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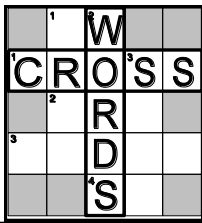
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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Identity Statement

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

Rev. Melanie Ferron

Associate Minister

Paula Schaffer, Pianist

Tish Key, Secretary

John Moore, Custodian

"What hath God wrought?"

"What hath God wrought?" was the text of the inaugural message, transmitted in Morse code, on the first long-distance telegraph line between Baltimore, MD and Washington, DC in 1844. This Bible verse from Numbers 23:23 expressed the wonder that Samuel Morse felt on that day when he launched the invention that revolutionized modern communication. Today, we might use the more modern words, "See what God has done!" to express our amazement at the wonders of modern technology used to spread God's word.

The church has always been at the forefront of technology. The first book that Johann Gutenberg printed upon the invention of movable type and the printing press in 1455 was the Bible. Early radio programs spread religious shows to the furthest reaches of the country. Churches and denominations were early adopters of the Internet, sound systems and video screens to augment their services. It's hard to imagine or remember what our services were like before we had effective sound amplification, projected lyrics and recorded music to help us receive the weekly message.

Our church, like most modern churches, has a Technology Ministry to install and operate the technical aspects of our church home. The Sunday services are the most visible thing we do, but we also make sure you have your programs and newsletters by maintaining the computers, printers and copier. We also record the sermon on Sunday and assist where required with the Facebook page and website.

Most of our work is behind the scenes on a daily basis. There's an old saying in the tech ministry that says, "If we're doing our job, no one knows we're there." But it still takes people to make the magic happen. We have several people who put the video presentation together every week and it takes a video operator and a sound operator for every service, wedding, funeral, play and presentation.

We're always looking for people who are called to assist in this ministry. Granted, a lot of what we do is somewhat technically challenging, but if you can use your smartphone, log onto the Internet and talk to your grandkids on Facetime or Skype, you just may have more technical talent than you thought!

Please feel free to contact me on any Sunday morning, give me a call or e-mail me if you would like to become a part of this ministry. We'll train you!

Chip Ferron, Technology Ministry

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Announcements



FCC Birthday



July 7	Luther Thompson
July 8	Nancy Claussen
July 8	Grace Farrell
July 12	David Hawley
July 12	Maridel Andres
July 16	Kat Edwards
July 19	Doug Bryant
July 21	Susan Meders
July 24	William Edwards
July 24	Dorothy Mitchell
July 25	Tammy Maxwell
July 29	T'Anni Meders
Aug. 1	Melinda Mitchell
Aug. 4	Virginia Johnson



FCC Anniversaries



July 19	Charles & Virginia Johnson
Aug. 4	Gene & Norma Matteson
Aug. 5	Terry & Jo Laughlin

A Little Comparison



Food Bank

	2017	2018
Jan.	#158	#177
Feb.	#152	#142
Mar.	#193	#170
Apr.	#343	#240
May	#331	#100

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. Please review the information, make necessary changes, and return it to the office as soon as possible. Thank you for helping us with this project.

CROSSWORDS!

next deadline is...

Thursday, July 12th

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.

OUR FIREFIGHTERS NEED OUR HELP!!!

We will be collecting water and sports drinks to donate to our local Fire Departments.

This is a great way to help in our community.
Outreach Ministry.



Announcements



ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Sunday, July 15, 2018

(Everyone is welcome to come during our
“Coffee Mingle” Hour)

Please sign-up to bring your Homemade Ice
Cream or store bought container,
if you have questions please contact
Jeanice Swank at 970-242-3588 or
Jeanne Klitzke at 970-243-5668!

We look forward to seeing you all there and
tasting your frozen treats,
whether home-made or bought!



Ice Cream Social



Sign up sheet is on the
information
table.





Announcements

Son Mountain Retreat 2018



July 20, 21 & 22

On the church's Glade Park Property
near Mud Springs Campground.

Registration
June 17 - July 15

Cost
\$45.00

Son Mountain Retreat is an exciting camping experience for our youth and their friends who have completed **3rd through 12th grades**. During this weekend trip we will be sleeping in the cabin and doing most of our activities outdoors. The weekend provides opportunities each day for worship, lessons, crafts, interest group activities, games, free time, hiking, and lots of eating.

