



# FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ) of Jefferson City, Mo.



8:20AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

10:40AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE CHURCH BELL

AUGUST 15, 2018

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## Pastoral Ponderings

Brothers and Sisters,

Subtly and, at times, not so subtly, I have been using my influence to push an agenda within our congregation. As much as I love the vibrancy of our worship and our congregation's passion for mission, I am convinced that "being Christian" is a lifelong process. Following Jesus is a constant engagement that requires our attention and investment. I have worked alongside other leaders and staff to provide outlets for spiritual growth and formation.

Despite this attention, we have had our share of struggles in this area. We are not alone. Many churches have seen declines in Sunday School attendance, Bible study participation, and other learning activities outside of Sunday morning worship. The busyness of our lives makes it difficult to include "yet another thing" in our weekly schedules. A strand of anti-intellectualism within our culture devalues such efforts, especially when it comes to religious topics that are supposed to be taken on "faith." Cultural trends have rendered traditional models of Christian Education less and less able to capture attention, convey meaning, and impart lessons of faith to both kids and adults.

But our need to grow as Christians—and to understand the faith we profess—remains.

We have invested great time and energy in planning opportunities for our kids to learn about their role in God's story this fall. Just as kids are headed back to school, so I would encourage you to have them plug into Sunday School at 9:30AM each week. They'll learn about the Bible and the way of Jesus, all while playing games, having fun, and getting to know other kids in the church. Please contact Rev. Sarah for details on where different age groups are meeting.

We are also going to try some new things when it comes to offerings for adults. Many of our regular Sunday School classes (i.e. Friendship, Searchers, etc.) will continue to meet. Current participants are encouraged to keep going and new attendees are ALWAYS welcome!

In addition, we'll be offering a weekly conversation in the Activities Room for those not active in an adult Sunday School class, choir warm-up, or other 9:30AM commitment.

The **first Sunday** of the month will be a "**Big Question Sunday.**" An interesting and provocative question related to faith will be put on the table. Announced ahead of time, attendees will be encouraged to think about the topic and do a little reading on their own to prepare. Everyone will be invited to share their views in a facilitated conversation. The hope is not only to explore new topics but to learn from each other, and when necessary, modeling what it means to "agree to disagree." Church should be a place where we can talk about the things that matter.

The **second Sunday** will feature a "**Feedback Forum.**" Each week in worship everyone in the congregation is asked to listen to the sermon offered by myself, Rev. Sarah, or a guest preacher. Except for a comment in the receiving line or an intentional e-mail, rarely do we, the pastors, get to hear what the congregation is thinking on the topics raised in by the message. Feedback Forums are places for congregation members to share what thoughts and ideas sermons have provoked, offer affirmation or express disagreement, and express any other comments about what has been heard in recent sermons. It is a place for the preachers to listen and the congregation to speak! (continued next page)

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

## Pastoral Ponderings *(continued)*

On each **third Sunday** the conversation will focus on **“Ministry in Action.”** A speaker from within or outside the congregation will share about a local ministry effort. You might learn about how the good news of Jesus is changing the lives of sex workers down at the Lake, inspiring ideas for ministry to and with inmates of JCCC, helping vulnerable people in our local community, or connecting our congregation to mission sites halfway across the world. We want to hear more about the gifts for ministry being shared by the Spirit and the impact they are having near and far.

Finally, on each **fourth Sunday**, we’ll continue our **“Book Club.”** The simple commitment to reading one book a month can have a profound effect on your faith. From spiritual memoirs to works of theology to topics of church history, wise and devout Christians—experts in many topics—are accessible to us simply by opening a cover and turning the page. Selections are made from our church library, and a copy of the book is always available there to interested readers.

Of course, any month with a fifth Sunday brings a fellowship opportunity at our **“5th Sunday Breakfast!”**

If you devoted time lately to your own spiritual growth, I hope you’ll give these conversations a chance, and I pray you’ll be rewarded in doing so. May we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18)! The conversation begins September 9th. See you then!

