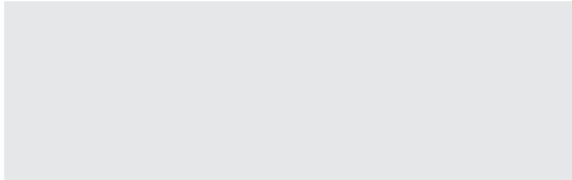




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SERVING THIS WEEK OF September 7

Worship Leader: Shannon Reed
Elders: Grant Reed (bread), John Carden (cup)
Diaconate: Bev Drake, Rachel Bliven, Gail Randall, Betty Sherwood, Bob Sherwood, Jill Jones
Balcony: Chris Dace, Linda Dace, Maddie Dace
Preparatory: Joyce Randall, Phyllis Shields, Sam Shields
Greeters: **Front** Rod Burg
Central East Nita Burg
Balcony South Bob Sherwood
Elevator Gail Randall
Sanctuary Superintendent(s): Rod & Nita Burg
Children's Moment: Sue Cangro
Children's Church: Jack McKinnon
Soundboard Tech: Tim Adams
Coffee Fellowship Time: Chris Campbell
Hospital Caller: Jean Moore
Financial Escort: Karen Chatterton
Sunday Morning Office Staff: Patti Jones

Kelly Ingersoll,
Minister
 Bill Froom,
Chancel Choir Director
 Carol Harmon,
Organist
 Annetta Holt,
Administrative Assistant
 Paul Huff,
Custodian
 Mariah Chapdelaine,
Youth/Children's Choir Director
 Brandi Collins,
Nursery Supervisor
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Wiener Roast and Burgoo

Membership will host the Burgoo and Wiener Roast on **Sunday, September 28 at 4:00 p.m.** at the home of Bob & Karen Chatterton. Hot dogs, buns, cornbread, bread, condiments, drinks and table service will be provided.

Please bring to the church (September 14 and 21) ingredients for the Burgoo - canned

beans, peas, corn, beef and chicken broth, soup beans, tomato paste and sauce, and fresh cabbage, carrots and onions. Put in the red tub container in Fellowship Hall.

Bring a snack to share at the Chattertons and a lawn chair.

This gathering is always a lot of fun and a great time to get to know each other.

Mark your calendars and save the date!

Kelly's Korner

There's no place like home. There's no place like home. You may remember these words from Dorothy in the *Wizard of Oz*. After a week away, it's good to be home. I am looking forward to all the fall holds for us in the coming months. New starts. Burgoo. New Member Classes. Fall Festival. More info will follow in the weeks to come. A great season is ahead of us!

We will start a new sermon series this month. We will take a look at the life of Moses. Each week we will have a one-word sermon title. You may remember that in August we looked closely at Jacob's story. Although there is much to discuss concerning the in-between time from Jacob to Moses, and we will cover some of that this week, Moses is a good reminder to us about unexpected events and calling. It is such a great story. I pray we will find good connections to our own faith story by concentrating on Moses.

This week we will start with Moses' birth. A lot was happening during the time of his birth. The Israelites were living in Egypt and God was blessing them. So Pharaoh enslaved them. And still they grew in number. So Pharaoh made a decree to kill all the male babies. Moses survived and became one of the great prophets of Israel.

When we think of the word birth, what comes to mind? Naturally, we think of children. Maybe some of us think of puppies and kittens. New life born into the world is such a beautiful event. What else can be birthed? An idea? A process? An event? We have definitely seen some birth (and even re-birth) in our midst recently. Let us give thanks to God for the life-giving moments we experience on a daily basis, for they are all good gifts we have received from our loving creator.

Peace,



Sunday, September 7

Dave Kentner opens/closes church

Larry Ellis drive(s) van

- 8:30 AM Prayer Group
- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
- 10:30 AM Worship
- 1:30 PM Shut-in Communion
- Elder: Mary Stipanowich
John Carden
- Deacons: Halie Runner
Hanna Runner

Monday, September 8

- 5:30 PM Christian Action &
Outreach
- 6:00 PM Stephen Ministers
- 6:00 PM Christian Education
- 6:30 PM Membership

Tuesday, September 9

- 5:30 PM Pastoral Support Group

Sunday, September 14

Dave Kentner opens/closes church

Jim Schauble drive(s) van

- 8:00 AM Prayer Group
- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
- 10:30 AM Worship

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 5 Larry & Dorothy Loop (a)
- 9 LeRoy Brown
- 10 Dorothy Loop

Sunday, September 7 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Birth

Scripture: Exodus 2:1-4

Lectionary Readings:

- Exodus 12:1-14
- Psalm 149
- Romans 13:8-14
- Matthew 18:15-20

Sunday, September 14 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Lectionary Readings:

- Exodus 14:19-31
- Psalm 114
- Romans 14:1-12
- Matthew 18:21-35

Thank You!

A big thanks goes out to everyone who made our Ice Cream Social a huge success.

Thanks to Barb Houck, John & Leslie Trone, Mike & Bev Dake, Larry & Dorothy Loop, Dan & Nancy Reed, Bob & Karen Chatterton and Bill and Sharon Butcher for making delicious homemade ice cream.

Thanks to Judy Graves, Jean Moore, Jonelle Schauble, Barb Houck, Leslie Trone, Ellen Tingley, Nita Burg, Jean Vaughn, Janet Shank and Phyllis Shields for making desserts and to Kim Cunningham and Karen Chatterton for toppings.

Thanks to all who helped set-up and clean up the Fellowship Hall.

And a special thanks to Relative Harmony for their great music.

To the members of First Christian Church:

I would like to thank you for the support that you gave my mother, Laura O'Harra, and also thank you for the lovely flowers sent to her memorial service.

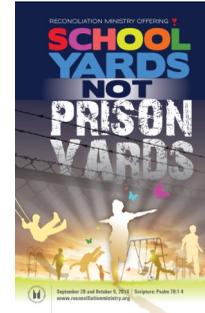
Mother was a member of Disciples churches for most of her life. Her marriage to Don O'Harra, in 1984, put her in an uncomfortable situation. She chose to participate at St. Paul's, where she was welcomed.

I was always aware of her receiving mailings from First Christian, but wasn't really aware of your ministry to her until I met some of the persons who were involved with her.

In this era of increased mobility, churches become especially important to remind us that our brothers and sisters cannot be thought of as only blood relatives.

God bless you all and continue to embrace those who are in your vicinity.

God be with us all,
Ray Sweany



The 2014 Reconciliation Offering will be received at FCC on **September 28th** and **October 5th**. This offering is used to fund our Church's mission priority to become an pro-reconciling/ anti-racist church through experiential education, inclusive worship and intentional dialogue across racial/ ethnic difference.

Funds from this offering are providing for leadership development in our camps, our communities and our congregations as well as providing resources to promote small group study and community-action.

Your generous contributions to Reconciliation Ministry helps us to continue our efforts to confront discrimination and systemic racism that mutes our witness to a loving and just God.

Psalm 78:1-4

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching, incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us. We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.



It is time to sign up for Fellowship time for October, November and December.

The church furnishes coffee and juice. You need to bring a homemade dessert. You also need to make the coffee, set out the juice and clean up afterward.

Please think about joining this outreach and sign up now!



Youth Group (grades 7-12) will begin new programming this Sunday. Stay after church. Bring \$5.00 for lunch. We will be finished at 1:30 p.m.

