

The Church Bell

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Dear FCC JCMO Family,

One of the most enjoyable parts of pastoral ministry, for me, is the opportunity to spend time in the company of church members. Last week, I had several opportunities for that. I made my way to two different hospitals to share a visit and a prayer with folks. I hung out with the food pantry crew for a while on Tuesday. Wrangling carts for the pantry is always one of the highlights of my week. I love working with the other volunteers and being able to send off our guests with a smile and a "Have a great day!" On Wednesday, I was able to fill in at the Noon Bible Study, so that the usual leader, David Avery, could attend another meeting. We had an interesting discussion about parables and seeds and soil.

On Thursday, I was fortunate that the Faith Seekers group invited me to join them on an excursion to Branson. We broke bread together at a delightful restaurant called The Ozark Mill, then continued on to the Sight and Sound Theatre, where we saw *Queen Esther*. The sets and costumes were amazing and, of course, the story was divine, but the stories and laughter shared among the group that day were even better!

Saturday evening, five adults took twelve youth group kids in a caravan of vehicles to the Moberly Five & Drive Theatre where we took in the movie *Inside Out 2* on the Drive-In screen. If you're unfamiliar with the original *Inside Out*, it's a movie that centers around the personified emotions (Joy, Fear, Disgust, Anger, and Sadness) of a little girl named Riley whose family moves across the country. Her primary emotion had been Joy, but with the major change in her life, Sadness became more prominent. Eventually, Joy learns that Sadness is an important part of the emotional make-up, which helps Riley build empathy.

In the sequel, Riley is a teenager and a whole new set of emotions (Anxiety, Envy, Embarrassment, and Ennui) arrive on the scene and take over. Anxiety exiles the original emotions and threatens the core identity that Riley has built over time (that she is a Good Person and a Good Friend.) Ultimately, Riley has to figure out how to manage all these new feelings and decide which one will be the leading influence in her life. Spoiler alert - at the end, Riley calls for Joy to take over the controls again and learns to listen to Anxiety without letting her rule.

For most of the group, it was their first time seeing a drive-in movie, but for a few of us, it was an opportunity to relive childhood memories - cue Nostalgia (another emotion mentioned in the film.)

While it wasn't a faith-based film, there is certainly a faith lesson we can learn. As Christians, our "Joy" is found in Christ and in the freedom we have in belonging to him. We don't have to worry about measuring up or fitting in with the "cool kids," because we are already fully known and loved by the God of Everything! Hallelujah!

Peace,
Rev. Heather



MUSIC and WORSHIP NOTES

***LAKE AREA COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA** under the direction of Andrew Drennan will be with us once again on Tuesday, July 16, at 7:00 p.m. In addition to favorite patriotic pieces, the ensemble will share selections that include great movie marches, music from *Lawrence of Arabia*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and *The Wizard of Oz*. Once again, a few volunteers to help with programs, seating, and gathering the free will offering would be appreciated!

While we are doing only one service, plan for a variety of music during that service! We will be using traditional, contemporary and mixing things up a bit. We are even planning a Hymn Sing Sunday on July 21st! Be sure to mark your calendars for that!

Adult Sunday School classes will continue to meet at 9:00 on Sunday mornings. FCC Kids and Youth Sunday School will not be meeting for the summer. Join us after worship for a fellowship time with coffee and treats.

Summer Concert Series 2024



The Lord of the Rings - Johan de Meij

Concert Schedule

St. Michael's Catholic Church, 5214 Hatter St., Russellville	May 28, 2024
Ha Ha Tonka, Castle, Route D, Camdenton*	June 4, 2024
Eldon Air Park, Eldon (Baptist Church Rain Location) *	June 11, 2024
United Church of Christ, 101 N Oak (Hwy 87), California	June 18, 2024
West Lake Christian Church, 936 Route O, Laurie	June 25, 2024
Hope Lutheran Chapel Sokoll Bldg., 5709 Osage Beach Parkway, Osage Beach	July 9, 2024
First Christian Church, 327 East Capitol Ave., Jefferson City	July 16, 2024
Lake Ozark Christian Church, 1560 Bagnell Dam Blvd., Lake Ozark	July 23, 2024
High School Performing Arts Center, 913 W Newton St., Versailles	July 30, 2024

* Bring a chair.

