

INFORMER

**First Christian Church**

**This Week's Scripture and
sermon: Luke 15: 1-10**

Rev. Dr. Chad McMullin

**Sunday Worship
9 am and 11:10 am
10 am Sunday School
online @first4god.com**

In our first meeting of the vision team, we gathered together after three weeks of individual Bible study and discussed what the Bible says about the role of the Church in the world. Each participant spent three weeks studying selected passages of scripture and took individual notes. Here are some of their notes taken from Holy Scripture.

- The church is called by God to be judgement free. It is intended to be a place for everybody. The church is to value acceptance, be welcoming, and it is to be a group of people who agree to set aside differences as they gather for a variety of reasons.
- Part of why we gather is for encouragement. We also gather to be instructed. We also come together to worship and baptize and learn how to live out the gospel message of good news.
- The Bible teaches us to be united in purpose and in spirit. The Bible teaches us to be of the same mind. The Bible instructs us to build communities of faith. The Bible invites us to make disciples and share the gospel through preaching, teaching and modeling it in our daily lives. As we gather, we become equipped for lives of service to others in Christ's name.
- Furthermore, the Bible invites us into a relationship with Christ/God first, instructs us to pursue spiritual growth, calls us to disciple others, and invites us to learn to live in step with the Holy Spirit.
- As a church, we are invited to bear one another's burdens, help each other, and to be present for each other with humility and compassion.
- The Bible invites us to consider mission/outreach/service through selfless acts outside the walls of the church. It also instructs us to speak the truth in love, and insists that each person will do their share of the work.
- Finally, the church is to be enjoyed, fellowship to be shared, and glad and sincere hearts are to prevail. The Bible says that the church should be a place of rest for people's souls, that it should offer spiritual healing, and proclaim that there is no condemnation because of and in Jesus Christ.

Every three years, our church embarks on this vision process to make sure that we are keeping the first things first. And the process begins each time with a clear focus on the words of the Bible. I hope you see the reflection of our church in the above thoughts, and I pray that we will continue to grow into what we are called to be!

Pastor Chad

OUR PRAYER LIST

Betty Blackwell, Cole Brown, Kelly Burkholder, Teresa Fowler, George Geotz, Barb Hagebush, Cara Harrington, Harper Jones, Michael Lucito, Hallie Meyer, Barbara Mittenburg, Pat Newport, Rowena Pettet, Beckham Stuckenschneider, JJ, Nancy VanMeter, Evelyn Yonce

Our condolences to Bob Holdren on the death of his brother, Larry Holdren, on August 29, 2025.

Nursing Home and Shut-Ins

Essex: **Dava Brummit**
E. W. Thompson: **Allan Fowler**
Primrose(Independent): **Freida Morrison**
Primrose(Assisted): **Dorothy Robertson**
Primrose(Enhanced Assisted Living): **Judy Parkhurst, Susan Daniels**
Sylvia Thompson: **Lois Ditzfeld, Judy Steele, Margie Sowder, Lynda Alcorn, Merle Fisher, Donna Thompson, Margaret Johnson, Betty Blackwell**

Our friends in the Armed Services: Ryan Arnold, Taylor Brown, Sam Braverman, Preston Butts, Daltin Butts, Kenneth French, Nicholas Holman, Adam Schock, Adriana Teiberis, Aaron Wagoner: Thank you for your service!

We now have a prayer request option on the website. It will go straight to our prayer team so they can be praying with and for you.

Your FCC Staff



660-826-5300

Rev. Dr. Chad McMullin
Senior Minister

Rev. Chance McMullin
Associate Minister

Sheri Webb
Admin. Asst.

Wayne Smither
Youth Director

Jay Fahnstock
Maintenance Supervisor

Darrin Hartman
Music Director

Emilee Jackson, Rilee Mathew, and Liliya Nine
Nursery

Mendy Goss
Children's Coordinator

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

September 7, 2025

9am 140

11:10am 99

Sunday School 90

Online 495

Those serving this Week

Greeters

- David and Olivia
- David and Olivia

Elders

- Gary Fleming
- David Parkhurst

Deacons

- Allison Brosch
 - Amy Brust
 - Jim Brust
 - Treasure Green
 - Bill Herrick
 - Alyson Wilson
 - Caleb Wilson
 - Chancey McRoberts
 - Kenna Schock
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 - Caleb Wilson
 - Chancey McRoberts
 - Kenna Schock

If you wish to check out our Digital Bulletin while worshipping; go to

first4God.com

scroll down to Worship Online, click Digital Bulletin. Scripture and list of songs will be posted.