**Steadfast in faith,  
Rev. Beau**

## FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING

Monthly Book Discussion

**August 26th @ 9:30AM in the chapel**

Led by Rev. Beau, the book for July is: *Disunity in Christ: Uncovering the Hidden Forces that Keep Us Apart* by Christina Cleveland.

Looking ahead, **September 23rd's Book** is: *Wearing God: Clothing, Laughter, Fire, and Overlooked Ways of Meeting God* by Lauren Winner.

**October 23rd's Book** is: *Everything Happens for a Reason: And Other Lies I've Loved* by Kate Bowler.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### *We pray for these*

Steve Amick, Beverly Anderson, Shirley Bergstrom,  
Reba Brandenburg, Jane Burd, Jane Cooper,  
Doug DeFreece, Faye Enslin, Chris Graham, Jerry Khorll,  
Paulette Meyer, June Millard, Cindy and Jim Roberts,  
Betty Schramm, Orlo Shroyer, Starlin Sims, Fran Smith,  
Jean Zimmerman

Individuals will be kept on our prayer list for **four weeks** at a time. At the end of four weeks, please give Kathy a call at 573.636.5157 or email her [Kathy@firstchristianjcmo.org](mailto:Kathy@firstchristianjcmo.org), if you would like continued prayers for an individual. Thank you!

### *Our Members in Care Centers*

THE ARBORS AT WESTBROOK TERRACE - Rita Connell

CASTLE PARK RETIREMENT CENTER - Glenda Crow

HEISINGER - Richard Carroll  
Judy Hawkins

PRIMROSE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY - John & Barb Griffith  
Jessie Schell  
Fran Smith

THE TIMBERS - Helen Allen (CCC-KC)  
Mae Oehring

WESTBROOK TERRACE - Shirley Jarrett

VILLA MARIE - Don Dixon  
Mozelle Smith

OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS - Reba Brandenburg  
Patty Renn

OUR OUT-OF-TOWN MEMBER - Jess Beck

### Worship Attendance

NEW MEMBERS in 2018 - 20

AUG 5, 2018 - 8:20AM ~ 76 / 10:40AM - 93

AUG 12, 2018 - 8:20AM ~ 73 / 10:40AM - 114

### Welcome to Our Visitors

Brad Bates, Sid & Barb Belshe, Rick Brown,  
Adam Burkett, Scott & Nellie Campbell,  
Kathy Cavender, Cora Childress, Dan & Karen Davis,  
Dana DeWeese, Ruth Garver, Georgia Griffith,  
Barb Mahne Griffith, Robin Grumm, Linda Heller,  
Nancy Hequemburg, Shannon & Katie Imler, Melina Korajke,  
Herb & Becky Kuhn, the Larson family, Lena Love,  
Kathy Mitchell, Linda Ringo, Robb Robinson, Marty Roberts,  
Thelma Robertson, Melanie Robinson, Sandra Robinson,  
Elizabeth Rue, John Ruth, Mike & Ann-marie Scott, Aaron Smith,  
Beth Thomas, the Tollerton family, Tom & DeAnn Underwood,  
Cindy & Doug VanCamp, the Vegiard family,  
Judy Wakefield-Jordan, Michelle Walters, Deborah Wofford

## WEEKLY @ FCC

### MONDAYS AT 7:00PM

Boy Scout Troop 333 in the Scout Room.

### TUESDAYS AT 8:30AM

Prayer Time w/Rev. Beau in the Chapel.

### TUESDAYS NOON TO 4PM

Food Pantry in the Family Life Center.

