

The Church Bell

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327 East Capitol Avenue, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101-3003 (573-636-5157)

Message from Rev. Jim

Dear friends,

I am writing to let you know that per the LETTER OF CALL AGREEMENT when I was employed as your Interim Senior Minister, I intend to conclude my ministry with First Christian Church on March 15th.

I regret that circumstances will not allow me to continue to provide the leadership the church needs at this time. I am grateful for the privilege I have had to serve as your interim minister for the past nine months. It was a privilege to work with the Search Committee to explore the focus areas that were a part of the self-study. I was also grateful for opportunity to assist the Strategic Planning Committee as they completed their work. It has been a joy to worship with the church family each week, and it has been an honor to serve with your congregation, church leaders, and staff. I am grateful for the many new friends I have made.

I am confident that the Search Committee will be able to secure leadership (pulpit supply or interim minister) for what will hopefully be a short timeframe as you anticipate the calling of a new senior minister. I will continue to pray with you as you seek God's will concerning the calling of a new senior minister and move forward with your ministry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim".

Jim Hill



New Office Email

The church office has a new email address!

Our new address is fccjcmoffice@gmail.com

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We pray for these

Gene Adkison, Beverly Anderson, Austin Brandt, Jane Burd, Nellie Campbell, Doug Defreese, Nancy Dunwidie, Ginger Jodean Foster, Marilyn Gross, Cheryl Hanson, Norma Hasselman, Jeanette Hickman, Venita Jackson, Brooks Jarrett, Shirley Jarrett, Jessica Kozlen, John and Barb Kuebler, their daughter Julie, their granddaughters Campbell and Willa, and the Noonan family, Matthew Lang, Michael Lister, Dan Meade, Wendy Miles, Jackie Possinger, Starlin Sims, Judy White, Doris Yelton, the Brandenburg, Cooley & Miller families, Our Country and our men and women serving our country, the world, for traveling

*Individuals will be kept on our prayer list for **four weeks** at a time. At the end of four weeks, please call the office at 573.636.5157 or email the church office at fccjcmooffice@gmail.com, if you would like continued prayers for an individual. Thank you!*

Members in Care Centers

HEISINGER

Shirley Ferguson

Barbara Nikodyn

Norma Woodson

JC MANOR

Jackie Possinger

OAK TREE VILLA

Shirley Jarrett

PRIMROSE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

Norma Hasselman

Wendell & Myra Hubbs

Jessie Schell

STONEBRIDGE AT OAK TREE

Marilyn Gross

ST. JOSEPH'S BLUFFS

Doris Yelton

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Mariam Craddock

OUT-OF-TOWN MEMBERS

Betty Schramm

Betty Schulte

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

FEBRUARY	
	1
	2
David Lichty	
Matt Tollerton	
	3
<i>Jon & Lois Alexander</i>	
	4
Tucker Lane	
Nancy Samp	
	5
Brent Connell	
Trevor McClain	
Adam Walker	
	6
Tim Alexander	
Rick Ramirez	

	7
Ashley Weaver	
	8
	9
Kathy Brown	
Terri Lloyd	
	10
Ashley Crisp	
	11
Jan Alexander	
Michael Jones	
<i>Gary & June Spencer</i>	
	12
Kory King	
	13
Rosie Woodruff	

	14
Ben Gonder	
Tina Wood	
<i>Tom & Mary Ann</i>	
<i>Weaver</i>	
	15
	16
Stephanie Durbin	
Barbara Gulick	
	17
Jamie Jackson	
	18
John D. Bennett	
	19
Joyous Frye	
Shannon Imler	
Ian Murphy	
Doris Park	
Connie Wade	
Peggy Williamson	

	20
Stephen Smith	
	21
	22
Rich Green	
Harrison Imler	
Eric Obmann	
Skyler Sims	
	23
	24
	25
Kennysha Harrison	
Cyndi Roberts	
	26
	27
Kayla Vegiard	
	28

CWF Mary Circle meetings

Mary Circle meets the 1st Monday of each month at 1:00 PM in the gathering area. (No meetings in June, July and August). Our members have developed a close bond of friendship and fellowship. Our members participate in the Church's programs, and remember our Circle's homebound for birthdays and special days. We also provide dinners to bereaved families of our Circle. We always welcome new members. **Our next meeting is Monday, March 7, 2022, at 1:00 PM.** If you have questions, please contact Virginia Lister or Rev. Sarah.

Nursery Workers Needed

First Christian Church has employed Maria Wolfrum as our new Nursery Coordinator. We are also seeking to employ some additional Nursery Workers. Contact Maria (firstchristiannursery@gmail.com) or the church office at (573) 636-5157 if you know of someone who might be interested.

