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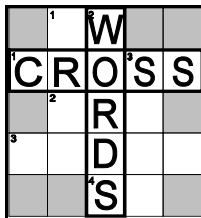
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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Identity Statement

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

Steps to Hope: Use Your Spiritual Gifts

For a while now, I've been writing about steps to hope. I'll continue today and for the foreseeable future. We could all use some hope in life; it's one of God's great gifts to us! Today's step to hope is this: use your Spiritual Gifts.

In my Wednesday Bible Study, we've been reading the book of Acts for about two months. The thing that sticks out to me most about Acts at this point is how instrumental Spiritual Gifts were to the growth of the early Church.

Would the Church have grown like it did if:

- Peter had decided to NOT preach?
- The Apostles had decided to NOT teach?
- The Deacons had decided to NOT administrate?
- Peter had decided to NOT heal?
- Philip had decided to NOT evangelize?
- Barnabas had NOT given generously, encouraged, and helped?
- John had decided ONLY to preach and NOT also to help?

If you read the book of Acts carefully, you will find example upon example of dedicated people of God, members of the Church, developing and using the gifts given to them by God's Holy Spirit for the common good. While it is true that God was responsible for that amazing harvest, it is also true that God required the followers of Jesus in that time to use their God-given gifts to sow the seeds that God harvested.

Friends in Christ, I am absolutely certain that we have in our midst EVERY single gift we need to spread the gospel of Jesus so that God might grow Christ's Church in our place and time as much as God grew Christ's Church in the time of Acts. I am certain of it! I am certain we have in our midst people with the gifts of healing, teaching, administration, preaching, prophecy, discernment, giving, helping, evangelism, encouragement...and more.

If you would like to discover your gifts and then develop them and use them, but you don't know where to start, please schedule an appointment to meet with me, and I'll help you on your journey.

If we all discover and use our Spiritual Gifts (for the common good) - if YOU discover and use your gifts - we will have hope!

- Pastor Brad

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Announcements



FCC Birthday



October

Oct. 26 Gloria Jeffery
Oct. 26 Mary Lou Scholl
Oct. 28 Joyce Wittwer

November

Nov. 2 Elsie Ladage
Nov. 8 Karen Lehman
Nov. 9 David Morgan
Nov. 13 Ruby Eachus
Nov. 18 Dennis Edwards
Nov. 18 Walter Meders
Nov. 30 Leonard Gardner



FCC Anniversary



October

Oct. 27 Linda & Dennis Edwards
Oct. 28 Joyce Witter & Lamar Edwards

November

Nov. 22 Marian & Ron Velarde

A Little Food Bank Comparison



	2017	2018
Jan.	#158	#177
Feb.	#152	#142
Mar.	#193	#170
Apr.	#343	#240
May	#331	#100
June	#464	#223
July	#211	#223
Aug.	#207	#198
Sept.	#342	#117

Elders Meeting

Sunday, November 11th
@ 12:30 pm

Board Meeting

Sunday, November 18th
@ 4:00 pm

It's time to update our Church Directories.
Please let Tish in the office or Joyce Wittwer know if you need to have your information updated. Also, if you would like to have your picture retaken for the Pictorial Directory, please let us know. New directories will be completed by the end of November.
Thank you.

Joyce 243-6214



Saturday, November 17th

@ 8 am

Announcements



Just a little from the Creation Care group

Creation Care Information

Did you know that Americans currently discard 2.7 million tons of Aluminum cans each year?

Aluminum cans are 100% recyclable.

The Aluminum is separated from the steel cans, then shredded, washed and made into chips. The chips are melted in a large furnace, then poured into ingots. The ingots are taken to factories, pressed into thin flat sheets, which can be made into new products, like cans, pie pans, license plate frames, and aluminum foil. Most products are used for food items so we need to be sure they are clean before we recycle them.

Corrugated cardboard and paper items.

Most cardboard now is made from recycled materials. The cardboard is re-pulped and the fibers are separated and bleached. The fibers are screened and cleaned to eliminate contaminants. Washed to remove any left over ink. Fibers are pressed and rolled into paper, which are converted into boxes or made into new products.

Magazines

We now can recycle magazines. About 45 percent of magazines are being recycled today. New research has been made to do this.

Office paper

Just over 45% of office paper is recovered for recycling today. Low grade papers, such as newsprint, colored paper, file stock and ground wood papers are made into cardboard, tissues, newspaper and toilet papers.

Newspapers

73% of all newspapers are being collected and recycled. The average newspaper is made of a high amount of recycled paper. Each year the United States Forest Service uses "Hydro-mulching" to help restore damaged areas. Recycled newspapers are made into a fiber mulch and mixed with grass seed, fertilizer, green dye, and water to create a "slurry" that can be pumped over broad areas by pressure sprayers, airplanes or helicopters. This stabilizes the areas, for planting of trees, shrubs seeds and wildflowers.

As we continue to follow what God has asked of us,
we will continue to enjoy the world God made for us.