All Concerts begin at 7:00 p.m.

No admission is charged, however donations are welcomed.

For Additional Information, Call Leonard Vader 573.644.4801

www.lakeareacommunityorchestra.org



Lake Area Community Orchestra

JOIN US

SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM

SUMMER

WORSHIP



**EAST
SCHOOL
BLOCK
PARTY**



**WE
NEED
YOU!**

Hope you were at the East School Block Party last September! About 700 to 800 of our neighbors had a wonderful evening of games, hot dogs, sodas, ice cream, performance by the Lincoln Drumline and a chance to visit with many of our local community help organizations! This event takes a lot of people but if we break up the jobs it is great fun! Watch the Bell! Organizational meeting will be soon!

The task of the Leadership Development Team is to recruit-- I bet you guessed it-- leaders, in all positions, for the next year. We find people who will be the Admin Board Officers and members, the Elders, the Deacons, the Ministry Team chairman and members, and the Personnel Committee. If you would like to find out more about these positions or if you would consider being a leader for 2025, please contact me at kar57@rocketmail.com or 573-694-5658. Thanks for taking time to consider.

Karla Denny

**WE NEED YOU
TO BECOME A
CONNECTOR**

ARE YOU WILLING TO SERVE AS A CONTACT PERSON FOR OTHER CHURCH MEMBERS? BEING A CONNECTOR REQUIRES MONTHLY CONTACT WITH ABOUT 10 PEOPLE.

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING THIS WORTHWHILE MINISTRY. CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE TO GET SET UP WITH THIS PROGRAM.

Worship With Us

Please join us in worship. Beginning on June 16, we will have a 10:00 a.m. service that is also Livestreamed on FaceBook at facebook.com/fccjemo for those who cannot worship with us in person.

Searchers Sunday School Class

The Searchers Class had a Fried Chicken/Carry In Dinner on Thursday evening, June 6, at the Cole County Park near the Fairgrounds. On Sunday, June 9, the Class went to the Claysville Store for dinner. Starting on June 16 the Searcher Class will be meeting at 9:00 am.



As many of you know, when Mom passed away in 2020, we used the memorial funds to start the Robert and Faye Enslin Adoption Fund through the Christian Church Foundation. It was created to help families going through the adoption process with the financial aspect of that journey. The fund makes an annual income distribution to our church to be gifted to a deserving family. Please contact me if you have a family you would like us to consider for the 2024 gift.

Thank you,

Bobbi Enslin

Our Sunday morning schedule for the summer begins with Adult Sunday School at 9 AM. While FCC Kids and Youth Bible Study are taking a summer break, young people are still welcome to come spend time together while their parents are in Sunday School. Our awesome nursery staff is ready to care for the little ones and right across the hall we have hang out space for older kids and youth.



Help is needed for the Food Pantry pickup on Mondays. If you have a pickup truck and are available to help, please let the Church Office know. Help is needed on the following days:

1st and 3rd Mondays at 8:00 to pick up from Wal-Mart.

2nd and 4th Mondays at 8:00 to pick up from Sam's Club.

Please let the Church Office know if you can help!



Members
Helping Members

We have some members who are looking for assistance finding a used car. If you know of a relatively inexpensive, working car, please contact the Church Office.

Also, there will be a living estate sale at Wilma Collins house (1023 Holly Drive) on Friday, June 21 and Saturday, June 22 from 9-12 both days. Most items will be half price on Saturday. Cash and checks only. This will really help Wilma out if we can get her extra belongings sold to a good home. Please tell your neighbors and friends about the sale. Questions? call Cindy Blosser 573-291-7777 (Also if you can help with the sale or help afterwards give Cindy a call.)



