

**JULY 1, 2026 ISSUE 25**

660-826-5300

# **INFORMER**



**This Week's Scripture and  
sermon: Galatians 5  
1 Corinthians 10: 23-33  
Rev. Dr. Chad McMullin**

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

For this coming Sunday, I have chosen to discuss the true freedom we have in Christ as we explore Galatians 5. This is an exciting theme, as our nation celebrates its 250th anniversary of recognizing God-given rights. While we are right to be thankful for the liberties we enjoy as Americans, Paul's message to the churches in Galatia highlights a completely different kind of liberation.

When writing to the Galatians, Paul addressed people feeling enslaved by the Law—a strict system of faith that demanded dietary restrictions, physical circumcision, and rigid patterns of worship and giving in pursuit of righteousness. Before Paul experienced the risen Lord Jesus, he was an expert in this system, serving as a zealous young Pharisee.

In his letter, Paul explains that freedom in Christ is liberation from those very do's and don'ts. He proposed a radical paradigm shift: faith is no longer about checking boxes on what you eat, what you give, or whether you are circumcised. Instead, approaching everyone and every situation with love became the primary calling. When you love others, you end up fulfilling the essence of the Law.

Jesus taught this new way, and Paul found the joy of righteousness when he stopped serving the Law and started serving others. He wrote about being led by the Spirit to do good works and share God's love. He talked about the fruit of that kind of life and listed the fruits in vs. 22. I invite you to look them up (Galatians 5:22).

As we reflect on our precious freedoms as Americans, I invite you to consider how those early Christians might have experienced being liberated from strict acts of piety, being introduced instead to a life led by the Spirit of God and rooted entirely in loving God and each other. God bless you as you live free in a free country. We are doubly blessed!

**Pastor Chad**



# THIS WEEKS EVENTS



**THURSDAY 2**

**FRIDAY 3**

**Saturday 4**

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July

**SUNDAY 5**

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

**Monday 6**

Church office closed  
6pm Kim Boggs GP

**Tuesday 7**

12 noon Brown Bag  
1:30pm Prayer Group

**Wednesday 8**

7pm NA



**Ethan & Sadie Smith**  
joined FCC on June 28, 2026.  
We are so excited to Welcome  
you!



**James and Cindy Harmon**  
joined FCC on June 28, 2026.  
We are excited to Welcome  
you!

**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!

## IMPORTANT DATES:

### SOLID THINGS LOOKING FORWARD

- SOLID Leaders meet July 7th at 5pm.
- All SOLID July 8th at 5:15, especially those participating in the mission trip.
- SOLID mission trip July 11-18  
Projects on mission trip we will participate in: adult day programs, summer kids programs, Pay What you Can Cafe, Food bank, building Habitat sites, and gift list!

**Packing list will be placed in Church Center.**

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

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

**Love Your Savior**

JESUS CAME AND TOLD HIS DISCIPLES, "I HAVE BEEN GIVEN ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH. THEREFORE, GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL THE NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT. TEACH THESE NEW DISCIPLES TO OBEY ALL THE COMMANDS I HAVE GIVEN YOU. AND BE SURE OF THIS: I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN TO THE END OF THE AGE."

MATTHEW 28:18-20

**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>

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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# Children's Ministry Right Now Media Pick of the Month SUPERBOOK!



RIGHT NOW MEDIA STUDIES



Let The Adventure Begin!

Join Chris, Joy and Gizmo as they travel through time and space to relive the greatest stories ever told!

Superbook has been broadcast in over 90 countries and translated into 48 languages. There are 26 exciting episodes and more in production!

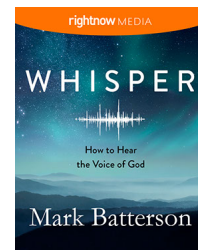
Superbook is created by an award-winning team of artists and storytellers whose credits include Beauty and the Beast, The Lion King and Mulan.

Based on the classic series from the '80s, Superbook has been completely reimagined and reanimated for today's audiences.

