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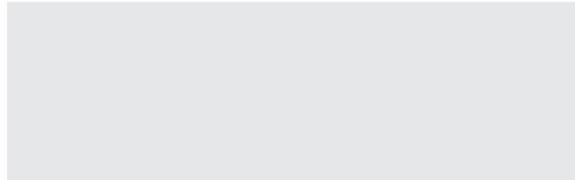


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SERVING THIS WEEK OF October 11

Worship Leader: Jeanna Montgomery
Elders: Patti Jones (bread); Jan Rockwell (cup)
Diaconate: Nita Burg, Rod Burg, Larry Ellis
 Sherri Wagner, Norma Kentner, Phyllis Rogers
Balcony: Bill Butcher, Jeanna Mntgomery, Anne Ingersoll
Preparatory: Judy Graves, Carolee Sellers, Ellen Tingley
Greeters: **Front** Joan England
Central East Judy Graves
Balcony South Dave & Norma Kentner
Elevator: John Carden
Sanctuary Superintendent(s): Bob & Betty Sherwood
Children's Moment: Jonelle Schauble
Children's Church: Jeff & Esther Young
Soundboard Tech: Chris Dace
Coffee Fellowship Time: Myrna Osborn
Acolyte: Elise Cangro
Hospital Caller: Patti Jones
Financial Escort: Dean Rockwell
Sunday Morning Office Staff: Leslie Trone

Kelly Ingersoll,
Minister
 Bill Froom,
Chancel Choir Director
 Tad Goldner,
Children's Minister
 Hannah Goodman,
Nursery Supervisor
 Carol Harmon,
Organist
 Annetta Holt,
Administrative Assistant
 Paul Huff,
Custodian
 Mia Iliopoulos,
Childrens/Youth Choir Director
 Morgan Ochoa,
Nursery Assistant

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Inquirer's Class

October 13, 20, 27

7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Each Tuesday in October First Christian Church will provide any interested church members or non-members with instruction on both denominational and FCC history and polity. Classes will provide the opportunity to get to know church members who will be sharing their knowledge and experience of our church.

Dessert and coffee will be available. Childcare will also be provided.

Kelly's Korner



Trinitrotoluene

This is the fancy chemical compound name for TNT. We think of it more as explosive material than we do a chemical compound. The reason it is good explosive material is that it stores well

because it doesn't absorb or dissolve in water. And as far as explosive materials go, TNT is easily handled. It will not likely explode before it is supposed to.

Do you remember cartoons from the 1970's, particularly Wile E. Coyote always trying to find ways to capture that pesky Roadrunner? I remember TNT being used often in these pursuits. I also remember things backfiring (literally) on the poor coyote. This is my first remembrance of knowing what TNT was. It may be my only source of knowledge of TNT. I don't ever remember studying it in school and yet I know what it is.

Our 2015 stewardship focus will be on three T's—Time, Talent and Treasure. Over the course of the next few weeks we will study some of Jesus' most famous teachings. We will seek to glean wisdom from the Good Samaritan, the sisters Mary and Martha and from Jesus' visit with Zacchaeus. What will these stories tell us about the giving of our time, talent, and treasure? A great deal, hopefully!

Giving is powerful. The most powerful One has given to us. How do we live in response to God's good gifts? Just as we write thank you notes after receiving gifts on our birthdays or after our weddings, our living is a thank you to God. May our stewardship campaign help us reflect on the ways to graciously live and give.

See you Sunday!

Peace,



Sunday, October 11

Eric Reed opens/closes church
Eric Reed drive(s) the van
Minister Appreciation Sunday
Stephen Ministry Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
10:30 AM Worship
5:00 PM Youth Groups

Monday, October 12

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

Tuesday, October 13

5:30 PM Pastoral Support Comm
7:00 PM Inquirer's Class

Wednesday, October 14

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 15

7:30 PM Third Thursday
@ El Rancherito

Friday, October 16 –

Saturday, October 17

FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 18

Rod Burg opens/closes church
Rod Burg drive(s) the van

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
10:30 AM Worship
2:00 PM Grand Prairie
4:00 PM Everly House
Elders: Myrna Osborn
Deacons: Samantha Adams
Natalie Workman

Birthdays & Anniversaries

12 Barbara Markley
14 Alex Adams
Nicole Lester

Sunday, October 11 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Luke 10:30-37
Scripture: Time

Lectionary Readings:
Job 23:1-9, 16-17
Psalm 22:1-15
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31

Sunday, October 18 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Lectionary Readings:
Job 38:1-7, 34-41
Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35
Hebrews 5:1-10
Mark 10:35-45

Healing Oils of the Bible

Tuesday, October 13

1:00 p.m.