### WEDNESDAYS AT 5:00PM (see Youth calendar for summer dates)

Youth Group

## THIS MONTH @ FCC

**AUGUST 5TH** Leadership Development Team Mtg, Noon, Library

**AUGUST 7TH** Property Mtg, 5:30PM, Rediscovery SS Rm  
Block Party Mtg, 6:00PM, Library

**AUGUST 14TH** Cabinet Mtg, 5:30PM, Library  
Building Needs Mtg, 6:00PM, Library

**AUGUST 23RD** Walking Tour of Our Community, 6:00PM

**AUGUST 26TH** Faith Seeking Understanding Book Discussion,  
9:30AM, Chapel  
Walking Tour of Our Community, Noon

**AUGUST 28TH** Card Crafting Night, 5:30PM, Activities Rm

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

### AUGUST

1	Sharon Gonder Joyce Wagner	16	David Avery Barb Belshe Denise Woodruff <i>Jim &amp; Marty Morris</i>
2	Elaine Woodson	17	Eden Dietle
3	Barbara Kuebler Cameo Middleton <i>Orlo &amp; Karen Shroyer</i>	18	Kyleigh Garver
4	James Harris Toni McNeal <i>Brian &amp; Kara Knight</i>	19	18
5	Rita Connell Brenda Johnson Wade Park	20	Sara Massman <i>Cole &amp; Melanie Markway</i>
6	Elaine West <i>Mark &amp; Sue Snell</i>	21	20
7	Judy Brooks Julia Larson Rick Naught <i>Rich &amp; Cyndy Millard Tom &amp; Barbara Rackers</i>	22	Dot Baker Clancy Dunn Gary Gonder Maxine Wood <i>Jerry &amp; Jane Cooper Morris &amp; Denise Woodruff</i>
8	Doug Crousore <i>Steve &amp; Kathy Brown Danny &amp; Nina Stewart</i>	23	John Mann Barbara Rackers
9	10	24	Barbara Drake <i>Chris &amp; Sonya Cooley Dan &amp; Tracy McClard</i>
10	Stephen Drake Scott Little	25	Gene Adkison <i>Chris &amp; Marsha Graham</i>
11	<i>Tony &amp; Katie Ramirez</i>	26	Lauren Eichelberger Georgia Gonder Christine Mott J.T. Yarnell <i>Don &amp; Winnie Shaw</i>
12	Maren Moore <i>Mark &amp; Elaine Woodson</i>	27	Stephanie Bell Brenda Foutes Sandy Robinson <i>Mike &amp; Sandi Helton</i>
13	Alex Wood	28	27
14	15	29	Payton Garver 28
15	Drew Bell Stacey Gregory Wayne Hepler Patty Renn	30	Laura Avery Susan Vaughn 29
		31	<i>Brian &amp; Shelly Drake</i> 30 Betty Schulte 31



## CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United is gathering items for the Festival of Sharing. They have a special request this year for **Missouri Paper Products Pack.**

If you would like to donate items for these packs, we are collecting:  
3 wrapped packages of toilet paper with 4 double rolls in each  
(not 12 roll packs)

2 rolls paper towels (good quality)

2 facial tissue (large rectangular boxes)

We ask that you please return these items to the church office by Sunday, September 9th.

## Youth Sunday, September 30th

FCC Youth will be conducting both services on Sunday, September 30th, with an open house and stories from Puerto Rico in "The Net" during the Sunday School hour at 9:30AM.

The Youth fall schedule begins September 5th from 5-7PM. Please contact Tracy McClard, if you would like to provide supper at 5Pm for 20 people. (Tracy@firstchristianjcmo.org or you can leave her a voice message at 573.636.5157 opt. 2)



**F.I.S.H.**  
(Faith In Senior High)  
AND  
Middle School  
Youth Groups

**AUGUST 15-29 ~ NO YOUTH**  
**SEPTEMBER 5**  
School year resumes  
for JR & SR High 5—7PM



## SAVE THE DATE!

First Christian Church, along with several community partners, will be hosting the Annual East Side Community Block Party on Friday, September 14, 2018, 5:00—7:00PM on the East School playground.

It is a fun time for families. We need the help of many volunteers to make this year's block party another successful event! Volunteer opportunities include: loaning coolers, picking items up the day of the event, loading items at the church to transport to the event, setting up the event, serving food, keeping the school property clean during the party, working at booths, face painting, passing out books or school supplies, breaking down the event, and returning items to the church. You can help create a positive experience in the life of East School children and families.

