

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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**SUNDAY SERVICE
March 26, 2017**

Worship 9:30 AM
Sunday School 10:45 AM

Sermon: Barry Roberts

Scripture:

WATCHING OUR FIGURES
March 12: 86
March 19: 87

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*“Growing God’s Family to Share God’s Word”
First Christian Church*



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ELDERS AND DEACONS WORKSHOP

Find out more about your role as a spiritual leader in the church. There will be a training event led by Scott Woolridge (Scott did extensive study on this during his Sabbatical). Sign up in our church office to go on Sunday, April 30 to FCC in Lawrenceville from 2-5 pm. We will leave church by 1:15 that afternoon.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Anyone interested in helping with Christian Education can contact Lizzie Irelan or Lesley Hipsher. We hear how the future of our church is in the hands of the young people and children of our church. Well, we need your help.

Kindergarten – 5th grade will combine in the Noah’s Ark room on the first floor of the Education Wing. The first Sunday of each month is “Bring a Friend” day with incentives for our children and guests.

YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEERING

Sunday, April 2 our Young Adult group will gather at 1 pm to go to Evansville and volunteer at the Aurora Shelter. We will eat dinner out after we finish. Bring a friend or two. Check the FB page for more updates. (FCC Mt. Carmel Young Adults)

MENS PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST IN ALLENDALE

BARBIE'S BOUTIQUE

Helpers needed for Open Houses on March 24 and April 21. Please contact Barb to volunteer.



Our Prayer List



Jim Warmoth, Marsha Rush, Frank Pixley, 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, Heather Koonce, Inez Waddle, Connie Deisher, Dana Tate, Patti Dunkel,

Diane Whitenack, Global Refugee Crisis, Kidd Harkelroad, 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, Jennifer Koonce, Elaine Spencer, Mary Jo Birley, Dorothy Chapman, Bill Beesley, our country, it's leaders, all servicemen and women; natural disaster victims.



CAUGHT DOING GOOD... ..

• I Can Class for preparing the Pancake Supper on Ash Wednesday.

NEEDED

Yellow Dollar General plastic bags for additional color in plastic mats for the homeless.

FOOD PANTRY

40 food items and 6 large bags of personal care items were taken to WADI Food Pantry this week!



WCPS Youth Advisory Board "Haulin' Eggs 5K Color Run & Easter Egg Hunt" Saturday, April 8th, 2017 MCHS Senior Parking Lot - 9:30 AM

All proceeds will go to drug free activities for youth in Wabash County planned by WCPS Youth Advisory Board.



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 - March 12, 2017		OFFERING - March 26, 2017	
General	\$1,320.00	General	\$3,175.00
Sunday School	33.00	Sunday School	16.00
Blessing Basket	23.00	Outreach	<u>8.00</u>
Gas	25.00	Total:	\$3,199.00
Website	100.00		
Barbie's Boutique	50.00		
Outreach	<u>8.00</u>		
Total:	\$1,559.00		

Membership Offerings:
 Needed YTD: \$25,471.00
 Received YTD: \$20,781.00

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Safe Haven is a not for profit organization funded by donations. It offers a safe place for women and their children in Wabash, White, Wayne, Edwards, and Lawrence Counties to reside while they transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency. Volunteer duties include answering the phone, door and any questions which should arise. If interested, please contact 618-262-2677 or 217 West Third Street in Mt. Carmel. Safe Haven thanks you in advance for your continued support in this matter.





*First Christian Church,
The outpouring of prayers and concern about our safety and well-being
has been tremendous. We are so grateful to have this caring church
family. Thank God! Melvin & Marilyn Hocking
P.S.: And yes, Illinois Prayers do make it to Texas!*

*Thank you so much for the cookie plate and visit this month.
Judy Nettleton*

*I would like to thank everyone especially Judy Sigler and the I Can
class for the wonderful celebration of my military retirement. I
have valued your love and support as a congregation. I would not
have been able to serve without your prayers, love and support.
Thank you everyone! Jim Summers & Family*

*Thank you all for the many kind cards, well wishes and presents
during my recent birthday. You all are a blessing!
Jim Summers*



SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

The Administrative Board met on Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

Architecture & Design Group, LTD, presented a Facility Survey Report outlining costs concerning the condition, maintenance and/or replacement of building and site related equipment and fixtures from time period categories ranging from 0 – 5 years, 5 – 10 years, and 10 – 20 years.

Treasurer's Report – Ending 02/28/17: While trends are hard to see this early in the year, we fell \$4,689.81 below needs in the General Fund for January and February 2017.

Property Committee: Sound system is in place with a few parts left to be installed. Training session was held for those that wished to attend. There are plans to add 3 additional handicapped parking spaces in the parking lot. Discussion is ongoing for updating the lobby in the 8th Street entrance, library, and stairway storage.

Worship Committee: The following services will be held for Lent: Maundy Thursday, April 13, 7:00 PM, FCC; Good Friday Service, April 14, 12:00 PM, and 7:00 PM, FCC; Sunrise Service, April 16, 6:10 AM, Rose Hill Cemetery (Fellowship to follow at cemetery.)

