

*The  
Christian  
Visitor*

**First Christian Church**

(Disciples of Christ)

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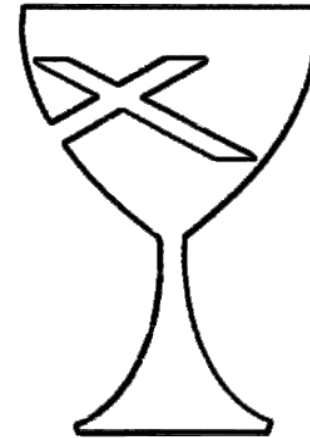
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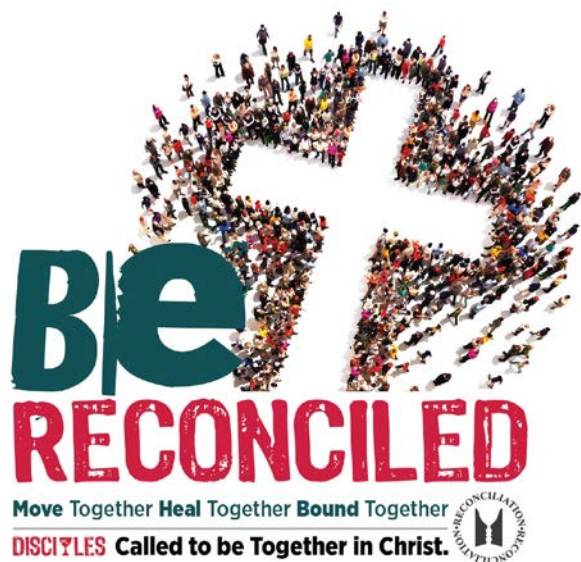
*Sent With Love To You!*

## The 2015 Reconciliation Offering will be received in congregations

On **September 27th** and **October 4th**. The Special Offering is used to fund our Church's mission imperative to become a pro-reconciling and anti-racist church utilizing the tools experiential education (training), inclusive worship and intentional dialogue.

Our efforts to promote healing, relationship and restoration in the whole family of God are enlivened by funds from this offering providing for programs of leadership development curriculum for dialogue and learning, and partnerships within the Church and our communities. The year 2015 has catapulted the conversation about human brokenness evidenced in the sin of racism and perpetuated in our institutional structures and systems. Your generous giving to Reconciliation Ministry is transforming lives and strengthening Christ's witness in the world that we love one another, even as Christ continues to love us!

Enclosed with this Christian Visitor you will find an offering envelope and insert about this special offering.



## Like our Facebook Pages!

Did you know the church has a Facebook page? We post pictures and updates from time to time. "Like" us and "check-in" when you're here to stay connected with your church family!

[www.facebook.com/fccatchison](http://www.facebook.com/fccatchison)

<https://www.facebook.com/AtchisonCountyFoodPantryatFirstChristianChurch>

## The Churches Website

Check it Out: [www.fccatchison.net](http://www.fccatchison.net)

## Christian Visitor Deadline

Deadline: Monday, October 5, 2014 - 4 p.m.

Published: Wednesday, October 7, 2015

This issue will include worship info. for October 11 and 18. The deadline for the next Christian Visitor is Monday, October 19 and will include worship information for October 25 and November 1 as well as the November calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. Please have your items either typed or written out. It is difficult to take this information over the phone. You may also email your information to the church at [fccatch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fccatch@sbcglobal.net).

## Please Notify The Church Office

- If anyone in your family goes into the hospital.
- When your group plans to have a meeting.
- When a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence.
- When you're planning to move out of town or locally.
- When your phone number changes.
- When a new baby arrives in your family.
- When you feel the church can assist you in any way.
- When a new family moves into your neighborhood.
- When someone needs to be placed on, OR **taken off** of the Prayer List.

# Remember In Prayers

Sharon Agee, Michael Blair, Alexine Blunt, Melinda Calhoon, Larry Coder, Bryson Connell, Betty Donaldson, Cindy Dooley, Diane Dooley, Bob Dunn, Dee Gatewood, David Germani, Jason Goodpasture, Alana Hale, Karla Harter, Phyllis Haynes, Hunter Idol, Bessie Jones, Beverly Kennedy, Drew & Andrea (Jacobson) Korschott Family, Charlie Kottman, Steph Krone, Virginia Lacy, Laney Ledbedder, Joan Lemke, Naesha Low, Lila Mercer, Marjorie Merritt, Bryan Meyer, Pat Montgomery, Kay Norton, Steve Otte, Linda Roberts, Marvin Roberts, Sr., Dorothy Schletzbaum, Kathy Scott, Doug Sexton, Jim Shipley, Bob Shuck, Juanita Shufflebarger, Mark Shufflebarger, Becky Smith, Jim Smith, Roxie Stalder, Doris Sutton, Diana Terry, Haley Thompson, Amy West, Debbie Young. [ IF WE CAN TAKE ANYONE OFF OF THIS PRAYER LIST, PLEASE NOTIFY ROSIE AT THE CHURCH OFFICE ]

