

*The
Christian
Visitor*

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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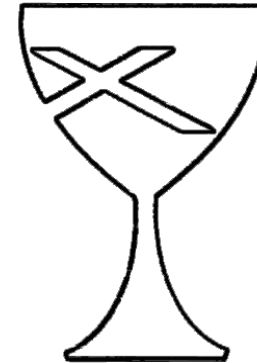
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Senior Ministers



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Sent With Love To You!

The song goes, "They will know we are Christians by our love." Jesus said it this way, "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35. Thank you church for putting action to your faith! I have been so blessed in the past 8 days to see such an outpouring of love for Jeff and Kasy Walker.

As many of you know, Jeff and Kasy were living in their car which happened to break down across the street from my house. I introduced myself, at God's prompting. I invited them in for a bowl of cereal and a cup of coffee, told them I would do everything I could to help them get their car running and invited them to church. Then love happened! At both services on Sunday the 28th, the people of First Christian Church wrapped the love of Jesus around this couple. It is hard to believe it has only been 8 short days.

Today, Jeff and Kasy have an apartment that NEK-CAP provided and furniture donated by the church. Jeff starts a job today that was offered by a church member. A donated Walmart gift card provided them with a phone. A friend of the church donated several hours working on their car and determined it was not worth investing the resources to try to fix. Another friend of the church donated a vehicle for them. Cash donations have assisted with temporary housing and food. It will also cover the inspection and registration fees for their car. Love overflowed!

Last Friday, I drove Jeff and Kasy to St. Joseph to pick up their 7-year old son Jayden. He was able to spend the weekend with them and come to church Sunday because they now have a permanent address, a phone and employment. Their 11-month old son, Kalven, is supposed to be returned to them in the next couple weeks. By God's grace and your love, we have helped restore a family. Praise be to God! I am moved to tears as I recall everyone that handed Pastor Matt or I money, offered services or support and the dozens of people who have prayed on Jeff and Kasy's behalf. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Jeff came up to me after service Sunday and asked if there was some way to get a message to the church. I told him I was writing the article for the *Christian Visitor* this week. He said, "Please tell everyone how much we appreciate all they have done. We are overwhelmed by their generosity. If there is anything I can do to help anyone in the church, I want to know about it. I don't work until 3:00 in the afternoon. I'll cut grass, fix things, anything people need to have done. I want to give in the same way things were given to us."

He's serious. If there is something he can do to bless you, let the church office know.

They will know we are Christians by our love. And the love of Christ multiplies and reproduces every time someone encounters it.

So Blessed to Serve With You,
Pastor Russ

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

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

The Churches Website

Check it Out: www.fccatchison.net

Christian Visitor Deadline

Deadline: Monday, September 19, 2016 - 4 p.m.

Published: Wednesday, September 21, 2016

This issue will include worship information for September 25, October 2 and 9 as well as the October calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. The deadline for the next newsletter is October 10 and will include worship info. for October 16 & 23. 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.

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.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



Atchison County Food Pantry @ FCC

The food pantry is open on Mondays from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Wednesdays from 4:30-6 p.m. and Fridays from 10:00-11:30 am and

is located in the basement entrance off of Santa Fe St.

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 @ First Christian Church.

Needs for September: Pork 'n Beans, Crackers, Oatmeal or Grits, Chicken Broth, Instant Pudding or Instant Jello. *Monetary donations are accepted too!*

Schedule for Loaves & Fishes

Meals are served and deliveries made from First Christian Church. 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.

November 5 December 10



Remember In Prayers

Rose Bahr, Cain and Family, Melinda Calhoon, Karen Casey, Matthew Carpenter, Bryson Connell, Jerry Daniel, Laura Draper, Bob Dunn, Jesse Evans, Raymond Felton, Steve Germani, Jason Goodpasture, Alana Hale, Karla Harter, Phyllis Haynes, Mercedes Hoffman, Mike Horton, Tammy Jackson, Bessie Jones, Beverly Kennedy, Drew & Andrea (Jacobson) Korschott Family, Jeff Kuhnert, Laney Ledbedder, Naesha Low, Ryley Martin, Kim Matthias, Ronda McDaniel and Family, Mike McDermed, Lila Mercer, Bryan Meyer, Pat Montgomery, Jan Otte, Steve Otte, Stacy Peuker, Juanita Shufflebarger, Mark Shufflebarger, Jeff Sinclair, Becky Smith, Jim Smith, Gary Stecher, Karen Tollefson, Lillie Truman, Amy West, Mick 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, Sean McCaffery, Anton Mak, Jesse McGlade, Nick Davison, Curtis Ellis-Kuwait, Ben Carlisle, Jerry Michaels, John Humbard, Robert Dickson, Justin Ruhlman, Quentin Rivers, Kevan Birkinsha, Carlos Betts-Coffey, Ryan Thomas

