

# *The* *Christian Visitor*

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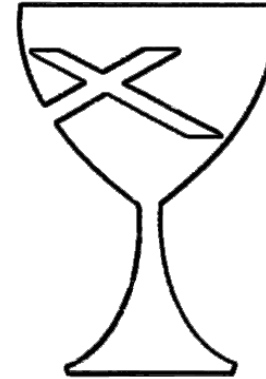
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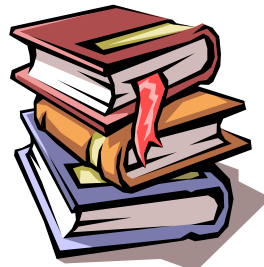
*Sent With Love To You!*

# FREE BOOKS - MY FRIENDS

When I moved into the senior pastor's office thirteen years ago I came with 45, yes 45, boxes of books. I have added to them over my ministry while here. Each book is like a friend to me - they have helped to shape my thoughts and outlook on ministry - history - counseling - Bible study - life itself. They have increased my horizons without me leaving the study. As I prepare for retirement I am giving all these books away. I hope they will find good homes and plant new, fresh seed in eager minds and hearts. They are being placed on a table in the annex for your taking - take as many as you want. Any remaining by second Sunday in December I will discard. I simply do not have space for them as I move on. I am keeping my main study commentaries - thinking I may have the opportunity to lead Bible studies at some time in the future.

It is very sobering to say goodbye to my books - some are from my Milligan College days in the 1960's - then from Vanderbilt Divinity School in the 1970's - then from Candler School of Theology in the 1980's. Old stuff - like me - lol - but true. However, the truth never gets out dated and if you have not read the book you do not know what delightful insights you might discover. I think for a while I might not read very much - it has been such a large part of my weekly preparations in ministry - I need to debrief for a little bit. I am sure God has new directions ahead for me. For sure I will not be inactive - just not my style.

So stop by the annex anytime and meet a new friend in my old books. Happy to be your minister, Pastor Lee



## 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, November 17, 2014 - 4 p.m.

Published: Wednesday, November 19, 2014

This issue will include worship info. for November 23 & 30 as well as the December calendar, birthdays and anniversaries . The deadline for the next Christian Visitor is Monday, December 1 and will include worship information for December 7 & 14. 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.



## Young @ Heart for 55+

Monday, November 10, 2014

11:30 a.m. in Wolf Hall

Covered dish luncheon for 55+. Bring \$1 for FCC Food Pantry and paper supplies. We encourage you to bring non-perishable food items as well. Elaine Schrader will provide the program for November and December.

## Pizza and Movie Night

January 17, 2015 5:30 PM

Mark your calendars!

The Membership Ministry Team will sponsor this event! Watch upcoming *Christian Visitors* for more details.



## Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 11, 2014

6:30 pm Elders, 7 pm Deacons & Deaconesses, 7:30 pm Board

## 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration

Dorothy Price, Atchison, will celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 5, 2014.

A birthday celebration, hosted by her family, will be from 12-3 pm Saturday, November 8 at First Christian Church, 301 N 7<sup>th</sup> St in Wolf Hall. Family and friends are invited to attend.

If unable to attend, cards can be sent to Dorothy at 1301 N 4<sup>th</sup> St, Apt. #209B, Atchison, KS 66002



## Christian Sympathy Is

### Extended To:

- ❖ The Family of GLEN STECHER (Bettie Linscott & Gary & Linda Stecher and family) who passed away Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. A Memorial Service for Glen will be held on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at the Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home with burial of cremains to follow in Ottawa, KS

## Notes of Thanks

Thank you to everyone for all your love, prayers, and support in this time of great sorrow in the passing of our precious Allie. We love each and every one of you. Blessings,

Patty & Roger Phillippe and The Rebant Family

Thank you for your generous gift of \$282.91 to the Annual Fund of the Disciples Divinity House at Vanderbilt from your Outreach funds. We are grateful for your outstanding support!

Peace, Mark Miller-McLemore, Dean

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the staff and patrons of Project Concern, Inc. I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks for the generous contribution that you have recently made to our program from your Outreach funds. It is because of people like you, with such great generosity, that we are able to continue our program to help the senior citizens of this great community!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Thornton, Director

Becker-Dyer-Stanton & O'Trimble Funeral Homes

Invites you to a

## **CELEBRATION OF REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**

2:00 PM, Sunday, November 16, 2014

800 Kansas Avenue

We dedicate this service to those who have suffered the loss of a love one.