Announcements



Wednesday,

October 31

@ 6:00 PM

West side of the
parking lot

Trunk or treating is a safe, fun alternative to door-to-door "trick or treating"! Cars that have been decorated for Halloween will be lined up in our parking lot with trunks full of goodies. Children go trunk to trunk in their costumes to collect their treats. Please help us reach out to the children and their parents in our neighborhood by decorating your car trunk and spending a couple hours meeting them. Tammy Ostermiller will provide a chili supper for those who are working this event.

We will be **collecting candy** to hand out to the kids. The collection box will be in the Narthex.

If you will be decorating your car trunk for this event please let us know on the **sign up sheet** on in the Fellowship Hall.

For further information contact

Tammy Ostermiller @ 462-6120



Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 3, 2018

8:30 AM—2:00 PM



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1326 N. 1st Street
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Beef and Noodles Luncheon 11am – 1pm

\$7.50 for adults; \$3.00 for children 12 and under.

Fabulous crafts; Famous Grandma's Attic, Delicious
Baked Goods, Frozen Meals, and Books

Special new addition – Prayer Stations available

8:30am – 2pm in the Sanctuary – open for all!!

Come experience new methods of prayer.

**Invite your family, friends and
Neighbors**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BRINGING YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS:

Grandma's Attic – Can bring in after church on October 28th – NOTHING BEFORE
THAT PLEASE

Put items in the Narthex

Also – no furniture please.

Baked Goods – Friday November 2nd.

Books - Can bring now to the Library. There is a corner they can be stacked in.

Crafts – anytime beginning Monday October 29th –NOTHING BEFORE THAT PLEASE

Please contact Yvonne Warner if you need to drop off items earlier.

Announcements



On **November 4, 2018**, we will celebrate during the morning Worship services the lives of family members and friends we lost this past year. As part of the service their names will be called out and a chime will ring. If you have someone you would like honored in this way, either call the office or place their name and your relationship in the offering plate.

Deadline to contact the church is Monday, October 29, 2018.

Your Name _____

Loved One's Name _____

Relationship _____



Daylight Savings Time
Sunday, November 4th

Don't forget to set your clocks back Saturday night before you go to bed!

Announcements

Operation Christmas Child



Imagine the childlike joy of boys and girls as they open their presents on Christmas morning. Now, imagine that joy manifested tenfold as a child who never received a present, a child

who has suffered because of war, natural disaster, poverty, illness or neglect, receives a shoebox overflowing with gifts. That's the impact that Operation Christmas Child has on needy children around the world.

As a reminder, Christmas Boxes are due at the church by November 11, 2018.

There are shoe boxes wrapped in Christmas paper in the Fellowship Hall. Inside the boxes, there are instructions on what to do. I would like to also thank you all for your generosity. I know the children will be so excited!

Please add \$9.00 for Shipping

Things to bring for

Christmas boxes

Stocking caps
Gloves
Barbie Dolls
Soccer Balls
Tennis Balls
Yo Yo's
Toy Cars
Underwear
Socks
Clothes
Shoes
Toys
Books

Bibles

Balloons

Hair brushes

Combs

Hair Barrettes

Hair Ribbons

Dolls of any kind

Stuffed toys

Color Books

Crayons

School supplies

Calculators

Plastic Water Bottles

Plastic Cups

Soap tied in a Washcloth

Things NOT to bring

No Candy (not even hard candy)

No Toothpaste

No War figurines

No War toys

No lotion

No liquid of any kind

The children will LOVE anything you are able to give them! Thank You

Announcements & Thanks

To my Church Family,

Thank you for praying for me, sending cards and your calls I felt totally surrounded with your prayers as I was taken into the operating room.

I love each one of you dearly, I am so blessed to have you in my life.

Love,

Bev



September 24, 2018

Dear First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ),

On behalf of all of us at HomewardBound of the

Grand Valley, I want to thank you for your gift of \$124.98 received on 08/23/2018. This donation benefits families, veterans and singles by giving them access to vital food, shelter and other programs they need to move from surviving to thriving in our community.

Your kindness is more than a contribution, it ensures the safety and well-being of everyone in our community, and - most importantly - helps those without a place to go break the cycle of homelessness.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Jesse Redmond

Development Director

FCC Prayer Concerns

“Pray without ceasing.”

I Thessalonians 5:17

Clara Arroyo	Barbara Kinion
Jim Bennett	Jean Krenzer
Amy Burns	Peggy Lawler
Gale Carper	Betty Learned
Howard Coltfelter	Mike Loehring and Family
Chuck Cummings	Cecilia Massey
Pat Cress	Melody McPeck
Carol Jean Daniel	David Morgan
Dannielle	Faye Morosini
Earn Eachus	Nathan
Kat Edwards	Brian Neukman
JoAnne Eggers	Louise Oliver
Larry Eggers	Judy Parks
Sheana Emerson	Susie Peach
Trey Foos	Carol Perry
Vicki Gassman	Steve Pratt
Tony Gurento and Family	Dorothy Rhodes
David & Vickie Hagan	Paul Scanga
Connie Hawley	John Sherry
JoAnne Hill	Gary Steed
Ethel Hoffman	Lois Stouffer
Eleanor Hubbell	Terry
Gary Hunt	Wes Wade
Dee Johnson	Joan White
Ed Jones	
Nora Juette	
Jean Kees	
Hailer Kellog	
Kathy King	

