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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Identity Statement

**Pr aising God,
Changing Lives!**



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

Services each Sunday...

Praising God, Changing Lives for 127 Years!

Contemporary Worship

9:00 AM

Sunday School

9:30 AM and 10:00 AM

Traditional Worship

10:50 AM

Coffee Mingle

12:15 PM

Church Office Hours:

8:30am-1:30pm

Monday-Thursday

Our Ministry Statement

First Christian Church

exists to:

Reach Up to worship God,

Reach In to grow in
Christ-like maturity,

Reach Out to serve others in
Christ's name, to share the
Good News of Jesus Christ
with others and to invite
them to become members of
His family.

The Staff

Welcomes You...

Rev. Brad Barton

Sr. Minister

On Sabbatical

Rev. Melanie Ferron

Associate Minister

Paula Schaffer, Pianist

Tish Key, Secretary

John Moore, Custodian

Property Report

There is continual minor repairs being done thru out the building and grounds. However, there are several major items that will need to be replaced or repaired.

The shingle roof will need to be replaced in 3 to 5 years at a cost of \$22,000 or more.

There are 8 furnaces and 13 swamp coolers in the Church. 2 furnaces and 4 swamp coolers are only 4 years old. However, 6 furnaces and 9 swamp coolers are more that 20 years old. 2 swamp coolers will be replaced this summer. The sprinkler system has been repaired.

Hopefully, the tile buy the kitchen will be replaced this summer. Plans are progressing.

Research is being done on painting the outside of the Church. Some repairs need to be done first.

Other items to be considered when the money is available are, replace the carpet in the Fellowship Hall and hallway, tile in the narthex, and replace the asphalt in the parking lot.

Chuck Haigler

Birthdays, Announcements



FCC Birthdays

May 25	Alex Everett
May 30	Yvonne Warner
June 3	Blanche Marshall
June 3	John Moore
June 4	Wes Wade
June 8	Cecil Jackson
June 8	Jo Laughlin
June 16	Jeanice Swank
June 20	Keith White



FCC Anniversaries

June 23	Les & Nancy Armbruster
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Elders Meeting



Sunday, June 10th @ 12:30



Saturday, June 16th

Cabinet Meeting



Sunday, June 10th @ 12:30

CROSSWORDS!

next deadline is...

Thursday, May 31st
Please submit to the church office or
email them to:

firstchristiangj@hotmail.com

Articles arriving later than the deadline
included until the next published
Crosswords.

FCCGJ again saved 10 lbs
of batteries from the
landfill !!



Notice:

The office is checking and updating our records to be sure we have current information on everyone who attends FCC. We have made a copy of what information we have and will share that with you soon. Please review the information, make necessary changes, and return it to Joyce Wittwer or the office as soon as possible. Thank you for helping us with this project.



Announcements

Elders On Call During Pastor Brad's Sabbatical

May

Week of May 27	Carol Matthews	970-773-4797
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June

Week of June 3	Lois Dunning	970-242-5427
Week of June 10	Lily Fitch	970-250-6966
Week of June 17	Jim Matthews	970-773-8280
Week of June 24	Susan Barton	970-250-5547

A Little Comparison Food Bank

	2017	2018
Jan.	#158	#177
Feb.	#152	#142
Mar.	#193	#170
Apr.	#343	#240

Preaching During Pastor Brad's Sabbatical

May

May 27 th	Susan Barton
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June

June 3 rd	Melanie Ferron
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June 10 th	Al Baumgartle
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June 17 th	Cole Barton
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June 24 th	Susan Barton
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July

July 1st	Josh Barton
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From The Bookshelf



The FCC Bookworms rounded out their 2017-2018 Season by reading "On Sidesaddles to Heaven" which is about the women of the Rocky Mountain Mission by Laurie Winn Carlson. Written in 1998, Carlson did a great deal of research on six women who married missionaries, in some cases hardly knowing their husbands, and heading out with no idea of what they would encounter. In the mid 1830s, they were well educated women with plans to save the Native Americans, but it was not an easy time. These first six women, and their husbands, mostly failed in their attempt. This is a very interesting story of one aspect of settling the West.



