

First Christian Church (DOC)

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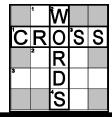
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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Identity Statement

Praising 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

Steps to Hope: Monthly Mission Days

In my last article, I suggested a great big step toward hope will be for our congregation to work individually and collectively to MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR GOD. When we feel a sense of purpose from making a difference for God, other people will see both our profound sense of purpose and the difference God is making through us to transform the world, and those people will want to join what God is doing here!

In that article, I also encouraged you to pray and ask God to show you how God calls you to make a difference for God. Some of you may already have a sense of how God calls you to make a difference, but, others of you may not be discerning an answer so readily. In fact, you may wonder if you have anything to offer when it comes to this making a difference for God thing, or you may be hoping that you can make a difference in community instead of on your own, and you're unsure of how to get started making a difference in community with others.

If you're still struggling to discern how you can make a difference, your Outreach Committee and ministry staff are ready to help. Starting September 20, we'll be offering monthly Mission Days at the church building. We will plan a project that will make a difference for God, bring together necessary resources (and communicate how YOU can bring resources, if you feel called to do so), and gather together as a church family to complete the project on a Thursday afternoon (from 1:30 p.m. until approximately 3:30 p.m.). Even if you feel you can't participate in the main project, you can help with your presence and encourage those who are working. In other words, there will be something for EVERYONE to do, some way for everyone to participate in MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR GOD.

The first Mission Day will be held on September 20. We will be wrapping and packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child. We also hope to be ready to make something new called an Encouragement Box to help forge a partnership with West Middle School. (Look for more information about this Outreach ministry in coming weeks.) and we will be assembling bags of food for the hungry.

I hope to see you here at the church building making a difference for God on September 20!

Pastor Brad

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Announcements

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FCC Birthday



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Sept. 1	Miles Brekke
Sept. 2	Les Armbruster
Sept.3	Joan White
Sept. 4	Connie Hawley
Sept. 4	Brad Krebill
Sept. 5	Louise Oliver
Sept. 6	Molly Lewis
Sept. 6	Gary Steed
Sept. 9	Curtis Rosencrans
Sept. 9	Bo Han
Sept. 10	Ron Velarde
Sept. 12	Gene Matteson
Sept. 14	Eleanor Hubbell
Sept. 19	Ann Hutton
Sept. 23	Kathy Gardner
Sept. 26	Linda Edwards
Sept. 29	Lois Stouffer

FCC Anniversaries



CROSSWORDS!

next deadline is...

Thursday, September 6th 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.

A Little Comparison Food Bank

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Jan.	#158	#177
Feb.	#152	#142
Mar.	#193	#170
Apr.	#343	#240
May	#331	#100
June	#464	#223

Elders Meeting



Sunday, September 16th

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12:30 pm



Saturday, September 15th

.....@.8.am.....

Cabinet Meeting



Sunday September 16th

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@ 4:00 pm

GOD'S CREATION

Do you feel blessed to live in Colorado? Hopefully you do. God's most beautiful creation shines in Colorado. Everywhere you look you can see beauty.

Pastor Brad talked about our responsibility to care for God's creation. All parts of the creation, from plants and animals to our air and seas. We were given the task of caring for all of that – God's creation.

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) began a "green" ministry several years ago called the Green Chalice Program. The purpose is to assist and encourage local congregations who wish to live out their faith by caring for God's creation.

A Creation Care Team has been assembled by Pastor Melanie to begin planning how we – First Christian Church (DOC) Grand Junction – can create a Green Chalice Program. Our Creation Care Team includes the following: Melanie and Chip Ferron; Ron and Marian Velarde; Al and Pam Baumgartle; Lois Dunning; Joyce Wittwer, and Ella James.

Curious? Watch for more information in the Crosswords, bulletin, board meeting and at other congregational gatherings.

I would like to thank EVERYONE that has given me rides to the Church functions, without all of you I would not have been able to attend. I am so blessed to belong to such an amazing Church with so many amazing people.

Thank- you all soooo much!

Dorothy Rhodes

Announcements



Kick off Sunday September 9

As we Kick-off our new Church year all Sunday School classes and Mid-week classes will begin the week of September 9. There will also be a potluck dinner after second service that Sunday. During which New and Exciting Ministries will be presented.

Journey Through The New Testament Bible Study



Begins Again on Wednesday,
September 12@ 10:00 am and 6:30pm

Pastor Brad's Wednesday Bible Study starts again on Wednesday, September 12. We will spend the first 4 sessions studying the book of Acts.

1st Mission Day of 2018 Operation Christmas Child Box Wrapping & Filling Thursday, September 20 @ 1:30pm



Want to get together with friends and church family to make a difference for God? Our first monthly Mission Day will take place on September 20 at 1:30 o.m. We will be wrapping and filling Christmas shoebox gifts.

FCC Prayer Concerns

"Pray without ceasing."