Christian Education: Lesley Hipsher will be working with Lizzie Irelan as Co-Chairmen for Christian Education. There will be an Easter Party on Saturday, April 15, 2017, 10:30 AM, FCC.

Stewardship Committee: There is still one opening for counters for 2017. If interested, sign-up sheet is on office window. Committee is considering inviting a motivational speaker for Stewardship Sunday.

Membership Committee: Fellowship with donuts and drinks following the morning worship in the alcove will be April 2, May 7, and May 21. There will not be any Fellowship following the worship service on Easter, April 16. There is a Fellowship following the Sunrise Service, April 16, 6:10 AM, Rose Hill Cemetery, by the Worship Committee. Fifth Sunday Hot Breakfast is April 30 before morning worship in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to bring their favorite breakfast dish to share. Women's Banquet will be May 7, 5:30 PM, Fellowship Hall, featuring a carry-in meal with meat and drink provided. Eudine Tyler volunteered to greet at the back door, south entrance. Anyone wishing to volunteer as greeter should contact either Marilyn Hocking, Pat Williams, or Eudine Tyler.

Evangelism: The committee continues to seek ways to have a presence in the community and will host the Encore Party, High School Musical after party, Middle School Concert after party.

Administration: Updating of Policies and Job Descriptions are close to completion. Robin Jones, our custodian, has turned in her resignation. Administration and Property Committees will work together in filling this position.

Youth: April 30 will be Youth Sunday.



**TIME FOR EASTER
FLOWERS AGAIN!**

It's once again time to order Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. The price is \$10.00. We will be ordering various spring flowers.

The orders must be in the church office by April 5th, in order to be ordered and placed in the Sanctuary by Easter Sunday. Please fill out the order form and place it in the offering tray or leave it in the church office.

Name of the donor _____

In Memory Of _____

In Honor Of _____

Gift _____

Checks should be made to the First Christian Church



The psalmist's prayer

The Psalms are full of wonderful verses about God's care and protection.

*Directions: Find each missing letter in the alphabets below.
Use the resulting words to complete Psalm 86:7, NIV.*

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When I am in _____, I _____ to you,
because you _____ me. Psalm 86:7, NIV

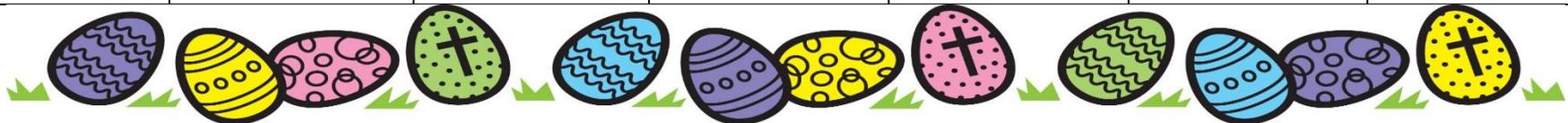
Answer: When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me. Psalm 86:7, NIV



April 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
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2 Fellowship Time Young Adults Trip to Shelter 1:00 pm	3 Exercise 9-9:45 AM	4 Counseling Evangelism 6 PM Bible Study 7 PM	5 Exercise 9-9:45 AM Choir @ 7 PM	6 Exercise 9-9:45 AM	7	8
9 Palm Sunday	10 Exercise 9-9:45 AM	11 Counseling Anxiety 7-8:30 PM Bible Study 7	12 Exercise 9-9:45 AM Choir @ 7 PM	13 Exercise 9-9:45 AM Maundy Thursday Service – 7:00 PM	14 Community Good Friday@FCC Noon Good Friday Service 7:00 PM	15 Easter Party 10:30 AM
16 Sunrise Service 6:10 AM Easter Sunday Passing the Peace	17 Exercise 9-9:45 AM Property 6:00 pm	18 Counseling Bible Study 7	19 Exercise 9-9:45 AM Choir @ 7 PM	20 Exercise 9-9:45 AM COOKIE DAY	21 Barbie's Boutique Open House 3-7 PM	22
23 Butterfly Sunday- Baptisms <u>Musical Encore</u> 30 Youth Sunday Elder & Deacon Mtg. Lawrenceville	24 Exercise 9-9:45 AM	25 Counseling Grief Support 7-8:30 PM Bible Study 7	26 Exercise 9-9:45 AM Choir @ 7 PM	27 Exercise 9-9:45 AM	28	29





2	Marvin Wyatt Judy Nettleton	16	Ginny Brown
3	Amos Chenoweth	17	Lizzie Irelan
9	Pat Beesley	18	Linda Schrader
10	Gary Bellessa Gracelynn Jay Street	19	Alma Escobedo
11	Matt Lathrop Ariel Cadigan	23	Ben Benedict Shalanea Bratcher
12	Samantha Foshee	25	Dylan Benefiel
14	Joe Swift	26	Trudy Benefiel
		29	Ray Street
		30	Priss Parmenter Heather Baker

1 Steve & Sara Storckman

14 Kim & Heather Baker

15 Ralph & Jean Raber