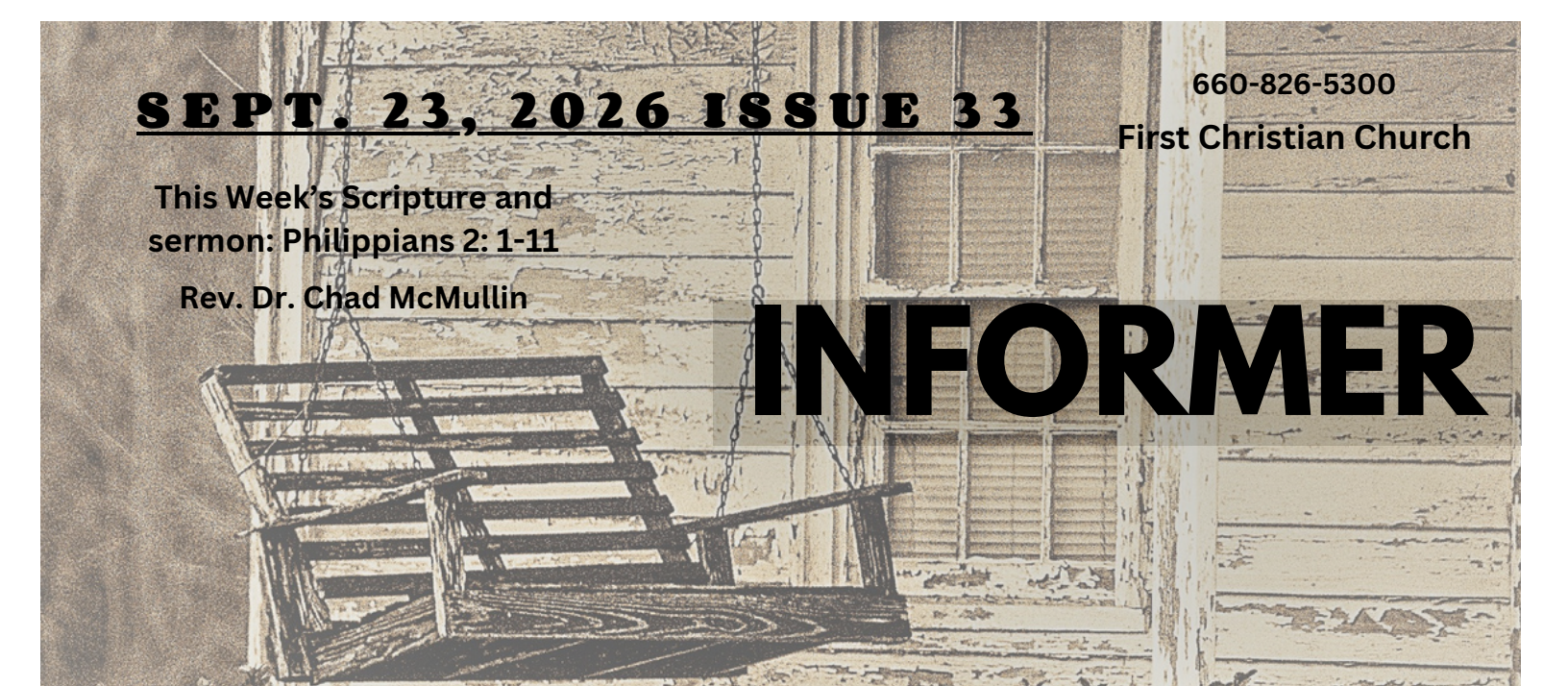




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First Christian Church

This Week's Scripture and
sermon: Philippians 2: 1-11

Rev. Dr. Chad McMullin

INFORMER

An opportunity is provided to me every few months to preach on the radio. The program is called Go the Distance. They invite preachers from most of the churches here in town and around the area to share 90 second messages each day and one Sunday morning 30 minute message. When it is my week, I jump at the opportunity. It is amazing how many people tell me that they hear these radio messages. In a day and age of social media and podcasts and streaming ministries, the radio still has its place and its appeal. I am always amazed at how people respond to these little messages of hope, encouragement and spiritual nourishment.

In our church vision, the vision team invited us as a church to offer regular spiritual growth opportunities online. They recommended podcasts, videos, and online bible studies. It is my plan to begin offering something along these lines in the next few months. I am thinking of short video snippets each week on facebook, tiktok, instagram and perhaps other platforms. I am also excited about offering wintertime online studies on Zoom or GoToMeeting. There are even the beginnings of a weekly podcast rolling around in my brain.