THIS WEEKS EVENTS



THURSDAY 11

6pm Elders Mtg.

FRIDAY 12

10am Ladies coffee at Ozark

Saturday 13

10am Group 5 at Read Ctr.

SUNDAY 14

9am Worship/Fellowship Hall
10am Sunday School
11:10am Worship/Fellowship Hall
7pm NA

Monday 15

1pm Adult Spiritual Growth
5pm Property
Deadline for 55+ Mystery
Trip

Tuesday 16

12noon Brown Bag
1:30pm Prayer Group
5:30pm Stewardship

Wednesday 17

11am Realtors FH
12:15pm Foster Care wrapping
5:15pm SOLID
5:30 FCC Kids
6pm Adult Bible Study

This Sunday we will be back in our sanctuary for Promotion Sunday. All our kiddos of every age will be recognized and many of them will be making the leap into the Youth Group, JYF, or Children's ministry. This is not a Sunday you will want to miss! Bring the kiddos it will be a big celebration of them and our ministries to them!



**Thank you Pam Haskell and
Property Team
for making the South end of
FCC look amazing!!**



**OCC is in need of:
children's scissors,
small pads of paper,
tooth brushes and
beanie babies. You
can bring them and put
them in the OCC bin.**



FAMILY EDUCATION NIGHT
Find out what HOSPICE is all
about. An informational gathering
will occur Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 6
p.m. at Sylvia Thompson
Residence Center, lower level East
side. It may be more than you
thought and different than your
preconceived notions. Light
refreshments will be available.



Fall in Love with Jesus

Join other sisters in a Fall Prayer Walk, a craft,
and some sweet treats. Please bring
an item to fill a Hygiene kit for the homeless
(ex: travel size: deodorant, dry shampoo, tissues,
lip balm, wipes, socks, tooth brush, tooth paste,
gloves, etc)

When: October 17, 2025

Time: 6pm

Where: The Cellar Door
217 S. Ohio

Sedalia, MO 65301

Help us plan and let us know if you will be there

call: 660-826-5300

Luke 6:38 Give, and it will be given to you.



Ladies Coffee meet up:
Friday Sept. 12, 10am at
Ozark Coffee.



**Come for good coffee
and GREAT fellowship.**



YOUTH

IMPORTANT DATES:

- SOLID will meet every Wednesday at 5:15pm
- Pumpkins will be here the morning of Oct. 11, plan to help unload.

SOLID Youth Mission:
Reaching the Youth
through CHRIST,
touching the community
with LOVE!



Youth Sunday

SOLID Youth Program 40 off-Jump on Program

The purpose of this program is actually 2 goals:

For all of the youth to be able to take on more responsibility for their mission trips and Young Christians weekend.

To decrease the amount the youth will have to pay for these events.

Each trip-Young Christians Weekend \$500.00
Mission Trip \$500.00

For every hour the Youth work outside of Sunday and Wednesday, \$10 will be deducted from the total of the trips. Ex: 16 hours worked that would be 160.00 deducted from the \$500. They can earn up to \$200 for each trip.



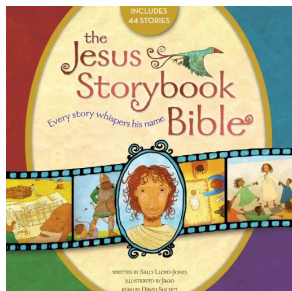
Like us on Facebook at Solid-FCC Youth Sedalia

BIBLE STUDIES

**Adult 4 week Bible Study on the book
of Romans. Every Wednesday at 6pm;
Sept. 10 - Oct. 1.
Led by Pastor Chad**

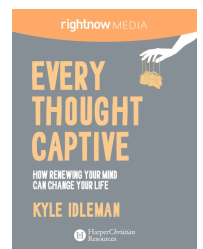
Children's Ministry Right Now Media Pick of the Month

This month's Kids Pick of the Month is:
The Jesus Storybook Bible on
RightNow Media. This is a great series
of 44 episodes that teach our children
not just the stories of the Bible, but
what the Bible is meant to be. Check it
out and replace your Disney+ time
with Bible time on RightNow Media.



Adult Spiritual Growth Right Now Media Pick of the month.

Everything around us seems to be fighting for our attention. Our thoughts can become chaotic as we decide where to put our focus. Are your thoughts drawing you closer to God or pulling you away? “Every Thought Captive” is a fantastic study for August as summer vacations end and life gets busy again. This 5-session study (18 min. avg) by Kyle Idleman gives simple tools that help us control our thoughts, so that we can live a more joy-filled life. This study is great for young teens – older adults.