Noisy Offering
FCC FOOD PANTRY
 _____ JUNE 23

The Food Pantry needs your help!
 The pantry is very low on some items and are expecting a greater need now that school is out for the summer. We serve about 75 families per week. We are especially low on canned tuna, canned chicken, canned corn, macaroni and cheese, ramen noodles and 16-18 ounce peanut butter. If you can grab a few items, you can drop them in the grocery cart by the Church Office. You can also make a monetary donation and the pantry can purchase what they need. Any amount would be



Have Some Extra Time?
Volunteer at the Food Pantry

Focus on the Food Pantry!

Food Pantry is on Tuesdays from Noon until 4. Volunteers are needed before Noon to help set up and after 4 to help put things away. Any time you can spare would be appreciated!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
 Save the date for Sunday June 23rd!

We will use the Moment for Young People to talk about what it takes to open our Food Pantry on a Tuesday from Noon to 4 pm and let about 75 families “shop” for food.

We will recognize the many people it takes to make that happen!

Then, we will pass the Noisy Offering, giving everyone a chance to support our Food Pantry



PLAN TO JOIN US FOR A

Church Picnic

Sunday, June 30 following worship.
Hot dogs, chips, ice cream and fellowship!

Please use this link to RSVP for the Church Picnic on June 30. If you cannot use the link, please contact the Church Office before June 26.

<https://forms.gle/WzLpsZwRkMJEazfa8>

Lohman Lions Club BBQ

Sunday - June 30th, 2024

Lohman Community Bldg. - 8910 Lincoln St.
Dine-in or carryout - starting at 10:30 am
Chicken, Pork Steak & Brat Dinners \$14.00

Patriotic Worship Service - 9 am
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church - on the hill

Corner Collectables - open 9 am - 3 pm

Lohman Community Center Open House - 10:30 am - 3 pm
Historical display of Millbrook, Stringtown & Lohman

Old historic Lohman Mill tours - 11 am - 3 pm
Book-signing by Jeremy Amick

Mid-Mo Old Car Club will be on Front St., under the big tree, from 10:30 - 2:30
Everyone is welcome to bring their cars and show them off

St. Paul's WELCA will be serving on Church grounds beginning at 6 pm:
Hot dogs, Nachos & cheese, chips, Root beer floats, Dessert, Soda & Water

Fireworks - 9 PM

On the grounds of St. Paul's Lutheran Church sponsored by:

- Lohman Lions Club
- City of Lohman
- Xtreme Body & Paint
- Farmers Bank of Lohman
- Weber-Millard Funeral Home

Not responsible for accidents

Virginia Lister will be hosting tours at the Old Historic Lohman Mill from 11-3.

June Anniversaries

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| John & Cindy Blosser 3 | Barb & Bill Marshall 18 |
| Beth & Steve Nolte 3 | Doris & Wade Park 18 |
| Claude & Roxie Hawkins 5 | Jamie & Travis Jackson 19 |
| Drew & Katherine Gonder 7 | Carol & Rick Andris 21 |
| Carson & Erin Lepper 7 | Geoff & Sondra Gonder 23 |
| Corey & Shelley Dawson 9 | Amy & Dustin Kuebler 23 |
| Brenda & Stephen Foutes 10 | Matthew & Shelly Woodson 29 |
| Barry & Janice Gentile 10 | Don & Terri Lloyd 30 |
| Bill & Nancy Mormann 10 | |
| Bob & Sally Robuck 14 | |
| Carol & Ron Jordan 15 | |



Green Team

One of the items of some interest in our Green survey was that the FCC Green Team work with other church's green teams. The good news is that this effort has been quietly taking form for some time - here's an update.

Since the fall of 2022, members of the FCC Green Team have been meeting with several other Jefferson City churches, coordinating efforts on environmental stewardship. It began as a very informal group that occasionally met to share concerns and ideas for action.

Since then a steering committee has been formed, a name chosen - Interfaith Climate Action -, a Facebook created and ICA has coordinated participation in a few events such as the Earth Day event at Memorial Park.