And while I am very excited about reaching out with the message of the gospel in these new ways, I am also very aware that the old tried and true ways of doing ministry still have their place. This church has not endured 160 years of ministry by standing still; it endured because its core message remained constant while its methods adapted to the people it serves. We have gone from handwritten records and printed bulletins to radio broadcasts and now global digital worship, online video messages, and social media posts. The church has always used the communication tools of its time to proclaim the Gospel.

Today, stepping into social media and the digital world is not a departure from our heritage—it is a fulfillment of it. When we stream a service, share a 60-second devotional on Instagram, or host a digital prayer circle, we are doing what generations before us did: carrying the light outside the walls and into the public square.

Pastor Chad

We are praying for You

Mary Allee, Betty Blackwell, Shirley Brown, Dava Brummitt,
Lisa Demoss, George Geotz, Harper Jones, Michael Lucito,
Barbara Mittenburg, Pat Newport, Rowena Pettet, Joyce
Whitaker, LeRoy Wimer

Nursing Home and Shut-Ins

Essex: **Dava Brummitt**

E. W. Thompson: **Allan Fowler**

Primrose(Independent): **Joyce Whitaker**

Primrose(Assisted): **Dorothy Robertson, Rosalee Jordan**

Primrose(Enhanced Assisted Living): **Judy Parkhurst, Susan**

Daniels, Marion Thomas, Terry and Linda Gibbs

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!**



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.

Those serving this Week



Elders

- Megan Simon and Linda Kirk

Candle lighters

- Serenity & Jack

Deacons

- | | |
|------------------|---------------|
| • Amy Elkins | Hannah Brick |
| • Bill Michael | Mike Clements |
| • Brenda Michael | Amy Elkins |
| • Barbara Bremer | Alex Foote |
| • Alex Foote | |
| • Glenn Waggoner | |
| • Larry Whipple | |
| • Hannah Brick | |
| • Mike Clements | |

THIS WEEKS EVENTS



THURSDAY 24

5:30pm Yoga/FH
6:30 Praise Band

FRIDAY 25

7am Men's Breakfast
5:30pm Women's Reflect Watch Party

Saturday 26

SUNDAY 27

9am Worship
10am Sunday School
11:10am Worship
5:30pm AFS/FH
7pm NA

Monday 28

6:30pm GS
6pm Board
7pm Planning

Tuesday 29

12 noon Brown Bag
1:30pm Prayer Group
5:30pm Nominating
6pm 55+ Adventures Fall Kickoff

Wednesday 23

10:30am Realtors/FH
5:15pm SOLID
5:30pm FCC Kids
6pm Adult Bible Study
7pm Choir
7pm NA



Ruth Ann and
Paul Culp
joined FCC on
Sept. 20, 2026.
We are so
excited to
welcome you!!



and make disciples of all nations!
Matthew 28:19

FCC Fall Hayride

Oct 24th 6-8pm

Highway Gardens, Missouri State Fairgrounds

Come for an evening of Fall fun and fellowship with a hayride through the fairgrounds, sing-a-longs, face painting for the kiddos and sweet treats! Pack the lawn chairs and invite those friends for what's guaranteed to be a good time! Let us know how many are attending from your family by filling out the sign up sheet or calling the church office.





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

SOLID UPDATES:

- Wednesday's SOLID meets at 5:15pm
- **This Wednesday we will be visiting shut-ins. We will leave the church at 5:30pm and be back at 7pm**

Ephesians 4:32
King James Version
32 And be ye kind one to another,
tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
even as God for Christ's sake hath
forgiven you.

Thank you to all who
supported SOLID
gourmet coffee!
Every third Sunday
this will be available.



Like us on Facebook at Solid-FCC Youth Sedalia

SOLID
Youth Mum Sale



Beginning in October until sold out

Mums: \$15-\$40

Available on weekend days
and after church on Sundays

Support SOLID Youth

Men's Fellowship!

Wednesdays
AT
FCC
GROW. CONNECT. SERVE.

5:15 PM >> **SOLID**

5:30 PM  **FCC KIDS**

6:00 PM  **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

7:00 PM  **CHOIR**

Be here. Belong. Grow together.

Men's Breakfast

Start your Friday morning off with some good food, good fellowship, and prayer with other men.

THE FOURTH FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH.
7AM/FELLOWSHIP HALL



It is that time of year. Operation Christmas Child is in need of

-  Beanie Babies
-  Toothbrushes
-  Draw String backpacks

These items can be dropped off in the church office.



