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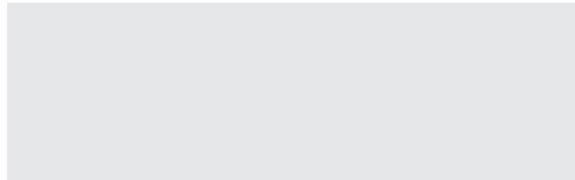


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SERVING THIS WEEK OF May 24

Worship Leader: Bob Chatterton
Elders: Nancy Reed (bread); Eric Reed (cup)
Diaconate: Jill Jones, Roselyn Chown, Joan England
 Jonelle Schauble, Jeff Young, Esther Young
Balcony: Josh Butcher, Collin Reed, Shannon Reed
Preparatory: Marcia Higgins, Charolette Hughes, Cindy Moon
Greeters: **Front** LouAnn Herriman
Central East Karen Chatterton
Balcony South Jeanna Montgomery
Elevator: Bob Sherwood
Sanctuary Superintendent(s): Gail & Joyce Randall
Children's Moment: Natalie Workman
Children's Church: Jan Rockwell
Soundboard Tech: Eric Reed
Coffee Fellowship Time: Judy Graves
Acolyte: Drew & Margaret Taylor
Hospital Caller: Nancy Reed
Financial Escort: Karen Chatterton
Sunday Morning Office Staff: Dorothy Loop

Kelly Ingersoll,
Minister

Bill Froom,
Chancel Choir Director

Tad Goldner,
Children's Minister

Carol Harmon,
Organist

Annetta Holt,
Administrative Assistant

Paul Huff,
Custodian



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.

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Kelly's Korner

Happy Birthday to you! Happy Birthday to you!

Happy Birthday Dear Church!!!! Happy Birthday to you!!!!

This Sunday we celebrate Pentecost, which is commonly known as the birthday of the church. Believers from all over the world gathered in Jerusalem for a religious festival. While there, the holy spirit worked in a miraculous way. Never mind the tongues of flame above the heads of the believers—the real miracle was the fact that people who spoke different languages could understand each other. They were able to comprehend each other no matter what native language they spoke.

This is difficult for us—to truly hear each other, to truly comprehend each other—even though we speak the same language. Too often, we are only half-listening in a conversation, already preparing our next thought. Too often, we make a competition out of our conversations. It is important to be smart and right. Too often, we are disinterested in the conversation. We have either made our mind up about a subject or we just don't care about the subject or the person with whom we are conversing.

Move beyond a conversation and call it an argument. Move beyond an argument and call it a faith argument. (Re-read the above paragraph thinking in terms of an argument about faith issues.)

The work of the holy spirit on that first Pentecost was to bring people together, to help them understand each other. I believe the people had to be open to the work of the holy spirit. Do you sometimes wonder if people are still open to the spirit's work? Is the holy spirit still at work in you? In these times of political name-calling and news channel superiority, in these times of extremism and fear tactics, in these times of discord and divisiveness, may our attention turn to the holy. May the spirit be at work in our lives in real and unifying ways. May the church honor and bless God.

Peace,



Sunday, May 24

Bill Butcher opens/closes church

Jim Schauble drives the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship

Tuesday, May 26

1:30 PM Martha Shemwell Group

5:00 PM Evangelism Comm

6:00 PM Itoko Maeda @ Larry A's

7:00 PM Bertha Gilchrist Group

Saturday, May 30

9:00-11:00 AM

Training/refresher training
at Loaves & Fishes for anyone
wanting to help there

Sunday, May 31

Rod Burg opens/closes church

Rod Burg drives the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship

Birthdays & Anniversaries

23 Jim & Janet Shank (a)

24 John Harmon

26 Margaret Taylor

28 Peggy West

Sunday, May 24 Pentecost

Sermon: Church, Wind and Fire

Scripture: Acts 2:1-13

Lectionary Readings:

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:22-27

Acts 2:1-21

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Sunday, May 31 Trinity Sunday

Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalm 29

Romans 8:12-17

John 3:1-17



We have been asked about the amounts of the special offerings we have collected lately. They are listed below.

Easter Offering	\$ 623.27
Blanket Sunday	\$ 643.00
WOC/Nepal	\$ 1307.65



This year's theme for Macomb's Heritage Days is "Macomb's Healthcare Tradition".

The Evangelism Committee will sponsor a booth in the Park. We will need many volunteers to represent the friendliness and hospitality of our church and oversee booth activities.

A sign-up sheet will be available soon. Please plan to volunteer for a shift.

Heritage Days dates are June 26 and 27.



As is our usual custom, we will collect non perishable food items for the Salvation Army on May 31 (fifth Sunday of the month).

Please bring your contributions and put them in the boxes provided at each entrance of the church.

The food will be delivered to the Salvation Army by one of our members.



Junk in the Trunk

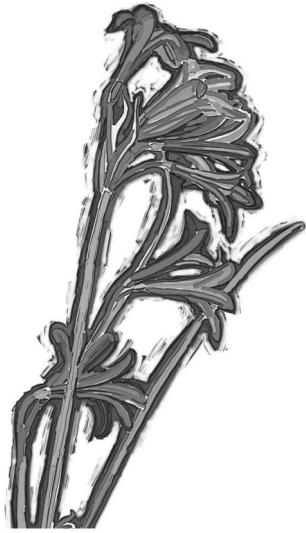
Start cleaning out your closets and basements! The Disciples Women are having a **Junk in the Trunk** sale, Saturday, June 6, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, in our church parking lot.

All are invited, fill your car/truck with sellable items, open your trunk and have fun!

We will combine this with a famous Disciples Women bake sale. Invite your friends and relatives; it will be a great time to eat, sell, buy, and socialize.

The proceeds from this sale will help with the cost of remodeling our kitchen.

Contact Karen Chatterton or Joyce Randall for more information.



Thank you for the floral arrangement as an expression of sympathy for my mother. Mom loved her church family very much! So many great memories for me at First Christian Church and certainly for mother.

Love in Christ,
Michele (Johnson) Beck
& family

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.

The church family has received an invitation to attend commencement exercises for Samantha Adams on Saturday evening, May 23 at 7:30 p.m. The commencement will be held at Western Hall on the campus of Western Illinois University.

Larry Loop, Chair of the Board, has called a congregational meeting on June 7, 2015, immediately following the worship service. The agenda for the meeting will be to approve a proposal for renovations to the Fellowship Hall and funding for those renovations. Please mark this date on your calendars and plan to stay for this important meeting.