Blair Johnson is the FCC Green Team delegate to the steering committee. If you have thoughts about coordinated action of the Jefferson City faith community, please see Blair or Georgia Griffith.

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
Kelly Leveron & Autumn
Greg Maire, fighting cancer
Dan Meade, brother of Mary Ann Weaver
Donald L. Miller, brother of Jon Miller, fighting cancer
PK Karrenbrock, granddaughter of a long time co-worker of
Bobbi Enslens at Central Bank.
Wilma Collins
Kathy Brown
Wendell Hubbs
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!

Did you also get The Bell in the mail? In an effort to keep our paper printing and mailing costs low, we encourage you to subscribe online. To receive only via email, send a message to fccjcmooffice@gmail.com! Your help is greatly appreciated!

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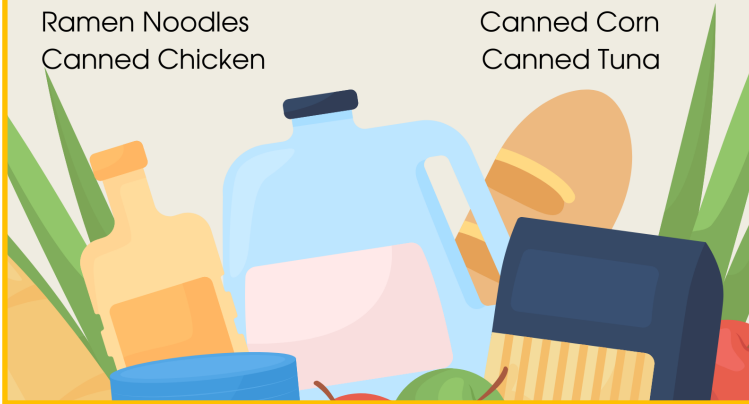
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FOOD DRIVE

You can help our pantry help the less fortunate. Please consider donating any of these items. Items can be dropped off at the Church Office!

Peanut Butter
Ramen Noodles
Canned Chicken

Mac and Cheese
Canned Corn
Canned Tuna



John Howland shared a presentation about his mission work in Malawi with the Friendship Sunday School class on June 16.



Faith Seekers Out and About

The Faith Seekers group took a trip to Branson. They had a wonderful lunch at The Ozark Mill, then saw the story of Esther brought to life at the Sight and Sound Theatre.



June Birthdays

Leon Veltrop	1	Nike Thompson	10	Robin Grumm	27
Frances Benton	2	Alan Nelson	12	Carol Jordan	27
Donna Brown	2	Alexis Gandyloyd	14	Doug Hagenhoff	28
Georgia Griffith	3	Cyndy Millard	16	Arden Claycomb	30
Gabee Fallert	5	Dr. Michael Dunn	17		
Alexis Bennett	6	Bill Marshall	17		
Geoff Gonder	6	Miles Beachboard	20		
Sue Snell	8	Sandy Bennett	20		
Steve Amick	9	Milinda Dawson	21		
Amy Kuebler	9	Alexis Goodwin	24		
Linda Martin	10	Callie Thompson	24		
Harrison Sheppard	10	Christopher Lloyd	26		

A Note from the FCC Office:

As I am working on the next issues of The Bell, it came to me that it would be nice to have updates from the various committees, fellowship groups, Sunday School classes and ministry groups in the church. I would like to extend a formal invitation to submit items from your group. I would love to have ideas that you are considering, events, photos etc. I publish The Bell every 2 weeks. I would love to have any updates from your groups. Please consider sending in some information.



**United Way Food for Kids
Volunteers Needed**



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 have been assigned the week of July 29-August 2.** We are needed from 10:15 -11:30 each day. If you are able to volunteer, or would like more information, please contact Ann Littlefield or the Church Office.

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AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES:
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 SUNDAY, IT WILL NOT BE CHECKED UNTIL MONDAY MORNING. THANK YOU.



The next *Church Bell* will be sent July 3 2024.
(Articles are due by noon the Friday before)



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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 www.cgcb.org.



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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