

First Christian Church – Disciples of Christ
803 Market Street
Mt. Carmel, IL 62863

SUNDAY SERVICE
September 2, 2018

Sermon

“We Really Are in Sales?”

Rev. Virgil Knipp

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 2:14-17

Worship 9:30 AM

Sunday School 10:30 AM

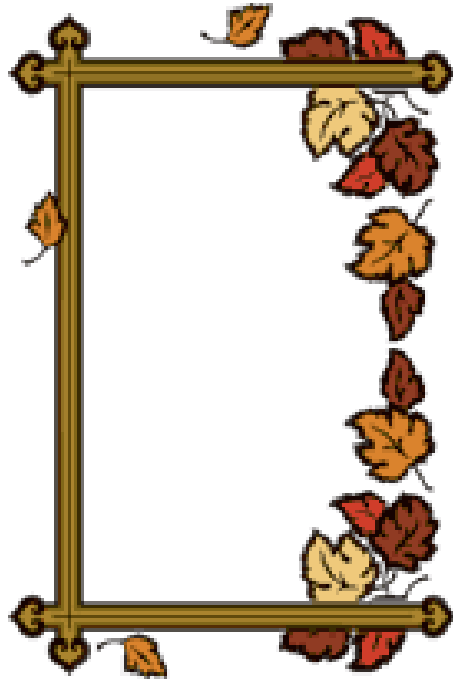
WATCHING OUR FIGURES

TAT Worship: 8/23-9; 8/30-7

Sunday Worship: 8/26-106; 9/2-98

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CHURCH HOURS

The office is open Monday through Friday! The ministers will be in the church office from 10:00 a.m. – Noon, Tuesday thru Friday and are off on Mondays. They will be doing visitation with shut-ins and those in the nursing home or hospital in the afternoons. If you would like a home visit from the Knippes, please call the office to schedule a time that is best for you.

FCC IL-WI Regional Assembly

The First Christian Church IL-WI Regional Assembly is scheduled for Oct. 19 – 20th for those interested in attending.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP



In order to look our best, there will be a church clean-up day scheduled for every 5th Saturday with the first one scheduled for September 29.



Eric Bramlet, Glyn Draper, Roger Anderson, Kevin Pixley, Vesta Rigg, Ron DeFoor, Peg Geurin, Ray Culver, Tracy Deckard, LuAnn Lemke, Jason Fiero, Emily Ewald, Laverne Sherman, Sylvia Spencer, Julia Corwin, Bob Nix, Jim Warmoth, Mary Faye Wyatt,

Don Mann, Global Refugee Crisis, Betty & Mike Foshee, Joan Hackler, Devan Swift, Myrtle Hocking, Betty Taylor, Jennifer Koonce, Elaine Spencer, Mary Jo Birley, Bill & Pat Beesley, Mya James, Karen Hahn, Mary Peterson, Larry O. Gaines, Don Tharp, Leslie Glenn, and our country, its leaders, all servicemen and women; natural disaster victims.

***The Prayer List is periodically updated. Let us know if someone needs to be put back on. Please note that due to current privacy laws, you must have the permission of whomever you wish to include on the prayer list.**

SERVING IN SEPTEMBER



Deacons: Bill Hackler, Jessica Williams, Gary Hargett, Wilbur Brown, Kim More, Conner Anderson

Custodial Deacon: Jon Mayhue

Communion Preparers: Lynette Wiles & Sharon Mobley

Sanctuary Straightener:

Elder on Call:

Acolytes: Talon Rafferty & Jaxon Schrader

OFFERING -August 26, 2018

General	\$2,520.00
Blessing Basket	6.88
Evangelism	400.00
Website	100.00
Outreach	8.00
Sunday School	<u>15.00</u>
Total:	\$3,049.88,

OFFERING - September 2, 2018

General	\$2,926.00
Sunday School	2.00
Blessing Basket	41.75
Outreach	8.00
Website	100.00
Fellowship Time	<u>11.00</u>
Total:	\$3,088.75

It's that time again.....

CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S FELLOWSHIP



Kick Off will be Wednesday, Sept. 12, from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. for those wishing to participate. Each students must be registered in order to attend CCF. A sign-up sheet will be mailed to those interested from the church. Please return the signed registration form to the church by Sept. 10th in order for your child/children to be able to participate on September 12th. Registration will also take place at the Kick Off. Extra sign-up sheets will be available outside the church office window as well. ALL students and friends are welcome, but they MUST have a signed permission slip on file. The church bus will pick up registered students from MCES and MCGS each Wednesday after school, and activities will take place in the Fellowship Hall located in the church basement. Please contact Stacey Swift (618) 263-7643 or Chelsea Rafferty (618) 263-7688 with any questions.





September 2018

Hello one and all. I am Sue, half of your new Unit Ministry Team (Virgil being the other half), called to serve First Christian Church (DOC) as her Interim Pastors. Our time here is short in duration, so please, bear with us as we move forwards 'for the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ' (Phil 3:14), which we all share together. Just step into the waters of God's love, even wade out a little bit deeper, as we work together to share His love in our part of God's world, and 'they'll know we are Christians by our love'.

We firmly believe that we are called to gather together to worship our heavenly Father (Hebrews 10:25), and to work with each other to further His kingdom. I have several favorite activities that helps us blend together like a well-made quilt, and yet remain individuals in Christ. You guess it! Quilting is one of my favorites. I understand that a quilting group was once a part of FCC. Anyone want to try it again?

I do a 'card ministry' that connects us (FCC and her ministers) via snail mail to everyone in the church to let them know the church, and we care. I am aware that others also send cards. Bless you! Keep up your good work. If any of you receive any freebie cards in the mail from places like Boys Town, or the Arbor Day Foundation, etc. and do not use them, please donate them to the church.

My third love is the Prayer Shawl Ministry. When we visit members and families of FCC, who are hospitalized or ill at home, we like to deliver a shawl or lap robe. This lets them know they are covered, physically, in the prayers of the church and of the one who created the shawl/lap robe. All creations are given anonymously.

Virgil knits, but only long scarves, and I crochet. We need others who love yarn and what is created, to become partners in spreading the prayers. Are you interested in creating and donating prayer shawls/lap robes? Pray, create if the Spirit moves you to do so, and bring your prayer work by the office. God will bless you.

The song "They'll Know We Are Christians" contains truth. When we pray for one another, walk hand in hand, work side by side, and praise God together, we exhibit God's awesome, wonderful love for His creation, including all of us. Let's walk these days with God and each other.

Grant Heavenly Father, that we will reach for the higher calling in Jesus Christ together. Help us to put aside our big "I" and become a "WE". Let love be our guide; guard our thoughts and speech from negative thinking. Let us show your love to the world. Amen

Smile...make the world a better place.

Sue