

INFORMER



First Christian Church

**This Week's Scripture and
sermon: Matthew 26: 31-35
Zechariah 13:7**

Rev. Dr. Chad McMullin

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

Colossians 3:23-24 "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord..."

In a world that encourages us to "go with the flow," it is easy to find ourselves living on autopilot. Living on autopilot often feels like we are "just getting by." Our faith invites us into a different standard: to live deliberately. Living deliberately as a Christian means taking responsibility for our walk with God, rather than letting our circumstances dictate what we do. To be deliberate is to be thoughtful and intentional. It means choosing to be proactive in our faith, ensuring that our daily choices—how we spend our time, money, and energy—reflect our devotion to Christ.

Being intentional as a Christian includes a focus on God's will, with an ear toward the Spirit's guidance and an eye fixed on eternity. As I preached two weeks ago, one of the hardest things to give up is our own agenda. To live this way is to surrender our personal agendas to the Lord's divine purposes. Living deliberately means taking ownership of our lives, allowing our values to drive our actions rather than simply reacting to life's chaos. Here are a few ways to live deliberately.

- **Prioritize Daily Devotion:** Set aside time to be in the Word and prayer.
- **Be Strategic with Time:** Evaluate how you spend it and ensure it aligns with your purpose.
- **Practice Service:** Look for opportunities to serve others daily, treating your work and interactions as opportunities to reflect Christ (sharing, encouraging, being kind, speaking truth, etc.).
- **Reflect regularly:** Is your daily routine intentional or reactionary?
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Living deliberately doesn't mean we get everything right; it means we are striving to include the Lord in our daily lives. When we live with purpose, we can move from just "getting by" to truly living. Live deliberately today and be blessed!

Pastor Chad

THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

Betty Blackwell, Cole Brown, Dava Brummitt, Kelly Burkholder, Teresa Fowler, George Geotz, Barb Hagebush, Cara Harrington, Charlotte and Bill Herrick, Harper Jones, Michael Lucito, Tammy Martin, Hallie Meyer, Barbara Mittenburg, Barbara Musslin, Pat Newport, Rowena Pettet, Beckham Stuckenschneider, JJ, Nancy VanMeter, Kay Young

Nursing Home and Shut-Ins

Essex: **Dava Brummitt**
 E. W. Thompson: **Allan Fowler**
 Primrose(Independent): **Freida Morrison**
 Primrose(Assisted): **Dorothy Robertson**
 Primrose(Enhanced Assisted Living): **Judy Parkhurst, Susan Daniels, Marion Thomas, LeRoy Wimer, Lorene Downing**
 Sylvia Thompson: **Judy Steele, Margie Sowder, Lynda Alcorn, Merle Fisher, Donna Thompson, Margaret Johnson, Betty Blackwell**

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

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Mar. 1, 2026

9am 145

11:10am 142

Sunday School

Online 586

Those serving this Week

Candle lighters

- Jenson L & Jenson P

Elders

- Allison Brosch
- JoDee Buso

Deacons

- Stacey Edwards
- Amy Brust
- Jim Brust
- Stephanie Parkhurst
- Ann Fleming
- Alyson Wilson
- Caleb Wilson
- Wes Rowden
- Judy Rowden

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Caleb Wilson

Judy Rowden

Your FCC Staff



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Children's Coordinator

Sheri Webb
Admin. Asst.

Emilee Jackson, Rilee Mathew, and Liliya Nine
Nursery

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.

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.

THIS WEEKS EVENTS



THURSDAY 5

7pm Band

FRIDAY 6

Saturday 7

SUNDAY 8

9am Worship
10am Sunday School
10am Lent Study
10am Pastor's Class on Baptism
11:10am Worship
7pm NA

Monday 9

6pm Exec. Session
6:30pm Girl Scouts

Tuesday 10

12noon Brown Bag
1:30pm Prayer Group
5pm Women's Meeting

Wednesday 11

5:15pm SOLID
5:30 FCC Kids
6pm Adult Bible Study
7pm Choir
7pm NA

Church General Fund December 31, 2025 Update'

Great News!!!

December 31, 2025, marked the end of fiscal year 2025 for the church's general fund. This is how the church pays for the regular operation of the church. The total general operating revenues received for 2025 were \$493,697 and the total general operating expenses paid for 2025 were \$472,889. The net income for 2025 was \$20,808 compared to \$12,529 for 2024. The Stewardship Team appreciates the support of the congregation's giving in meeting our church's obligations.

Operating	2025	2024	Change
Income	493,697	464,393	29,304
Expenses	472,889	451,864	21,025
Net Income	20,808	12,529	8,279

The church is currently operating on an anticipated budget for 2026 to be \$528,746. It is anticipated that the operating expenses for 2026 will increase by approximately 5.5%. The Stewardship Team would like for you to consider your annual giving toward the regular operations of the church for 2026 to increase with this in mind:

Regular church operations include expenses such as personnel, utilities, and ministry team costs. These expenses are separate from the cost of the building project.