FCC SUNDAY SERVERS' 4-Week ASSIGNMENTS

October 28, 2018

Elder

Susan Barton

Deacon

Dennis/Linda Edwards

Greeter

Dennis Edwards

November 4, 2018

Elder

Al Baumgartle

Deacon

Brad Krebill

Greeter

Brad Krebill

November 11, 2018

Elder

Lily Fitch

Deacon

Norma Lavelett

Greeter

Norma Lavelett

November 18, 2018

Elder

Susan Barton

Deacon

Dennis/Linda Edwards

Greeter

Dorothy Mitchell

October 28, 2018

4th Sunday

Worship Leader

Susan Barton

Offering Elder

Lois Dunning

Communion Elder

Kathy Gardner

Greeter

Chuck Haigler

Jeanne Klitzke

Gloria Jeffery

Preparing Diaconate

Marian Velarde

Serving Diaconate

Marian Velarde

Jeanne Klitzke

Ruth Acord

Jodi Gabel

Coffee Mingle

Nancy Claussen

Riecke Claussen

Van Driver

TBD

Keyboard

Melanie Ferron

Collection Team

Lois Dunning

Grace Farrell

November 4, 2018

1st Sunday

Worship Leader

Ray Farrell

Offering Elder

Carol Matthews

Communion Elder

Jim Matthews

Greeter

Lamar Edwards

Jeanice Swank

Melanie Ferron

Preparing Diaconate

Karen Lehman

Serving Diaconate

Wes Wade

Jerry Francis

Jeanice Swank

Yvonne Warner

Coffee Mingle

Ruth Acord

Jeanice Swank

Van Driver

Terry Laughlin

Jo Laughlin

Keyboard

Paula Schaffer

Collection Team

Chip Ferron

Riecke Claussen

November 11, 2018

2nd Sunday

Worship Leader

Al Baumgartle

Offering Elder

Al Baumgartle

Communion Elder

Leonard Gardner

Greeter

Alice Wiesler

Bob Wise

Pam Baumgartle

Preparing Diaconate

Alice Wieseler

Serving Diaconate

Bob Wise

Al Ladage

Jeanette West

Cole Barton

Coffee Mingle

Gloria Jeffery

Van Driver

Jerry Francis

Keyboard

Melanie Ferron

Collection Team

Chip Ferron

Riecke Claussen

November 18, 2018

3rd Sunday

Worship Leader

Nancy Armbruster

Offering Elder

Chuck Haigler

Communion Elder

Al Baumgartle

Greeter

Jeanne Klitzke

Ruth Acord

Joyce Wittwer

Preparing Diaconate

Riecke Claussen

Nancy Claussen

Serving Diaconate

David Morgan

Doug Bryant

Carolyn Bryant

Nancy Claussen

Coffee Mingle

Thanksgiving Meal

Van Driver

TBD

Keyboard

Lily Fitch

Collection Team

Chip Ferron

Riecke Claussen

Church Calendar of Events - October 25, 2018— November 14, 2018

Thursday October 25, 2018

****Crosswords ****

1:30 pm CWF Executive Meeting

1:30 pm Monthly Mission Day

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday October 26, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Sunday October 28, 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

4:00 pm Cabinet Meeting

Monday October 29, 2018

8:00 am Bazaar Set-up

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday October 30, 2018

8:00 am Bazaar Set-up

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday October 31, 2018

8:00 am Bazaar Set-up

10:00 am NO Morning Bible Study

6:00 pm Trunk or Treat

6:30 pm NO Evening Bible Study

Thursday November 1, 2018

****Crosswords Deadline ****

Pastor Brad out Office*

8:00 am Bazaar Set-up

9:00 am Ruth Group

1:30 pm Dorcas Group

6:00 pm Praise Team

6:00 pm Co. West Quilters Board

Friday November 2, 2018

8:00 am Bazaar Set-up

Saturday November 3, 2018

8:30 am Christmas Bazaar

Sunday November 4, 2018

****All Saints' Sunday****

****Daylight Saving Time****

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 November 5, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday November 6, 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 November 7, 2018

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

3:30 am Parkinson Support Group

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

7:30 pm "Teach Yourself To Read Hebrew" book study

Thursday November 8, 2018

****Crosswords****

1:30 pm CWF General

5:00 pm Homeward Bound Ministries

6:00 pm Praise Team

Friday November 9, 2018

2:00 pm Mexican Train Group

Saturday November 10, 2018

12:00 pm Territorial Daughter's Meeting

Sunday November 11, 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 Elders Meeting

Monday November 12, 2018

10:30 am Staff Meeting

1:30 pm FCC Bookworms

7:00 pm M&M Bible Study

Tuesday November 13, 2018

9:00 am Burger King Coffee Group

1:30 pm PEO Chapter Meeting

5:00 pm Healthy Living

Wednesday November 14, 2018

9:30 am Newcomers Group

10:00 am Morning Bible Study

6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

7:00 pm Co. West Quilters Guild

7:30 pm "Teach Yourself To Read Hebrew" book study

