

The Christian Visitor November 2018



We are called to share our Christian Faith and Christ's Love with all people.

Our Life Together in November

Thanksgiving Offering November 11th & 18th

On November 11th and 18th, Disciples churches across the US and Canada will collect the Thanksgiving offering. Your gift to the Thanksgiving offering helps to support the work of our institutions of higher learning in many ways: financially supporting Disciples related schools, providing undergraduate scholarships and support for spiritual life offices, and providing scholarships and support for those pursuing theological education.

Youth Sunday November 4th

The youth will be acting as worship leaders and greeters during the worship service on Sunday, November 4th. Come support our youth and the commitment to their faith formation!

DWM Service Project November 11th

All women and girls of the congregation are invited to join the ladies of DWM following worship on Sunday, November 11. We will gather in the fellowship hall for a simple meal of soup and sandwiches provided by Sharon. Following the meal, we will continue in fellowship and make pillows for the Gibson Area Hospital. All materials will be provided and there will be something for every age and ability. We hope you can join us!!! (Please let Sharon know by Friday, November 9 if you will be able to attend. Call 217-784-5319 or email pbl86prep@gmail.com)

Filling the Pulpit in November & December

November 4th: Herb Knudsen
Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Mark 12:28-34
"Life's #1 Priority"

November 11th: Herb Knudsen
I Kings 17:8-16; Mark 12:38-44
"No Larger Gift Than..."

November 18th: Beth Rupe

November 25th: Joe Culpepper

December 2nd: Herb Knudsen
I Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36
"Have an Advent Attitude"

December 9th: Herb Knudsen
Luke 3:1-6
"Getting Ready for Christmas"

December 16th: Joe Culpepper

December 23rd: Beth Rupe

December 30th: Herb Knudsen
I Samuel 2:18-20,26; Luke 2:41-52
"And What of the Future?"

ATTENDANCE		SUNDAY WEEK					
		1	2	3	4	5	AVG
2018	JAN	40	56	53	45		49
2018	FEB	45	22	43	42		38
2018	MARCH	54	41	46	39		45
2018	APRIL	78	53	51	49	54	57
2018	MAY	38	56	57	44		49
2018	JUNE	57	24	51	46		45
2018	JULY	46	41	42	40	30	40
2018	AUG	48	42	42	45		44
2018	SEPT	46	55	48	47	51	49
2018	OCT	63	68	51	50		58
	AVG	51.5	45.8	48.4	44.8	45.0	

More in the Life and Witness of the First Christian Church

November Serving Schedule

Communion Bread Baker—Melanie Warfield

Sunday, November 4th

Greeters: *Youth*

Elders: *David Hagan, Arlen DeWall, Don Eberly*

Deacons: *Adam Kincaid, Lori Rinehart, Sue McClard
Beth Tabor, Leah McClure, Jay Kristensen*

Offering Stewards: *Colin Kristensen Kate Kristensen
Alex Barnard, Genna Kincaid*

Worship Leader: *Youth*

Candlelighter: *Evan Landers-Kristensen*

Communion Preparation: *Jay Kristensen*

Home Communion: *David Hagan and Jay Kristensen*

Sunday, November 11th

Greeters:

Elders: *Sharon Higgins, Melanie Warfield, Cheryl Elder*

Deacons: *Tim Ricks, Katy Neal, David DeWall
Kristine Medler, Jeff Elder*

Worship Leader:

Communion Preparation: *Katy Neal*

Home Communion: *Sharon Higgins and Katy Neal*

Sunday, November 18th

Greeters:

Elders: *Barb Meyer, Sue Walker, Marilyn Tjardes*

Deacons: *Mike Finis, Ryan Iverson, Janet Iverson
Mary Alice McRae, Ed Hopkey*

Worship Leader:

Communion Preparation: *Ryan Iverson*

Home Communion: *Barb Meyer and Ryan Iverson*

Sunday, November 25th

Greeters:

Elders: *David Hagan, Arlen DeWall, Don Eberly*

Deacons: *Adam Kincaid, Lori Rinehart, Sue McClard
Beth Tabor, Leah McClure, Jay Kristensen*

Worship Leader:

Communion Preparation: *Sue McClard*

Home Communion: *Arlen DeWall and Sue McClard*

Hustlers

Sunday, November 25th 7:00PM
Host/Hostess: Jim & Sue McClard

Men's Breakfast

November 4th
Host: David Hagan

Elders Breakfast

November 11th
Host: David Hagan

Disciples Women's Ministry

Tuesday, November 20th 7:00 pm
Hostess: Sharon Higgins
Location: Church
Study Leader: Marilyn Tjardes

Outreach

Food Pantry: 23 items were received in September for the Shepherd's Closet Food Pantry.

2018 year to date: 382 items received

Next Pantry Sunday: November 4th

Memorial Gifts

Memorial Gifts given to First Christian Church have been received in the name of

Hugh Reynolds

These gifts are added to our Memorial Fund for current and future projects, furthering our shared ministry and mission.

Note Time Change

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Set clocks back by Sunday morning,

November 4th

Greeters / Worship Leaders

Please consider serving as a greeter or worship leader in November.

A sign-up sheet can be found in the narthex.

Office Hours:
 Mon—Fri: 9:00 am—1:00 pm
 Church Phone: 217-784-5460
 gcfcdoc@yahoo.com
 fcdocgc.com

November 2018

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2	3 8:00 AM City Recycling
4 Youth Sunday 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Youth Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship--Herb Knudsen	5	6 9:00 AM Prayer	7 7:00 PM Choir		8	9	10 9:00 AM Food Pantry
11 8:00 AM Elders Breakfast 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Youth Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship--Herb Knudsen	12	13 9:00 AM Prayer 6:30 PM Church Board	14 7:00 PM Choir		15	16	17 8:00 AM City Recycling
18 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Youth Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship--Beth Rupe	19	20 9:00 AM Prayer 5:30 PM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM DWM	21 7:00 PM Choir		22 Thanksgiving Office Closed	23	24 9:00 AM Food Pantry
25 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Youth Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship--Joe Culppepper 7:00 PM Hustlers	26	27 9:00 AM Prayer	28 7:00 PM Choir		29	30	

**LOCAL
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES
November 2018**

- 9 Kate Kristensen
Colin Kristensen
10 Lila Parsons
Sue DeWall
14 Katy Neal
17 Ryan Iverson
18 Sharon Higgins
19 Matt and Pat Provin '94
21 Lane Elder
23 Emily Elder
30 Joe and Tara Mouser '85
Keegan Wayne DeWall



Church Board

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday, November 13th at 6:30 pm. If you have any items to add to the agenda, please send them to the church office.

Thank You

We are grateful to those who were able to attend the "Celebration of Women's Ministry" on Sunday, October 28 and to those who mailed a contribution. On behalf of DWM, I want to say, "Thank you, Thank you, Thank you" for your gifts to Disciples Women's Ministries. With your support, we can continue to serve as women of faith and reach out to those in need. Again thank you and God bless you for your support in this outreach effort. - Sharon Higgins

Messiah Rehearsals

Rehearsal schedule for this year's Messiah: Monday evenings November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th at 7pm at First Presbyterian Church. Dress rehearsal: Saturday afternoon, December 1st at the Bible Church. Performance: Sunday, December 2nd at 3pm at the Bible Church. Please join us to celebrate the 75th year since the first performance of the Messiah in 1944!

Administrative Assistant - Jennifer Hagan
Choir Director - Tim Ricks
Church Pianist - Joan Ricks
Custodians - Jeff and Cheryl Elder

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship Service
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