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Church Smorgasbord and Pie Auction



July 14

Immediately following worship

See Inside under Disciple Women for more details!

JULY HAPPENINGS

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Sunday, July 14
8:30 pm
Church Parking Lot

Christopher Robin



Be sure to bring a chair/blanket!
Come enjoy a movie with trail mix and a cool drink!

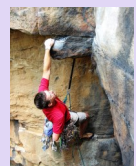
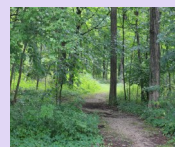
See inside under Christian Education for more details!

Fishin' In The Woods

Sunday, July 21
2:00 pm—7:00 pm
Horn Field Campus
with First Presbyterian

LOTS of activities planned!

See inside under Christian Education for more details!



Josh's Journal

Greetings from Denver, friends!

I hope y'all have had a great week so far! I'm definitely enjoying my trip in Denver. The weather is incredible, it's been so much fun being with the Cypress Creek Christian Church high schoolers, and the work we have done has been powerful and good. We've truly been loving and serving a vast variety of our neighbors in holy and wonderful ways.



Yesterday, we volunteered at the Denver location of Volunteers of America to serve lunch to people experiencing homelessness. It was truly a special experience. We got to hear so many stories and talk with a diverse group of individuals. Instead of having our guests move through the line, our group had them go to tables so that we could serve them and help them in however they needed. It was powerful to see some of my youth walking around (more like running) bringing food, lemonade refills, and their smiling faces around to a group of people that our world too often brushes off and avoids by walking to the other side of the street.



Today, we have been serving at the Anchor Center for Blind Children. It's an organization in Denver that supports, provides care for, and gives therapy to children with visual impairments. The hours I have spent here have truly been life-changing. The kids who are here today are here for a "Breakwatch" respite day, a day for their parents or other caregivers to have days to themselves while their children run and play at the Anchor Center. I can't disclose details because of HIPAA, but seeing the smiles from these kids and hearing their infectious laughter has filled my heart and my soul. The best part of this day has been watching the Cypress Creek kids love on and play with these kids, and seeing how much the kids love our group has been the most fulfilling, sweet experience. If you get a chance to look up the Anchor Center, I highly encourage y'all to do so.

Tomorrow, we will return to the Anchor Center for another day of work. Thursday we will go work at the Children's Museum of Denver and we end our work on Friday at the Mullen Home for the Aged. Saturday we have a fun day at Cave of the Winds!

As always, I am grateful to be serving in ministry with y'all. This summer has been such a joy so far, and I'm excited to see what the next two-ish months bring.



Peace and blessings,

Josh



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Jean Vaughn



June 10, 2019

The Stephen Ministry met Monday June 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. with 5 present. Those present were Jean Vaughn, Sue Adams, Sue Cooper, Char Carden, and Donna Bainter.

Jean opened the meeting with prayer. Last month we sent 4 cards. Those who had care receivers made a report. We went over our prayer list. We have finished the Unit on "Providing Spiritual Care" and will start on the book about "Listening." in August. We do not meet in July.

If you know anyone who would like a good listener, call Jean Vaughn at 837-4406.

Donna Bainter
Stephen Minister

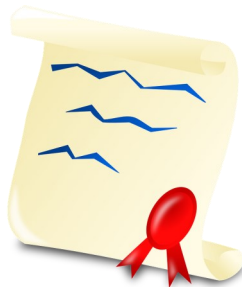
TRUSTEES

First Christian Church Member WIU Scholarships

\$1,000

Applications can be found and submitted at www.fccmacomb.org

Deadline to do so is Aug. 2, 2019.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Norma Kentner

Our Movie in the Parking Lot for June, Beauty and the Beast, doubled in attendance size to about 30 viewers. If we have to move the next movie into the building in July (due to biting bugs or heat), we will move into the Fellowship Hall. Our next movie will be shown on Sunday, July 14—Christopher Robin. We plan to have trail mix and ice water/ lemonade. The last movie of the summer will be the animated Incredibles 2 and will be shown on Sunday, August 11. Caramel corn, popcorn and candy are on the snack list. All movies start at 8:30pm. Each of the above shows are 1 ½ hours in length and we try to start right at 8:30 so as to get the little ones home fairly early.