# Military

Ryan Callahan, Joshua Lambert, Nicholas Cline, Mike Quick, Sean McCaffery, Anton Mak, Jesse McGlade, Nick Davison, Curtis Ellis, Ben Carlisle, Jerry Michaels, John Humbard, Robert Dickson, Justin Ruhlman, Quentin Rivers, Kevan Birkinsha, Carlos Betts-Coffey

# Attendance

Sept. 13, 2015	9 a.m. – 93	10:45 a.m. – 76	SS - 52
Sept. 20, 2015	9 a.m. – 83	10:45 a.m. – 80	SS - 35

# Visitors September 13 & 20

Aria Needham, Daniel Forbes, Danica & Kimber Worley, Kathy, Kim and Donna Shearer, Emma Robinson, Vinnie & Pris Willmeth, Judy Pray, Patricia Lombardo, Candis Welch

# Atchison County Food Pantry @ FCC

The food pantry is open on Mondays from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. and Fridays from 10:00-11:30 am and is located in the basement entrance off of Santa Fe Street.

Please call the church office, 367-3036 if you would like to help. The Food Pantry is an important ministry in our community. Please check out our page on Facebook & Like us - Atchison County Food Pantry at First Christian Church.



**Needs for September:** Canned, boxed, or package Soup, Pork 'n Beans, Cereal, Spaghetti or Pasta, Spaghetti or Pasta Sauce, Rice, canned Fruit.  
**Needs for October:** Pork 'n Beans, Stuffing/Dressing, boxed or canned Potatoes, Gravy mix in package or jar, canned Fruit, canned Cranberry Sauce.

*Monetary donations are accepted too!*

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# Schedule for Loaves and Fishes

Meals are served and deliveries made from First Christian Church (PLEASE NOTE WE WILL NO LONGER BE AT PROJECT CONCERN).

Signup sheets for volunteering are on the table in the annex. We need volunteers for kitchen helpers at 9 am and drivers and helpers to deliver meals to the homebound of Atchison at 10:15 am.



September 26, 2015  
 November 21, 2015  
 January 30, 2016

## C.W.F.

Our next meeting, which is September 28, at 2:00 pm. Kathy Botts is hostess, Marilyn Albright gives the lesson (we are studying out of a new book called Women in the Bible, New Testament), Susan Cummings will give the devotion. Also, we have our traditional "Fashion Show" from our treasures from the CWF rummage sale. Please come and enjoy the fun we have.



For new business we will be deciding on who gets our CWF Rummage Sale monies.

*Diana Moxley, CWF President*

## Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 13, 2015

6:30 pm Elders Meeting

7 pm Deacons & Deaconesses Meetings

7:30 pm Board Meeting

## Notes of Thanks

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift of \$281.09 for the Annual Fund. It is furthering our capacity to do the work of our mission which is:

*to learn and teach how to be: attentive to God; responsible biblical and theological interpreters; faithful individuals and communities acting with God to transform the world.*

Sincerely,

*Geoff Brewster*

Senior Director of Stewardship

Phillips Seminary, Tulsa, OK

**\*\*Note-this money was given from the Outreach budgeted funds.**

## And The Lord Added

Alexis Jane Bosshammer joined our church family on Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> by transfer of membership. Alexis is a member of the FCC Youth Group and lives with her family at 717 Henry St., Atchison, KS 66002. We welcome Alexis to our Church Family!

## 2015 New Members – 3



## Membership Ministry

## Team Event

### *DINNER OUT*

With Your Church Family and Friends

Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>

Leave church parking lot at 5:15 pm

San Jose Steakhouse and Mexican Restaurant in St. Joseph, MO. We will eat at 6 pm and

transportation will be available using the church bus. A sign-up sheet is in the annex on the wooden table or call the church office by Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.