Please let Lucas or Melody Boling know how you can contribute to the success of the East School Block Party by contacting them at [rlucasboling@gmail.com](mailto:rlucasboling@gmail.com), [bolingm@outlook.com](mailto:bolingm@outlook.com) or 573-353-2169.

## Walking Tour of the East School Community

As a follow-up to our conversations with Shawn Duncan of the Lupton Center in May, the Outreach and Community Ministry team, and others in the congregation, have committed to spending more time in the East Elementary School community. We are paying attention to resources, accessibility, where people are, and other characteristics of the community.

As part of the effort, we will be offering two opportunities for us to walk the neighborhood together. On Thursday, August 23 at 6PM, we will meet at the church and take the church bus to Sav-A-Lot and set out on our walk from there. On Sunday, August 26 at 12PM, we will meet in the Sav-A-Lot parking lot for our walking tour.

This initial step, to familiarize ourselves with the community we seek to partner with, will hopefully help us brainstorm new ideas for connecting with those who call the neighborhood home. Save the date, and plan to join us on one of our walks!

## A Child Grows in Faith

Hallelujah, Hallelujah! A child sings hallelujah. We witnessed this on Sunday morning. I don't know about anyone else, but this was a God moment. The joy on her face throughout the service as she sang and was later baptized. Wow! Just Wow!

I have had the opportunity to teach this young lady in Sunday school over the past year, along with several other of our young members. They are an AMAZING group of kids. We laugh, we play, we pray, we read scripture, we paint and build, we sing, we love each other. And sometimes we spat or grump about the early hour or the activity. But that's all part of our FAMILY. We are building faith and learning about being Christians and learning about the Amazing gift Jesus gave to us.

Won't you consider being a part of this?

Christian Education is seeking individuals who enjoy children and want to assist in developing their foundations of faith. Additional Sunday school teachers and helpers are needed for the schoolyear for grades K-4 and 5-7.

We have great curriculum that is easy to use and prepare. We ask for a commitment of a couple of Sundays a month, but not every Sunday. Teachers and helpers sign up for Sundays based on their schedule and availability. Teaching or helping twice a month, or more, helps bring consistency to the classes and allows the children and adults to build relationships.

We saw on Sunday the number of children in our congregation as we blessed backpacks in preparation for return to school. We'd like to reach all of these kids through Sunday school as well, but we need your help to do so. Sunday school is an important part of the kid's week and a way the church can wrap our love around these children while building spiritual foundations. Please prayerfully consider your role in this ministry and contact either Rev. Sarah, Rev. Beau or myself, if you can help meet these needs. We also ask you for prayer for our programs. **Michelle Sheppard, Christian Ed Chair**

# Learn about Our First Steps Preschool Ministry

First Steps Enrichment and Preschool is an important ministry of First Christian Church. The new director of First Steps, Amanda Pennewell, has been hard at work preparing for the new school year that starts August 27th. To help us as a church learn more about the ministry of First Steps, Amanda will be offering two informational sessions. Please plan to join us **Thursday, September 6th at 6PM or Sunday, September 9th at 12PM** to learn more about the families we serve and the programs offered.

This informational meeting is an important step as we continue to discern, with the Spirit's help, the future of our ministries as we seek to faithfully serve in partnership with our community. We hope everyone will make an effort to be part of this ongoing conversation. **Rev. Sarah Kingsbery**

## Within Our Community...

Everyone is invited to the Capital Area Interfaith Alliance (CAIA) event about the history, traditions, and significance of African-American spirituality. The program will be at Quinn Chapel, 415 Lafayette, on August 30, 2018, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Admission is free.

The Rev. Dr. Cassandra Gould will be the keynote speaker. She currently serves as the senior pastor of Quinn Chapel A.M.E. Church and is the executive director of Missouri Faith Voices. As the daughter of an activist who fought for voters' rights in Selma, Alabama, Dr. Gould is continuing to answer the call to action. Per her bio on the Missouri Faith Voices website, "she can be found on the front lines fighting for justice from Ferguson to D.C."