First Presbyterian and First Christian have been meeting in preparation for our second intergenerational gathering, Fishin' in the Woods, Sunday at HORN FIELD CAMPUS. Although we will not have water activities, we have enlisted Mindy Pheiffer from Horn Field Campus to assist us with wall climbing, a nature trail and a gaga pit. Other activities will be a Bible story time with music, a clay craft, large motor games, a cookout and a musical concert/sing-along by Troublesome Ridge. We are really encouraging this to be an intergenerational event—an adult discussion session is being planned as well.

We have moved Youth Sunday School to our Children's Choir time for the summer. The children are receiving a Sunday School lesson and doing a craft activity during this time. Many thanks to our dedicated and talented Children's Church teachers—Martha and Dave Behymer, Barb Houck, Carolee Sellers, Jan Rockwell, Sue Cangro, Jack McKinnon and Norma Kentner.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Sunday, July 14

8:30 pm

Movie in the Parking Lot

Christopher Robin



Sunday, July 21

2:00 pm—7:00 pm

Fishin' In The Woods

Horn Field Campus



Sunday, August 25

9:00 am

Sunday School Open House

(Education Wing)

Children's Choir/Sunday School resumes

9:45 am

Sunday School Promotion and Teacher Recognition

(Sanctuary)

Hope to see you on July 14th for Movie in the Parking Lot and on July 21st for Fishin' in the Woods!!

CHRISTIAN ACTION & OUTREACH

Jan Rockwell



FCC Emergency Cupboard

Thanks to the generosity of our church and community, we have been able to keep our shelves filled in our 24/7 Emergency Cupboard. Bring your donations the first Sunday of the month for the Youth collection or anytime that's convenient. Storage is in the closet near the elevator entrance. Canned goods that have flip tops are especially helpful and other warm weather items for hygiene are helpful as the temperatures raise.



Inter-Faith Alliance (IAM)

IAM drafted a letter that was given to news media and shared with city officials encouraging our community to be respectful of one another. As tensions have risen in the community due to economic stresses, we must pull together and support each other.



Soup N More July Meal

The FCC will be preparing and serving taco salad for the Soup N More community meal Sunday July 28th. Youth and adults of the church are needed for cooking, serving, mingling with those who attend, and/or cleaning up. The meal is served at 1st Presbyterian Church with work beginning at 1:00 Sunday afternoon until around 8:00. There will be plenty for all to do!



C-2-B

Kathy Fischer has delivered 3 huge bags of caps for recycling into benches! Thank you for all the donations for the Caps to Benches Recycling Project. Additional buckets have been placed at the entrances to the church. It's good to know we can help by donating our disposables.



Warming Center Volunteering

People may still volunteer to help with the warming center to be housed at 1st Presbyterian Church. The signup sheet is on the table under the bulletin board outside the Parlor kitchen. A copy of the policies for the warming center is there as well if you are curious or would like to learn more before committing.



Benefit for Lucas

Though many other events competed with the spaghetti benefit dinner held for Lucas Gossage, the Sparks' were pleased with the results. Thank you so much for all who supported the family by working or contributing in any way. Your help was much appreciated. Many of the Gossage family attended and were touched by the generous effort.

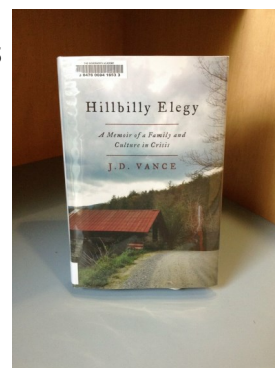


Second Pass Offering for Disciples church in Missouri

In May, the Community Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, in Jefferson City, MO, was damaged severely by a tornado. Learning their church building had to be condemned, our congregation was moved to come to their assistance. The church board requested funds from the trustees to add to what would be collected in a "2nd pass offering" on Sunday, June 23rd. \$806 in total was collected and the money has been sent to Disciples Mission Fund, earmarked for the restructuring of the church in Jefferson City. Studying Paul's writings, we learn he encouraged churches to help one another. This is another way FCC reaches out to those in need.

