# The Church Bell

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## **Building Bridges, Transforming Communities**

At First Christian Church, our commitment to serving the community is not just a statement; it's a way of life. For over five years, we've been privileged to have Robin Grumm at the helm of our East School Partnership in Education (PIE) program. Under her dedicated leadership, PIE has flourished, touching the lives of countless children, families, and neighbors in our area.

With deep gratitude, we acknowledge Robin's unwavering dedication and passion for PIE. Her tireless efforts have made a lasting impact, fostering relationships and creating opportunities for growth and learning. She offered all this with such joy!

As we transition to a new chapter, we extend our heartfelt thanks to Rev. Heather Patten, Missy Mann, and the numerous volunteers who have supported us during this period of change. Their commitment and enthusiasm have been instrumental in ensuring a smooth transition.

We are also happy to welcome Dawn Dunn as the new director of our PIE program. Dawn brings a wealth of experience and a fresh perspective to the role, and she is eager to continue the vital work of building relationships with the children, families, and neighborhood.

At First Christian, we believe that true community transformation begins with relationships. Through PIE, we have the privilege of walking alongside our neighbors, offering support, encouragement, and resources to help them thrive. Whether it's providing tutoring, mentoring, or simply lending a listening ear, we are committed to making a difference, one relationship at a time.

We invite you to join us in this important work. If you share our passion for building stronger, more vibrant communities, we would love to hear from you. Reach out to Dawn Dunn at dawnaylordunn@gmail.com to learn more about how you can get involved and make a meaningful impact in the lives of those we serve.

Together, let's continue to build bridges, transform communities, and create a brighter future for all.

Peace,

Michael

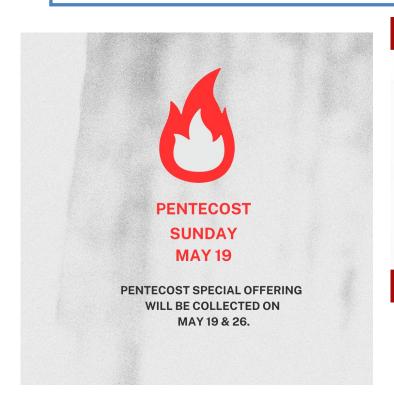
Rev. Dr. Michael Dunn





# RE-Commit This Sunday – May 12

As we disciple and encourage our members and friends, we delegated this coming Sunday as RE-Commit Sunday. The service reminds us of the commitments made before the end of the year to support the 2024 ministry of FCC through our time, talent and treasure. It is also a time to make a commitment if you weren't able to last year. You'll hear more on Sunday!



# Administrative Board Meeting



# in the Activities Room

The HCJC matching campaign has ended. We are working to gather the final totals, but if you would still like to make a contribution, please see a member of the Missions

Committee before their meeting on May 19.





### Widows on the Town!

Our Widows Group enjoying lunch at Virginia Lister's home before touring the Mill. The same group also gathered to celebrate Patty Osman's Milestone Birthday!



# **Faith Seekers Update**

Faith Seekers will be holding a get together on Thursday, May 16 at 11:30 at Canterbury



Hills. Come enjoy lunch

and socialize. The group will not be meeting on Monday nights again until the fall. Stay tuned for more information!



Join us for Dinner and Devotion. The meal will begin at 5:15 with fellowship and food. Beginning at 6:00, there will be a short devotional time. We will wrap up by 6:30. Watch your Friday emails for the link to use for the following Wednesday. Please complete by NOON on Tuesday so we can accurately plan for food.

# Worship With Us

Please join us in worship every Sunday morning at 8:20 a.m. or 10:40 a.m. in the sanctuary. The 10:40 a.m. service is also Livestreamed on FaceBook at facebook.com/fccjcmo for those who cannot worship with us in person.



Jefferson City
Community
Band

MEMORIAL
DAY CONCERT

REMEMBER & HONOR

FREE CONCERT

Monday, May 27th, 2 PM
First Christian Church
Capitol Avenue
Jefferson City

Sponsored by

Hawthorn
BANK\*

Join the Jefferson City Community Band for a concert on Monday, May 27. The concert will be held at First Christian Church at 2:00.



