

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

SUNDAY SERVICE

June 2, 2019

Sermon

“The Christian Battle”

Rev. Virgil Knipp

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-18

Worship 9:30 AM

Sunday School 10:30 AM

WATCHING OUR FIGURES

TAT Worship: 5/2 - 6 ; 5/9 -7; 5/16- 8

Sunday Worship: 5/5 -77 ; 5/12 -109; 5/19-115

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Community Happenings...

Well-known contemporary gospel artist, Ivan Parker, will be in concert at Community Church of God, 1532 College Drive, Mt. Carmel, on Friday, June 7, at 7:00 PM. The concert is FREE and open to the public and everyone is welcome! A love offering will be taken.



There will be a Marriage Enrichment Weekend at the conference center of Wabash Presbyterian Church on Friday/Saturday, June 14th and 15th. All engaged and married couples are welcome. Pastor Bobby/Melissa Smith and Pastor Kevin/Amber McGinnis are facilitating this event. For more information, please contact Pastor McGinnis at (618) 240-6243.

The Christian group, **Abundance**, will be singing at Hope Lutheran Church on Sunday, June 30th at 2:00 PM. The public is cordially invited to attend.



There will be a **Faith and Freedom Worship Service** at the Market Street Amphitheater on Wednesday evening, July 3rd at 7:00 PM. “**George Washington**” will be the special guest speaker. His topic will be the freedoms we have in America, including the freedom to worship God! Bring your lawn chairs and come out to hear this great American Hero!!



CHURCH TRAVEL MUGS FOR SALE



If you or someone you know is in need of a travel mug, we now have a 16 oz. insulated stainless-steel travel mug for sale. The mugs have the church name and logo imprinted on them and sell for \$10.00 each. The profits will go to the Evangelism committee. This project will enable them to do even more to spread the Good News of Jesus. You may stop by the church office any time

Monday through Friday between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM to pick up your mug. We also have a few cookbooks and church Christmas ornaments left if you are interested in purchasing these items for yourself or as gifts.



SERVING IN JUNE

Deacons: Lillian Foshee, Ben Ross, Kelsey Phelps, McKinnon Anderson, Darla Brooke, Shari Ross

Custodial Deacon: Jon Mayhue

Elder on Call: Alison Mayhue

Communion Preparers: Debbie Meyer & Marilyn Hocking

Sanctuary Straightener: Doris Beckerman

Acolytes: Shelby & Emma Mayhue

Counters: Harold & Sharon Mobley



WHY GO TO CHURCH CAMP???

WHAT DISCIPLES KIDS HAVE SAID ABOUT CAMP...

"It was like living in a perfect world...

The hikes were so fun... The balance of church and sports was perfect... I didn't want to come back from there! Time at the lake was awesome... I like that I could go with all the other kids from church... We learned about God AND we had fun... Our counselors were super cool... I felt closer to God than anywhere else..." Why not join the fun!? Camp is for everyone!

OFFERING - May 5, 2019

General	\$4,083.00
Website	100.00
Upper Room	15.00
New Sign	183.00
Initial Offering	1.00
Sunday School	15.00
Total:	\$4,397.00

OFFERING - May 19, 2019

General	\$2,097.00
World Outreach	64.00
Sunday school	.00
New Sign	135.00
Mission Trip Fund	25.00
Cook Book	10.00
Travel mug	30.00
Pat Williams 90 th B'day*	50.00
Camp Walter Scott*	25.00
Total:	\$2,453.00

*Given in Honor of Pat Williams 90th Birthday.

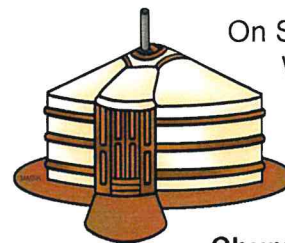
OFFERING - May 12, 2019

General	\$1,976.00
Sunday school	4.00
Security Cameras	1,600.00
Talent Project	300.00
New sign	135.00
Travel mugs	130.00
Total:	\$4,145.00

OFFERING - May 26, 2019

General	\$1,475.95
Sunday school	11.00
Global Ministries Res.	50.00
Develop. for the Congo	
New sign	179.00
Total:	\$1,715.95

YURT DEDICATION AT CAMP WALTER SCOTT!



On Sunday, June 2, 2019, at 9:30 a.m., Camp Walter Scott will be holding a worship service, and yurt (sleeping hut) dedication. This one will be dedicated in memory of Rev. Jay Johnson and will be known as Jay's Place. Jay was on staff at First Christian Church, Mt. Carmel, for many years.

You may bring a picnic lunch to enjoy following the service. This is great opportunity to see the camp too if you have never been or if it has been a long time. There have been many improvements over the last few years. We hope you will join us for a Camp Sunday! For more information, you may contact the camp at (217) 739-2332. The Beckermans will be going and anyone who wants to go with them is welcome to do so.