Announcements

SAVE THE DATE

On Sunday, June 27, we are having hot dogs (prepared by David Morgan) and potato salad along with a full-length movie about Steve McQueen, who accepted Christ late in his very public life. This will be right after church.

HORSESHOES PITCHES

If there is anyone at FCC that would be interested in playing or learning to play horseshoes, please contact Al Baumgartle at Church or call at 314-4694. I would like to see if we could form a non-sanctioned league. This is open to anyone, men, woman and youth of any age and abilities.



Mexican Train

You are invited to play Mexican Train (dominoes game) on the second and fourth Friday every month at 2:00 PM at church. If you like games and you don't know how to play Mexican Train, we will teach you. We have fun.

If you would like to contact someone who plays, you can call Carol Matthews @ 773- 4797.

SEE YOU THERE OR BE SQUARE!



New Address:

Beth & Greg Sherry
579 S. Poplar way
Denver, Co 80224

Mother's Day was a very special event at our church. We welcomed as our guest preacher, Rev. Joan Bell-Haynes from our Regional Office, and Sharon Armstrong did a beautiful solo during the service. We had a farewell message and said good-bye to Greg and Beth Sherry who are moving to Denver to be near their family. The men (Lamar Edwards, Leonard Gardner, Jim Matthews and David Morgan) did the honors of serving a Mother's Day cake at coffee mingle, which was very much appreciated. Of course, all the women received a beautiful carnation from the Worship Ministry, and a lovely poem by Kathy Moore was also handed out. Thanks to all who made Mother's Day special for so many of us.

The Rocky Mountain Center for Spiritual Caregivers is an organization that meets in our church library monthly, and in appreciation of this meeting space, they have given to the library two books. One, written last year, is "Advent Women" by Lyn Fraser who has taught at Texas A&M University as well as our own Colorado Mesa University. The second, "In a Different Voice", by Carol Gilligan, researches women's psychological growth and the female's personality. We thank the Spiritual Caregivers for sharing these books with us.



Thanks



*I pray that He will bless you
for each thoughtful thing you do
And send reminders every day
of His great love for you.*

*Elsie and I so appreciate the personal attention
given to the Memorial Service for Alice.*

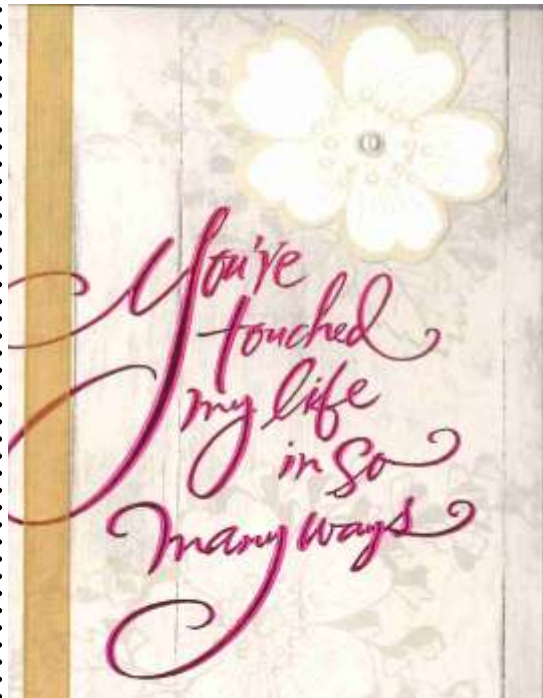
Please accept our heartfelt thanks.

*Al Ladage
Elsie Ladage*

Elsie and I would like to thank the personnel at first Christian Church for the exceptional Memorial service given for Alice Peterson yesterday. Reverend Melanie and Chip for setting up and officiating the ceremony. Jeanne Klitzke and her crew for the reception after the service. Joy for her beautiful violin music. Tish Key for the beautiful Memorial program and all the other parishioners involved in the service.

