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SERVING THIS WEEK OF May 3

Worship Leader: Jack McKinnon
Elders: Eric Reed (bread); Jack McKinnon (cup)
Diaconate: Samantha Adams, Natalie Workman, Teresa Bennett
 Betty Sherwood, Bob Sherwood, Gail Randall
Balcony: Rich Cangro, Sue Cangro, Elise Cangro
Preparatory: Joyce Randall, Phyllis Shields, Sam Shields
Greeters: **Front** Rod Burg
Central East Nita Burg
Balcony South Sherri Wagner
Elevator: Gail Randall
Sanctuary Superintendent(s): Rod & Nita Burg
Children's Moment: Tad Goldner
Children's Church: Jonelle Schauble
Soundboard Tech: Tim Adams
Coffee Fellowship Time: Karen Chatterton
Acolyte: Drew & Margaret Taylor
Hospital Caller: Jan Rockwell
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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This week will receive two offerings during our Worship time together.

The first one will be for relief in Nepal after the 7.9 magnitude earthquake which struck last Saturday, April 25.

We will send our financial help through our denomination's Week of Compassion arm. They will be working with other entities throughout the region to best determine what is needed first and foremost.

If you wish to help contribute to this effort by writing a check, please make it out to FCC, Macomb and mark in the memo line that it is for WOC, Nepal Relief. We will send the offering to the correct place and you can be assured your monies will be helping our efforts in Nepal and the immediate areas where the earthquake happened.

Kelly's Korner

So, Youth Sunday has come and gone. Really good day. Thanks to our youth for working so well and so much to bring a message that resonated with them and all of us. Thanks to those who were willing to be interviewed for the video. (Side note: Drew was an impromptu interviewee and I'm glad we found him!) Thanks to Tim Adams and Anne Ingersoll for countless extra hours of work to make all the technical needs happen! Hopefully, God felt honored and blessed in our worship experience last week.

Looking ahead, we will spend some time in the book of Acts. Three stories which are less known than others in the Bible will prepare us for Pentecost. Acts 8 will focus us on Philip while Acts 10 describes an encounter of Cornelius and Peter. Acts 1 reminds us that the disciples had to replace Judas. Interesting, but not exceedingly well-known, may God bless us as we seek to understand conversion, Cornelius and Matthias. (I wouldn't call this a sermon series per se, as Acts has so much—since we will only focus on three stories, let's call it a "mini-series"!)

Our study begins this week with Philip. He has an amazing conversation with a man known only to us as an Ethiopian Eunuch. Why would a story about a nameless man from a faraway place be included in Acts? What part of Christ's church does such a man play? What does such a story have to do with us? These are a few of the questions we will consider as we begin our study of Acts. See you Sunday!

Peace,

"MINI-SERIES" IN ACTS:

May 3	Acts 8:26-40	Conversion
May 10	Acts 10:1-8	The Importance of Cornelius
May 17	Acts 1:15-26	Replacing Judas



Saturday, May 2

7:15 AM Disciples Men, Old Dairy

Sunday, May 3

Dave Kentner opens/closes church

Larry Ellis drive(s) the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship

1:30 PM Shut-in Communion

Elders: Janet Shank
Char Cardem

Deacons: Bill Butcher
Teresa Bennett

5:00 PM Youth Group

8:00 PM College Group

Monday, May 4

5:30 PM Property Committee

Tuesday, May 5

9:00 AM Leader's Retreat

7:00 PM DW Executive Board Mtg

Wednesday, May 6

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 10

Dave Kentner opens/closes church

John Carden drive(s) the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship

5:00 PM Youth Group

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Jonelle Schauble
- 3 Karen Chatterton
Mary Hoke
Joe Meunier
- 5 Teresa & Jeff Bennett (a)

Sunday, May 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sermon: Conversion
Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

Lectionary Readings:

Psalm 22:25-31
I John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

Sunday, May 10 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Lectionary Readings:

Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
I John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17



Service of Remembrance

The Stephen Ministers and Rev. Kelly Ingersoll would like to invite you to a Service of Remembrance on Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

Families who have lost loved ones from our First Christian Church community since May 9, 2014 will be our special guests.