## Youth Sunday School Classes

*Classes meet @ 10 AM on Sundays in the Educational Building*

Pre-K and K – Stacie Dougherty, Rochelle Schuetz, Ashley Stout

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades – Kylee Kottman, Heather Matthias

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades – Brooke Genail, Christy Isaacs, Christen Lacey

Middle School – Ronda McDaniel, Debra & Mark Mikkelson

High School – John Jacobson, Mick West

## Adult Sunday School Classes

**Friendship Class** – Sundays at 9:30 am in Choir Room – We will begin a new study in a few weeks titled: Living by Grace (a study of freedom in Christ) based on Galatians.

**Logos Class** – Sundays at 10 am in Chapel.

**Do you know what gifts the Holy Spirit has given you?**

Jack Albright is beginning a study of Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Logos Sunday School class. Join the class and discover and develop the gifts God has given you.

## Youth Group Meetings

Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 4 pm Regular Meeting  
Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 3 – 6 pm Hot Dog Roast and Silo Climb at Bullock's Farm. Permission slips required.

Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> 4 pm Regular Meeting  
Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 7 am – 5:30 pm GALA at Disciples Center @ Camp Tawakoni, Augusta, KS. Youth will help serve. Permission slips required.



## Ministry Team Meetings

STEWARDSHIP - Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 pm – Meeting in Choir Room

MEMBERSHIP - Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 pm – Meeting in the Chapel

WORSHIP - Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> - immediately following the 10:45 worship service – Meeting in the Chapel. Our agenda will be to plan our Advent/Christmas Services.



## Daylight Savings Time Ends

Sunday, November 1, 2015

Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> before going to bed please remember to set your clocks back ONE (1) hour.

**9 a.m. People of Praise Service**

**10:00 a.m. Sunday School**

**10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship**

## Sunday, September 27, 2015

**Sermon Title:** "Saskatoon"  
**Scripture Text:** Nehemiah 1:1-4

**9:00 Servers:** Jacque Pregont, Phyllis Walton, Edith Smith, Amy Smith, Janie Smart, Monty & Christy Isaacs, Rick & Peggy Stark

**10:45 Elders:** Helen Birkinsha and John Jacobson

**10:45 Servers:** Buddy Baldrige, Michelle Stanton, Tracie Caudle, Kelley Stillings, Lavern Fitkin, Dixie Williams

**10:45 Greeters:** Parking Lot...Tiny Kibler  
7<sup>th</sup> Street...Keith Rawson  
Santa Fe...Dub Ehret

**10:45 Preparers:** Carolyn Campbell and Michelle Stanton

**Acolyte & Helper:** Grace Caudle and Tammy Parrott

**Worship Leader:** Carole Baker

## Sunday, October 4, 2015

**(Retreat Sunday)**

**Sermon Title:** "God Keeps His Promise"  
**Scripture Text:** Nehemiah 1:5-11; Luke 11:11-13

**9:00 Servers:** Barb Piper, Rhonda Shell, Carol Hink, Kevin Dykstra, Peggy Montgomery, Mike & Alice Henning, Ron Tuley, Gary Wohlgemuth

