

JUNE 17, 2026 ISSUE 23

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INFORMER



**This Week's Scripture and
sermon: Genesis 22: 1-19**

Rev. Dr. Chad McMullin

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

"As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God." Psalm 42.1

It is my great blessing to live where the birds sing, the cattle low and the deer pant. Something about being outside causes me to listen, look and take in the beauty. Last night after work, I stood among the cows as they grazed. These mighty beasts make the sweetest sound as they tear the blades of grass and fill their bellies. Their breathing almost sounds like gratitude as they do what they were created to do. Yesterday morning, I watched a deer come to the pond, eating the forbs and sipping the fresh, cool water. I was mesmerized by his graceful movements. This morning as I watched a deer with small felt covered antlers, I was reminded of psalm 42. I was reminded of that poetic phrase that says, "as the deer pants for water, so my soul longs for you, O God." I get that line of scripture more than I get most lines. For inside my soul is a constant longing, a yearning to be in God's holy presence. Inside my soul is a desire to be with God. I've come to grips with the reality that this longing will never fully be satisfied until that great and glorious day when I find myself in His glorious kingdom. And while I do believe this is true, I have found that my yearning can be temporarily satisfied on this side of heaven.

Today, I want to remind you of the available presence of our God. I am so grateful that in any moment, in any circumstance—God is not only with us, but available to us. I cannot imagine if this were not the case. In any situation, I can stop, talk, connect to the ever present God that knows my name. He has prepared a table for me, a way to connect, a way to be with Him. In a very amazing way, the table is portable. I can prop it open at any moment. I can set it up and He is there. That table can be prayer—it can be worship—it can be Bible study—it can be solitude—and it can be in serving others. And while all of those work for me, there is also something about being in nature that connects me to the Creator. Wherever you find yourself today, I invite you to stop—prop open the table, and connect to the God who is not only with you, but available to you.

Pastor Chad

THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

Betty Blackwell, Shirley Brown, Dava Brummitt, Kelly Burkholder, Eddie Buso, Jay Fahnestock, George Geotz, Charlotte and Bill Herrick, Harper Jones, Michael Lucito, Tammy Martin, Barbara Mittenburg, Pat Newport, Rowena Pettet, Glenn Waggoner, Joyce Whitaker, LeRoy Wimer

Nursing Home and Shut-Ins

Essex: **Dava Brummit**
 E. W. Thompson: **Allan Fowler**
 Primrose(Independent): **Joyce Whitaker**
 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**
 Veterans Home Warrensburg: **George Geotz**

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!

Weekend Totals

June 14, 2026

9am 131

11am 122

Sunday School 83

Online 471

Those serving this Week

Candle lighters

- Bryce & Cam

Elders

- Megan Simon
- Linda Kirk

Deacons

- Lisa Ditzfeld
 - Nita Bales
 - Tyler Ditzfeld
 - Kara Metzner
 - Ronda McMullin
 - Mendy Goss
 - Austin Heubi
 - Jeanean Longan
 - Brian Leftridge
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 Lisa Ditzfeld
 Nita Bales

Your FCC Staff



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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 18

12:15pm Foster Wrapping
12 Bridge group in FH
5:30pm Outreach

Monday 22

5:30pm VBS

FRIDAY 19

Tuesday 23

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

Saturday 20

10am Group 5/Read Ctr
1pm Orell baby shower/GP

Wednesday 24

5:30pm VBS
7pm NA

SUNDAY 21

9am Worship
10am Sunday School
11:10am Worship
7pm NA
Happy Father's Day



United Way Day of Action:
Group 3 being the Hands and Feet

IMPORTANT DATES:

- During the summer SOLID will meet one Wednesday a month. Dates to come.

SOLID THINGS LOOKING FORWARD

- Events will be coming up that SOLID youth can work to help lower the cost of the mission trip. They will be scheduled through Wayne.
- SOLID Mission Trip July 11-19 to Colorado currently we have 18 signed

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

Reminders:

Mission Trip: July 11-19

Two months until the mission trip, we will start the planning process.

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

Love Your Savior

SOLID meet at FCC at 7:45am, Thursday June 18. We will leave in the van at 8am to do SOLID Soldiers.

We will work 4-5 hours near Smithton, bring a pair of gloves and you will be fed after.

Remember: This will help diminish your mission payment; \$10 per hour.

Contact Wayne for questions.