Beginning September 10,
FCC kids will be having a Wednesday night
kids program.

It will begin at 5:30pm with a light meal,
bible study, crafts, and fun.

“Find registration on the church’s FB page.”

Children’s Worship Recap

This week in Children’s Worship, we learned about how Jesus fed over 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. We discovered that Jesus can take even the smallest gifts we give and use them in big ways.

Instead of just hearing the story, the children experienced it in a hands-on way. Each child held a cracker to remind them of their own gifts and talents. We talked about how what we have to offer might seem small, but when placed in God’s hands, He can bless it and multiply it. To show this, the children crushed their cracker, learning that even when what we bring feels little or broken, God can still use it for His glory and to bless others.

Family Follow-Up Questions

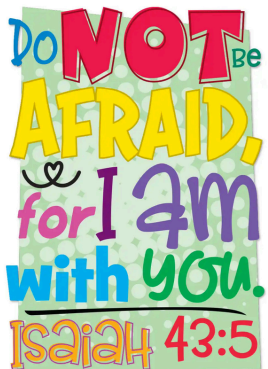
1. What did the little boy give to Jesus in today’s Bible story, and what happened with it?
2. What is one gift, talent, or thing you can share with others this week that Jesus could use to bless someone else?

Bible verse of the Month:

So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets

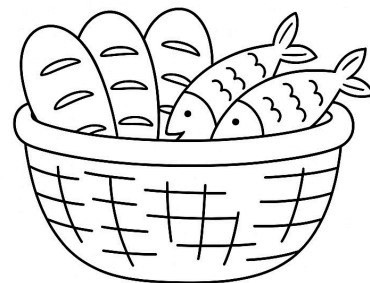
Matthew 7:12

Mendy Goss/Children’s Coordinator



MY MISSION THIS WEEK!

Next week, bring one canned good to share with someone who is hungry. Just like the boy gave his lunch to Jesus, I can give what I have to help others. Together, we will put all the cans in the Open Door bin.



☐ **This week I will:**

- Tell my family about the boy who shared his lunch.
- Find a canned good I can bring to church.
- Pray for the people who will get the food.

FALL FLING POTLUCK



For Adults

Friday September 19, 2025

6pm to 9pm

BYOB and a dish to share.

Younger-Finley Barn

25257 110th Rd.

Houstonia, MO 65333



6-7pm Dinner

7pm Corn Hole, Billards, Shuffleboard,
and Minute to Win It games





**EXCITING NEWS!! WE ARE BACK AFTER A SUMMER BREAK!
MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SIGN UP!**

**MYSTERY TRIP
September 23rd**

Destination: Well, that is a mystery! You'll just have to GO in order to find out!

Things you can know are: We'll leave the church at 8:00 AM, returning "around" 6:00 PM, cost per person is \$25 (CASH ONLY AND PAYABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE PRIOR TO TRIP) and transportation TBD. (There will be several options)

The sign-up deadline is September 15th, and you can sign up in the church office or on the sign-up sheet found in the worship area.

**THE PRODUCTION OF DAVID THE MUSICAL
Branson Overnight
Sight & Sound Theatre
October 28 & 29**

MASTER POET. FEARLESS WARRIOR. ANOINTED KING.

From still waters to shadowed valleys, David's ascent to the throne is filled with towering giants, wild animals, and Philistine soldiers. After unprecedented victories lead to devastating failures, this passionate warrior will face the biggest battle of all: the one within himself. Come alongside this young shepherd on his journey to become a man after God's own heart.

With original music inspired by the Psalms, DAVID is a state-of-the-art theatrical experience. Witness one of the most legendary Bible stories as it comes to life with spectacular special effects, massive sets, and live animals in this original stage production.

Reserve your ticket by signing up with Sheri in the church office. We have purchased 20 tickets and reserved 10 hotel rooms at Best Western Center Pointe Inn.

SIGN UP DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 28TH. If you sign-up and cancel after the deadline, you will still be responsible for payment. Sign up in the church office or sign-up sheet outside the worship area.

Cost: theatre tickets are \$85/person, and the room rate is \$140 so that cost will be divided between how many are staying in your room. Make check payable to First Christian Church.

Transportation: the van will be available, and carpooling is another option.

We'll leave the church at 12:00 pm, arriving in Branson to check in at the hotel at 3:00 pm. We'll meet for dinner (place to be decided) and then we'll need to be at the theatre by 6:45 pm for the 7:30 performance.