Attendance

August 28, 2016	9 a.m. – 150	10:45 a.m. – 99	SS - 64
September 4, 2016	9 a.m. – 175	10:45 a.m. – 73	SS - 53

Visitors Aug. 28 & Sept. 4

Brady Miller, Kasy, Jeffrey & Jayden Walker, Margie Campbell, Erin Leon, Bruce & Carolyn Gubser, Linda Walton, Julia Henderson, Ethel Landis, Carol Adams

Save the Date!

FCC Homecoming * October 22 - 23rd
Stay tuned for more details.

Please contact the office if you are interested in
serving on the planning team.

Christian Women's Fellowship (C.W.F.) 43rd Annual Rummage Sale

2016

Wednesday, October 5th ~ 12 noon - 6 pm

Thursday, October 6th ~ 8 am - 4 pm

Friday, October 7th ~ 8 am - 4 pm

Saturday, October 8th ~ 7 - 10 am BAG
SALE



If you have items to donate please contact Rosie in the office, 913-367-3036, and she will let you know when the best time to bring. Thanks!

Youth Sunday School Classes

10:00 AM in the educational building

Pre-K & K – Stacie Dougherty, Pam & Shawn Rizza

1st & 2nd Grades – Vicki Tate & Shanae Randolph

3rd, 4th and 5th Grades – Brooke Genail & Christen Lacey

Middle School (6th, 7th & 8th Grades) – Russ Cooper

Sr. High School (9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grades) – Debra Mikkelson & Ronda McDaniel



Adult Sunday School Classes

9:30 AM in the choir room in the educational building – Friendship
Class led by Keith Rawson

10 AM in the Memorial Chapel - Logos Class led by Jack Albright

Maturing Through Loss, Grief and Mourning Classes

Thursday's, September 22, 29, October 6 and 13 from 6:30–8:30 pm at the Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home, 800 Kansas Avenue, Atchison. Led by Chaplain Jack and Marilyn Albright. Please call 913-367-6543 to sign up for classes.



**Beans
and
Rice Ministry**
Trinity Episcopal Church
300 South 5th Street
Atchison, Kansas 66002
913.367.3171

Beans and Rice Ministry is open on the **third Thursday of each month** from **11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** to supplement food supplies for families and individuals.

No names are recorded or personal information given.

This is a small and humble outreach of Trinity Episcopal, not a government or social agency.

We welcome you.

You assist Trinity Episcopal in this outreach simply by spreading the word in Atchison, only if you feel so moved, that the Beans and Rice Ministry is here for those families and individuals that you may know who might wish to receive its benefit.

Membership Ministry Team Event



Weston, Missouri
Sunday, September 11th
The ticket price is \$15.00 – purchased at the door

The doors open at 4:30 PM and the show starts at 5. The church bus will leave from church parking lot at 4 PM. Those riding bus are asked to give \$2 each for gas donation the night of the show.

Call the church office, 913.367.3036 or a sign-up sheet is in the annex on the wooden table.

Church Motorcycle Day Trip



Saturday, September 10, 2016
Meet at church – leave 11 a.m.
to Falls City, NE
Couples and Single Riders
Welcome
Questions?? Call Joe Bullock,
913-370-1833

Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

7 PM Elders, Deacons
and Deaconesses Meetings

7:30 PM Board Meeting

Ministry Teams – please start preparing your proposed
2017 Budgets. Thank you!

