

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



SUNDAY SERVICE
August 30, 2026

Sermon:
“Christ Connects Us To God
and To One Another”

Scripture: I John 1:1-5

Worship: 9:30 AM

Watching Our Figures
8/16 - 41 ; 8/23 - 53

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“Growing God’s Family to Share God’s Word”
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The church
office will be
closed on
Monday, Sept.
7th for Labor
Day.

The next Church Board
Meeting will be held on
Wednesday, September
16th at 7:00 PM in the
Fellowship Hall.



THE *joy* OF THE Lord
IS YOUR *strength*.

SERVING IN SEPTEMBER 2026

Custodial Deacon: Kim More

Elder on Call: Paula Street

Communion Preparers: Sharon Mobley & Lynette Wiles

Sanctuary Straightener: Barbara Minniear

Acolytes: Nicole & Madison Escobedo

Counters: Ruth Bowles & Gayle Conrady



UPCOMING EVENTS

Choir Practice (Wed. 6:00 PM)	Sept. 2
World Outreach Cmte. Mtg. (7:00 PM)	Sept. 2
Labor Day (Office Closed)	Sept. 7
Christian Action Cmte. Mtg. (1:00 PM)	Sept. 8
Choir Practice (9:00 AM)	Sept. 13
Choir will sing for the first time this fall	Sept. 13
Stewardship Cmte. Mtg. (5:00 PM)	Sept. 15
Church Board Mtg. (7:00 PM)	Sept. 16
Cookie Day (10:00 AM)	Sept. 17



We would like to say **“Thank You”** to all those who came to help with the Wabash Valley College Ladies sports teams’ supper on Aug. 11th. Thank you to those who decorated, served, prepared desserts, and cleaned up afterwards. The young ladies really appreciated the meal and enjoyed their time at FCC.



Emily Ewald, Kyler West, Levi West, Bev Coker, Betty Foshee, Don Marx, Esther Calverley, Ben & Shari Ross, Georgia Dalrymple, Don Swift, Valerie Murbarger, Gordy Limp, Cathy Wietfeldt, Mike Brown, Melody Ramsey, Tony LaRue, Callie Mitchell, Linda Kimble, Tim Woodsmall, Laura Bisch, A. J. Stambaugh, Marcia Poland, Kelly McCarty, Brandy Rains, Peyton McDougal, Gary Bellessa, Tom Ostanik, Alan Kidd, Sabrina McEntire Williams, Clint Anderson, Sharon Mobley, Jill Gerwin, J.P. Ewald, Sarah West, Paula Street, Mary & Ken Burkitt, Sandy Walker, Nile Gay, Pamela Case, Jim Edgington, Myriam Posso, Craig Leeper, Dawn Riley, Mark Tennes, Roger Jackman, Talon Rafferty, Howard Hoke, George Beckerman, Georgia Dalrymple, Brylin Yarbor, Rev. Todd Frenier, Melissa Felling, Rev. Dr. Fred White, and our country, leaders, service members, disaster victims, service workers, medical personnel, and Israel.

***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**

WABASH VALLEY COLLEGE FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

We had 140 students stop by our FCC booth at Wabash Valley College freshman orientation on August 17th. We gave away gift bags, invited students to join us on Sunday mornings for our worship service, and we even had a drawing for a Beats headphone. The grand prize was won by **Maya Cobb**. Thank you to Ben and Shari Ross and Barry and Janis Roberts for manning the booth and handling all the preparations for a successful presentation of the church.



**Maya Cobb – Grand Prize Winner
Presented by Chairman of the Board,
Barry Roberts.**

55+ Year Church Members who joined FCC between the years 1944 - 1967

1944 - Marilyn Spruell (a member for 82 years)

1949 - Sandy Walker

1951 - Esther Calverley

1951 - Calvin Seybold

1953 - Roxanna Seybold

1953 - Emily Ewald

1955 – Priss Parmenter

1956 – Shirley Root

1956 – Betty Foshee

1958 – Sharon Mobley

1959 – Janice Alka

1959 – Doris Beckerman

1961 – Gayle Conrady

1961 – Linda Gill

1961 – Ricki Hays

1961 – Allan Calverley

1962 – Ruth Bowles

1962 – Don Spencer

1963 – Bob Buchanan

1966 – Lorraine McFarland

1966 – Marc Calverley

1966 – Stephen Sawyer

1967 – Pat McFarland

1967 – Scott Compton





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| 1 ZACHARY STREET
LEVI SMITH | 17 GEORGE BECKERMAN
MARILYN SPRUELL
MARILYN HOCKING |
| 2 DENNIS MUNDY | |
| 3 KAY MUNDY | 18 DOUG LATHROP
DEBBIE MEYER
JERRY WHITE |
| 4 DON SPENCER | |
| 5 JASON SIGLER | 20 GAVIN ROBERTS |
| 8 BRYAN CALVERLEY | 22 ROXANNA SEYBOLD
JANET PATTERSON |
| 9 CHELSEA RAFFERTY | |
| 10 TREVOR SAWYER | 24 NICOLE ESCOBEDO |
| 11 SHARI ROSS | 26 SANDY WALKER |
| 12 JOHN BELLESSA | 27 OLIVIA WATERBURY |
| 14 MARK MEYER | 28 EMILY KOCHER |
| 16 VIOLA SEYBOLD SCOTT | |



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

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| 5 | <i>CALVIN AND ROXANNA SEYBOLD</i> |
| 14 | <i>CLINT AND WENDY SEYBOLD</i> |
| 21 | <i>CLINT AND KARISSA ANDERSON</i> |
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August 16, 2026

General Offering \$2,594.00
Brown Bag Buddies 600.00
Week of Compassion 20.00
TOTAL: \$3,214.00



August 23, 2026

General Offering \$688.00
Brown Bag Buddies 500.00
Capital Improvement 300.00
Fellowship Time 21.23
Membership Care 100.00
Donation for gas 100.00
Visitor Postage 100.00
Website 100.00
TOTAL: \$1,909.23



The choir will be returning to our morning worship service on September 13th. If you'd like to join the choir and share your gift of song, we would love to have you join us.

The first practice is Wednesday, Sept. 2nd at 6:00 PM. Regular practice will take place on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM.

Is He Worthy? (Chris Tomlin)

Do you feel the world is broken?

(We do)

Do you feel the shadows deepen?

(We do)

But do you know that all the dark won't

Stop the light from getting through?

(We do)

Do you wish that you could see it all made new?

(We do)

Is all creation groaning?

(It is)

Is a new creation coming?

(It is)

Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst?

(It is)

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this?

(It is)

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave

He was David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

Of all blessing and honor and glory

Is He worthy of this?

(He is)

Does the Father truly love us?

(He does)

Does the Spirit move among us?

(He does)

And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever those He loves?

(He does)

Does our God intend to dwell again with us?

(He does)

Is anyone worthy?

Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave

He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

From every people and tribe

Every nation and tongue

He has made us a kingdom and priests to God

To reign with the Son

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

Of all blessing and honor and glory

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

Is He worthy of this?

He is!

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

He is!

He is!