

JULY 8, 2026 ISSUE 26

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INFORMER



**This Week's Scripture and
sermon:
Luke 11: 5-13**

Rev. Chance McMullin

First Christian Church

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

There is something remarkable about how often God reveals His presence through fire in Scripture. We think of Moses standing before the burning bush, the pillar of fire leading Israel through the wilderness, Elijah ascending to heaven in a chariot of fire, and the tongues of fire resting upon the disciples at Pentecost. Time and again, fire becomes a visible reminder that God is near, God is leading, and God is at work.

The flames of God's Spirit are still burning brightly today.

After an incredible week of Vacation Bible School, my family and I were grateful for the opportunity to step away and rest. We went to Silver Dollar City for a day, but most of our time was simply spent at home together. It was a welcome change of pace after spending the previous week with nearly ninety energetic children! Thank you for giving our family the opportunity to recharge. We are deeply grateful for your kindness and support.

Returning to the office rested and eager to jump back into ministry, I soon found myself in the spiritual deep end of the pool (in the best way imaginable). On my very first day back, I sat down with someone who shared these words:

"I believe in God. I know His ways work. I've tried them, and they are true. I've also begun feeling something I've never felt before when I worship here on Sundays. I think it is what we call the Holy Spirit. Because of my belief in God and this feeling from the Holy Spirit, I think it's time to figure out who Jesus is."

I cannot adequately describe what it is like to hear someone say those words. Those are the conversations I pray for. Those are the moments every church longs to witness. They are reminders that the Holy Spirit is still drawing people, still awakening hearts, and still revealing Christ. The fire of God's presence continues to move among His people—sometimes quietly, sometimes powerfully, yet always faithfully. We are seeing Him at work in our church. Lives are being changed. Hearts are being stirred. People are taking steps toward Jesus.

Thank you for being a church that faithfully follows the flames of the holy fire. Together, we have the privilege of watching God continue to do what only He can do.

May we never lose our expectation that the fire of His Spirit is still burning among us.

Pastor Chance

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

July 5, 2026

9am 111

11am 112

Sunday School

Online 515

Those serving this Week

Candle lighters

- Jenson L and Jack

Elders

- Gary Fleming and Cathy Clements

Deacons

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

Your FCC Staff



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Children's Coordinator

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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 9

6pm Elders

FRIDAY 10

Saturday 11

10am Youth
SOLID Youth leaves for Mission trip

SUNDAY 12

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

Monday 13

6pm Exec. Session

Tuesday 14

12 noon Brown Bag
1:30pm Prayer Group
5:30 pm PEO/GP and SC

Wednesday 15

7pm NA

New Woman's Group Forming

Come "Journey" with us as we start a new woman's group. We will have our First meeting on Thursday, June 16th at 6pm in the new Gathering Space. Everyone is invited and all age groups are encouraged As we would like to have a mix of ages. If you have any questions contact Christy Goodman or Tonya Borland.



IMPORTANT DATES:

SOLID THINGS LOOKING FORWARD

- All SOLID meeting 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

Any snacks for the mission trip for the kids will need to be at the church by 10am, Saturday, Wayne will be here Saturday at 8am to begin packing the van.

ATTENTION

Northern Colorado, CO: Paper Supplies (paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, napkins, white printer paper, construction paper), Art Supplies (paint brushes, acrylic paint, washable paint), and Office Supplies (dry erase markers, binder clips, BLACK pens, sticky notes, manila file folder, RED plastic folder)

FCC Family: Here is a list of needs for SOLID to take to their mission trip for families in need.

If you feel inclined to donate any of these items please have them to the church by Saturday at 10am.

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: Due to the Ebola outbreak we are postponing this trip until next year, 2027

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



CAMPONECONNECT@GMAIL.COM

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!

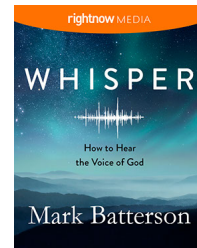
Superbook is created by an award-winning team of artists and storytellers whose credits include Beauty and the Beast, The Lion King and Mulan.

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

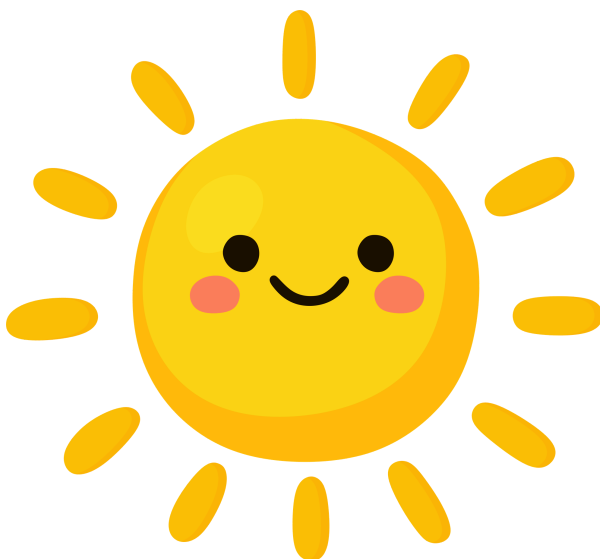


Adult Spiritual Growth July RNM pick of the Month:

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.





Sunday we celebrated both America's 250th birthday and the amazing freedom we have in Jesus! We learned that freedom isn't about doing whatever we want, it's about choosing to follow Jesus and allowing the Holy Spirit to grow His fruit in our lives. We talked about how our country's freedoms are a blessing, but Jesus gives us the greatest freedom of all: freedom from sin and the chance to live with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Questions parents can ask:

1. What is the difference between the freedom America celebrates and the freedom Jesus gives us?
2. Which Fruit of the Spirit do you want God to help you grow this week, and how can our family practice it together?

July memory verse:

"For with God nothing is impossible"

Luke 1: 37



**George Geotz will be
receiving his Quilt of Valor
on July 25 at the Missouri Veterans Home
in Warrensburg, MO
George was Petty Officer 2nd class for the
United States Navy. He served 1963-1968,**

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

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



Women's Ministry Gathering
Explore ♦ Connect ♦ Belong

Thursday, JULY 30, 2026
7:00 pm

FCC Gathering Area (north entrance)

Join us for a sweet evening of fellowship and discovery.

Enjoy a build-your-own sundae bar

Hear about:

New small group launch

Service Projects

Skill-Sharing Events

RSVP to: Church Office 660-826-5300

All Women are Invited!

Bring a friend and enjoy a night of community and connection.