FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) 803 Market Street Mt. Carmel, IL 62863-1499 618-262-7331 *E-VIZ – Volume 1, Number 61*

SUNDAY SERVICE November 6, 2016

- Sermon: "God of the Living" Rev. Jackie Summers
- Scripture: Luke 20: 27-38

Worship9:30 AMSunday School10:45 AM

WATCHING OUR FIGURES October 23: 97 October 30: 106

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Remember! Time Changes this Sunday!



The Thanksgiving Offering benefits the Colleges, Universities, Seminaries, and Divinity Houses affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). These learning communities are an extension of the church, challenging students

to understand and respond to God's call to serve. Attending Disciples College or Theological School is possible through the scholarships and grants that are made available by generous individuals, the Disciples Mission Fund and your gifts to the Thanksgiving Offering. **Please give generously to this year's Thanksgiving Offering.**

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

On Sunday, Nov. 6 we will celebrate and remember the lives of those in our church family who have died in the last year. We are shifting our remembrance of our church members who have died to All Saints Sunday and will focus Memorial Day more on our veterans.

ELECTION WEEK COMMUNITY WORSHIP

Our church will host the Election Week Worship on Sunday, Nov. 6 at 6 pm. Please join us for this important time of prayer for our community and nation. As Christians we are called to share love, peace and compassion in the midst of a difficult election season.

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS FAIR & SOUP LUNCH -ADVENT DECORATIONS

Join the World Outreach Committee and get started on your Christmas Shopping on Sunday, Nov. 20. There will be soups, sandwiches and desserts while you shop. we will decorate for Advent. Sunday, Nov. 27 is the first Sunday of Advent and you are invited to help prepare your church home for Advent and the coming of the Christ Child.

MID WINTER RETREAT

Mid Winter Retreat is an amazing 24 hour event where the youth of our region are able to reunite with camp friends and people that they have met throughout the region. We engage in Godly play, key notes, discussion and worship. Join us and renew your spirit with your fellow disciples. It will be held at Central Christian Church in Decatur, IL from January 28-29, 2017. Early Bird registration is by December 16th, 2016, Final registration will be January 13, 2017. Forms are available in the Church Office.

2017 CAMP DATES

CHURCH FAMILY REUNION MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND (CWS) MAY 26-29 CHURCH FAMILY REUNION LABOR DAY WEEKEND (CWS) SEPTEMBER 1-4

- CAMP ACTS 20:35 (CWS WORK WEEK) JUNE 4-10
- CYF (CWS) **JUNE 11-17**
- GRANDPARENTS & ME (CWS) JUNE 18-21
- BEGINNERS (CWS) JUNE 21-24
- CHI RHO (CWS) JULY 16-22
- JYF (CWS) **JULY 23-29**
- POST-HIGH WEEKEND RETREAT (CWS) JULY 28-30

OPERATION SHARE

Donations are needed for Thanksgiving Operation Share. Items needed include canned fruit, green beans and corn, boxed potatoes, stuffing, macaroni and cheese, boxed dessert items (brownie mixes, cake mixes, icing, etc.). New toys are also needed for the Christmas Toy distribution in December.

Thanksgiving Food - Nov. 21-22 @ First General Baptist Church Christmas Toys - Dec. 12-13 (&14) @ First Christian Church Christmas Food - Dec. 19-20 @ Zion Lutheran Church All are welcome to help set up and distribute food and toys.

SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS CENTER FOR PASTORAL COUNSELING

SICPC needs our help with some donations. If you would like to help out, please check out the list in the front lobby of the church and return your donation with it to the Giving Table in the front lobby of the church marked SICPC

SERVING IN NOVEMBER



Deacons: Barb Escobedo, Juan Escobedo, Lizzie Irelan Larry Boewe, Stacey Swift, Lesley Hipsher Custodial Deacon: Jon Mayhue Communion Preparers: Ginny Brown & Sarah Wiser Sanctuary Straightener: Elder on Call: Lisa Benedict Acolytes: Anna Gill & Audrey Baker

OFFERING - Oct. 23, 2016		OFFERING - October 30 2016	
General	\$2,871.00	General	\$2,370.00
Sunday School	22.00	Sunday School	11.65
Blessing Basket	4.00	Website	100.00
Cook Book	10.00	Outreach	8.00
Tree Trimming	1,100.00	Total:	\$2,489.65
Outreach	8.00		
Total:	\$4,015.00		



Jane Evans, Stu Grant, Sid Rutter, Leon Leeper, Ella Mae Whitten, Judy Schnepper, Heather Koonce, Inez Waddle, Gayle Panipinto, Norm Brunson, Connie Deisher, Teresa Stoltz, Dana Tate, Patti Dunkel, Diane Whitenack, Myra Webb, Bryan Buchanan, Liz Kieffer, Luke Dill, Global Refugee Crisis, Kidd Harkelroad, Rod Raber, Tom

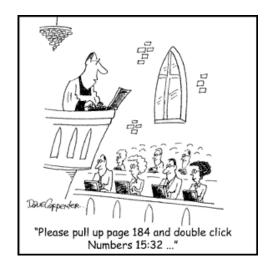
Sarg, Ashley Davis, Mike Foshee, Don Sanders, Sandy Walker, Joan Hackler, Fred Jackson, Devan Swift, Ruth Buchanan, Larry Peterson, Mary Margaret Rusch, Richard Alka, Myrtle Hocking, Helen Seaton, Betty Gillihan, Betty Taylor, Gloria White, Jeff Raber, Alice & Jim Warmoth, Jennifer Koonce, Elaine Spencer, Mary Jo Birley, Dorothy Chapman, Bill Beesley, our country, it's leaders, all servicemen and women; natural disaster victims.

COMMUNITY NEWS WINTER CLOTHES NEEDED

WVC Tribe is collecting gently used winter hats, gloves, scarves, coats and other winter wear. Donations may be left in the box under the Giving Table in the front lobby of the church. The winter clothing will be given to those who need warmer clothing.

WVC "TRIBE" FUNDRAISER CONCERT

When: 7:00 PM on Thursday, November 10th Mt. Carmel Eagles Club Featuring: Leona Williams – Grand Ole Opry Star and Dennis Stroughmatt To benefit the WVC "Tribe" Activity Scholarship Students



LOVE IN ACTION

Fiddler on the Roof, the 1964 musical about an Orthodox Jewish family navigating cultural change, includes a duet by the main character, Tevye, and his wife, Golde. As they watch their daughters marry for love, they contemplate their own arranged marriage.

"Do you love me?" Tevye sings. After first deflecting the question, Golde recounts the many things she's done for or with him during 25 years together — cooked, cleaned, endured hardships, raised a family. She concludes, "If that's not love, what is?"

When Jesus speaks of love, he uses a word that might be better translated as "serve." Above all, love is an action. Sometimes we feel loving; sometimes not. But Jesus calls us always to act lovingly. And in the end, serving is the best way to show our love.



Thank you to all who donated casserole for the MCHS Marching Band Brunch. Thank you to Peggy, Wilbur, Pat, Jim & Jackie for preparing and cleaning up.

Dear FCC,

On behalf of the Mt. Carmel High School Music Booster we would like to thank you for sponsoring "Band Breakfast". We appreciate all that you do to support the Mt. Carmel High School Band & Music Program. Again, we thank you for your contined support.

> Karissa Anderson – Secretary MCHS Music Boosters