

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)  
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**SUNDAY SERVICE  
November 20, 2016**

**Sermon: “On Being Thankful”  
Rev. Jim & Jackie Summers**

**Scripture: Psalm 106: 1, 1 Thessalonians 5:18  
and Many More**

**Worship 9:30 AM  
Sunday School 10:45 AM  
Alt. Christmas Fair & Soup 11:30 AM**

**WATCHING OUR FIGURES  
November 6: 92  
November 13: 97**

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“Growing God’s Family to Share God’s Word”**



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**SOUP AND SALES**

Sunday, Nov. 20 is the World Outreach Soup Lunch and Alternative Christmas Fair. Everyone is welcome to come, please feel free to bring soup, sandwiches or dessert to share or just come and eat. There will be booths for Christmas Shopping for Brown Bag Buddies, Safe Haven, Operation Share and Week of Compassion. What better way to honor Jesus' birth than by helping others. Visit the booths and consider a donation to one or several in someone's name. With each donation you will receive a card to give the person on Christmas. We hope to see you there. The World Outreach Committee of First Christian Church (DoC)

**DECORATE FOR ADVENT**

It's time to help prepare God's house for Advent. Please stay after lunch on Sunday, Nov. 20 and help hang the banners, wreaths, lights and all that helps proclaim and prepare for the coming of the King. Many hands are needed to get this done well and to offer our best for Jesus.



**FOOD AND TOYS**

Food and toys are needed for the Operation Share distributions. You may drop off donations in the church lobby. Needed items include canned fruit, boxed mac-n-cheese (or noodles), boxed potatoes (all varieties) and dessert mixes. Toys should be new (we will accept gently used

stuffed animals and books). Monetary donations should be marked Operation Share (checks to Wabash Co. Ministerial Alliance) and mailed to WCMA P.O. Box 1053 Mount Carmel, IL 62863.



## OPERATION SHARE VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed to help give out Thanksgiving food at First General Baptist Church. We will set up at 9 am on Monday, Nov. 21 and gather at 8:30 am on Tuesday, Nov 22 to distribute food. Please join on one or both days.

## REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

Advent starts on Sunday, Nov 27. If you're looking for a way to give back, consider a Reverse Advent Calendar. Get a box or bag and each day place an item in it for the food pantry as you count down the days to Jesus' birth. You may bring the contents each week to donate or bring all of them on Christmas Day to donate for the new year.

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Children will present their Christmas program on Sunday, Dec. 11 following Sunday school. Other classes or groups are invited to offer their gifts as well, please let Jackie know if you plan to participate.

## WORSHIP ON CHRISTMAS DAY AND NEW YEAR'S DAY

Yes, we will worship. You may dress casually, you may dress formally, but please come and worship and give God thanks for the gift of life in Jesus whose birth we celebrate. What better way to celebrate than to join your church family in praising God.



Tammy White, Jane Evans, Stu Grant, Sid Rutter, Ella Mae Whitten, Judy Schnepfer, Heather Koonce, Inez Waddle, Gayle Panipinto, Norm Brunson, David Deisher, Connie Deisher, Teresa Stoltz, Dana Tate, Patti Dunkel, Diane Whitenack, Myra Webb, Mary Margaret Rusch, Liz Kieffer, Luke Dill, Global Refugee Crisis, Kidd

Harkelroad, Rod Raber, Tom Sarg, Betty & 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.

## 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 - Nov. 6, 2016		OFFERING - November 13, 2016	
General	\$3,256.00	General	\$1,793.00
Sunday School	16.00	Sunday School	21.35
Website	100.00	Blessing Basket	11.00
Outreach	<u>8.00</u>	Website	100.00
Total:	\$3,380.00	Sound System	50.00
		Thanksgiving Offering	55.00
		"I Can" Bicycle Fund	<u>200.00</u>
		Total:	\$2,230.35

Juan & Barbara Escobedo  
request the honor of your presence at

## ***Irene' Izabela Escobedo's Quinceañera Celebration!***

Saturday, the Third of December,  
Two-thousand and Sixteen  
at six o'clock in the evening  
First Christian Church Disciples of Christ  
803 North Market Street  
Mt. Carmel, IL 62863

Reception to follow in  
Church Fellowship Hall  
R.S.V.P. 618-240-2649  
or 618-240-2307



***It's once again time to order poinsettias for the Sanctuary. The price this year is \$10.00. The orders must be in the church office by December 15th, in order to be placed in the Sanctuary by Christmas. Please fill out the order and place it in the offering tray or leave in the church office. The poinsettias will be white in color.***

***Name of the donor*** \_\_\_\_\_

***In Memory Of*** \_\_\_\_\_

***In Honor Of*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Gift*** \_\_\_\_\_

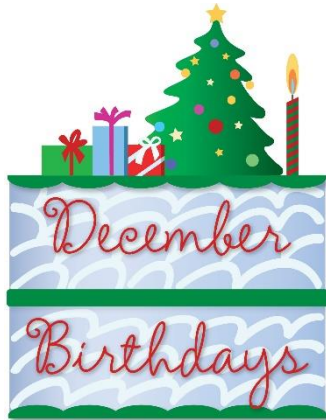
***Checks may be made to the First Christian Church***



# December 2016

Senior Group Meets Every Wednesday  
 from 10:00 AM –2:00 PM  
 CCF – 3:30-5:00 PM  
 Chi Rho – 3:30-6:00 PM  
 CYF – 3:30-7:00 PM

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	2	3  Irene' Escobedo's Quinceanera 6:00 PM
4	5  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	6  Counseling  Bible Study @ 7:00 PM	7  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Choir @ 7 PM	8  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	9	10
11  Children's Christmas Program & Potluck 11:30 AM	12  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Operation Share Toys	13  Counseling Anxiety 7-8:30 PM Operation Share Toys Bible Study @ 7	14  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Choir @ 7 PM	15  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  COOKIE DAY	16	17
18  Summers' Christmas Open House 2-4 PM	19  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Operation Share Food	20  Operation Share Food  Bible Study @ 7	21  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Choir @ 7 PM	22  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	23	24  CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
25  CHRISTMAS DAY Worship - 9:30 AM	26  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	27	28  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Choir 7:00 PM	29  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	30  	31  NEW YEARS EVE



<b>2</b>	<b>Wilma Farrar Sharon Luth</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Bailey Brooke</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Harold Alka Lilly Benedict Kathie Tuzenew Irene' Escobedo</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Verlin Snow Sandy Schuh</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Mike Gill</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Mike Gidcumb</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Brennan Lathrop</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Jason Jones Kiera Brooke</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Marsha Foshee</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Marilyn Bellessa</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Nick Irelan Darla Brooke Deana Stewart</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>Doug Peterson Judy Sigler</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Mallory Parr</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Alisa Gidcumb Frank Schrader</b>
		<b>31</b>	<b>Alex Baker</b>

<b>22</b>	<b>Jeff &amp; Kathy Foshee Phil &amp; Trudy Benefiel</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Mark &amp; Heather Folz Rian &amp; Karen Waterbury</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>George &amp; Doris Beckerman</b>