OCC Bake Sale will be Oct. 11, between services
Bakers needed.
Please bring your goodies before 1st service

Bible Study

FLIPPING THE SCRIPT

The core idea: We live by a cultural “script” that says power comes from status, security comes from self preservation, identity comes from performance and peace comes from control. From a Roman prison cell, the Apostle Paul flips this script entirely, offering a radical, upside-down way of experiencing community and resilient joy!

Week 1 — Life in Community

Philippians 1

We were created to do life together.

Week 2 — Joy Despite Your Circumstances

Philippians 2

Our joy comes from Christ, not our circumstances.

Week 3 — Trust the Lord in All Matters

Philippians 3

Trusting Christ produces the fruit of a transformed life.

Week 4 — Consider Others First

Philippians 4

Trading self-promotion for humility leads us toward true peace.

Whether you are a lifelong student of the Bible or brand new to your faith, this study is for you.

Four weeks. Four chapters. One invitation: Flip the Script.



**A 4-WEEK STUDY THROUGH
PHILIPPIANS**

**WHAT IF GOD WANTS US TO
SEE OUR LIVES DIFFERENTLY?
PHILIPPIANS CHALLENGES US
TO FLIP THE SCRIPT AND LIVE
FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF
CHRIST.**

Sept. 9 - Sept. 26 6pm

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

"THE GARDEN" is a cartoon-comedy/adventure series aimed at children ages 3-8. It stars a loveable lion named LENNY and a sweet little lamb named LUCY who live in a miraculous garden where ANYTHING can grow! If they plant a trumpet – BOINK! – they get a trumpet tree! If they plant a donut – BOINK! They get a donut bush! The possibilities are endless. Each and every day they get a new assignment from GOD (who they call 'The Boss', hey, they work for Him after all) but they don't usually get the task correct on the first try. However, through various scriptures, Bible stories and original songs in each episode they eventually learn more about THE WORD OF GOD and how to tackle the challenges that lie ahead of them.

So come along and join Lenny & Lucy in 'The Garden'...it's where the Gospel grows!



We will be collecting boxes of cereal for Open door. Please drop off in the bins outside the office.

RIGHT NOW MEDIA STUDIES

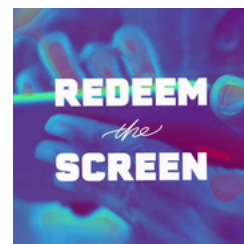
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Here are two ways to sign-up for Right Now Media. Click the code or scan the QR code to get signed up and start exploring RNM



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



Redeem the Screen
ASG Right Now Media Pick for September
KYLE IDLEMAN

Our screens dominate our lives. In a unique way, they hold the power to bring us together yet can also keep us isolated from those physically around us. With a click, we can connect with family and friends or join a debate over an issue that interests us. Screens bring information and inspiration, but they can also carry temptations and stresses.

What kind of power do you give to your screen? Do you use it to assist in your calling, or does it distract you from your calling?

In this three-part series, pastor Kyle Idleman will teach us how to redeem the screen. Join him as he applies the truths of Romans 12 to our lives, showing us the power of Jesus to transform us. Rather than allowing our screens to conform us to the world, in Jesus we can make screens a tool to change the world.



Dates to Remember

FCC kids will be each Wednesday
at 5:30pm

Nov. 25 - Break for Thanksgiving
See you the Wed. after (Dec 2)

Dec. 16th - Christmas Pageant

Kids are working on this all semester.
Please let us know if your kids will not
be able to make it this day.

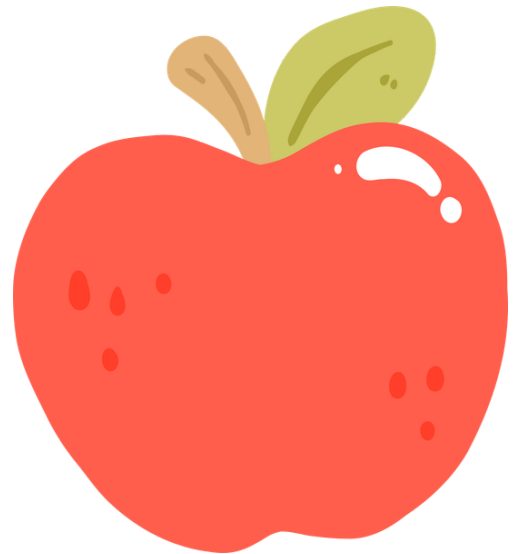
Sunday, we learned about the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard (Matthew 20:1-16). We learned that God loves each of us fully and equally. His grace isn't something we earn or deserve—it's a gift He freely gives to us.