There will be no Prayer Shawl group meeting on Monday, May 27 due to Memorial Day.

# **Message from our Associate Minister**

Last week, the Youth Group put the wifi and overhead projector to good use by watching an episode of The Chosen. We'd like to give a big "Thank you!" to Rich Green & Scott Campbell for getting our ability to do this up and running again. Another huge "Thank you!" goes out to Missy Mann for donating the awesomely massive red bean bag chair. We are so blessed to be part of this thoughtful and caring congregation.

After May 5, FCC JCMO Youth will take a break from our regular weekly meetings for the summer as a way of encouraging and enabling our youth and their leaders to observe a season of Sabbath. We don't want to lose our connections, though, so be on the lookout for several fun events over the next few months that will maintain and strengthen the relationships we've been building together. Thanks again for all your support, church family!

Love, Rev. Heather





# MISSION TRIP 2024

#### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

\$350-COVERS 1 PERSON'S REGISTRATION \$25-COVERS 1 PERSON'S DINNER 1 NIGHT \$450-COVERS DINNER FOR THE WHOLE GROUP 1 NIGHT \$105 COVERS MILEAGE ONE WAY

DONATIONS ACCEPTED IN OFFERING PLATE OR LEFT IN OFFICE. DONATIONS CAN ALSO BE GIVEN ONLINE, JUST DESIGNATE IT FOR THE MISSION TRIP.



# **Summer Camp Information**



It's time to register for summer church camps! The Church will pay for half of the camp fees for each camper from our congregation.

The region has some scholarships available for campers in need. Don't let money be a reason for not attending camp.

We are in the NEOLA/MUP Region and our campers attend Camp Jo Ota in Clarence, MO.

## **Try-It Camp (Ages 4-Completed Grade 1)**

Adult Must Attend with Child June 7-9 \$225 (includes adult and child)

### **Elementary Camp (Completed Grades 2-3)**

July 15-17, 2024 \$185 per camper

## **Junior Camp (Completed Grades 4-**

**5)** July 15-19, 2024 \$335 per camper

#### Chi-Rho Camp (Completed Grades 6-

**8)** July 28 - August 2, 2024 \$375 per camper

#### CYF Camp (Completed Grades 9-

**12)** July 8-13, 2024 \$375 per camper

Online Registration - https://mid americaandmupcamps.godaddysites.com/neolareg-options

Scholarship Information - <a href="https://mid americaandmupcamps.godaddysites.com/scholarship-info">https://mid americaandmupcamps.godaddysites.com/scholarship-info</a>

Apply by May 15 to hold your scholarship.

## Our Bodies, Our Faith (Completed Grade 8-9)

July 28-August 2, 2024 \$385 Camp MOVAL

Online Registration: <a href="https://mid">https://mid</a>

<u>americaandmupcamps.godaddysites.com/our - bodies-our-faith</u>

### Canoe Camp - (Grades 6-12)

July 14-18, 2024 \$280

Location: Shannondale - Current River

Online Registration - <a href="https://mid">https://mid</a>
<a href="mailto:americaandmupcamps.godaddysites.com/can">americaandmupcamps.godaddysites.com/can</a>
<a href="mailto:oe-camp-1">oe-camp-1</a>

#### **Regional Young Adult Event**

June 24 - 27, 2024 \$185

Online Registration - <a href="https://mid">https://mid</a>
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After you register your child, please contact the church office at 636-5157 or <a href="mailto:fccjcmooffice@gmail.com">fccjcmooffice@gmail.com</a> and let them know the following information.

- Child's name
- Grade in school
- Which camp they are attending

FCC Summer Softball starts later this month. If you'd like to play, contact Jonathon Prouty at 314-537-4861. We hope to see you on the field or in the stands cheering us on!

