

The big day is coming quickly! There were days when it felt like it could not get here quickly enough. There were other days when it felt like it would never happen. However, our new entrance and hospitality center will be dedicated this Sunday! As we speak, the work crew are carrying out their finishing touches and cleaning up after themselves. It has been quite the journey these past 5 months. Our campus feels transformed. I have to hand it to the team that designed this along with the architect, because it does not really look like an add on. It seems almost everyone is more than pleased with the aesthetic of our new space.

As I stand and stare at this new space, it is riveting to discover just how much the stained glass windows stand out. Among all the new lighting, modern windows, and the big open space—somehow the ancient things have been given new life. It's like we've tapped into something we did not expect. It is like finding a diamond! Those windows have a way of connecting us to the past and honoring those who have gone before us in faith. And while they do connect us to ancient roots, the space around it speaks volumes about where we are headed as a congregation. Somehow our eyes were kept from seeing the beauty that was there all along. I love the idea that in the process of moving forward in faith, we actually rediscovered the beauty of what was there all along!

I also pray that this continues to be a theme in all that we do. In some ways, this world demands that we stay modern to be relevant. What we hope those who come here will discover is the hidden beauty within the ancient things around us. More than the objects themselves, these windows reveal a deeper truth: that God loves us and offers us forgiveness. Ultimately, they point us toward the great and glorious day we've all been waiting for. Sometimes it feels like that day cannot get here quick enough, other days it feels like it may never happen. But rest assured, that day is quickly coming!



# **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, Barbara Musslin, Pat Newport, Rowena Pettet, Beckham Stuckenschneider, II, Nancy VanMeter, Evelyn Yonce

### 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.

# First Christian Church

Rev. Dr. Chad McMullin

Senior Minister

**Maintenance Supervisor** 

Rev. Chance McMullin

Associate Minister

**Darrin Hartman Music Director** 

Sheri Webb

Admin. Asst.

Emilee Jackson, Rilee Mathew, and Liliya Nine Nursery

**Wayne Smither** 

**Youth Director** 

**Mendy Goss Children's Coordinator** 

# WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Nov. 2, 2025 9am 184 11:10am 87 **Sunday School 113** Online 392

### Those serving this Week

### **Greeters**

- David and Olivia
- David and Olivia

### Candle lighters

Lily and Emerson

### **Elders**

- Karen Lake
- **Larry Lake**

### Deacons

Allison Brosch

**Bill Herrick** 

Amy Brust

**Alyson Wilson** 

Jim Brust

Caleb Wilson

**Chancey McRoberts** 

• Treasure Green

Bill Herrick

- Alyson Wilson
- 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 6

FRIDAY 7

Saturday 8

11am Girl Scout movie day

FCC SUNDAY 9

9am Worship 10am New Entrance dedication 10am Sunday School 11:10am Worship 7pm NA

Monday 10

6pm Exec. Session 6:30pm Girl Scouts **Tuesday 11** 

12noon Brown Bag 1:30pm Prayer Group Wednesday 12

5:15pm SOLID 5:30 FCC Kids

There will be a church wide food drive Sunday November 9. Bring your canned goods to either service.



# Thanksgiving Day Luncheon

Thurs. November 27th,2025
1:00 pm Lunch
First Christian Church
Sign—ups due on signup sheet in the church lobby by
Sunday Nov. 23rd
or by calling the Church Office by
Thursday Nov. 20th.
Games/Activities Following Meal
No church transportation available







There are still boxes available to pack.
Collection week is
Nov. 17-24.
Drop them off at the church.



# Are You Interested in Some Jefferson City Fun? November 18th Tentative Schedule of events:

10:30 AM Leave Church 11:30 AM Lunch (TBD)

1:00 AM Tour the Colonel Alvin R. Lubker Memorial Safety & Education Museum (Highway Patrol Museum) led by our own retired Highway Patrolman, Phil Ahern.
Followed by a visit to the Highway Patrol Commissary.

2:30ish visit Central Dairy for ice cream before heading home.

