



the VISITOR

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OUR MISSION
**To know God and
follow Jesus Christ.**

Happening Soon

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

- Father's Day
- On-Site Worship Service, 9:30am
- VBS, 6-8pm, All Church

MONDAY, JUNE 21

- VBS, 6-8pm, All Church

TUESDAY, JUNE 22

- Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, TBD
- VBS, 6-8pm, All Church

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

- Midweek Connect, 10:30am, Zoom
- Bible Study, Noon, Morris Parlor
- Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, TBD
- VBS, 6-8pm, All Church

THURSDAY, JUNE 24

- VBS, 6-8pm, All Church

SUNDAY, JUNE 27

- On-Site Worship Service, 9:30am
- Congregational Mtg, After Worship

MONDAY, JUNE 28

- Deadline for Visitor Submissions
- Serving Loaves & Fishes, Wilkes Blvd.

CALENDAR CONTINUED ON PAGE 3



A congregation related to
The Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
www.disciples.org

4th Sunday After Pentecost

JUNE 20TH

"Open Wide Your Hearts"

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg, preaching

Hymn: *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*



2 WORSHIP OPTIONS

IN-PERSON AT CHURCH @ 9:30AM:

In-person worship in the Sanctuary.

AT-HOME, ONLINE: Watch the recording of the live service—available late on Sunday via email/YouTube channel/FCC Facebook page.

*"First Christian Church
(Columbia, Missouri)"*

5th Sunday After Pentecost

JUNE 27TH

"This Generous Undertaking"

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg, preaching

Hymn: *He Leadeth Me*

COME TO VBS!

June 20-24

Sunday-Thursday

6-8pm

Ages 3-Grade 7



We can't wait for you to join us for Vacation Bible School this year! Get ready to have fun as we come together on a "Quest for God's Great Light"! See you, starting this Sunday!

REGISTER NOW: FccColumbiaMO.MyCokesburyVBS.com

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Contact Jessica Humble: humblejess@aol.com.

This is a Double Issue of the Visitor!

Keep it handy until July 1.

Chi-Rho '21 Mission Trip

Canton, MO



In the last year of youth groups — on Zoom, at the park, and finally in-person, six of FCC's middle schoolers have stuck together! It turned out that the Fantastic Six (Alex, Brady, Sam, Paige, Jodie, and Aubrey) were the crew on this year's Chi-Rho Mission Trip to Canton, Mo., in early June. What a fun team!

The three-day trip included making several hundred take-home food bags for local children, getting to care for kittens at a local animal shelter, painting fun summer scenes on the windows of a local nursing home, and assisting the local food pantry with a major move of supplies.

The story of Jesus feeding thousands was part of the group's devotional each evening. They cooked food, shared in the tradition of lots of ice cream, and even spent a little time on "The Hill" at Culver-Stockton College. A mission trip always includes some mini-golf, and for the Chi-Rho crew, two different local pools — Moberly on the way, Hannibal on the way home. (Hannibal had the better slides!)

This trip was a last hurrah under the leadership team of Jimmy Spear and Holly Gieseke. This trip marked their 14th year of co-leading Chi-Rho. What a fantastic group to end such an adventure. Thank you, Holly! This year's group of mostly new mission trippers has now started their own tradition with great energy and spirit.

Thanks also to Canton Christian Church and Culver-Stockton College for the abundant hospitality.



Ways you can SERVE

volunteers, and spread the joy these roles bring to more of our members, please consider volunteering. If you are interested in serving in any of these roles, or would like to know more, sign-up through the church website (firstchristian.org/volunteer) or contact the church office. Thank you in advance for taking the time to serve First Christian Church!

Volunteers Needed for Various Sunday Morning Service Roles

The church is in need of volunteers for numerous Sunday morning roles, including: *Rideshare Drivers, Greeters, Ushers, Chancel Flower Arrangers and Deliverers, and more.*

In order to lighten the scheduling load on the preexisting list of

Happy Birthday to You!



- June 19 John Rogers
- June 20 Donna Meyer
- June 21 Carol Slusher
- June 22 Kim Reardon, Pat Rybolt
- June 23 Heather Hunsaker
- June 25 Steve Evers
- June 26 John Hickey, Julie Holliday
- June 30 Bryant Savidan
- July 1 Mary Jane Anderson,
Cole Freed, Bette Scavone,
Emily Unterschutz

Sign Up to Purchase Chancel Flowers

Sign-Up for '21-'22 Dates Beginning this Sunday, June 20th



The beautiful flowers that grace our chancel every Sunday don't just magically appear. They are purchased by wonderful people just like you to honor someone special, to celebrate an anniversary or to remember a departed family member.

After the worship service, the flowers are

taken to someone who might need a pick-me-up; shut-ins, patients at hospitals, friends of FCC and more!

Anyone who wishes to sign up for donating flowers for the chancel (only \$30) for the 2021-'22 year can sign up in the church office. Beginning this Sunday, June 20, 2021-'22 dates are available for sign-up before/after worship in the Narthex and we would love to fill them all!

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

News of the People

Sympathy...

Our deepest sympathy goes to **Doug & Cindy Smith** on the sudden, unexpected passing of their daughter **Dr. Laura Smith** (43), who died Wednesday, June 9. Our sympathy also goes out to Laura's surviving children, ages 7 and 5. A service will be held at FCC on Saturday, the 26th at 1:30pm, with a reception to follow. Graveside service pending.

Wedding...

Gavin Rose married **Kellie Malin** (pictured at right) on May 27 in a ceremony held at Stephens Lake Park. Rev. Jimmy Spear officiated. Gavin is the oldest son of **Tom & Cindy Rose**.



Other News...

Fred Mottaz returned to the office Monday, June 7, and he continues his slow recovery from foot surgery.

Julia LaHue, daughter of **Jeff & Amy LaHue**, is spending her summer volunteering at the Cango Wildlife Ranch in Oudtshoorn, South Africa, a facility that is home to more than 90 animal species, where volunteers like Julia provide care and enrichment for the animals.

College Scholarship Awards

July 11th, During 9:30am Worship

The FCC Scholarship Committee has met and determined the recipients of the FCC Scholarships for the 2021-'22 academic year. Please join us in worship on July 11, as we present scholarships (totaling nearly \$15,000!) to these 15 college students in our church family.



Church Calendar (Cont'd from page 1)

TUESDAY, JUNE 29

- Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

- Midweek Connect, 10:30am, Zoom
- Bible Study, Noon, Morris Parlor
- Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, Sanctuary

Happy Anniversary!

- June 26 Larry & Peggy Veatch (56 yrs)
- July 1 Ron & Judy Longaker (54 yrs)



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June 2021						
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DOUBLE-ISSUES ARE HERE!

With the summer months, come double-issues of the Visitor.

Please note the calendar to the left. **Circled dates are Publication Days** for the Visitor: Summer Edition.

*Please have submissions to the church office by the **MONDAY MORNING PRIOR** to the desired publication date. Thanks!*

Note: Weekly issues resume on August 27.



Congregational Meeting

June 27, Directly Following
9:30 Worship
To Approve '21-'22 Budget