Dr. Gould is a sought-after speaker whose activism against social injustice is guided by her faith. The CAIA event will include music offerings, and a Q&A session following the keynote address.

**Cindy Collins**

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Friday  
September 21st, 2018  
12pm - 4pm

**LOCATION:**  
Catholic Diocese of  
Jefferson City  
Chancery Building  
2207 WEST MAIN STREET • JEFFERSON CITY, MO 65108

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**  
Christine McDonald  
MISSOURI ADVOCATE, ACTIVIST, INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER,  
2-TIME AUTHOR AND SEX TRAFFICKING SURVIVOR

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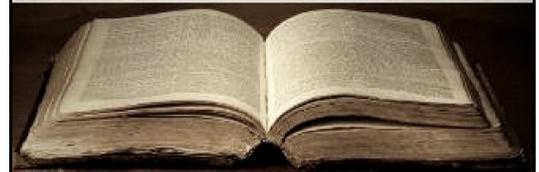
**NOISY OFFERING  
SUNDAY**

**SUNDAY  
AUGUST 19TH**



**BIBLE STUDY  
EXODUS**

**Tuesdays in the Library  
at Noon and 5:45 PM  
beginning October 2, 2018.**



## Thank You!

To all of Lawrence (Lamy) McArthur's friends and church family, Thank you for coming to his memorial and sharing your memories of Lamy. He got into a lot of people's hearts and will be missed very much.

Thank you so very much for all the help and support that Rev. Beau Underwood did. Thank you Rev. Sarah Kingsbery for being at the hospital for support and a shoulder to cry on. Everything your church has done is very appreciated. **Thank you from the bottom of my heart, Pat Chapman**

## Thank You So Much!

Dear Members of First Christian Church, We want to express our appreciation to you for your prayers for us this year and your financial gifts. We are thankful for the opportunity to spend some time with you over the course of this year. Thank you for partnering with us in the ministry in Prague. Please accept this bell from Prague as a token of our thanks. With Love, Phil, Christiana & Susanna Jane

# Musical Notes

Very soon the music ministry of First Christian will kick start its Fall activities as we resume weekly rehearsals to prepare music to share in worship. I know it can be challenging to add a weekly commitment to one's calendar. But what I hear from participants in our musical groups is that the time spent in rehearsals is renewing and life-giving, another way to grow in faith and a fun way to contribute to congregational life. All skill levels are welcome! Those with significant musical backgrounds become teachers whose own talents are nurtured as they sit beside those with less experience. The less experienced become important contributors thanks to this mentoring plus lots of practice through rehearsals and rehearsal CDs made available for each vocal part. The need for child care holding you back? The nursery is covered for young children, and if older children need to be supervised, we can work to arrange that as well (or they can be in the choir room beside you as we rehearse).

If you have been blessed with vocal or instrumental talent, please consider this your invitation to any or all of the following –

**CHANCEL CHOIR** begins rehearsals on Wednesday, August 29, 6:30-7:45 p.m. in the choir room. Music shared includes a variety of styles from traditional hymnody, contemporary worship songs, gospel songs and spirituals, and an occasional classical piece. You need not be a solo singer to join! All that is required is a desire to use your gifts to serve God and His church, and a willingness to bring your best offering. If you cannot commit to singing with the group regularly, please consider joining us for the Christmas season! Rehearsals for our December 9 musical service will begin in October. Feel free to contact me with your questions at [jeffgretchen@embarqmail.com](mailto:jeffgretchen@embarqmail.com).

**JUBILANT SOUND HANDBELL CHOIR** also begins rehearsal on Aug. 29 at 8:15PM. This group requires an ability to read music and a good sense of rhythm. If you wish to give it a try, contact director Terri Lloyd at [terri.schenkel.lloyd@gmail.com](mailto:terri.schenkel.lloyd@gmail.com). She is still in need of one, possibly two, players for this season.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC** is always a blessing to us! If you play an instrument, please let me know your interest in offering a solo, duet, or being a part of a larger ensemble. All ages are welcome to share!