In addition to our regular operating expenses, our church is also making loan payments for the building project. As with most loans, the more principal that is paid down, the less interest will be paid over time. In the early years of a loan, a larger portion of each payment goes toward interest rather than principal. For this reason, paying down the principal as much as possible can significantly reduce the total cost of the loan.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness and support.

We look forward to another great year!

Stewardship Team

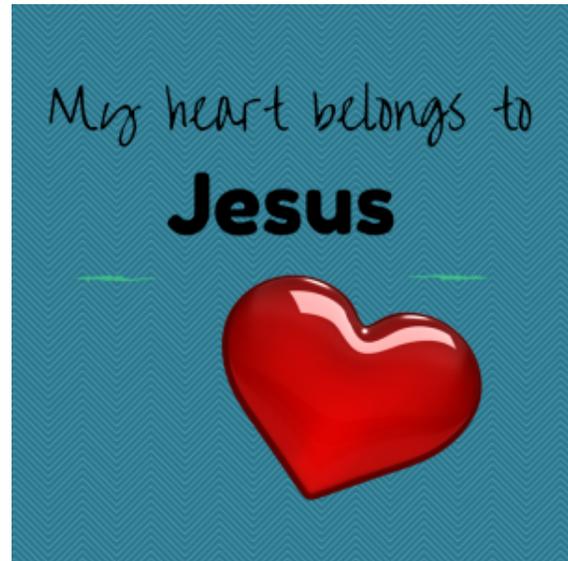
IMPORTANT DATES:

- **SOLID will meet every Wednesday at 5:15pm.**

SOLID THINGS LOOKING FORWARD

- April 12, SOLID will be doing a skit in the 10am Service.
- **Young Christians Weekend: March 26-29 Branson, Missouri.**
- **SOLID Mission Trip July 11-19 to Colorado currently we have 14 signed up**

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



Hi everyone!

We are getting close to YCW, so we need a verbal and written commitment along with the \$200 deposit as soon as possible. Please use the sign up sheet but don't put phone #'s on it. Currently, we have 14 signed up for the Mission Trip, with 6 spots still available. If you are interested, please sign up soon, so you can begin making arrangements for your payment. I've already discussed the total cost with you, and I'm happy to set up a payment plan if needed—just let me know.

Chris Simon will be finishing his message Wednesday and right into the skit. YOUTH bring your additional ideas for the skit this Wednesday.

Wayne

Reminders:

YCW: End of March

Mission Trip: Mid-July

Scripture: Exodus 33:15 We want Your presence LORD!

Love Your Savior

Year of the Mission Trip



Family Oriented Mission Trip - Veteran's Community Project - We will spend a few days constructing a tiny home for a veteran to live in, and spending one day at the St. Louis Zoo.

Location - St. Louis, Missouri

Dates - June 8-11

Pricing - TBD

Final Day to Sign up - May 8, 2026

Trip Lead - JoDee Buso - 660-553-2180

Global Mission Trip - Ray of Hope Medical Missions - We will be stepping in to support this medical center and the surrounding community by doing everything from small construction, playing with children, or helping birth children at the birthing center.

Location - Uganda, Africa

Dates - August 25 - September 8

Pricing - \$2500/person

Requirements - Yellow Fever vaccine and passport

Final day to sign up - February 18th

Team Lead - Loletta Combs - 660-287-6002

Youth Mission Trip: They will be going to Colorado this year to serve that community as well as to deepen their connection to the Lord and one another. For information on this trip check out our youth group.

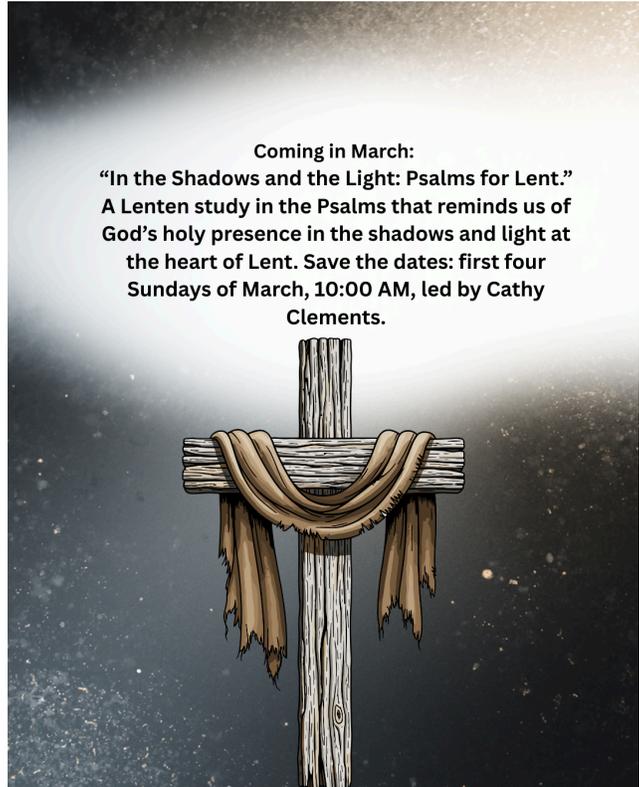
You may sign up or ask questions for any of these mission trip by calling the church office or the leaders of these trips.