Children's Sunday School Schedule

The Children's Sunday School class meets at 9:30 AM on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

Weekly Prayer Opportunity

You are invited to join us on Wednesdays at 9:15AM for our weekly prayer call. We gather via conference call for about half an hour, sharing concerns, joys, thanksgivings from our own lives, our congregation, and our world and then lifting up what was shared (and left unshared) in prayer. **You can join the prayer call by calling 716-427-1083 and then entering the access code 444928.**

If you have prayers concerns or thanksgivings you would like lifted up during our prayer call but are unable to join us, email me at sarah@firstchristianjcmo.org by 9AM on Wednesday morning for that week's call.

Rev. Sarah

Worship With Us

Please join us in worship on Sunday Mornings at
8:20 AM in the Sanctuary
10:40 AM in the Sanctuary
Or join us on Livestreamed on FaceBook at [facebook.com/fccjcmo](https://www.facebook.com/fccjcmo)



Ordination Gift

As is customary for the sponsoring church, we will present a gift to Rev. Alexis at her Ordination Service on March 27th.

Alexis' Nurture Committee, made up of FCC members along with others in our Region, have suggested a stole to be given as an emblem of her new office.

If you would like to share in the purchasing of our gift of love and support, place your contribution in an envelope to drop by or mail to the church office or place in the offering plate on Sunday morning. Include your name and designate it specifically for Alexis' Ordination gift.

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A Message from the FCC Connectors

DID YOU KNOW.....that during these times of pandemics or other issues that may be affecting you, your FCC Connector is always available to talk, listen or help you cope in any way? The Connectors are a group of individuals who remind us that we are all God's Beloved children and part of one body of Christ.

If you reach out to your Connector, they will be receptive. They will share their care and give you support. They will also convey your concerns to a pastor when **deemed necessary**. **Remember that we can only help if we are aware of your situation.**

If you have questions or are interested in helping with the Connector Ministry, please contact Wanda King.

Widow's Support Group

A new widow's support group has been organized. We will be meeting the second Thursday each month at 1:00 PM in the Friendship classroom. Any widow looking for conversation and friendship is invited to join. If you have questions, please call Karen Shroyer at 573-619-0387 or Cyndy Millard at 573-353-0909.

Office Hours

The church office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. It is closed on Friday.

Can You Help?

We are looking for members who would be willing to serve as an usher during one or more services each month. Russ Dunwiddie serves as the chairperson for our ushers. If you are interested in helping or would like to learn more about the responsibilities of the ushers, you may contact Russ at rkunwiddie@gmail.com or you may contact the church office. We would love to have you join this important ministry of our church.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service

Mark your calendars for Ash Wednesday Worship Service on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary.



The poster features a purple header with a butterfly logo and the text "FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH". Below this, a row of wooden blocks spells out "JOIN US". The main text reads: "Friendship Sunday School Class", "Sunday Mornings, 9:30-10:30", "Room 325", "Join us for Friendship, Fellowship, and Bible Study.", "Next Study", "What's Love Got to Do With It?", "1 Corinthians 12:31-13", "Light breakfast snacks served.", "Teachers: John Kuebler & David Avery". At the bottom, it says "First Christian Church" and "327 East Capital Avenue" next to a red chalice icon.



UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL TROOP 333
Spaghetti Dinner
Fundraiser
Come Join Us



February 26, 2022 4:00pm – 7:00pm
First Christian Church
327 East Capitol Ave.
Jefferson City, MO

Tickets: \$10.00 per person (5 and under eat free)

FOR TICKETS CONTACT STACY SLAYTON (573)462-6609, LARRY NEILL (573)680-1570,
DONAMARIE MURPHY (573)301-1381 OR ANY OF OUR SCOUTING FAMILIES

Fifth Annual Love Affair

Second Christian Church Women's Ministry of Jefferson City is sponsoring its 5th Annual Love Affair on Saturday, February 26, 2022, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. A donation of \$10.00 is suggested. It will include dinner, a silent auction and dancing. Music is provided by D.J. D. Brown of Fulton, Mo. The event is being held at McClung Park Pavilion, 931 McClung Park Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65101.

Weekly Prayer Call

Every **Wednesday at 9:15 AM** we gather via conference call to share our prayer concerns and our celebrations and to lift them up to God together. **Call In Phone Number: (716-427-1083) Access Code: 444928**

Bible Study

Join Rev. Sarah for Bible Study **Wednesdays at noon** in the Activities Room. We discuss the scripture for the coming Sunday.

