

Senior Ladies Bible Study. All ladies, age 60+, are invited to take part in a day Bible study that just started last week. This 7-week study will meet in the Connection Café each Thursday, from 9:30 - 11 a.m. ONE in a million by Priscilla Shirer, will be led by Ms. Joe Nell Molz. For more info., contact Ms. Joe Nell at 987-2383.



New Ladies Bible Study: **Sweeter than Chocolate! Mindset Learning and Living the Will of God** (An Inductive Study of Romans 7 by Pam Gillaspie). **June 21st - August 9th, 7 p.m.**, in FCC's Connection Conference Room.

First Family News is FCC's weekly e-newsletter (if you have not been receiving this email, check your email SPAM or JUNK folder). To receive this email, and/or add prayer requests, make it known on a Connection Card, email us at fcc-staff@firstchristian.net, or just give us a call at 987-5428.



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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, 1st - 5th Graders

Tuesdays

- 7:00 p.m. Ladies Bible study (*Conference room*)

Wednesdays

- 6:30 p.m. Worship Team rehearsal (*sanctuary*)

Thursdays

- 9:00 a.m. Senior Ladies Bible study (*C-Café*)



Ministry Staff

- Ron Nolen, *Pastor*
- Kevin Adkins, *Minister of Worship & Connections*
- Rob Shawhan, *Youth Minister*

Office Hours:
 Monday-Thursday.....8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Friday.....8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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First Christian Highlights
JUNE 2011

"Connect to God, Grow in Christ, Serve Others"

Dear Church Family,

Summer is not here yet but it sure is hot! I don't want to think about how hot it will be in August. Because of the heat and lack of rain, I have been watering my three (yes, three) tomato plants, along with two cucumber and one squash plant, each morning. You already know that I am not a real gardener (like Mr. Gene Langston) but I do want some of the benefits that come with raising some of your own vegetables.



My little vegetable garden needs additional water when it does not get its water from Mother Nature. We are a lot like my small garden: we need watering from the Word of God. If not, we too, will wilt under the pressures of life. Summer is that time of year when we can relax, get out of routines, take vacations, and visit with friends. It is so easy to become spiritually dehydrated.



Therefore, this summer, in the midst of your travels, make sure you get enough spiritual nourishment. This means, please make sure you attend church. The value of worship sometimes is not appreciated until we have been away for a while. Don't let the hectic pace of summer spiritually dehydrate you. Make time for worship. It is when you worship that you began to produce the fruits of a healthy walk with God.



Pastor Ron

Wednesday Night Activities

REMINDER: **Wednesday Night Activities** are stopped for June and July to accommodate summer vacations and give those who serve on Wednesday nights a small break. This includes youth group Bible studies, adult Bible studies, and our dinners (*Worship Team rehearsals will continue as usual throughout the summer*). We will resume our normal Wednesday night activities in August. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Rob Shawhan or Lee Dunbar.

Move Up Sunday for all Sunday school classes and youth groups is scheduled for **June 5th**. Our Sunday school classes are Pre - K., Kindergarten, 1st - 3rd grades, 4th - 5th, 6th - 8th, 9th - 12th, and Junior Church is also included. An example, if your child is entering the 4th grade next year, they would join the 4th grade Sunday school class on June 5th. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Lee Dunbar.



One Harvest Ministries is a ministry (*similar to Angel Food Ministries*) that provides quality food products, in bulk at an affordable price, to feed your own household or donate to less fortunate households. If you would like to purchase food from One Harvest, contact Chelle Hollon at (478) 287-5035, or check out their website (www.oneharvest.com).

Angel Food Ministries is still available for those who prefer it (see their website, www.angelfoodministries.com, for the distribution center nearest you.)

REMINDER: FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH WILL NO LONGER SERVE AS A DISTRIBUTION POINT FOR ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM SCHEDULE:

- 6/5 - David, Robin, Lynn, Kayleigh, Dalton, Kastina, Lee, and Linda
- 6/12 - Larry, Margaret, Krystal, Veronica, Samantha, Carolyn, Johnny, and Tara
- 6/19 - Larry, Kendall, Kelly, Carolyn, Virginia, Pat, Ken, and Cheryl
- 6/26 - Charles, Ann, Marlene, Jimmy, Susan, Brenda, Allen, and Jeanne

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

- 6/5 - Gayle, Carolyn, Melanie
- 6/12 - Diane B., Donna, Leigh
- 6/19 - Nina, Kastina, VOLUNTEER
- 6/26 - VOLUNTEER, Kathryn, Cheryl

CONNECTION CAFE SCHEDULE:

- 6/5 - sh1: Steven K & Pat P; sh2: Brian A & Elizabeth C; sh3: Jen & Griff C
- 6/12 - sh1: Steven K & Pat P; sh2: Amanda & Allan L; sh3: Virginia S & Cheri R
- 6/19 - sh1: Steven K & Jessica J; sh2: James C & Samantha S; sh3: Robert & Belinda M
- 6/26 - sh1: Steven K & Virginia S; sh2: Virginia S & Cheri R; sh3: Bryan & Twyla S

Looking for a Place to Serve? First Christian Church has a threefold mission statement: **CONNECT** to God, **GROW** in Christ, and **SERVE** others. **First things first**, we desire that everyone make that vital, life-changing connection with God, and continue to connect with Him through worship. **Second**, we want everyone to build a close relationship with God, in Christ, and continue to grow in that relationship by going to a Sunday School class, Wednesday night Bible studies, and/or small group studies. **Third**, you need to find the area(s) in which you can serve.

You see, God has gifted each of us with gifts for service and there are so many areas in which to serve at First Christian Church! Are you looking for a place to serve but are not sure what God would have you do?



Start by seeking God's guidance through prayer and the Word, take into consideration what you are good at doing and what you like to do, then step out on faith and start serving! And if you are still not sure, contact the church office and we will work with you to help you find the right place to serve!

Father's Day is Sunday, June 19...

What can be said of this set aside day? Realistically, there are some who feel they have no reason to celebrate any day that is called Father's Day. Maybe you shudder at the very thought of Father's Day because you have no good memories of a father, or, rather, no memories of an earthly father at all... Whatever the reason(s) may be, KNOW THIS: We ALL have a **LOVING, CARING FATHER** which is heaven! If we have a relationship with Him, we can ALL celebrate Father's Day!