*First Christian Church will host the*

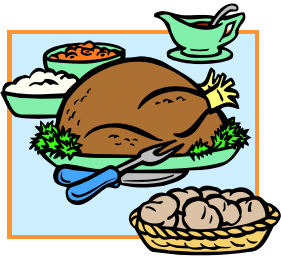
# Annual Community Thanksgiving Service

Sponsored by the Atchison Ministerial Alliance  
*to be held on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm*

Everyone is invited to attend. The Fellowship Ministry Team will host a cookie and punch reception following the service in the annex. (Donations of homemade cookies are requested. 3 DOZEN each please. A sign-up sheet is located in the annex).

*The Fellowship Ministry Team will once again host the*

# All Church Thanksgiving Luncheon



On Sunday, November 23, 2014 serving will begin at 11:45 a.m. in Wolf Hall. The menu will consist of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, rolls, dessert and drink. The team is seeking donations of turkeys and volunteers to bake and debone them. A sign-up sheet is located in the annex. We also have a sign-up sheet for CLEAN UP.

## Church Office

will be CLOSED on  
Thursday, November 27  
and Friday, November 28  
in observance of  
THANKSGIVING.



## Hanging of the Greens Service

Sunday, November 30, 2014

We will decorate our sanctuary during this service with the "Hanging of the Greens" and special readings given as we begin our Advent Season.

## All Church Soup Luncheon

The Youth Group will have a Soup Luncheon on Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup> with serving to begin at 11:45 am in Wolf Hall.

The menu will consist of variety of soups, crackers, dessert and drinks. A freewill offering will be collected for youth mission work this summer.

## Dedication of New Life

A dedication service of New Life will be held on Sunday, December 14, 2014 during the 9 and 10:45 am Worship Services. If you wish to have your child dedicated, please contact Pastor Lee and let him know you would like to participate in this very special service.

# Remember In Prayers

Sharon Agee, Phyllis Ary, Lela Blunk, Alexine Blunt, Melinda Calhoon, Brenda Callahan, Daniel Carpenter, Matthew Carpenter, Lorene Clemens, Bryson Connell, Bill Donaldson, Bill, Sr., Betty, Scott and Billy Dorsey, Shelly Edgmon, Earnestine Engeman, John Enzbrenner, Dale Fitkin, Kathy Fitzpatrick, Dee Gatewood, Alana Hale, Phyllis Haynes, Steve Higgins, Jack Higley, Carol Hink, Danielle Holmes, Bessie Jones, Gene Kane, Charlie Kottman, Ruth Lanter, Laney Ledbedder, Naesha, Lexa & Kameron Low, Karen Martin, Bryce Masters, Natalie McCullough, Ronda McDaniel, Sheila McDaniel, Lila Mercer, Marjorie Merritt, Jan Mikkelson, Ann Mixon, Rick Moranz, Dolores Moulden, Kristi Moxley, Kay Norton, Steve Otte, Dennis Petesch, Patty Kimmi Powers, The family of Allie Rebant, Ryan Rebant, Donnie & Linda Roberts, Mike & Bonnie Roberts, Dorothy Schletzbaum, Kathy Scott, Don Seba, Harold & Erma Seever, Stanley Seever, Richie Shaver, Bunny Shipley, Juanita Shufflebarger, Gene Sittenauer, Becky Smith, Lee Smith, Glen Stecher, Darlene Sullwold, Dorothy Turner, Linda Underwood, Timi Vanlengen, Danny Wagner, Amy West, Phil Wilson, Nora Wohlgemuth, Debbie Young

## Military

Cody Callaway, Ryan Callahan, Joshua Lambert, Nicholas Cline, Mike Quick, Sean McCaffery, Anton Mak, Jesse McGlade, Nick Davison, Curtis Ellis, Ben Carlisle, Jerry Michaels, John Humbard, Cody Shughart, Robert Dickson, Justin Ruhlman, Quentin Rivers.

## Attendance

October 26, 2014 NO COUNT  
November 2, 2014 9 a.m. – 110 10:45 a.m. – 70

## Visitors on Oct. 26 & Nov. 2

John, Kay, Zach & Jeremiah Holmgren, Vicki Campbell, Paul Lundgren, Scott Walton, Chloe Thomas, Summer Salinas, Carrie, Max, Addison & Lindsey Ball, Julie Gerhlein

## 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.

Please call Kay Greenly, Food Pantry Director, 367-6456 or the church office, 367-3036 if you would like to help. The Food Pantry is an important ministry in our community. Monetary donations are accepted too! Please check out our page on Facebook & Like us - Atchison County Food Pantry at First Christian Church.