FCC will be collecting candy to fill 7,000 Easter Eggs for our annual Easter Egg hunt.

Please drop off in the basket in the lobby. **Reminder: no suckers, smarties, chocolate, or plastic eggs.**
Drop off before March 22.

“Don’t Let the Enemy Have a Seat at Your Table” study: Wednesday’s at 6pm. Beginning Feb. 25 and going thru April 1. Led by Pastor Chad

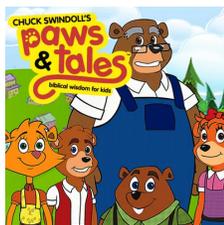


**Children’s Ministry
Right Now Media
Pick of the Month
Paws & Tales: Season 1
CHUCK SWINDOLL**

Animated adventures little children love with God-centered lessons parents applaud!

Welcome to Wildwood! Here the folks live just like you and me. They love fun and adventure, enjoy their work and family, and try to learn each day wha it means to be like Christ.

With Paws & Tales, kids can enjoy meaningful adventure stories and fun animation while they learn biblically based concepts like being thankful, overcoming fear, putting others first, and obeying God's rules.



LENTEN PICK
Adult Spiritual Growth
Right Now Media:
“ONE AT A TIME”
by Kyle Idleman
Seven, 13 Minute Sessions

We all want to be difference makers. And maybe, with each passing day, the question seems to get louder.

AM I MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THIS WORLD?

So, how did Jesus make such a difference in this world? There is one phrase that captures HOW Jesus had such an impact. Want to make a difference? Focus on THE ONE. That’s it. That’s the secret of the way of Jesus. ONE AT A TIME!





Wednesday Nights

- WEDNESDAY'S 5:30 TO 7PM
- MARCH 18, FCC KIDS WILL BE IN RECESS
- APRIL 29, LAST NIGHT FOR FCC KIDS

This week in Children's Worship, we continued learning about communion and what it means.

The children learned that the bread reminds us of Jesus' body and that He gave Himself for us because He loves us. We talked about how bread feeds our bodies and makes us strong, and in the same way, Jesus fills our hearts with His love and helps us live for Him.

We emphasized that Jesus did not have to give Himself – He chose to. Communion helps us remember His love and His sacrifice.

Questions for Home

1. Why did Jesus give Himself for us?
2. What does the bread in communion help us remember?

Mendy Goss/Children's Coordinator



March Scripture:

1 Peter 5:7

“Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.”





**EASTER
EGG HUNT**

**SUNDAY MARCH 29,
IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING 2ND SERVICE.
CHILDREN OF ALL AGES UP TO
SENIOR IN HIGH SCHOOL**

**WELCOME
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, SEDALIA,
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**Please be praying for
those in the Pastor's
Class, who are
preparing for baptism.**

*If you are interested in
baptism, our pastors would
love to talk with you!*

Easter Lillies will be in the Sanctuary on
Easter Sunday. If you would like to
purchase a lilly please fill out the form in
honor or memory of a loved one. They
will be \$15.00 Please remit by March 15.
Call the church office or scan the QR
code.

Honor of _____

Memory of _____

Given By _____





**Attention 55+ Club
LET'S GET TOGETHER
Sunday, March 22, 2026**

Henry Blosser Estate Tour near Malta Bend, is a historic property featuring a restored 1880's Second Empire-style mansion and a barn, now operating as a unique event venue and museum.

Cost: \$20/person

We'll carpool leaving the church at 1:00 PM. Following the tour, we'll return to Marshall for dinner together at the Mexican Restaurant.

Please sign up by March 20th so I can purchase our tickets for the tour in advance. A sign-up sheet will be in the vestibule outside the sanctuary, or you may call the church office. You may also pay for your ticket(s) by making your check out to FCC.

**We are working on some fun and exciting future plans, so be on the lookout!
All proceeds benefit the Heard House in Sedalia.**

The poster has a light pink background with decorative floral and leaf patterns. In the top left corner, there are pink leaves and berries. In the top right corner, there is a circular logo with 'SISTERS' written around the perimeter and a pink flower in the center. The text is centered and reads: "Growing Our Faith" Ladies Event. Thursday April 23, 2026 6pm Heritage Ranch 23735 Anderson School Rd. The evening will begin at 6pm with a light meal, button bouquet making, praise and worship, and a guest speaker.. The cost of the event is \$10 Come to relax and enjoy a spirit filled evening. Call the office or sign up on the Church Center App. Please sign up by April 12. Please bring something to put in a summer hygiene kit! In the bottom left corner, there is a QR code.

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