**VISUAL ARTS:** If talent or have artistic gifts (including photography, painting, sculpture, writing, drama, woodworking, sewing, banner making, etc.), I hope you will consider sharing those gifts with your church family. You may contact me or Worship Chair Sherry Jordan to indicate interest in sharing.

If you are unable to participate, please lift up the music ministry in prayer as we seek to enhance worship experiences at FCC. If you have not been blessed with these kinds of gifts, there are many other areas in the church where you might serve. Rev. Beau or Rev. Sarah would be happy to help find a spot for you to utilize your unique gifts!

**SPECIAL MUSIC THIS SUNDAY:** David Robuck, who grew up at FCC and is a former choir director here, will offer the anthem at the 8:20 service, singing "The Mountain" by Steven Curtis Chapman. His young daughter, Rebecca, will help to accompany him on cello.

**HELP!** Our search for additional AV team members continues. This is a real need, especially at the 8:20 service. Training with a seasoned team member is provided. While it takes a bit of focus, it is not too difficult. Please contact me if you wish to lend a hand or have any questions about this important ministry.

*Gretchen Huedepohl, Director of Music*

## SAM B. COOK MEMORIAL ORGAN CONCERT



## NATHAN J. LAUBE

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*In Concert*

**SUNDAY,  
NOVEMBER 18, 2018**

SAVE THE DATE!  
And watch for more details  
Coming soon!

First Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
327 East Capitol Avenue  
(573) 636-5157

**DUE TO THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY, MARY CIRCLE WILL MEET  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 1:00PM IN THE PARLOR**

**1ST SUNDAY****AUGUST 5****8:20AM****ELDERS**John Mann  
David Avery**DIACONATE**Kathy Brown  
Russ & Kathy Dunwiddie  
Eden Dietle**LITURGIST**

Georganna Beachboard

**USHERS**Morris Woodruff  
Keith Krueger**GREETERS**Bob Robuck  
Loise White**10:40AM****ELDERS**Barbara Kuebler  
Bill Marshall**DIACONATE**Joyce Wagner  
Brian & Kara Knight  
Jon & Amanda Prouty  
Tyler & Miranda Fishback**LITURGIST**

Stephanie Bell

**USHERS**Scott Lange  
Wayne Hepler**GREETERS**Marilyn Langley  
Willadean Jackson**COMMUNION PREP**

Christie Oliver

**PEW POCKETS**

Sue Snell (1st &amp; 5th Tues)

**CHANCEL FLOWERS**ILM Bob & Ruth Marshall  
GB Bill & Barb Marshall**2ND SUNDAY****AUGUST 12****8:20AM****ELDERS**David Avery  
Brenda Johnson**DIACONATE**Jim & Lauren Eichelberger  
Patty Osman  
Jeanne Naeger**LITURGIST**

Lauren Eichelberger

**USHERS**Nike Thompson  
Kathy Speidel**GREETERS**Marge Blosser  
Callie Thompson**10:40AM****ELDERS**Sally Robuck  
Barbara Kuebler**DIACONATE**Beth Nolte  
Missy & Taylor Mann  
Steven Claycomb  
Charles & Melanie Highland  
Sally & Jeff Moore**LITURGIST**

Missy Mann

**USHERS**Jerry West  
Jon Miller**GREETERS**Elaine West  
Darlene Charles**COMMUNION PREP**

Betty Schramm

**PEW POCKETS**

Marge Blosser

**CHANCEL FLOWERS**ILM of Cheryl Eichelberger  
GB Jim & Lauren Eichelbergeer**3RD SUNDAY****AUGUST 19****8:20AM****ELDERS**J.T. Yarnell  
Gregg Ochoa**DIACONATE**Cindy Collins  
Bob & Sherry Jordan  
Marsha Graham**LITURGIST**