**Needs for November – We are asking for items that will help putting together Thanksgiving Boxes – Canned Yams/Sweet Potatoes, Dressing (bag or box), Mashed Potatoes, Turkey Gravy (jars), Green Beans, Cream Soups.**

At the Project Concern. Signup sheets for volunteering are on the table in the annex.

*November 22*

*January 17, 2015*



## Congregational Meetings

*Sunday, November 23, 2014*

To vote on the approval of the Proposed 2015 Budget

*Sunday, December 7, 2014*

2015 Board Officers Elected

## Christian Education and Youth News

### Christmas Program

*Sunday, December 14 ~ 4 pm in the sanctuary*

The youth Grades 1 – 5 will have a program "BIRTHDAY GIFTS FOR JESUS". The Pre-K and Kindergarten children will provide a short program and a song too. If you have children or youth wishing to participate please fill out the form below and give to Christen Lacey, Vicki Jones or turn in to the church office. We will announce practice times later on.



I WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FCC CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

NAME/S \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE \_\_\_\_\_



### Youth Classes

Pre-K & K – Stacie Dougherty, Rochelle Schuetz, Jackie Jasper & Ashley Stout

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

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

Middle School – Debra Mikkelson, Ronda McDaniel & Russ Cooper

High School – John Jacobson & Linda Tuley

### Adult Classes

Friendship Class – Sundays at 9:30 am in Choir Room

Logos Class – Sundays at 10 am in Chapel. Led by Jack Albright

The Letter of First John – In the library at 10 am. Led by Pastor Lee

Young Adults Class (18 and over) – Sundays at 10:15 am in Room #1 in Balcony.

Led by Bruno Sanchez

## Youth Group

Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> - 4 pm Youth Group Meeting

Sunday, November 30 - 11:45 am Soup Luncheon in Wolf Hall. Fundraiser for youth activities. Youth group bring a crock pot of your favorite soup to share with all. Youth Group will go bowling at West Lanes afterwards!

*For questions about youth group call Sharon Bullock @ 913-370-0845.*



## Ironic Outcome and Signs & Wonders



We are considering starting the youth praise bands, Ironic Outcome and Signs & Wonders, again. If you are a high school or middle school student and have an interest in using your musical gifts and talents to glorify God and reach other young people for Christ, we will have an organizational meeting Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 at First Christian Church. For this meeting I would like to have students

and parents/guardians attend. Please feel free to contact me at 816-294-4842 if you have any questions or are interested but unable to attend the meeting. I look forward to seeing everyone!

Blessings! Russ Cooper

## POINSETTIAS

The AHS Band will be selling Poinsettias again this year. Cost is \$10. Orders should be placed by December 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Poinsettia's will be delivered to the church around December 12<sup>th</sup>. First Christian has several youth that are members of the band. All proceeds of the sale of poinsettias through the church will be evenly divided with all youth from here. An order form can be found in the annex. If you plan to have a poinsettia at the church during this Advent Season in memory of a loved one we encourage you order it from the AHS band.

*9 a.m. People of Praise Service*

*10:00 a.m. Sunday School*

*10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship*

**Sunday, November 9, 2014**

**Sermon:** 76. Gone Fishing  
**Scripture:** John 21:1-3

**9:00 Servers:** Barb Piper, Rhonda Shell, Carol Hink, Peggy Montgomery,  
Mike & Alice Henning

**10:45 Elders:** Joe Bullock and Carole Baker

**10:45 Servers:** Buddy Baldrige, Brian Oswald, Tracie Caudle,  
Janet Enzbrenner, Michel Fobbs, Dixie Williams,  
Janet Pruett

**10:45 Greeters:** Parking Lot....Jeremy Ellis  
7<sup>th</sup> Street...Kelley Stillings  
Santa Fe...Margie Wilburn

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

**Acolyte & Helper:** Parker Kottman Kylee Kottman

**Worship Leader:** John Jacobson

**Sunday, November 16, 2014**

Joe Bullock will deliver the message for both services

**9:00 Servers:** Amy Hendon, Vicki Jones, Christen Lacey, Jackie Jasper,  
Mandi & Jason Wells, Kay & John Dolenz

**10:45 Elders:** Roy Mercer and Carolyn Rodina

**10:45 Servers:** Dean Boggs, Stan Purdy, Marsha Chalfant,  
Carol Hink, Tony & Margie Wilburn, Linda  
Stecher

**10:45 Greeters:** Parking Lot...Jeremy Ellis  
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**10:45 Preparers:** Tracie Caudle and Tiny Kibler

**Acolyte & Helper:** Ryan Soph and Kelley Stillings

**Worship Leader:** John Jacobson