Thank you and God Bless

Al
Al Ladage



To the
Whole Congregation
of First Christian
Church

You have such a good heart.
You're always saying
something thoughtful
or doing something kind.
And today I want to be sure
you know how very much
you're appreciated.

I appreciate everything
you guys have done for me
and all your donations

Kathy Moore



Thanks

Thanks, From Grand View Apartments!

Thanks for all your help, Lorene Mcenjin
Lorene Burrus

Thanks for all the goodies

Love you all + love B. Lee
B. Lee R.
Thanks again for being so good to me at Grand View
May Hill 206

Share Fest, First Christian Church

Thank you!
Thank you very much, Leonard #115
Thank you so very much!
Alexa

For all you do...
THANK YOU.

Thanks so much
Kathleen 108
Betty Huntman 315

You folks are special
Thank You
Marian 221
+ then there is the great B.B.Q

Thank you for your help
Red + Tom

Thank you!

Thank you all for making me a very special part of your life
Thank you
Isabel D.

I would like to thank every member of FCC for all the support during the past months. Thank you for all the phone calls, food, prayers and thoughts. Thank you to the Church members who helped with the food after Helen's funeral and thank you to all who helped make Helen's funeral special.

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20 May 18

Dear Church Family,

It has been a real joy to worship and fellowship with each of you over the past four years. You made me feel welcome from the first and were a real source of Christian love and encouragement over the time I have lived and worked in Grand Junction.

God's blessings as you continue to minister in all of your programs which makes this community and the world a better place.

In Christian Love,

Melinda Mitchell



FCC Prayer Concerns

“Pray without ceasing.”

I Thessalonians 5:17

Scott Allen	Dee Johnson
Nancy Armbruster and Family	Ed Jones
Brenda Armstrong	Nora Juette
Pam Baumgartle	Jean Kees
Carolyn Bryant	Hailer Kellog
Tim Burke	Barbara Kinion
Amy Burns	Peggy Lawler
Brock Cobent	Betty Learned
Howard Coltfelter	Mike Loehring
Chuck Cummings	Blanche Marshall
Carol Jean Daniel	Cecilia Massey
Dannielle	Melody McPeck
Helen Dillard	Dorothy Mitchell
Kat Edwards	Faye Morosini
JoAnne Eggers	Nash
Larry Eggers	Nathan
Vicki Gassman	Brian Neukman
Ethel Goebel	Louise Oliver
Bill Graham	Carol Perry
Tony Gurento and Family	Steve Pratt
David & Vickie Hagan	Dorothy Rhodes
Connie Hawley	Paul Scanga
Jason Hawley	John Sherry
JoAnne Hill	Lois Stouffer
Dianne Hobaugh	Terry
Nita Hobaugh	Jay Wilson
Ethel Hoffman	
Eleanor Hubbell	
Gary Hunt	