The 2022 Flower Chart is available on the table in front of the church office for you to choose a Sunday for flowers on the chancel. For our new members not familiar with this process, you may choose a Sunday "In Honor of" or "In Loving Memory of" a family member or loved one. We ask that each Sunday have only one basket of flowers, so all Sundays are chosen. The cost for a basket of flowers is \$29.95.

Serving on Sundays

3RD SUNDAY FEB 20	4TH SUNDAY Feb 27	1ST SUNDAY Mar 6	2ND SUNDAY Mar 13
820AM	820AM	820AM	820AM
ELDER Alan Nelson Bob Priddy	ELDER JT Yarnell Cindy Leveron	ELDER Alan Nelson David Avery	ELDER Bob Priddy Patty Osman
LITURGIST Bob Priddy	LITURGIST Robyn Grumm	LITURGIST Sally Robuck	LITURGIST Bob Priddy
DEACONS Lauren Eichelberger Chris Lloyd Marsha Graham	DEACONS Doug & Jenny Hagenhoff Kathy Cavender	DEACONS Marsha & Allen Posz Venita Jackson Brian Knight	DEACONS Ken Littlefield Nancy Samp Nancy Hequembourg Linda Ringo
USHERS Jim Dunwiddie Russ Dunwiddie	USHERS Kathy Cavender	USHERS Doug Hagenhoff	USHERS Joe Payne Nike Thompson
COMMUNION PREP Karen Shroyer	COMMUNION PREP Jeanne Nelson	COMMUNION PREP Virginia Lister	COMMUNION PREP Meghan Andrews
10:40AM	10:40AM	10:40AM	10:40AM
ELDER Melanie Highland Brenda Johnson	ELDER Ray Miles Laura Avery	ELDER Barb Kuebler Brenda Johnson	ELDER Steve Waters Cecile Landrum
LITURGIST Elizabeth Coffman	LITURGIST Lily Foutes	LITURGIST Barb Gage	LITURGIST Grace Lepper
DEACONS Missy Mann Kathy Brown Shaun Crisp Jon Prouty	DEACONS Stephen Foutes Brenda Foutes Sherry Anderson Lily Foutes	DEACONS Stephen Foutes Brenda Foutes Sherry Anderson Lily Foutes	DEACONS Jeff Moore Sally Moore Travis Jackson
USHERS Morris Woodruff Stephen Foutes	USHERS Stephen & Brenda Foutes	USHERS Alan & Jeanne Nelson	USHERS Debi Wells Georgia Griffith

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AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES:
 Please contact Rev. Kingsbery at 573-690-2480 **Non-emergency** church-related items after working hours, Monday thru Friday 8AM to 5PM, we have voice mail. Please feel free to call the church (573-636-5157) at any time and leave a message. **NOTE: IF YOU LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE ANSWERING MACHINE ON FRIDAY (AFTER 5PM), SATURDAY, OR SUNDAY, IT WILL NOT BE CHECKED UNTIL MONDAY MORNING. THANK YOU.**

The next  **Church Bell** will be sent March 2, 2022.
 (Articles are due by noon the Monday before)



MOBILE GIVING
 -TEXT 4842368 TO 715-803-4772
 AND FOLLOW THE PROMPTS ON YOUR PHONE

-DOWNLOAD THE "GIVERS APP"
 (FROM CONTINUE TO GIVE)

Zoom Meeting Room meeting ID is **2202286773**.
 If you need the password, please contact the church office at 573-636-5157 or one of our leaders. To join in on our free conference calls, dial (716) 427-1083 and enter access code 444928.

Please email or call Tina Mollenkamp tinamollenkamp@cgcb.org/573-522-4314, if you would like to be on Common Grounds email newsletter list, regular mailing list, or both. As an alternative, you can also sign up for the email newsletters on our website at www.cgcb.org.



You may give online at firstchristianjcmo.org/donate

Financial Records and Questions

Questions related to giving and church finances should be sent to FinanceFCCJC@caldservices.com. We have contracted with CALD services, a local accounting firm specializing in religious non-profits, to provide these critical functions.

Who Are We? We call ourselves Disciples, a community of believers who follow Jesus by worshiping God, growing in faith, and serving all in need. Bound to each other in Christ's love, we discover our life together through sharing life with the world.

THANK YOU

First Christian Church supports and welcomes the wearing of masks at your own comfort level.

WEBSITES YOU NEED TO STAY CONNECTED

Mid-America Updates: <http://www.mid-america-disciples.org/newsletter-signup/>
 Disciples News Service Updates: <http://disciples.org/dns/subscribe-to-dns/>

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