Christian Education Ministry

Team Meeting

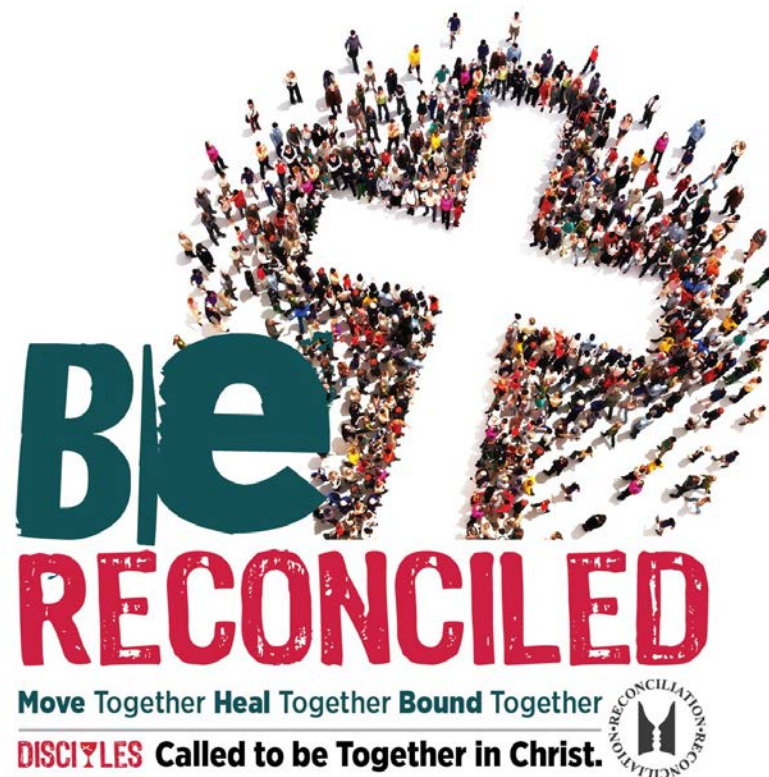
Sunday, September 11th
12:12 PM in the Resource Room
of the Educational Building

Letters of Thanks

Dear First Christian Church,

Thank you guys so much for the scholarship I was awarded. It has helped so much, and I'm now able to work towards my dream of being a doctor. I miss my family at the church, but am very blessed for my chance to study at K-State. Again, thank you so very much.

Emily Kiehl



The Reconciliation Ministry Special Offering

The 2016 Reconciliation Offering will be received in congregations on September 25 and October 2. Included with this *Christian Visitor* you will find an insert about this special offering as well as an envelope. Please prayerfully consider your gift.

9 a.m. People of Praise Service
9:30 & 10:00 a.m. Adult SS Classes
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship

Sunday, September 11, 2016

9:00 Servers: Jacque Pregont, Phyllis Walton, Edith Smith, Amy Smith, Carol Hink, Rick & Peggy Stark

9:00 Greeters: Parking Lot – Wanda McHardie
7th Street – Kevin Dykstra
Santa Fe – Floyd McHardie

10:45 Elders: Todd Stillings and Helen Birkinsha

10:45 Servers: Rusty Randolph, Steve Tate, Michel Fobbs, Tammy Parrott, Linda Stecher, Heather Matthias

10:45 Greeters: Parking Lot – Keith Rawson
7th Street – Tiny Kibler
Santa Fe – Carol Hink

10:45 Preparers & Cleanup: Janet Enzbrenner & Janet Pruett

Acolyte & Helper: Nathan Randolph & Kylee Kottman

Worship Leader: Cindy Jacobson

Sunday, September 18, 2016

9:00 Servers: Barb Piper, Rhonda Shell, Kevin Dykstra, Gary & Peggy Wohlgemuth, Linda & Ron Tuley

9:00 Greeters: Parking Lot – Roger Phillippe
7th Street – Barb Piper
Santa Fe – Carolyn Rodina

10:45 Elders: Jacque Pregont and Sharon Baldrige

10:45 Servers: Buddy Baldrige, Jeremy Ellis, Carole Baker, Kylee Kottman, Janet Pruett

10:45 Greeters: Parking Lot – Teri Kuhnert
7th Street – Linda Stecher
Santa Fe – Jeremy Ellis

10:45 Preparers & Cleanup: Carolyn Campbell & Susan Cummings

Acolyte & Helper: Ryan Soph & Tammy Parrott

Worship Leader: Kathy Botts