The following ministries will be off for the summer, but plan to resume in the fall: Choir, TAT, CCF, Chi Rho, and CYF.



Many of our members will also be away from church on vacation this summer. Please remember that the church's monthly financial commitments continue throughout the summer, and we need your help to fulfil our obligations. Thank you for your support.



The First Christian Church recently donated an unused sound board to The Edge Church of Vincennes, IN. We received a card from this very grateful church... "The new sound board has made a world of difference in our worship" Their entire church signed the card of thanks. We are thrilled to have been able to bless this congregation in need!

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If anyone is interested in attending the **2019 General Assembly** in Des Moines, IA, from July 20-24, please let the office know. FCC is allowed five voting representatives plus the Interim Ministers. The church will pay the **registration fee** for five delegates who wish to attend.



Men's Appreciation Breakfast
All men are invited to attend our Men's Appreciation Breakfast on June 9th, at 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Feel free to bring your male friends to join us. All men are welcomed!



Glyn Draper, 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, Jennifer Koonce, Elaine Spencer, Mary Jo Birley, Bill & Pat Beesley, Mya James, Karen Hahn, Mary Peterson, Larry O. Gaines, Don Tharp, Leslie Glenn, Margott Beckerman, Atticus Scott, Fred Xanders, Kevin Stiles, Leon Dudley, Bob Stuessel, Kenny Webb, Jeannie Tennis, Rev. Brant Hazlett, Brenda Culver, Bev Williams, April, Mike Gidcumb, Ruth (Case) Dick, Egan Beuligmann, Don & Mary Jane Bellessa, Sue Vail, Rich Kolb, David Taylor, Harold Mobley, Amy Pettyjohn, Dr. Clifford Malcolm, Scott & Jennifer Nettleton, Marilyn Matthews, Jaxson Malcolm, Jake, Addie, and baby Swift due in Aug., Mike Gill, Cathy, Disciples church in Jefferson City, MO, damaged by tornado, 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 removed or 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

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VBS Kick-Off ...

JUNE 9TH at 6:00 PM...

EVERYONE WELCOMED!!!



EVERYONE is invited to attend the kick-off for our VBS Program on June 9th in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM. We'll be serving a **30 FOOT BANANA SPLIT!!** There will be an opportunity for parents to pre-register any children interested in attending the program this year. VBS will be held for children from Pre-school (age 4) through 5th grade. The program will be held Monday through Thursday, **June 10th – 13th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.** Our theme this year is **"To Mars and Beyond"**. Invite your friends to join you for this exciting adventure into outer space!!

An Adult Class will be offered with our interim Pastors, Virgil and Sue, as leaders. Join us!!

Sp^LiNT^eRS from the BOARD

May 2019

Property Committee: Playground: Two new signs installed. Bus: Brakes repaired. Swain's Body Shop repaired passenger entry door at no charge. Security cameras: Quotes being considered. Fellowship Hall sound system: Being updated. Roof drains: To be repaired. Women's restroom near Market Street entrance: Updates planned for work day - 5th Saturday in June.

Worship Committee: Summer music: Begins May 26. Pentecost: Wear red on June 9. Father's Day: June 16 – red paraments are changed to green until Advent. Intinction Sunday: June 30 - wafers to replace bread – use of goldfish discontinued - offering taken by Deacons in traditional way.

Christian Education Committee: Vacation Bible School: Pre-School (age 4) through 5th Grade – Monday to Thursday, June 10-13, 6pm-8pm. "To Mars and Beyond!" Stacey Swift, Director. Facebook event, online registration, congregation to participate in 30-foot Banana Split Event on Sunday, June 9. Summer Sunday School for Youth: Held as one group during June, July and August - Jessica Williams will lead except while she attends camp on July 7.

Stewardship Committee: Investment Account: Old National Bank (ONB) representatives reviewed last year's account. Copies of Old National's report are available in the office. Thelma Carroll Trust: ONB related this trust is being liquidated. FCC will receive \$49,000 - allocated according to Bequest Policy: first \$25,000 to benefit General Fund, World Outreach, Christian Action, and Property; remaining \$24,000 to reduce church's bank loan. Audits: Kemper CPA Group to be contacted to commence audits of past two fiscal years.

Membership Committee: Fellowship Time: Continues through summer-donations to the electronic sign. Hot Breakfast: June 30 at 8:30 a.m. Cookie Day: Wilbur Brown will oversee. Mother's Day: Thanks to Tim & Sarah Wiser for providing the beautiful flowers. Men's Appreciation Breakfast: Sunday, June 9, at 8:30 a.m.

Evangelism Committee: Encore: Over 50 students, plus adults, attended April 14 following MCHS musical. Baptism Sunday: After-worship gathering - April 28. Details of above events: Coordinated by Alison Mayhue. Recipients of 5th Sunday Gifts: Safe Haven, Operation Share, and WADI. First-time Visitors: To receive engraved FCC cups-may also be purchased in office.

