

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)  
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**SUNDAY SERVICE  
February 26, 2017**

Worship 9:30 AM  
Sunday School 10:45 AM

Sermon: Don't Be Afraid to Change  
Rev. Jim Summers

Scripture: Matthew 17: 1-9

**WATCHING OUR FIGURES**  
February 12: 86  
February 19: 96

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**9TH ANNUAL SICPC DINNER**

The Southeastern Illinois Centers for Pastoral Counseling will be having their annual fundraiser dinner at the church on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. 37 years and growing stronger! Join us to celebrate the past and look ahead to the future.

**YOUNG ADULT GATHERING**

Sunday, Feb. 26 at 5 pm we will gather at the church for devotions, games, snacks. Please bring a snack to share and a favorite game to play. Young adults are 18 - 30's (or so). Remember to invite a friend. (Call the church office or message a pastor if you need childcare)



**ASH WEDNESDAY - March 1**

There will be a pancake and sausage meal at 6 pm with a free will donation to cover costs. Worship will be at 7 pm as we begin the season of Lent together. The service will include special music, a short devotion, imposition of ashes and communion.

**RETIREMENT RECEPTION**

Join us for a reception on Sunday, March 5 immediately following worship to celebrate Jim's 29 years of service to our country through the Illinois National Guard. He retires as the Wing Chaplain with the 126th Air Refueling Wing and a Lt. Colonel. His medals, commendations and other memorabilia will be on display.





### LENT 2017 - "Who's Who In Lent"

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1. Lent is the 40 days (not counting Sundays) leading up to Easter. It is traditionally a time of repentance and contemplation. Our Lenten theme this year will focus on a variety of people around Jesus as he traveled to the cross.

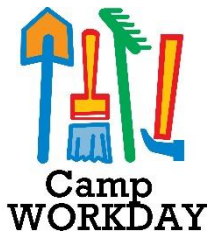
March 5 - Peter

March 12 - Sons of Thunder (James and John, plus their parents)

### VIRTUAL 5K/10K

If you enjoy walking or running, this event is for you and you can do it anywhere. All the donations go to Disciples Home Ministries which supports Disciples Women and Men's Ministries, Children and Family Ministries, Youth and Young Adult Ministries. It also works with seminaries and ministers and churches in transition. DHM supports Chaplains and Specialized Ministries, African-American Ministries, Disciples Volunteering, Disciples Peace Fellowship, Association of Disciples Musicians and much more.

To participate, please sign up with Kate Summers as the General Youth Council is helping host this event. We are asking each person to make a donation of \$10 to participate. World Outreach will underwrite part of the costs of participating in the Virtual 5K/10K and each person gets a medal and t-shirt. Registration is during March and we will set a date later this spring to walk as a church or you can walk/run on your own.



### CAMP WORK DAY

There is a Camp Walter Scott Work Day scheduled for Saturday, March 18, 22, and May 13. Please contact the church office if you plan to go so we can let the camp know for food preparation and work planned.

### ELDERS AND DEACONS EVENT

Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 2-5 pm at First Christian Church - Lawrenceville. Discover more about what it means to serve in these roles.



### Our Prayer List

Mary Faye Wyatt, Chris Simpkins, Ashley Long, Don Mann, Laura, Jim Pullum, Cindy Hocking, Bev Stuessel, Caroline Escobedo, Mindy Newsum, Bette Jo Pixley, Tammy White, Stu Grant, Sid Rutter, Ella Mae Whitten, Judy Schnepfer, Heather Koonce, Inez Waddle, Gayle Panipinto, Norm Brunson, 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, Myrtle Hocking, Helen Seaton, Betty Taylor, Gloria White, Jeff Raber, 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 MARCH



**Deacons:** Verlin Snow, Trish Snow, Lizzie Irelan, Logan Baker, Kelsey Phelps, Ashley Harms

**Custodial Deacon:** Jon Mayhue

**Communion Preparers:** Doris Deputy & Esther Calverley

**Sanctuary Straightener:**

**Elder on Call:** Janice Alka

**Acolytes:** Lillian Foshee & Rhiannon Anderson

### OFFERING - Feb. 12, 2017

General	\$1,767.00
Sunday School	15.00
Blessing Basket	10.00
Website	100.00
Brown Bag Buddies	50.00
Memorial Fund	115.00
Outreach	8.00
Fellowship Time	<u>30.59</u>
Total:	\$2,095.59

### OFFERING - Feb. 19, 2017

General	\$2,260.00
Sunday School	4.00
Blessing Basket	12.00
Week of Compassion	400.00
Website	100.00
Outreach	<u>8.00</u>
Total:	\$2,784.00





Thank you hardly seems adequate for the celebration of our 20 years in ministry in Mt. Carmel. Thank you to Lesley for the plaques, her kind words and gifts. Thank you to everyone for the cards and the love offering. Thank you to Paula for the delicious cake and cupcakes and to everyone who helped with the food. What a joyful celebration of our time together.

Thank you, Jim and Jackie

First Christian Church,  
Wow! Thank you so much for your generous heart. Without people like you campus ministry would not happen. Thank you for partnering with me in ministry. I will be sending you a newsletter soon.  
Thank You, Kiersten Randolph

Dear FCC,  
Thank you so much for the monetary gift to our coalition. Thank you for supporting our work in substance abuse prevention in Wabash County. Amanda Andrews, Wabash Co. Project Success

Dear FCC,  
Thank you for your generous support to Eureka College. Your gift is greatly appreciated. On behalf of President Jamel Santa Cruze Wright, the students, faculty and staff of Eureka College, I thank you for being so committed to the mission of this wonderful institution.

Michael Murtagh, VP for Institutional Advancement



## 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**





# March 2017

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 ASH WEDNESDAY Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Pancakes 6:00 Worship 7:00	2  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	3	4
5  Fellowship Time	6  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Property 6:00 pm	7  Counseling  Worship 4:45	8  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Choir @ 7 PM	9  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	10	11
12  TIME CHANGE  Elders Mtg. 1:00	1  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Stewardship 6:00	14  Counseling Anxiety 7-8:30 PM	15  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  CHURCH BOARD MEETING 6:00	16  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  COOKIE DAY	17  	18  CWS WORK DAY
19  Fellowship Time Passing the Peace	20  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	21  Counseling	22  Exercise 9-9:45 AM  Choir @ 7 PM	23  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	24	25  
26	27  Exercise 9-9:45 AM	29  Counseling Grief Support 7-8:30 PM	30	31		





## BIRTHDAYS

1	Ricki Hays	18	Lori Roberts
2	Kim Baker Elizabeth Fiero Linda Gill	19	Mike Hays Aaron Sigler
3	Stacey Swift	21	Don Marx Linda Chenoweth
6	Kristyn Grimwood	22	Jon Mayhue
8	Sara Storeckman	23	Emma Rose Wolf
11	Rebecca Nelson	24	Rhiannon Anderson
12	Jim Summers	27	Lisa Benedict
13	Elliott Gill Keagan James Lathrop Kim More	29	Carolyn Brown Sharon Mobley Betty Taylor Lindsey Stewart
15	Cameron Smith	30	Robert K. Cunningham



## March Anniversaries

2	Bob & Ruth Buchanan
11	Bernie & Mary Faye Wyatt
14	Bill & Joan Hackler