Weekly Update

February 20, 2019

**THIS SUNDAY**

This week’s guest minister will be Jim Boswell.

He will be preaching on Luke 6:27-36.

**NOTE FROM JIM BOSWELL**

I was recently in Wilson, North Carolina on Feb. 2 for the celebration of my father's 100th Birthday.  Wilson and its county have about 80,000 people and the local paper interviewed Dad, who was a B-17 pilot. You can probably find his article on the internet if you look for "Wilson Times, James Boswell, B-17 pilot."  His church went all out in celebrating his birthday the next day. It was a wonderful time! Also, the following was written and prepared by our church's organist:

<https://caseywchildersphotography.wordpress.com/2019/02/09/52560000-minutes/>

**SERVING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24TH**

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

**Deacons:** *Tim Ricks, Katy Neal, David DeWall*

*Kristine Medler, Jeff Elder*

**Worship Leader:** *Sarah Higgins*

**Communion Preparation:** *Katy Neal*

**Home Communion:** *Cheryl Elder and Katy Neal*

**Greeter:** *Barb Meyer*

**CHILI COOKOFF HUGE SUCCESS!**

The Outreach Committee would like to express their sincere thanks to all who helped make this year’s annual cook-off a success. Through your generosity we raised $550 to provide support for Robb and Sheila Warfield for their continuing mission with Dakar Academy in Senegal.

Congratulations to Sarah Higgins who won the chili trophy! Again thanks to all who participated, provided treats and made donations!

**DWM BLANKET SUNDAY**

Contributions to the DWM for blankets has totaled $365!! Thank you to everyone for your generous support.

**WORSHIP LEADERS AND GREETERS**

Please consider serving as a greeter or worship leader in the coming months. Sign-up sheets can be found in the narthex.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY**

The church’s pictorial directory will be updated over the next few months. We are asking everyone to provide a recent family photo and current contact information (address, email, cell phone, etc.) to be used in the update. These items may be sent to the church’s email address or brought in to the church office.

**PRAYER LIST**

**Rosella Jesse –**Annex **Room 224**

**Bill and Jean Kerchenfaut – new address**

6235 Hoffman St #201

North Port, Florida  34287-2285

Jean went in the Hospital over the weekend

**Harold Stimmel**— Hollybrook **Apt 34**

**Harriet Farney**

**Margaret Meers**

**Patty Benz**

**John Weller**

**Evelyn Fawver**

**Barb Bennett**

**Irene Schaefer**

**Marilyn Lowell**

**Mike Lorenzen**

**Jim McClard**

Jim is home resting and recovering

Please also pray for Mat and Elizabeth as they make the move to Gibson City and that we may warmly welcome them to First Christian Church.

**BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

(February 20-February 26, 2019)

February

21: Hailey Johnson

Jessica Moore

22: Dennis Higgins

23: Penny Lorenzen

25: Janet Iverson

Please send us (gcfccdoc@yahoo.com) additions or corrections of birthdays,

anniversaries, or email addresses.

**FUTURE GUEST MINISTERS**

March 3rd: Jim Boswell

March 10th: Beth Rupe

March 17th: Herb Knudsen

March 24th: Herb Knudsen

March 31st: Herb Knudsen

**WEBSITE**

**The church’s website is now live and can be found at** [**www.fccdocgc.com**](http://www.fccdocgc.com)

**On the website, you can view the** [**church video**](https://fccdocgc.com/our-mission/) **made to help with the search process,**

**a** [**calendar**](https://fccdocgc.com/calendar/) **featuring upcoming events,**

**and** [**copies**](https://fccdocgc.com/news/) **of the Weekly Updates and Christian Visitors.**

**ATTENDANCE**

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| FCC ATTENDANCE | | SUNDAY WEEK | | | | |  |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | AVG |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2018 | JULY | 46 | 41 | 42 | 41 | 30 | 40 |
| 2018 | AUGUST | 48 | 42 | 42 | 45 |  | 44 |
| 2018 | SEPTEMBER | 46 | 55 | 48 | 47 | 51 | 49 |
| 2018 | OCTOBER | 63 | 68 | 51 | 50 |  | 58 |
| 2018 | NOVEMBER | 51 | 52 | 55 | 54 |  | 53 |
| 2018 | DECEMBER | 93 | 90 | 68 | 51 | 43 | 69 |
| 2019 | JANUARY | 69 | 34 | 26 | 37 |  | 42 |
| 2019 | FEBRUARY | 57 | 36 |  |  |  | 47 |
|  | AVG | 59.1 | 52.3 | 47.4 | 46.4 | 41.3 |  |

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| Average Monthly Attendance | | |
|  | 1 Yr Ago | Current |
| July | 30 | 40 |
| August | 35 | 44 |
| September | 49 | 49 |
| October | 46 | 58 |
| November | 51 | 53 |
| December | 46 | 69 |
| January | 49 | 42 |