FCC Summer Softball Schedule (all games at Binder Park)

May 21 – 7:15 (Scott Field)

May 28 – 8:15 (Scott Field)

June 4 - 6:15 (Scott Field)

June 11 – 6:15 (Williams Field)

June 18 – 6:15 (Williams Field)

June 25 – 6:15 (Scott Field)

July 2 - 6:15 (Scott Field)

July 9 – 8:15 (Scott Field)

July 16 - Playoffs, TBD

July 23 – Playoffs, TBD





FCC will be working this summer with the United Way Food for Kids program. This will be while the JC Schools are not in session. We do not have the specific week yet, but if you are able to volunteer, or would like more information, please contact Ann Littlefield or the Church Office.

Do you have a High School or College student graduating in 2024? We would like to recog-



nize them at an upcoming church service. We would like to know if they are graduating from high school or college and what their plans are for after graduation. Please let the Church Office know.





# Please Pray for OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Beverly Anderson, close friend of Sharon Gonder

Sharon Gonder

Brooks Jarrett, brother of Annie Jarrett

Calise Lauf, friend of Sharon Gonder

Cindy Leveron

Greg Maire, fighting cancer

Dan and Sandy Meade, brother and sister-in-law of Mary Ann Weaver

Eva Pratt

Sheri Skalak, Milinda Dawson's roommate

Donald L. Miller, brother of Jon Miller, fighting cancer

PK Karrenbrock, granddaughter of a long time co-worker of Bobbi

Enslen's at Central Bank.

Wilma Collins

Kelly and Autumn Leveron

Kenny Holtgrewe-Marsha Posz's father

Joyce Meade-chemo

John Blosser

Our Country and our men and women serving our country.

Please call the office at 573-636-5157 or email at fccjcmooffice@gmail.com if you would like continued prayers for an individual or if an individual can now be removed from the list. Thank you!



## Our Members in Care Centers

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JC MANOR- 1720 VIETH DR. JC MO 65109 JACKIE POSSINGER

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PRIMROSE RETIREMENT 1214 FREEDOM BLVD JC MO 65109 WENDELL & MYRA HUBBS JOHN H. BENNETT



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# **REMINDER!!**

For the safety and security of the building and all inside, we ask that you DO NOT prop open doors at any time! This leaves the building wide open for anyone to come in unnoticed. We also ask that you only enter and exit through the front door or the parking garage doors.

If you are having an event and need a door unlocked for it, just let someone in the Church Office know and we can program the doors to be unlocked for your event. THE DOORS WILL ONLY BE UNLOCKED FOR 15 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR EVENT AND 15 MINUTES AFTER

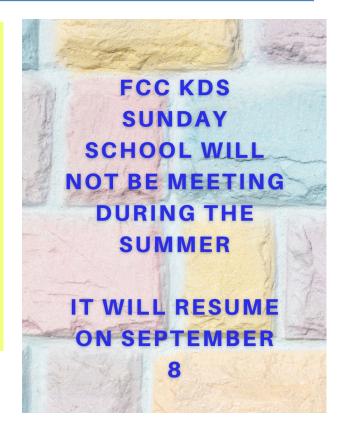
YOUR EVENT BEGINS!

Thank you for helping keep our people and building safe!





Youth Group will not be meeting each week during the summer. Stay tuned for information about lots of FUN activities this summer!



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<u>AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES:</u> Please contact Rev. Michael Dunn at 713-447-5954.

For non-emergency church-related items after working hours, Monday thru Thursday, 8AM to 5PM, we have an answering machine. 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, SATURDAY, OR SUN-DAY, IT WILL NOT BE CHECKED UNTIL MONDAY MORNING. THANK YOU.

The next *Church Bell* will be sent May 22 2024.

(Articles are due by noon the Friday before)





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: tinamolenkamp @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 their website at <a href="https://www.cgcb.org">www.cgcb.org</a>.



Who Are We? We call ourselves Disciples,

a community of believers who follow Jesus by Worshiping God,

Growing in Faith, Serving our Community.

Bound to each other in Christ's love,

we discover our life together through *sharing* life with the world.

# You may give online at firstchristianjcmo.org/donate

#### THANK YOU

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

WEBSITES YOU NEED TO STAY CONNECTED

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