**10:45 Elders:** Joe and Sharon Bullock

**10:45 Servers:** Dean Boggs, Rusty Randolph, Heidie Hennen, Susan Cummings, Kylee Kottman, Alison Kuhnert

**10:45 Greeters:** Parking Lot...Mary Anna Dove  
7<sup>th</sup> Street...Sharon Sowers  
Santa Fe...Jeremy Ellis

**10:45 Preparers:** Tracie Caudle and Sharon Sowers

**Acolyte & Helper:** Brody Kottman and Kylee Kottman

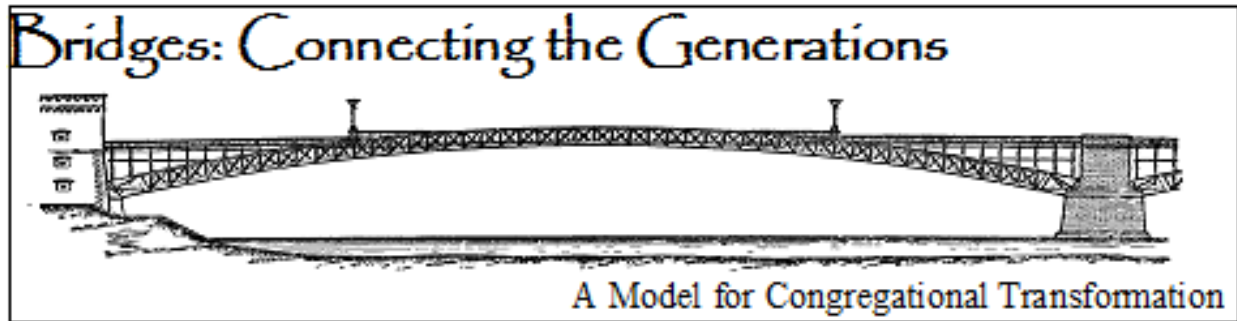
**Worship Leader:** Sharon Sowers

**Shut-In Communion:** Team 1 – John and Cindy Jacobson

Team 2 – Helen Birkinsha and Buddy Baldrige



<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<h1>October 2015</h1>				1 7 pm Women's Small Group Study in chapel  7-8 pm Cub Scouts in Wolf Hall	2 10-11:30 am Food Pantry  Church Group to Branson, MO through Sunday	3 9-11 am Praise Team
4 <i>World Communion Day</i> 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 am Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 Worship 1:30-8 pm Congregational Retreat, Wolf Hall 6:30 Church Bowling	5 1-3 pm Food Pantry 4 pm Christian Visitor deadline for 10/11 & 18 5:30 pm Stewardship Meeting in Choir Room 5:30-6:30 pm Girl Scouts in Wolf Hall 6:30 pm EfM, chapel	6 9-11 am Women's Bible Study, chapel  5:30 pm Membership Ministry Team meeting in chapel	7 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:30 pm Praise Team	8 8:30 am – 3 pm CWF Sewing Day 6 pm Kuhnert and Simpson Wedding Rehearsal in sanctuary with dinner to follow in Wolf Hall	9 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	10 4 pm Alison Kuhnert and Justin Simpson wedding
11 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 am Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 am Worship Service 2 pm Meadowlark 4-H 3-6 pm Youth Group @ Bullock's Silo Climb 5:30 pm Scouts in chapel 6:30 pm Church Bowling	12 1-3 pm Food Pantry  6:30 pm EfM, chapel	13 9-11 am Women's Bible Study, chapel 6:30 pm Elders Meeting 7 pm Deacons & Deaconesses Meetings 7:30 pm Board Meeting 2016 Budget Presented	14 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:30 pm Praise Team	15 7 pm Women's Small Group Study in chapel  7-8 pm Cub Scouts in Wolf Hall	16 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	17 5:15 pm Church Bus leaves parking lot for CHURCH DINNER OUT to San Jose Restaurant in St. Joseph, Reservations are for 6 pm
18 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 am Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 am Worship Service 2-4 pm Discernment 4 pm Youth Group 6:30 pm Church Bowling	19 1-3 pm Food Pantry 4 pm Christian Visitor deadline for 10/25 & 11/1 November calendar 5:30-6:30 Girl Scouts in Wolf Hall 6:30 pm EfM, chapel	20 9-11 am Women's Bible Study, chapel	21 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:30 pm Praise Team	22 6-7:30 pm Cub Scouts in Wolf Hall	23 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	24 7 am – 5:30 pm GALA @ Camp Tawakoni Youth Group to attend and help serve
25 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 am Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 am Worship Service 12 noon Worship Meeting 1 Baby Shower Wolf Hall 6:30 pm Church Bowling	26 1-3 pm Food Pantry  2 pm C.W.F. Meeting in library/parlor & Wolf Hall  6:30 pm EfM, chapel	27 9-11 am Women's Bible Study, chapel 3:30-8:30 pm Child Nutrition Training for Atchison County Day Care Providers, Wolf Hall	28 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:30 pm Praise Team	29 7-8 pm Cub Scouts in Wolf Hall	30 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	31 Set clocks back 1 Hour before going to bed



Human culture is rampant with factors that divide us and set us against one another. Limited as we are by the clay of which we are made, we tend to fall into that adversarial pattern and focus on the things that separate us.

As Christians, we are called to be united in Christ. Being united doesn't mean we agree on everything. In fact, there is only one absolute in our unity: we all are in need of God's grace. We come together, each as one beggar telling other beggars where we have found food.

Christians are a people of Covenant, worshipping a God of Covenant. It is intentional Covenant—choice—that binds us to one another, and there are numerous manifestations and expressions of our Covenant. This Sunday is designated as Covenant Sunday. As we complete "21 Days of Prayer" and prepare to enter a time of Discernment, we will bind ourselves to the following

### "Covenant of Mutual Respect"

- If you have a problem with me, come to me (privately).
- If I have a problem with you, I'll go to you (privately).
- If someone has a problem with me and comes to you, send him or her to me. (I'll do the same for you.)
- If someone consistently will not come to me, say, "Let's go to (him or her) together. I am sure he or she will see us about this." (I will do the same for you.)
- Be careful how you interpret me—I'd rather do that. On matters that are unclear, do not feel pressured to interpret my feelings or thoughts. It is easy to misinterpret intentions.