The registration fee of **\$45.00 per youth** is to cover nine meals, several refreshment breaks, lesson supplies, craft supplies and the entrance fee and food at the Glade Park movie.

Registration forms are available on the Sign Up Table in the Fellowship Hall

Financial assistance is available, please contact Melanie Ferron at 242-7204



Announcements

Elders Meeting



Sunday, July 8th @
12:30 pm

Cabinet Meeting



Sunday, July 15th
@ 4:00 pm



Saturday, July 21st
@ 8 am

With summer half over and school starting on August 15th this year.. It is time we start getting some school supplies.. As we all know some are not able to have enough for the whole year.. So again I am asking for help with just the basics.. Pencils, colored markers, erasers, rulers, pens, paper, glue sticks, notebooks, file folders . There will is a container in the Norex for these items Outreach Ministry.



Operation Christmas Child Needs your help!

Operation Christmas Child, a unique project of Christian relief and evangelism organization Samaritan's Purse, delivers gifts to hurting children while also telling them about God's greatest gifts - His Son, Jesus Christ. We are in need of shoe boxes for Christmas. Beth Sherry did the wrapping of the shoe boxes for Christmas but now that she has moved we do need volunteers to help wrap them. I would like to also thank you all for your generosity. I know the children

will be so excited!

Carolyn Bryant



Thanks & Announcements



To the members of my church family,

Thank you for the money for graduation, & for hosting the party after the service. It means a lot to me. -Emme

May, 17 2018



Dear First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ),

On behalf of all of us at HomewardBound I want to thank you for your gift of \$41.66 received on 05/07/2018. This donation benefits men, women, and children by allowing them access to the vital food, shelter and other basic support they need to survive in our community. Every single dollar does make a difference.

Your kindness not only keeps the shelter running but also ensures the safety of our community's most vulnerable members. And—most importantly— this gift helps many of these individuals and families to break the cycle of perpetual homelessness.

You mean so much to all of us. **Thank you for your support!**

Yours in service,

Ashley Giese

Accountant

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: New Address:

Joanne Hill

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Grand Junction, Co 81501
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FCC Prayer Concerns

“Pray without ceasing.”

I Thessalonians 5:17

Scott Allen	Ed Jones
Marry Allen	Nora Juette
Brenda Armstrong	Jean Kees
Clara Arroyo	Hailer Kellog
Pam Baumgartle	Kathy King
Family of Maria Blakley	Barbara Kinion
Carolyn Bryant	Peggy Lawler
Amy Burns	Betty Learned
Howard Coltfelter	Mike Loehring
Chuck Cummings	Cecilia Massey
Carol Jean Daniel	Carol Matthews
Dannielle	Melody McPeck
Family of Joan Davis	David Morgan
Helen Dillard	Faye Morosini
Earn Eachus	Nathan
Kat Edwards	Brian Neukman
JoAnne Eggers	Louise Oliver
Larry Eggers	Susie Peach
Sheana Emerson	Carol Perry
Vicki Gassman	Sheryl Peterson
Family of Ethel Goebel	Steve Pratt
Tony Gurento and Family	Dorothy Rhodes
David & Vickie Hagan	Paul Scanga
Connie Hawley	Beth Sherry & Family
Jason Hawley	John Sherry
JoAnne Hill	Lois Stouffer
Ethel Hoffman	Terry
Eleanor Hubbell	Wes Wade
Gary Hunt	
Dee Johnson	