World Outreach Committee:

Church Finance Council	\$ 250.00
Church Mission Trip	250.00
Week of Compassion	200.00
Pentecost Offering	500.00
Samaritan's Purse	300.00
American Bible Society	200.00
Church World Service	400.00
Total	<u>\$ 2,100.00</u>

Christian Action Committee:

Mt. Carmel Fire Department	\$ 200.00
80-inch Smart TV (CCF, VBS, Special programs) (1,300-Regular Fund, \$1,245-Special Fund)	<u>2,545.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,745.00</u>

Administrative Committee: By-Laws: Rev. Virgil Knipp changed wording in the following:

The Executive Committee will consist of: the Church Board chairperson, the vice-chairperson, secretary, treasurer, appointed committee chairpeople, trustees and minister(s). Section VI, Professional Staff A. Minister(s) 1. Selection (a. through e.) 2. Term of Ministry (a. through b.) 3. Responsibilities (a. through j.)

Changes clarify the By-Laws, making them applicable to any minister(s). More discussion at July Board meeting. Title Change: Due to confusion regarding the titles of the Administrative Board and the Administrative Committee, "Administrative" proposed to be changed to "Church" in the Board title. It will be called the "Church Board." The "Administrative Committee" title will remain the same. The name change will be presented to and voted on by the congregation at the Annual Meeting.

Chairman of the Elders: Met in March to adjust schedule during absence of Interim Pastors. Met in May to discuss ways to build love in our church, as well as conflict resolution and restoration as part of the transition in preparation for new minister(s).

Youth Director: Youth Group Meeting: May 19 is last for year. Summer special events being planned. Camp: Ten people registered for camp - Jessica Williams will counsel Middle School youth at Camp Walter Scott the week of July 7. Camp Buddies – information being assembled.

Executive Committee: Pastoral Search Committee:

Karissa Anderson, Ginger Boewe, Melvin Hocking, Alison Mayhue, Kim More, Paula Street, and Chuck Wiles. Weekly Updates to Market Street Sign: Youth responsible for May - sign up YOUR group/class now to share this responsibility.

Old Business: Employment Contract with Interim Co-pastors Rev. Virgil Knipp and Rev. Sue Knipp: Extended by three (3) months.

New Business: Scholarship: Connor Anderson will receive Scholarship during MCHS 2019 Awards Night. General Assembly: Des Moines, IA, July 20-24. FCC allowed five (5) voting representatives, plus the Interim Ministers – registration fees paid by FCC. Contact office if interested. Unused equipment/parts from old sanctuary sound system: Repurposed by Barry Roberts at The Edge Church in Vincennes. FCC received note of thanks.

Ministers' Report: Rev. Virgil Knipp: Reiterated that First Christian Church – Disciples of Christ is a very active, very giving church and "...we have found one of the best kept secrets in the Disciples Denomination right here in Mt. Carmel." Following a long list of outreach examples, he concluded by encouraging all to "Let your ministries be known to others outside the state."

Chairperson of the Board Comments: Janice Alka: If there is something in particular that you know, or discover, concerning the operation of the church, such as where something is located or how something is done, please make a note of it and turn it in to the office.

Rev. Virgil Knipp: He is compiling Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) book to include instructions/guidelines for church secretary and for church members in their many specific roles.

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS



We have several things in our Lost & Found box located outside of the Counting Room. Many of these treasures have been here for the past year. Please check the box if you are missing something that you may have left at church. There is also a set of house keys in the church office. Please feel free to stop by during the week to identify them.

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Want to help serve lunches this summer to local youth in need? The **LUNCHWAGON MINISTRY** is still looking for volunteers to help serve the growing number of locations outside of Mt. Carmel. They are now serving in Allendale, Friendsville, Belmont, and Keensburg, as well as several different Mt. Carmel locations. Please call **Melissa Smith at (618) 240-4299** for further information. Your help would be greatly appreciated!!



"Verily, I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me..."

SERVING OTHERS IS SERVING JESUS!



Cookie Day Ministry

*We would like to say a very **special thank you** to all who serve in the Cookie Day ministry of the church. This was organized for several years by Betty Foshee. It was then overseen by Esther Calverley until health issues forced her to give it up. Judy Sigler has picked up the mantle for these ladies. This is a very special ministry to our homebound who receive a delicious plate of cookies as well as a friendly visit from those who deliver the cookies faithfully each month. Thanks to everyone who makes cookies and to those who take the time to deliver them! You are a blessing to our homebound who look forward to seeing you each month!*



In Loving Memory

*Debbie Lathrop
Connie Deisher
Fred Jackson
Evelyn Frick
Betty Taylor
Robert Mounts*

*For all our loved ones who have died.
For all who gave their lives in service to our
country.*



"Think he'll notice we're visitors?"