

Weekly Update

April 3, 2019

WELCOME MAT AND ELIZABETH

This Sunday, we welcome Mat Bowen to the pulpit as minister of First Christian Church in Gibson City. There will be a fellowship hour immediately following worship. Please come and ask another member to come with you to welcome Mat and Elizabeth to First Christian Church.

UPDATE ON ADAM ELDER

Due to some last minute tests results Monday morning, Doctors decided not to do the biopsy at this time. They are now taking a different direction of treatment and hopefully this will prove successful. Jeff and I appreciate all your prayers and ask that you continue to keep Adam, Kristy and the boys in your thoughts and prayers in the days ahead.

In Christian love,
Jeff and Cheryl Elder

PRAYER LIST

Harold Stimmel— Hollybrook Apt 34

Harriet Farney

Patty Benz

Evelyn Fawver

Barb Bennett

Irene Schaefer

Mike Lorenzen

Jim McClard

Rodney Mott – Heart surgery

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.

SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to the Noel Hutchcraft family upon the death of Noel's sister, Marilyn Lowell, who passed away on Friday, March 29th.

SERVING SUNDAY APRIL 7TH

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

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

Kristine Medler, Jeff Elder

Worship Leader: *Tim Ricks*

Communion Preparation: *Tim Ricks*

Home Communion: *Melanie Warfield and Tim Ricks*

Greeters: *Jerry & Ida Wahls*

COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES TONIGHT AT NEW BEGINNINGS

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.

April 3rd: New Beginnings

April 10th: United Methodist Church

April 17th: First Christian Church

CHURCH BOARD

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday, April 9th at 6:30pm.

If you have any items that need to be added to the Board Agenda, please send them to the office.

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.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

(April 3-April 9, 2019)

April

4: Carl Cains

9: Josh Johnson

Jennifer Jamison

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
AVG		57.2	51.2	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