Cost: lunch & ice cream on your own.

There may be some interest in a stop at the Dillard's Outlet which is only one of two in the State.  $\odot$ 

Sign-up sheet in the vestibule outside the sanctuary.



## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

- SOLID will meet every Wednesday at 5:15pm
- November 22, SOLID will attend David in Branson. Notify through Church Center if you plan to attend. The cost is \$30.
- The last day for SOLID for this semester will be December 17. We will resume January 7, 2026.











#### SOLID Youth Program "40 Off" – Jump On Program / Mission Trip Incentive

The "40 Off" program has two primary goals:

Empowerment – Encourage youth to take greater responsibility for their Mission Trips and Young Christians Weekend.

Affordability – Help reduce the cost of these events for each participant.

Event Costs

Young Christians Weekend: \$200 Mission Trip: \$500

#### How the Program Works

For every hour a youth participates in approved work activities outside of regular Sunday and Wednesday services, \$10 will be deducted from the total cost of their trip.

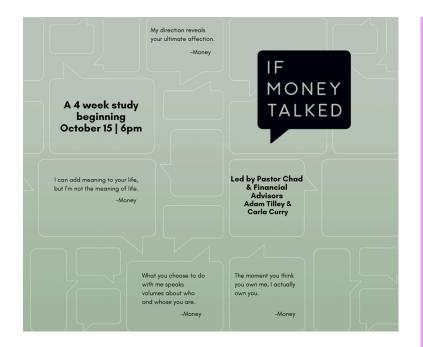
#### Example:

If a youth works 16 hours, they will earn \$160 toward their Mission Trip, reducing the cost from \$500 to \$340.

Youth can earn up to \$200 off each trip through this program.
With the full \$200 earned, the Mission Trip cost drops to \$300.
This is a great opportunity for youth to grow, serve, and invest in their
own spiritual journeys while helping ease the financial burden on

Let us know if you have any questions or if your youth would like to sign up for work opportunities!

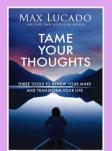
### **BIBLE STUDIES**



#### **Ladies Bible Study**

"Tame Your Thoughts"

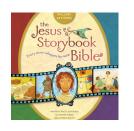
God has not left us alone in the battle of the mind. We will learn to take our thoughts captive, test our thoughts against scripture and tame our thoughts. Starts Thursday, October 16th @ 10 a.m. This is a 6 week study at the home of Amy Lake. Books are \$10. Please reserve your spot so books can be ordered. Please sign-up at the church office or email amylake86@gmail.com to reserve.

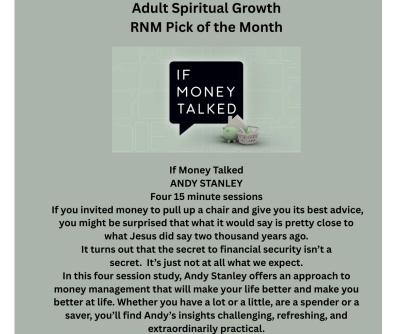


"Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind". (Romans 12:2)

### 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.







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."

- November 26, no FCC Kids
- November 30, FCC Kids Choir singing at Advent Service,
   5:30pm.
- December 3 and 10 FCC kids Christmas program practice 5:30-7:00.
- December 14, Kids dress rehearsal 4pm/Sanctuary.
- December 17, 2025; Kids Christmas Program. 6pm, kids arrive between 4:30 and 5pm. Refreshments to follow.

Christmas season is upon us. For the kids program parts have been given to the soloists. Costumes are being sized and planned. Music has been shared with each child in the program, make sure they are listening to it at home. Excited for the Season!









We will have poinsettias in the Sanctuary during Advent season. You may purchase one in honor/memory of a loved one or friend. The cost for each poinsettia will be \$11.00. Please make check payable to First Christian Church. Return this form to the church by November 30th

Given



3rd Quarter Giving Statements, Stewardship reports, and Pledge Cards will be available at the back of the Sanctuary. Please grab your envelope this weekend.