$1,317.25
07/01/18	42	\$2,266.00
06/24/18	59	\$3,555.00

## Coins for Camp

March - \$47.24    April - \$52.83  
May - \$64.42    June - \$55.50  
July - \$63.30

As we prepare for our next journey, there are some things that I think might helpful. There are things I've appreciated, that your next minister may not. I want to share with you a couple things you may consider when meeting and greeting your next pastor.

I change my hair a lot, so I often receive comments about my hair. Sometimes I receive comments about my shoes or jewelry. The reason I wear a robe is to avoid comments about my clothing or body shape. Generally, comments about one's appearance or what one is wearing may not be appreciated as a compliment.

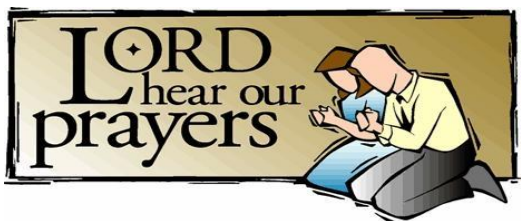
You all are a hugging congregation. I'm a hugger. I love to give and receive hugs. Not everyone feels comfortable with hugging or may prefer a sidearm hug or an arm around the shoulder instead, you will figure this out with your next Pastor.

Sometimes, people who aren't good with names will call another by a term of endearment such as honey or dear which might not always be taken as such. As you get to know your new pastor, pastor will do. Getting off on the right foot with a new pastor includes showing that you are willing to learn their preferences for appropriate contact, compliments, and name. Ask if s/he would prefer to be called Rev or Pastor.

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## An Elder Moment

Elders, we will be meeting with Rev. Richardson, our Regional Interim Minister on Friday July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. Our Moderator will be joining us for this meeting. Please mark your calendars.



### ***Prayer List:***

***Health:*** Paul Campbell, Alayne Caudill, Helen Dennis, Brenda Gully, Barbara Gray, Diane Kinkade, Dorice Perkins, Sharon Smith, 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, S.H.A.L.O.M, our church, our congregation and our church leaders.

## ***PRAYER REQUEST***

Dear friends of SHALOM Homeless,

It has been brought to our attention that Pastor Jim Anderson (Christian Enterprise Baptist Church) is scheduled for heart surgery today. We would like to request that you please take time to lift Jim, Peggy and the entire family in prayer at this time.

Pastor Anderson and Christian Enterprise Baptist are a part of the SHALOM family and any and all prayers would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support,

Bill  
SHALOM Homeless

## ***FINANCE NEWS***

Offering envelopes and quarterly statements are on the table in the narthex. If you cannot find envelopes with your name on them, please contact Marilyn Chamberlain and I will get some for you.

## ***OUTREACH***

The Outreach Team provided lunch for the residents of the Hope House Women's and Children's Center in July. The carry-in was greatly appreciated since their kitchen was out of service and heavily damaged by a sewer backup. We were very appreciative of having Erica Gray, the niece of one of our volunteers, help with the meal. She is a student at Fenwick and volunteered to assist with some of our Outreach programs.

We began collecting paper products, tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and bar soap for the Salvation Army. It was decided to continue with these items through the end of this month. If you would like to help with these donations, please place items in the blue tub in the Narthex.

## ***CWF NEWS***

CWF and the Membership Commission invite everyone to stay after church on Sunday to help with Rummage Sale set-up. After a short church Board Meeting, the Board members will also be joining us. We will have sandwiches, chips, a veggie tray, and dessert for lunch also. Our task for this day will be moving items from the hallway and the classrooms, sorting, and pricing items. This next Sunday we will have sign-up sheets for Rummage Sale workers, Bake Sale and Kitchen helpers. The hours for the sale are 8:00 am until 2:00 pm on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. The evening before the sale, we will also have a set-up time of approximately 5:00 until 7:00 pm.

Sarah Circle is collecting school supplies which we will bundle and sell at the Rummage Sale. The following items are needed: packages of #2 pencils, bar erasers, Crayola markers, 2 pocket plastic or regular folders, 24-count crayons, glue sticks, dry erase markers, soft-sided zippered pencil pouches, 1-subject spiral notebooks, scissors, and highlighters. These items can be brought and put in the office or in the marked blue tub in the narthex. Your favorite grocery or discount store will have several of these items on sale at this time of year.

## ***FCC DRIVE-THRU SIGN***

Trustees and Property are in the process of obtaining quotes to repair/replace our lighted sign on the front lawn. We are looking at fixing it as it was and of the possibility of obtaining a digital sign. Just to replace is \$9,551.00 (from orig. Mfr). Our insurance will cover all but \$1,000 of this cost. Going digital will be much more expensive but we have not made that decision yet. As going digital could run as high as \$17,500.00, financing is a major concern.