Cindy Leveron

**USHERS**

Jim &amp; Russ Dunwiddie

**GREETERS**Sue Snell  
Nancy Dunwiddie**10:40AM****ELDERS**Wanda King  
John Mann**DIACONATE**Laura Avery  
Jenny & Doug Hagenhoff  
Kevin Heady  
Charlotte Middleton  
Willadean Jackson  
Carolyn Green  
Ingrid Caldwell**LITURGIST**

Charlotte Middleton

**USHERS**Gregg Ochoa  
Mike Caldwell**GREETERS**Scott Lange  
Ray & Virginia Lister**COMMUNION PREP**

David Durbin

**PEW POCKETS**

Venita Jackson

**CHANCEL FLOWERS**ILM John Richard Millard  
GB Rich & Cyndy Millard**4TH SUNDAY****AUGUST 26****8:20AM****ELDERS**Stephen Waters  
Cecile Landrum**DIACONATE**Clint & Tami Barrett,  
Donna Brown, Cindy  
Leveron**LITURGIST**

Carolyn Green

**USHERS**Manny Gerlt  
Rick Vaughan**GREETERS**Eleanor Ballew  
J.T. & Susie Yarnell**10:40AM****ELDERS**Steve Amick  
Brenda Johnson**DIACONATE**Chris Bell  
Jerry & Elaine West  
Alyssa Angell  
Stephen Foutes  
Ryan Vegiard  
Sherry Anderson  
Ashley Dahl**LITURGIST**

Sandy Coffin

**USHERS**Bill Trimm  
Doug Hagenhoff**GREETERS**Nermina Williams, Lejla and  
Haris**COMMUNION PREP**

Sandy Robinson

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Chris Bell

**CHANCEL FLOWERS**ILM of Ralph Yarnell  
GB J.T. & Susie Yarnell

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday through Friday  
8:00 am to 5:00 pm

**Deadline for news articles in  
The Church Bell: Noon Monday**

**AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES:**

Please contact Rev. Underwood at  
815-303-1990

**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 (636-5157) at any time and leave a message. **NOTE: IF YOU LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE ANSWERING MACHINE ON FRIDAY (after 5 PM), SATURDAY, OR SUNDAY, IT WILL NOT BE CHECKED UNTIL MONDAY MORNING.** Thank you.

**WANT TO CATCH THE REV'S IN THEIR OFFICE?**  
**REV. BEAU ~ THURSDAYS 9~11AM    REV. SARAH ~ MONDAYS 1~3PM**



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Thank You for your service!



**Financial Records and Questions**

Questions related to giving and church finances should now be sent to finance@firstchristianjcmo.org. We have contracted with CALD services, a local accounting firm specializing in religious non-profits, to provide these critical functions through the end of the year.

**WEBSITES YOU NEED TO STAY CONNECTED**

- Mid-America Updates: <http://www.mid-american-disciples.org/newsletter-signup/>
- Disciples News Service Updates: <http://disciples.org/dns/subscribe-to-dns/>
- Disciples Together (Resources for Pastors): <http://disciples.org/dns/disciples-together?>

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**NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY?**

Give the office (636-5157) a call by noon the Friday before, and they will have the Sunday driver pick you up!

**PLEASE HELP KEEP THE CHURCH OFFICE UP-TO-DATE!** Be sure to give the office any updates of your address, emails and/or phone numbers.

**REMEMBER...** to wear your name tags so our new members may get-to-know you. If you need a new one, please email Kathy@firstchristianjcmo.org

Buy groceries....help support youth ministry! Sign up for a Community Card at Schnuck's grocery store

Here's what you can do:

- Pick up a Community Card at Schnucks or at FCC.
- Call 1-800-931-6258 to activate your group I.D. #500015450
- Use your Community Card when you buy groceries

Gluten-free Communion Bread is available. Please let one of the ushers know as you come into the sanctuary.

The next Church Bell

will be August 29th

(Articles are due by noon the Monday before)