FCC BOOK CLUB

At our last meeting in June, Pastor Josh led a very interesting discussion of Kelly's sabbatical book, The Call by Adam Hamilton. On Thursday, August 1st at 12pm, we will discuss Hillbilly Elegy, by J.D. Vance. The Vance family story begins in postwar America. Vance's parents were "dirt poor and in love." Moving from Kentucky to Ohio in hopes of escaping the poverty around them, they raised a middle-class family while struggling with abuse, alcoholism, poverty and trauma.



If a book is needed, please contact Norma Kentner (used, \$5).

YOUTH

Ben Kersey



Rain, Rain, Go Away!!! We've had almost as much fun as we have rain! We had a successful summer movie showing of 'Beauty and the Beast'. We also managed a whopping 175 sandwiches at HyVee for United Way!!

We got rained out of our trip to Ball Fore!
But we improvised a trip to the park
to enjoy some pizza instead.



These next few weeks you may notice I'm not here. I'll be away at Camp Walter Scott counseling, with some of our youth from FCC! Although I won't be here in body, I'll be here in Spirit!

JULY ACTIVITIES YOUTH & JYF

- 7 - No meeting
- 7-13- Chi Rho Camp @ Camp Walter Scott (Youth)
- 14 - Smorgasbord & Pie Auction (following worship) (ALL)
8:30 pm Movie in the Parking Lot (ALL)
Christopher Robin
- 14-20- JYF Camp @ Camp Walter Scott (JYF)
- 21 - Sunday at Horn Field Campus (ALL)
- 28 - 5:00 pm Cookout and Games @ Ben's House (Youth)

DISCIPLES WOMEN

Char Carden

The Disciple Women are on hiatus for the summer BUT that doesn't mean we won't be busy!!

SMORGASBORD AND PIE AUCTION



Sunday, July 14
Immediately following worship
Fellowship Hall



Disciple Women will be furnishing the meat, drinks and table service.

We ask that everyone please bring a dish to pass.

Please join us for the delicious food and the FUN AND LAUGHTER when bidding for pies.

Every year the kidding of who can outbid who, is worth sharing a part of your day.

Hope to see you there!



RSVP



If you plan to attend this event on Sunday, July 14, please be sure to sign the friendship register with the number attending or call the office by July 11th. Thank you!!



BRINGING A PIE?



PLEASE SIGN THE SHEET ON THE BULLETIN BOARD BY PARLOR KITCHEN.

LET US KNOW WHAT KIND OF [HOMEMADE] PIE, COBBLER, CHEESECAKE YOU PLAN TO BRING.

Happy 'belated' Father's Day

A father is a son's first hero...

AND

A father is a daughter's first love...

A father takes his son into the forest, blindfolds him and leaves him alone. He is required to sit on a stump the whole night and not remove the blindfold until the rays of the morning sun shine through it. He cannot cry out for help to anyone. Once he survives the night, he is a MAN. He cannot tell the other boys of this experience, because each lad must come into manhood on his own. The boy is naturally terrified. He can hear all kinds of noises. Wild beasts must surely be all around him. Maybe even some human might do him harm. The wind blew the grass and the earth, and shook his stump, but he sat stoically, never removing the blindfold. IT would be the only way he could become a man! Finally, after a horrific night the sun appeared and he removed his blindfold. It was then that he discovered his father sitting on the stump next to him. He had been at watch the entire night, protecting his son from harm. We, too, are never alone. Even when we don't know it, God is watching over us, sitting on the stump beside us. When trouble comes, all we have to do is reach out to Him.

Just because you can't see God, doesn't mean his is not there. "For we walk by faith, not by sight.!"



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Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 2 - David Greathouse & Kim Cunningham (a) | 11 - John Trone |
| 3 - Grant Reed | 14 - Don Hodges |
| 4 - Larry Loop | 16 - Kenny Rutledge |
| 5 - Ron & Jean Vaughn (a) | 22 - Bill Butcher, Donnamae Hocker
Charolette Hughes |
| 6 - Barbara Houck, Shannon Reed,
Bob Sherwood | 26 - Betty Sherwood |
| 9 - Richard Webster | 28 - Jim & Nancy Lane (a) |
| Don & Lorraine Crawford (a) | 29 - Janet Hocker |
| 10 - Kathy Fisher | |