

Weekly Update

April 17, 2019

THIS SUNDAY – EASTER SUNDAY

EASTER BREAKFAST AND EGG HUNT

The entire church is invited to breakfast and an egg hunt at 8:45am on Easter morning, April 21st.
Come be a part of the food, fun, and fellowship!

SERVING SUNDAY APRIL 21ST

Elders: *David Hagan, Arlen DeWall, Don Eberly*
Deacons: *Adam Kincaid, Lori Rinehart, Sue McClard*
Beth Tabor, Leah McClure, Jay Kristensen
Worship Leader: *Carol Hutchcraft*
Communion Preparation: *Adam Kincaid*
Home Communion: *Don Eberly and Adam Kincaid*
Greeters: *Jeff & Cheryl Elder*

COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES TONIGHT AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Theme: “*Finding God in Uncommon Places*”

On Wednesday evenings during Lent area congregations will host a bread and soup supper at 6:00pm, followed by worship at 7:00pm.

CHAIN OF PRAYER

Please consider making time to be a link in our Chain of Prayer. We have over 30 half hour time periods to be filled. You may sign up for a half hour or more. It begins on Thursday, April 18th at 7pm and ends on Friday, April 19th at 7pm. Thank you to those who have signed up to take part and to all who will consider and be able to take part. A sign-up sheet is posted in the narthex.

PRAYER LIST

Harold Stimmel— Hollybrook Apt 34

Harriet Farney

Patty Benz

Evelyn Fawver

Barb Bennett

Irene Schaefer

Mike Lorenzen

Jim McClard

Rodney Mott

Lindsey Graham

Adam Elder

Donnie Batson’s Sister

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.

DWM BABY SHOWER

DWM will be holding a baby shower to support the Shepherd's Closet on Sunday, April 28. This event will be held immediately after church and all are invited. The Shepherd's Closet organization is extremely grateful for our time and generosity in supporting this mission. Here are some items that they have in abundance and due to limited space **DO NOT** need at this time: cloth diapers/ covers, blankets including receiving blankets, any outfits or sleepers larger than 6 months, hats, crib sheets/ bedding of any kind, baby equipment. There is still a need for many other items. Please see the attached list.

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

First Christian Church will be hosting an open house on May 5th from 2-4pm to welcome Pastor Mat Bowen and his wife, Elizabeth, to Gibson City. All in the community are invited to attend.

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 continue to be updated. Anyone who hasn't yet sent in a recent family photo and current contact information (address, email, cell phone, etc.) is asked to do so. These items may be sent to the church's email address or brought in to the church office.

ACCESS TO DIRECTORY

To access the church directory, visit instantchurchdirectory.com or download the instant church directory app and click on church member sign in to create a login. Make sure to use your email address listed in the directory for login. Once you've created a login, the website should automatically link you to our church's directory.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

(April 17-April 23, 2019)

April

17: David DeWall

21: George and Barb Meyer '01

22: Rodney and Brenda Mott '83

Cullen Neal

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

WEBSITE

The church's WEBSITE IS NOW LIVE and can be found at www.fccdocgc.com
On the website, you can view the church video made to help with the search process,
a calendar featuring upcoming events,
and copies of the Weekly Updates and Christian Visitors.

ATTENDANCE

FCC ATTENDANCE	SUNDAY WEEK					AVG
	1	2	3	4	5	
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	42	34		42
2019 MARCH	42	43	40	54	53	46
2019 APRIL	83	67				75
AVG	59.8	52.8	46.0	45.9	44.3	

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
February	38	42
March	45	46