I Thessalonians 5:17

Scott Allen Kathy King

Clara Arroyo Barbara Kinion

Jim Bennett Jean Krenzer

Amy Burns Peggy Lawler

Howard Coltfelter Betty Learned

Chuck Cummings Mike Loehring

Carol Jean Daniel Cecilia Massey

Dannielle Melody McPeck

Earn Eachus David Morgan

Kat Edwards Faye Morosini

JoAnne Eggers Nathan

Larry Eggers Brian Neukman

Sheana Emerson Louise Oliver

Vicki Gassman Judy Parks

Tony Gurente and Family Susie Peach

David & Vickie Hagan Carol Perry

Connie Hawley Steve Pratt

JoAnne Hill Dorothy Rhodes

Ethel Hoffman Paul Scanga

Eleanor Hubbell John Sherry

Gary Hunt Lois Stouffer

Dee Johnson Terry

Ed Jones Wes Wade

Nora Juette Joan White

Jean Kees

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FCC SUNDAY SERVERS' 4-Week ASSIGNMENTS

September 2, 2018	September 2, 2018	1st Sunday	
Elder		-	Van Dilana
Susan Barton	Worship Leader	<u>Preparing Diaconate</u>	<u>Van Driver</u>
	Susan Barton	Karen Lehman	Terry Laughlin
<u>Deacon</u> Brad Krebill	Offering Elder	Serving Diaconate	Jo Laughlin
	Jim Matthews	Wes Wade	Keyboard
<u>Greeter</u>	Communion Elder	Jerry Francis	Paula Schaffer
Brad Krebill	Carol Matthews	Jeanice Swank	Collection Team
	<u>Greeter</u>	Yvonne Warner	Chip Ferron
	Gloria Jeffery	Coffee Mingle	Riecke Claussen
	Jeanice Swank	Ruth Acord	
	Lily Fitch	Jeanice Swank	
September 9, 2018	September 9, 2018	2nd Sunday	
<u>Elder</u>	Worship Leader	Preparing Diaconate	Van Driver
Susan Barton	Ray Farrell	Alice Wieseler	Jerry Francis
Deacon	Offering Elder	Serving Diaconate	<u>Keyboard</u>
Norma Lavelett	Kathy Gardner	Bob Wise	Melanie Ferron
Greeter	Communion Elder	Al Ladage	Collection Team
Norma Lavelett	Leonard Gardner	Jeanette West ???	Chip Ferron
Norma Edverece	<u>Greeter</u>	Cole Barton	Riecke Claussen
	Bob Wise	Coffee Mingle	
	Alice Wieseler	Kick off Sunday Potluck	
	Melanie Ferron		
<u>September 16, 2018</u>	September 16, 2018	3rd Sunday	
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Church Calendar of Events - August 30, 2018 — October 2, 2018

Thursday August 30, 2018

****Pastor Brad at Conference****

****Crosswords ****

6:00 pm Praise Team

Sunday September 2, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship9:30 am Traditional Sunday School10:50 am Traditional Worship12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

Monday September 3, 2018

****Labor Day****

****Office Closed****

Tuesday September 4, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group5:00 pm Healthy Living6:00 pm Night'ngals

Wednesday September 5, 2018

3:30 pm Parkinson Support Group5:30 pm "Teach Yourself To Read Hebrew" book study

Thursday September 6, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

9:30 am Ruth Group

1:30 pm Dorcas Group

6:00 pm Praise Team

6:00 pm Co. West Quilters Board

Sunday September 9, 2018

****Kick off Sunday****

9:00 am Contemporary Worship9:30 am Traditional Sunday School10:50 am Traditional Worship12:15 pm Kick off Sunday Potluck

Monday September 10, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday September 11, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group10:00 am Friends going Forward1:30 pm PEO Chapter Meeting5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday September 12, 2018

9:30 am Newcomers Group

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

5:30 pm "Teach Yourself To Read Hebrew" book study

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study 7:00 pm Co. West Quilters Guild

Thursday September 13, 2018

****Crosswords ****

1:30 pm CWF(DW) General Meeting 5:00 pm Homeward Bound Ministries

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday September 14, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Saturday September 15, 2018

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

8:30 am RMCSC CPE Group

Sunday September 16, 2018

9:00 am Contemporary Worship9:30 am Traditional Sunday School10:00 am Contemporary Sunday

School

10:50 am Traditional Worship

12:15 pm Coffee Mingle

12:30 pm Elders Meeting

4:00 pm Cabinet Meeting

Monday September 17, 2018

9:30 am CWU Meeting

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday September 18, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday September 19, 2018

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

5:30 pm "Teach Yourself To Read Hebrew" book study

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

Thursday September 20, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

1:30 pm Monthly Mission Day

6:00 pm Praise Team

Saturday September 22, 2018

12:00 pm Territorial Daughters

Meeting

Sunday September 23, 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 September 24, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday September 25, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

10:00 am Friends going Forward

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday September 26, 2018

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

5:30 pm "Teach Yourself To Read Hebrew" book study

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

Thursday September 27, 2018

****Crosswords****

1:30 pm CWF Executive Meeting

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday September 28, 2018

11:00 am Helen Dillard's Memorial Service

2:00 pm Mexican Train group

Sunday September 30, 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 October 1, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday October 2, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

5:00 pm Healthy Living

6:00 pm Night'ngals