FCC Parlor

Have you ever wondered about the gifts of the wise men? Gold would be an appropriate gift for a king..but myrrh and frankincense? Why those? What value did they hold? Why did David request that God purge him with hyssop? Why was he so specific? Hyssop...the very same herb upon which Jesus would be offered vinegar to drink while upon the cross. What is so special about hyssop? And didn't Solomon deliberately build his palace of cedarwood? Would not a different wood have worked just as well?

There are more than 600 references to essential oils in the Bible. Rev. Alison Phillips Robuck will be coming from North Little Rock, AR. Rev. Robuck is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (DOC) and has found a new calling to share the health benefits received through essential oils with God's people. She will present a workshop about the healing qualities and purposes of plants given to us...from the very beginning of creation.

Based on Dr. David Stewart's book *Healing Oils of the Bible*, we will discover the biblical foundation for today's current trend: essential oils.

Please join us for an afternoon of education, laughter, hope, and healing



On Sunday, October 11, we will recognize Stephen Ministry during worship. Stephen Ministry is our congregation's one-to-one care-giving ministry. God works through Stephen Ministers to plant a seed of hope and healing in a person whose life seems barren and forlorn because of some crisis or tragedy.

Our present Stephen Ministers are Jerry Billeter, commissioned in 1997 and recommissioned in 2003; Donna Bainter, commissioned in 2004, and Char Carden, commissioned in 2014.

Char Carden comments on her experiences: "my time as a Stephen Minister has been an honor. It has helped me grow spiritually. As a caregiver, I have worked with those who need me to listen, hold their hand, care, encourage and pray. Most of all, it has been handled with complete confidentiality. The many hours I spent preparing to become a Stephen Minister were very uplifting. I will continue to hold my pledge as a Stephen Minister with great pride."

**Minister
Appreciation
Day**



October is minister's appreciation month. There will be a reception for Kelly on October 11 AFTER church services in the parlor.

Refreshments will be served and hosted by the Worship Committee.

Baskets for cards will be in the parlor and front lobby.

More than 250,000 people have been through Stephen Ministry training in more than 7,000 churches worldwide since 1975. The impact of Stephen Ministry on our congregation is tremendous. People whose needs might otherwise slip through the cracks are coming face to face with Jesus' love through our Stephen Ministers.

If you would like to become a Stephen Minister or learn more about it, please attend a training session for new lay persons to be scheduled next summer. Please contact Pauline Dunn (837 2058), Jean Vaughn (837 4406) or Rev. Ingersoll (837 6473).

**Removal
of Carpet**



Thanks to Barb Houck, Gail Randall, John Carden, Rod Burg, Dean Hansen and Bob Chatterton for helping Dennis Borntrager remove the old carpet from the Fellowship Hall last Friday. All your work was greatly appreciated.

Karen Chatterton

Chi Rho Calendar

October 2015

*Unless otherwise noted, all Chi Rho meetings are 5:00-6:30 pm at First Christian Church (FCC)



October 11th – Chi Rho at FCC: “Totally Blessed.”

October 16th – Chi Rho Movie Night at Fall Festival following Trunk or Treat

**Bring your friends and family!
Bring something to sit on!
No Sunday meeting this week!**

October 25th – Chi Rho at FCC: “Masks”

Chi Rho will be meeting this week to discover what it means to be “totally blessed”. There will be plenty of food, fellowship, and fun. We hope to see everyone there. The group will run from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Bring your friends!

A quick reminder that registration forms and payment for Youth Summit 2015 are due by October 18 to Tad Goldner. Questions: contact him at tad@fccmacomb.org



For eight consecutive years FCC hosted the “Festival of the Creche”. Last year renovations in the sanctuary prevented hosting it.

This event happens the first weekend in December during Macomb’s Dickens on the Square celebration. Members of our congregation are asked to bring one or all of their nativity scenes to the church to be displayed in the sanctuary and parlor. No nativity scene is too small, too big, or too old. The event is open and free to the public.

We will have an organizational meeting on Wednesday, October 21 at 3:00 p.m. in the Parlor to make plans.

If you are interested in helping or want to know more, please attend this meeting.

If you want to help but cannot attend this meeting, please call Jean Vaughn (837 4406 or 255 6525) or email her at: jeanvaughn468@yahoo.com.

Pick up a Fall Festival sign for your yard this Sunday. Every door to the building will be stocked with signs!

If you do not have a yard, take some tickets, located there as well. These are free tickets to hand out to your neighbors inviting them to the FREE Fall Festival.

We are missing some signs from last year. If you have one at home, please pick up a sticker to place over the dates to re-use it this year!