**Year of the Mission Trip Information:
Please be praying for all of these Mission Teams
as they are the hands and feet of Jesus.**

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

Team Lead - Loletta Combs - 660-287-6002

Youth Mission Trip: Our Youth will be heading to Colorado this year to serve that community as well as to deepen their connection to the Lord and one another.

rightnow MEDIA

Here are two ways to
sign-up for Right Now Media.
Click the code or scan the QR code
to get signed up and start
exploring RNM

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/FirstChristianChurchMissouri>





Children’s Ministry Right Now Media Pick of the Month

Freddy, David, Melissa, and their friends find themselves navigating the rough waters of peer pressure, temptation, fear, dealing with bullies, lack of self-esteem, and so much more. Each episode shows the characters praying to Jesus, asking Him for guidance and wisdom.



RIGHT NOW MEDIA STUDIES

Adult Spiritual Growth June
RNM pick of the Month

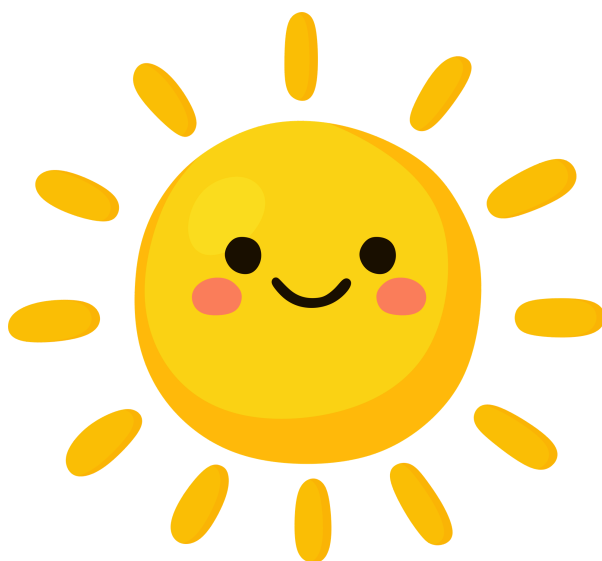
Why Do We go to Church?



Essentials of Faith-Series 7
5-12 minute sessions

As the Church, we are an assembly that Jesus created for worship and to represent God. Reading the Bible helps us deal with life and grow spiritually. Practicing communion and baptism identifies us as belonging to Christ.

This is a great personal or family study. Ben Stuart is so easy to listen to and “get”. Included are free adult and youth study guides. Enjoy!





**Register by texting
VBS_Registration to
660-826-5300**



Sunday we talked about Jesus' Great Commission and connected it to the idea of being missionaries. We celebrated the children who recently served on a family mission trip and talked about how Jesus sends all of us to share His love. The children learned that mission work isn't only something that happens far away, it happens every day when we serve, help, encourage, and love others in Jesus' name. We also remembered Jesus' promise that He is always with us wherever He sends us.

Questions for Home:

- 1. What does it mean to be a missionary?**
- 2. What is one mission God might be sending our family on this week?**

June memory verse:

**Jesus Christ is the same yesterday
and today and forever
Hebrews 13:8**



Kokendoffer Scholarship Applications

New and returning students must complete the application process to be considered for this scholarship. Applications can be picked up at the church office or via email (tonja.hooton@hotmail.com). Applicants must be members of First Christian Church of Sedalia, MO and a full-time college student. Also make sure to include a good contact information (student cell# works best) so you can be notified of awards and updates throughout the school year. The completed applications are due into the church office by Sunday June 21st, 2026. Scholarship recipients will be notified of award and date of church presentations in mid-July.



**What's
Happening**

Sillet and Tenth Avenue North at
MO State Fair on
August 19, 7:30pm.

If you are interested
please call the church office
to get on the list by June 18.
The seats will be on the track and \$45 each.
Checks will be payable to MO State Fair.



SAVE THE DATE

Our next Fellowship Event will be July 26th following 2nd Service for a "Summertime Birthday Bash". We'll have a hot dog bar, nachos, veggies and cake with ice cream. All food will be provided, just come and enjoy celebrating summer and all of our collective birthdays!

Registration is now open!

CAMP ONE

Through shared activities, worship, and bible study, you'll grow closer to each other while deepening your walk with the Lord. Scan the QR code to register today!



WHO:

**DAUGHTERS AGES 8-13
AND THEIR MOMS**

(or aunts, grandmas, etc.)



WHEN:

AUGUST 6TH-9TH, 2026

Thu Check-In: 4-6 PM |
Sun Dismissal: 12 PM



WHERE:

**CAMP PALESTINE,
CHILHOWEE, MO**



COST:

**\$200 - MOMS COME FREE!
INCLUDES CAMP SHIRT
+ MEALS**



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