FCC SUNDAY SERVERS' 4-Week ASSIGNMENTS

July 8, 2018

Elder

Suzanne Andrew

Deacon

Norma Lavelett

Greeter

Norma Lavelett

July 15, 2018

Elder

Susan Barton

Deacon

Dennis Edwards

Greeter

Dorothy Mitchell

July 22, 2018

NO First Service

July 29, 2018

Elder

Al Baumgartle

Deacon

Norma Lavelett

Greeter

Audrey Richards

July 8, 2018

2nd Sunday

Worship Leader

Susan Barton

Offering Elder

Leonard Gardner

Communion Elder

Kathy Gardner

Greeter

Alice Wiesler

Bob Wise

Pam Baumgartle

Preparing Diaconate

Alice Wieseler

Serving Diaconate

Bob Wise

Al Ladage

Josh Barton

Cole Barton

Coffee Mingle

Beverly Dorson

Gloria Jeffery

Van Driver

Jerry Francis

Keyboard

Paula Schaffer

Collection Team

Lois Dunning

Grace Farrell

July 15, 2018

3rd Sunday

Worship Leader

Lily Fitch

Offering Elder

Al Baumgartle

Communion Elder

Chuck Haigler

Greeter

Ruth Acord

Melanie Ferron

Josh Barton

Preparing Diaconate

Ray Farrell

Serving Diaconate

David Morgan

Doug Bryant

Carolyn Bryant

Nancy Claussen

Coffee Mingle

Melanie Ferron

Van Driver

Leonard Gardner

Kathy Gardner

Keyboard

Melanie Ferron

Collection Team

Lois Dunning

Grace Farrell

July 22, 2018

4th Sunday

**Due to Cabin Worship on this day, regular worship service do not apply—
all participants will be contacted by leaders of each service**

July 29, 2018

5th Sunday

Worship Leader

Lois Dunning

Offering Elder

Kathy Gardner

Communion Elder

Leonard Gardner

Greeter

Cole Barton

David Morgan

Gloria Jeffery

Preparing Diaconate

Riecke Claussen

Nancy Claussen

Serving Diaconate

Bob Wise

Al Ladage

Josh Barton

Cole Barton

Coffee Mingle

TBD

Van Driver

TBD

Keyboard

Ray Farrell

Collection Team

Lois Dunning

Grace Farrell

Church Calendar of Events - July 5, 2018— August 13, 2018

Thursday July 5, 2018

****Crosswords ****

**** Pastor Melanie Vacation****

6:00 pm Praise Team

6:00 pm Co. West Quilters Board

Sunday July 8, 2018

**** Pastor Melanie Vacation****

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

12:30 pm Elders Meeting

Monday July 9, 2018

*** Pastor Melanie Back****

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday July 10, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

1:30 pm PEO Chapter Meeting

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday July 11, 2018

9:30 am Newcomers Group

7:00 pm Co. West Quilters Guild

Thursday July 12, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

1:30 pm CWF(DW) General

5:00 pm Homeward Bound Ministries

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday July 13, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Saturday July 14, 2018

1:00 pm Memorial Service for

Blanche Marshall

Sunday July 15, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

NO Contemporary Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle-Ice Cream

Social

4:00 pm Cabinet Meeting

Monday July 16, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday July 17, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

10:00 am Friends Going Forward

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Thursday July 19, 2018

****Crosswords ****

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday July 20, 2018

9:00 am Son Mountain Retreat

2:00 pm Camp Good Grief

Saturday July 21, 2018

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

8:30 am RMCSC CPE group

12:30 pm Territorial Daughters Group

Sunday July 22, 2018

10:50 am Worship at the Cabin

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

2:00 pm End Son Mountain Retreat

Monday July 23, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday July 24, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Thursday July 26, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

1:30 pm CWF Executive Meeting

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday July 27, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Sunday July 29, 2018

****Food Bank Sunday****

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

Monday July 30, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday July 31, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

10:00 am Friends Going Forward

5:00 pm Healthy Living

3:30 pm Parkinson Support Group

Thursday August 2, 2018

****Crosswords ****

9:30 am Ruth Group

1:30 pm Dorcas Group

6:00 pm Praise Team

6:00 pm Co. West Quilters Board

Saturday August 4, 2018

7:00 am Western Co. Amateur Radio Club

Sunday August 5, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

Monday August 6, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday August 7, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

5:00 pm Healthy Living

6:00 pm Night' ngals

Wednesday August 8, 2018

8:30 am Newcomers Group

7:00 pm Co. West Quilters Guild

Thursday August 9, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

1:30 pm CWF(DW) General

5:00 pm Homeward Bound Ministries

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday August 10, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Sunday August 12, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship

9:30 am Traditional Sunday School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

12:30 pm Elders Meeting