#### COMMUNICATE!

- Ask for an explanation
- Active Listening
- Straight talk—*loving* honesty
- I will be careful how I interpret you.
- If it's confidential, don't tell. If you or anyone else comes to me in confidence, I won't tell unless (a) the person is going to harm himself or herself, (b) the person is going to physically harm someone else, (c) a child has been physically or sexually abused. I expect the same from you.
- I do not read unsigned letters or notes. Don't waste your time.
- I do not manipulate; I will not be manipulated; do not let others manipulate you. Do not let others try to manipulate me *through* you.
- When in doubt, just say it. The only dumb question is one that isn't asked. We are a family here and we care about each other, so if you have a concern, pray, and then (if led) speak up. If I can answer it without misrepresenting something or breaking a confidence, I will.

Together in the Walk  
Pastor Jim



**Dear Church Congregation:**

**On behalf of the Atchison County Food Pantry, I would like to thank all of you for the wonderful donation of the money from the “Talents” challenge. I am very grateful to be a part of this church that has so many giving people and are willing to do the work that is needed for whatever cause.**



**The food pantry serves any person in the County that is in need of assistance.**

**Our mission: to serve and assist to help create sustainability and independence for individuals in need.**

**Our goal: to provide nutritious food to the hungry of the county in all age groups.**

**Last year we distributed 125 Thanksgiving boxes and participated in the “Boxes of Blessings” program with MGP to distribute 800 boxes of food to the hungry families.**

**Families served so far in 2015: 874 - Families consisting of over 2200 individuals.**

**The number of families has increased each month this year. Feb 2015 we serve 100 families and in Aug we served 161 families – 425 individuals**

*\*ALL donations go to food for our clients, we are all volunteers, no salary expense and no facility expense.*

*Again, sincere THANKS and with God’s blessings,*

*Linda Stecher, Kelley Stillings, Roger Phillippe and Kay Greenly and all the fantastic volunteers who make it all work so successfully*

# BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - SARA LAURIE, PAT MONTGOMERY
- 2 - JEREMY ELLIS, MARLENE HANF, STAN PURDY
- 3 - EMILY CORNING
- 4 - DUB EHRET – 91 years young, MARION EHRET
- 5 - GAGE HITCHENS
- 6 - LAUREN DAVIS, BRUCE DOLENZ
- 7 - TOHNYA AVERSMAN, MARK SHUFFLEBARGER
- 8 - HEIDIE HENNEN, MADISON LEE
- 9 - BEN ENZBRENNER, JAKE WEBB
- 10 - BARBARA CARLSON, RAYMOND FELTON,  
AMOS HALE, PATTY PHILLIPPE
- 11 - MICHAEL HENNING
- 14 - CYNTHIA BALLINGER, ALLISON KEIMIG
- 15 - SUZANNA MASON, VICKI TATE
- 16 - DAKOTA BAKER, JARED BULLOCK  
RAYMOND HOVERSON
- 17 - JACKIE JASPER, DON REID
- 18 - MARJORIE SMITH, ERIC SZYMANSKI, NICK TATE, MICK WEST
- 19 – TREY CARTER, JANET PRUETT, NATHAN STONE
- 20 - SANDY FRESH
- 22 - ANITA DICKESON – 98, RYLEE WEST
- 23 - HEATHER HAWK
- 24 – AUSTIN BAKER
- 25 – JAIDYNN KELLER
- 26 - CAROLYN RODINA
- 27 – JASON GERMANI, AVA MARTIN, HAILEY MCCONNAUGHEY
- 28 - SARA DAME, STEVEN MASON
- 30 - MATT ELLIOTT, AUSTIN FANSHER, ASHLEY PRUETT
- 31 - GAVIN BIEHN REBANT, TRACIE CAUDLE, JOSEPH COOPER, GARY WOHLGEMUTH



# ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 – RUSTY & SHANAE` RANDOLPH
- 10 - F.J. & DORIS SUTTON
- 16 – DAVE & DEBORAH MYERS
- 6 - FRED & LESLEA MORANZ
- 11 - JANE & JOE AMTHOR
- 23 - KAY & JESSE GREENLY