Disciples Women will host a reception following the service.



All men are invited to attend the Cards/Cubs game on September 9, 2015 at Busch Stadium. Game time is 12:45 pm, so we will leave Macomb around 9:00 a.m. Ticket price is \$26.00. We have reserved 25 tickets and we can get more in the next week or so if we know we need them.

We will car pool to St. Louis or if more sign-up to go, we may be able to charter a bus.

Please see Larry Loop for a reservation. Please join in this new and exciting men's activity.



Plastic bags are needed for Loaves & Fishes.

Please save your grocery/shopping plastic bags and bring them to the church office. Loaves & Fishes can use as many as we can collect!

Thank you for helping us be able to bag the groceries for our clients.



There will be a training session on May 30 for volunteers for Loaves & Fishes, 9:00-11:00 AM at the First Presbyterian Church.

This training is for anyone who may be interested in working at L&F and/or has had training before and needs to be reminded about procedures.



MAY RESPONSIBILITIES AT LOAVES & FISHES

During the month of May, First Christian Church is scheduled to manage the shelves at Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board next to the Parlor Kitchen.

For those new to the task, a committee member will be on hand each day to explain what needs to be done. The sorting of any food that is received through collections or drives during May will be the responsibility of our church.

Please consider helping for a few days during the month.

May 9 is the annual Post Office day to collect food for the pantry. We will need help in the afternoon to move the food to Loaves & Fishes and put it on shelves. Watch for the time in future newsletters. Meanwhile, please keep your calendar available to help.



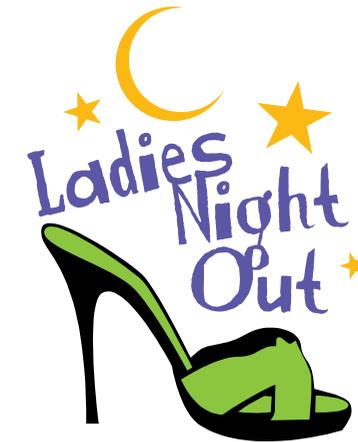
Despite expert opinion, Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation declares that the Church is not dying, but is alive amid a thriving Pentecost movement. Hope Partnership invites everyone to join this movement with the 2015 Pentecost Offering on Sundays, May 17 and May 24.

"This year's offering theme, **new churches are growing in the light**, focuses on the great progress Disciples are making in starting new churches and introducing more individuals to Christ, despite expert opinion that the Church is dying." "We are excited about the Pentecost Offering message this year, which emphasizes the importance of shining light in dark places, spreading the gospel and loving people back to life during challenging times."

Your gift will help support the birth of new churches in the US and Canada and makes it possible for the church to train new church leaders.

One half of the offering taken will be dedicated to our own region (IL-WI) and the other half will be used by Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation to support new church ministries.

Please start praying about your participation in this offering.



Tuesday
May 19, 2015
6:00 P.M.

Disciples Women will host a Ladies' Night Out (formerly the Mother/Daughter/Son Banquet) on Tuesday, May 19, at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. All women of the church are invited to attend and are encouraged to invite friends and relatives.

Tickets may be purchased in the Parlor before and after worship on May 3, 10 and 17. The cost of tickets is \$6/adults and \$4/children ages 3-10. Children 2 and under may attend free of charge.

The menu this year will feature Dan Reed's famous ham balls and will include twice-baked potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, rolls and desserts. Hot dogs will also be available. The meal will be served by the men of FCC.

A special fashion show is being planned with clothing from Maurice's. Ladies and

youth of the church will serve as models, and Jean Vaughn will be the Master of Ceremonies. Following the fashion show, Sue Adams will entertain us with several musical selections.

Please call the office by May 14 if you need a ride in the church van. The nursery will not be staffed that evening.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this special event!

Attention: Fashion Show Models

Following worship on May 3, there will be a brief meeting in the church parlor. If you cannot attend, please contact Joyce Randall or Nita Burg for information.