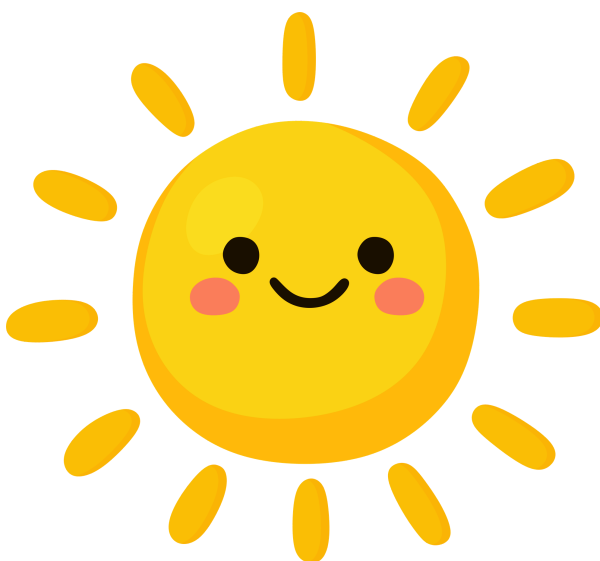


Adult Spiritual Growth July RNM pick of the Month:

Whisper: How to Hear the Voice of God



This month's resource invites us to slow our pace and notice the God whose voice is present in every moment. The same God who led His people out of captivity, who spoke to David, and who sent His Son continues to speak with us today, often in a quiet whisper. In four 12-minute sessions, Mark Batterson reflects on how prayer includes listening for God. A free study guide is available. May His still small voice meet you in the quiet and help you notice His presence in every moment.





**Register by texting  
VBS\_Registration to  
660-826-5300**



#### Parent Recap – Children’s Worship

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This Sunday we wrapped up a wonderful week of VBS in Children’s Worship! After singing our VBS songs, we headed to the fellowship hall where the kids enjoyed crafts and watched David. We also spent time sharing our favorite memories from the week and talking about the activities, stories, and friendships that made VBS so special.

Listening to the children share reminded me what a great group we have. I am so proud of their enthusiasm, kindness, and willingness to participate throughout the week. It is a joy to watch them learn, grow, and have fun together.

Thank you for sharing your children with us. It is a blessing to spend time with them each week, and I am grateful for the opportunity to be part of their faith journey.

Questions to Ask Your Child:

1. What was your favorite memory from VBS this year?
2. Which VBS song, story, craft, or game do you remember most?

**July memory verse:**

***“For with God nothing is impossible”***

**Luke 1: 37**



### JOB OPPORTUNITY – Facility Maintenance

Read Memorial Christian Center is in search of a Facilities Maintenance Generalist.

This job includes general maintenance and upkeep of the apartments and townhomes. This person is also responsible for repairing vacant units for new residents (painting, cleaning and repairs as needed).

This individual must be a self-starter performing needed repairs and general maintenance of the facility's buildings and grounds including common areas and community building with minimal supervision. Some additional duties include mowing and snow removal.

Must respond to resident maintenance requests and troubleshoot issues in a timely and professional manner offering friendly service to senior residents. Respond to emergency maintenance situations as needed.

Requirements: Experience in residential maintenance is preferred. Basic knowledge of plumbing, light electrical, carpentry and HVAC required. High School diploma or GED. Specialized technical training is a plus. Must be able to lift heavy objects, climb ladders, and perform physical work for extended periods. Indoor and outdoor work in varying weather conditions. Daytime hours with occasional on-call or emergency availability.

Compensation: This is a part-time position that could expand seasonally up to 40 hours per week. Hourly compensation will be commensurate with experience.

How to apply: Send a resume to the Read Memorial Christian Center Board, 2434 Killion Drive, Sedalia, MO 65301 or email to [ReadMemorialCC@outlook.com](mailto:ReadMemorialCC@outlook.com)

Timing: The position is currently open. Interested parties should apply promptly.



**55+ enjoying the New  
Dinner Theater**

# VBS

