

**FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM SCHEDULE:**

3/5 - Johnny, Tara, Savannah, Allan, Amanda, & Margaret  
3/12 - Johnny, Clayton, Brandy, Savannah, Pat, & Tara  
3/19 - Allen, Robin, Mason, Jeanne, Lee, & Linda  
3/26 - Allen, Kastina, Ann, Kayleigh, Jeanne, & Mason

**NURSERY SCHEDULE:**

3/5 - Gayle H., Allan L., & Melanie J.  
3/12 - Diane B., Allan L., & Kate C.  
3/19 - Holly H., Allan L., & Lora B.  
3/26 - Olivia M., Allan L., & Brandy N.

**CONNECTION CAFÉ SCHEDULE:**

3/5 - sh1: Steven K; sh2: Amanda L & Allan L;  
sh3: John & Kate C  
3/12 - sh1: Steven K; sh2: Brandy S & Deborah F;  
sh3: Teresa A & Carolyn B  
3/19 - sh1: Steven K; sh2: Barry & Gina W;  
sh3: Ken & Pat P  
3/26 - sh1: Steven K; sh2: Nina C & Elizabeth S;  
sh3: Robert & Belinda M

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**Weekly at FCC:**

**Sundays**

8:00 a.m., Worship Team rehearsal (*sanctuary*)  
9:00 a.m., Sunday School  
10:00 a.m., Worship Service & nursery  
10:25 a.m., Junior Church, 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders \*  
(\* - Junior Church meets right outside the main entrance to the sanctuary, when directed)

**Tuesdays**

6:30 p.m., Ladies' Bible Study (*Café Conf. Room*)

**Wednesdays**

6:00 p.m., Fellowship Meal (*Fellowship Hall*)  
6:30 p.m., Worship Team rehearsal (*sanctuary*)  
6:45 p.m., Youth classes (*Teen Center*)  
7:00 p.m., Adult Bible study (*Worship Center bldg.*)



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**Ministry Staff**

**Ron Nolen**, *Pastor*  
**Kevin Adkins**, *Minister of Worship & Connections*  
**Brady Bassett**, *Youth Minister*

**Office Hours:**

Mon-Thur.....8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Friday.....8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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# First Christian Highlights

## MARCH 2017

*“Connect to God, Grow in Christ, Serve Others”*

### From the Pastor's Desk

**Pray for One** is one of the most important things we will do for the Lord's Kingdom. Continue to pray that God will bring someone into your life with whom you can share the love of Jesus. This has the potential to change their eternity!

**Catching up on the essentials.** Since we have paid off the church's mortgage, we are attempting to do just that! Here are some of those essentials...

- A new sound system has been installed (\$13K) that we are presently working the kinks out of.
- I am sure you have noticed that major groundskeeping work has been done and is in progress.
- We are in the process of correcting what we consider to be 'safety' issues in and around our buildings.
- A fresh coat of paint, as well as some repairs, will be coming to our Worship Center this Spring.
- We will soon begin the process of making our white house ready for ministry. On March 11, beginning at 9:00 a.m., we have a work day scheduled to work on the house—inside and out.
- One of our safety issues is buying a new church van and we currently have around \$24,000 of the \$50,000 required for the purchase.

We are committed to 'pay as you go' on all of the above items and the contributions that were previously dedicated to the mortgage are now being focused on outreach, safety, facility repairs, and facility upgrades.

**Pastor Ron**

### WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS AT FCC

- 3/1 - Roast Pork & Gravy
- 3/8 - NO MEAL (*Family Promise Host Week*)
- 3/15 - Meatloaf
- 3/22 - Shepherd's Pie
- 3/29 - Spaghetti Pie



You are invited to join us for Wednesday Evening Meals, Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. The price is only \$2 per person or \$7.50 per family.

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**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** (*ages 18 to 29*)  
Sundays, at 9:00 a.m. (*Prayer Room*)

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**LADIES BIBLE STUDY**  
Tuesdays, at 6:30 p.m. (*Café Conference Room*)

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**\*\*\*NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES ON MARCH 8\*\*\***

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FCC is preparing to purchase a new church van to replace our old van which is no longer safe or dependable. Since we want to do this without going into debt, we are accepting donations toward the purchase. VAN FUND GIVING ENVELOPES are located at the Welcome Center. [So far, \$23,823.<sup>24</sup> of the \$50,000 needed has been collected.]