## ***SAVE THE DATE!***

Membership Committee is doing Movie Day on Sunday, September 16th with dinner at 5:00 PM and Movie will start at 5:45. We will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and the fixes to go with that. Bring a covered side dish and your own pop or tea. The movie we will be showing is I Can Only Imagine.

Growing up in Greenville, Texas, Bart Millard suffers physical and emotional abuse at the hands of his father, Arthur. When Arthur becomes terminally ill, he finds redemption by embracing his faith and rediscovering his love for his son. Years later, Bart's troubled childhood and mended relationship with his dad inspires him to write the hit song "I Can Only Imagine" as singer of the Christian band MercyMe.

If you have any questions, please see Karen Thompson or Matt Thomas.



A huge thank you to everyone who has been trimming shrubs and pulling weeds! Along with our regular yard mowers, things are looking very neat and tidy. A few items we could use some help with are:

- Cleaning bugs from the fluorescent light covers
- Mopping the Fellowship floor
- More weed pulling!
- Stain treating some spots on our carpeting

Please contact Cliff T. or Larry Steele if you can help with any of these.

## ***RISE UP MIDDLETOWN***

***July 25<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup>***

Hosted by: Pastor Wallace Bates of Lewis St. Praise and Worship Center.

July 25 & 26 at 7 PM (Bring chairs or blankets)  
Stephen Bush- "Burnin Bush"

- 07/25- Smith Park  
500 Tytus Ave.  
Middletown
- 07/26- Lewis St. PWC  
720 S. Breiel Blvd.  
Middletown

July 27 & 28 at 7 PM  
Eleventh Hour Worship

- Lewis St. PWC  
720 S. Breiel Blvd.  
Middletown

July 29 at 11 AM  
Family Day @ Lewis St. PWC  
720 S. Breiel Blvd.  
Middletown

- Giving Away// Bikes, Reds Tickets, and Dayton Dragon Tickets



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous gift to the CWS Blankets program. As families and communities around the world recover from emergencies and struggle in the face of challenges, you are standing with them. You are providing relief and hope.

Your contributions provide to neighbors near and far, from migrant families facing cold and wet conditions to refugees who have arrived in the United States to build a new future to guests at homeless shelters. Around the world, your support of this program means vital supplies and support to those in need.

Because of you, Church World Service is able to respond when disasters occur and support is needed. We thank you!








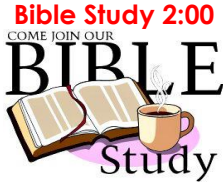









May God bless you for your support,

Rev. John L. McCullough      President and CEO  
Church World Service

July/August, 2018



Birthdays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<div>July 17</div> <div>Don Dixon</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div> <div></div>	<div>19</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Zola McClish</div> <div>Elder Mtg. 6 PM</div>	<div>21</div> <div>Helen Morgan</div>
<div>22</div> <div>Peggy Burgess</div>	<div>23</div>	<div>24</div> <div>Myranda Hollan</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div>	<div>26</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Pastor Tracy</div> <div>Rummage Sale set-up</div>
<div>29</div> <div>Rummage Sale set-up</div>	<div>30</div>	<div>31</div> <div>Bible Study 7:00</div>	<div>August 1</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div> <div></div>	<div>2</div>	<div>3</div> <div>Linda Poynter</div> <div>Rummage Sale Evening set-up</div> <div>Back to school Tax free shopping weekend</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Rummage Sale</div> <div></div>
<div>5</div>	<div>6</div>	<div>7</div>	<div>8</div> <div>Bible Study 2:00</div>	<div>9</div> <div>Janice Kash</div>	<div>10</div>	<div>11</div>
<div>12</div>	<div>13</div>	<div>14</div> <div>Hope House lunch</div>	<div>15</div>	<div>16</div> <div>Travis Fowler</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Guy Stone</div>	<div>18</div>
<div>19</div> <div>RAZOR”S EDGE during worship</div> <div></div>	<div>20</div>	<div>21</div>	<div>22</div>	<div>23</div>	<div>24</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Rise Up Middletown @Lewis St Praise and Worship Center July 25<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup></div>
<div>26</div>	<div>27</div> <div>Doug Cockerham Helen Hall Karen Thompson</div> <div>Board Mtg.</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Cliff Thompson</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div> <div>Esther Saxbury</div>	<div>31</div>	