September Memory Verse:
The Lord is good to everyone.
He showers compassion on
all his creation
Psalms 145:9



Faith Builders SS Class served Community Cafe



Weekly Yoga Class

Every Thursday at 5:30pm.
Fellowship Hall
Begins August 6.

The class will be led by certified yoga instructor Nikki Freeman. Bring your own mat and water as those will not be provided. Cost is \$10/pp and per class with cash, Venmo or Paypal as payment options.



Calling all Women!!

Create & Connect – Ladies Craft Night

Create & Connect: A Relationship-Building Craft Night

Thursday, October 1, 2026 • 6:30 p.m. • Gathering Area

Join us for a warm and creative evening as we learn how to make a meaningful craft using pages from old bound books.

This simple, relaxing project is a wonderful way to spark conversation and build new connections.

If you have an old book you'd like to recycle, please bring it along. If not, we will have some available.

Come ready to create, connect, and enjoy a gentle night of fellowship with other women in our church family.





Your FCC Staff

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Children's Coordinator
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Green, Grace Homan
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Nursery

Sheri Webb
Admin. Asst.

Weekend Totals

Sept. 20, 2026

9am 149

11am 147

Online 540

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.

Church information page



Upcoming Adult Study



FINISHING WELL
Guidance for Life's Later Chapters
Every season of life matters. Join us for a 4-week series designed to help us prepare wisely, care well for those we love, and face the future with faith, grace, and peace.
Wednesdays at 6:00 PM
 Oct. 7 — Difficult Conversations
 Oct. 14 — Legal Preparations
 Oct. 21 — Financial Preparations
 Oct. 28 — Funeral Planning
Whether you're preparing for your own future or walking alongside someone you love, Finishing Well is for you.



"Songs of the Soul"

Sedalia Symphony Orchestra Fall Concert
Heckart Performing Arts Center
2010 Tiger Pride Blvd.
October 12 th , 7:30 PM

Make plans to join us for a stirring program of hymns and spirituals in an orchestra setting performed by guest artist Cameron "Cam" Cory, Director of Music and Principal Organist at Chapelwood Methodist, Houston, TX. Tickets are \$35 each, payable to FCC. Sign-up sheet will be in the foyer outside the sanctuary, or you may notify Sheri in the church office of your attendance. If interested in dinner prior to the concert, please indicate it on the sign-up sheet. We'll meet at El Tapatio at 5:30 pm.

Are You 55+ Adventurers Ready to Wander into Fall?

We have several fun activities planned for the next upcoming months you will not want to miss! To get a sneak peek at what those are, you are invited to attend a fall kick-off dinner to be held September 29 th , 6:00 PM. The only criteria to attend is to be age 55 or older. This will be a wonderful opportunity to meet and fellowship with others you may or may not know.

Please use the Sign-up sheet found in the foyer outside the sanctuary or call Sheri in the church office to let us know you will be attending! This helps us know how to prepare the food and set-up. Please sign up by September 25 th.

You might notice the change in appearance of our logo. We removed the word "club" and added the word "adventures." We want to make sure that ALL senior folks feel welcome to attend any future events planned and they will be a great adventure for you!

October Anniversaries

- 2. Gary and Linda Kirk
- 8. Marion and Janet Thomas
- 21. Rick and Pam Haskell
- 29. Kenneth and Teri Combs, Sam and Lisa Ditzfeld

October Brithdays

- 2. Loletta Combs, Mikaylee Rupe, Aspen Rupe
- 3. Meredith Brick, Michael Squires, Matthew McAllister, Natalya Gunn
- 4. Ashley Moore
- 5. Jill Green, Britni Lehman
- 6. Kara Metzner, Jackson Metzner, Justyc Hubbard
- 7. Meladee Bay, Lucy Adams, David Lehman
- 8. Julian Capers, Susan Daniels
- 9. Matthew Borland, Pam Haskell
- 10. Dixie Coffey, Lilly Bullard
- 12. Eddie Buso
- 13. Mary Allee
- 14. Tonya Borland
- 15. Bill Herrick, Sophia McRoberts
- 16. Alan McCurdy, Elijah Teiberis
- 17. Michael Sadler
- 18. Vicotria Purvis, Chase McMullin
- 19. Michaela McMullin
- 23. Valerie Johnson
- 24. Teghan Watkins
- 25. Reagan Braverman, Sloane Tilley
- 26. John Rissler, Bradley Orell
- 28. Stacey Edwards
- 29. Ruby Poort
- 30. Joshua Holman