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Did you know that Communion is prepared each Sunday by volunteers? If you are looking for a great way to serve that is more "behind the scenes," give the **Communion Preparation Team** a try! This is scheduled on a monthly rotation that requires about 20 minutes of time before Sunday School and again after Worship. This is a great way for families to serve together. *If you would like more information, please contact Tonya Higgs at (478) 320-6278.*

### **FAMILY PROMISE HOST WEEK: March 5 - 12**

Family Promise will be a part of **Peaches to Beaches**, Georgia's biggest & longest yard sale, on **March 10 & 11, 2017**. The sale items will be located at Grillmaster BBQ, in Perry (between **8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on both days**). **Donations of household items, other than clothes, are being accepted to sell.** (*Call Diane South, at (860) 908-6687 to coordinate pickup or delivery of donated items.*) Family Promise will provide a tax deduction form for the items donated, upon request.

Due to the blessing of the two showers, the **need for more launderers** has increased. This is a great way to help homeless families in our community.

If you would like to be a launderer, or be involved in this ministry in other ways, please contact Ken or Pat Presse, at (478) 951-3956 or [presse1722@windstream.net](mailto:presse1722@windstream.net).

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**ELDER'S MEETING**  
Thursday, March 9, at 6:30 p.m.

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL INTEREST MEETING**  
If you are interested in **volunteering for VBS 2017**, join us on **Sunday, March 12**, right after Worship, in the Café Conference Room, for a brief meeting.

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**LEADERSHIP PLANNING MEETING**  
Sunday, March 12, at 6:00 p.m. (*Café Conf. Room*)

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**LADIES MONTHLY LUNCH**  
Thursday, March 16, at 1:00 p.m. (*Grill Masters, Perry*)

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Our **Nursery Ministry** is looking for volunteers to serve in our nursery, on a rotational basis (not every week), on Sundays and/or Wednesdays. *Contact Brandy Nasworthy or the church office ([fcc-staff@firstchristian.net](mailto:fcc-staff@firstchristian.net) or 478-987-5428), if you are interested.*

### **SENIORS MINISTRY (55+)**



The Rose Theater in Forsythe is presenting *The Crucible*, by Arthur Miller, on **March 19**, at **2:30 p.m.** Tickets are \$15 or \$12 (62+). We will car-pool over, leaving right after church, with a stop at Shoney's in Forsyth for lunch. If you are interested in attending, contact Pat Presse, at 478-951-3956. Tickets will be purchased the morning of March 15.

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**HOT DOG LUNCH**  
Sunday, March 26  
*right after Worship, in the Fellowship Hall*

\$5 per adult  
\$2 per child, 10 and under  
(Children age 2 and under FREE)

Take Out plates available  
**\*All proceeds go to this summer's C.I.Y. trip**

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This year's **Ladies Retreat** is based on Ann Voskamp's 'The Broken Way,' by Ann Voskamp. **Where: Adrian Camp & Conference Center, Adrian, Georgia; When: May 5 - 7**, Friday night to early Sunday afternoon; **Cost: \$115** (Double Occupancy) or \$150 (Private Room); cost covers lodging, 6 meals, craft supplies & supplies. *Sign up in the foyer. This year's retreat will include a special discussion group for High School students, led by Lora Bassett!*

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Our **Connection Café Ministry** is looking for volunteers for Sundays (involves setting up, brewing coffee, & cleaning up after Worship). *To serve on rotation in this ministry, contact the church office or Steven Kidd ([skiddx2@cox.net](mailto:skiddx2@cox.net) or 987-5428).*

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**M & M's for Christ-In-Youth**—Don't forget to fill those M & M's tubes with money and then return the money-filled tubes to the church. It's a worthwhile cause! All proceeds go to **helping raise funds to get our youth to this summer's Christ-In-Youth Convention!**