FCC SUNDAY SERVERS' 4-Week ASSIGNMENTS

May 27, 2018

Elder

Al Baumgartle

Deacon

Dennis Edwards

Greeter

Dennis Edwards

Preacher

Susan Barton

June 3, 2018

Elder

Lily Fitch

Deacon

Brad Krebill

Greeter

Brad Krebill

Preacher

Melanie Ferron

June 10, 2018

Elder

Suzanne Andrew

Deacon

Norma Lavelett

Greeter

Norma Lavelett

Preacher

Al Baumgartle

June 17, 2018

Elder

Susan Barton

Deacon

Dennis Edwards

Greeter

Dennis Edwards

Preacher

Cole Barton

May 27, 2018

4th Sunday

Worship Leader

Pam Baumgartle

Offering Elder

Lois Dunning

Communion Elder

TBD

Greeter

Leonard Gardner

David Morgan

Karen Lehman

Preparing Diaconate

Marian Velarde

Serving Diaconate

Marian Velarde

Jeanne Klitzke

Ruth Acord

Jodi Gabel

Coffee Mingle

Melanie Ferron

Van Drivers

TBD

Keyboard

Ray Farrell

Collection Team

Chip Ferron

Riecke Claussen

Preacher

Susan Barton

June 3, 2018

1st Sunday

Worship Leader

Al Baumgartle

Offering Elder

Jim Mathews

Communion Elder

Carol Matthews

Greeter

TBD

Nancy Claussen

Riecke Claussen

Preparing Diaconate

Karen Lehman

Serving Diaconate

Wes Wade

Jerry Francis

Jeanice Swank

Yvonne Warner

Coffee Mingle

TBD

Van Driver

Terry Laughlin

Jo Laughlin

Keyboard

Paula Schaffer

Collection Team

Al Baumgartle

Ray Farrell

Preacher

Melanie Ferron

June 10, 2018

2nd Sunday

Worship Leader

Lily Fitch

Offering Elder

Leonard Gardner

Communion Elder

Kathy Gardner

Greeter

Lily Fitch

Doug Bryant

Carolyn Bryant

Preparing Diaconate

Alice Wieseler

Serving Diaconate

Bob Wise

Al Ladage

Josh Barton

Cole Barton

Coffee Mingle

TBD

Van Driver

Jerry Francis

Keyboard

Lily Fitch

Collection Team

Chip Ferron

Riecke Claussen

Preacher

Al Baumgartle

June 17, 2018

3rd Sunday

Worship Leader

TBD

Offering Elder

Chuck Haigler

Communion Elder

Al Baumgartle

Greeter

Jim Mathews

Carol Matthews

Karen Lehman

Preparing Diaconate

Riecke Claussen

Nancy Claussen

Serving Diaconate

David Morgan

Doug Bryant

Carolyn Bryant

Nancy Claussen

Coffee Mingle

TBD

Van Driver

Leonard Gardner

Kathy Gardner

Keyboard

TBD

Collection Team

Chip Ferron

Riecke Claussen

Preacher

Cole Barton

Church Calendar of Events - May 24, 2018— June 26, 2018

Thursday May 24, 2018

****Crosswords ****

1:30 pm CWF Executive Meeting

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday May 25, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Sunday May 27, 2018

****Graduation Sunday****

**** Food Bank Sunday****

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:00 am Contemporary Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

Monday May 28, 2018

****Office Closed****

Tuesday May 29, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday May 30, 2018

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

Thursday May 31, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

6:00 pm Praise Team

Sunday June 3, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:00 am Contemporary Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

Monday June 4, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday June 5, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

10:00 am Friends Going Forward

5:00 pm Healthy Living

6:00 pm Night'ngals

Wednesday June 6, 2018

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

3:30 pm Parkinson Support Group

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

Thursday June 7, 2018

****Crosswords ****

9:30 am Ruth Group

1:30 pm Dorcas Group

6:00 pm Praise Team

6:00 pm Co. West Quilters Group

Friday June 8, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Sunday June 10, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:00 am Contemporary Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

1230 pm Elders Meeting

Monday June 11, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday June 12, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

1:30 pm PEO Chapter Meeting

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday June 13, 2018

9:30 am Newcomers Group

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

7:00 Co. West Quilters Guild

Thursday June 14, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

1:30 pm CWF(DW) General

5:00 pm Homeward Bound Ministries

6:00 pm Praise Team

Saturday June 16, 2018

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

8:30 am RMCS CPE Group

Sunday June 17, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:00 am Contemporary Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

12:30 pm Father's Day- Hotdogs & Steve McQueen Video

Monday June 18, 2018

9:30 am CWU Group

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday June 19, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

10:00 am Friends Going Forward

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday June 20 2018

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

Thursday June 21, 2018

****Crosswords ****

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday June 22, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Sunday June 24 2018

****Food Bank Sunday****

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:00 am Contemporary Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

Monday June 25, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday June 26, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

5:00 pm Healthy Living

