Weekly Update

December 4, 2019

**YOUTH SUNDAY**

The youth will have a large role in our service this Sunday.

Please come and support our youth and their faith formation!

**ELDERS BREAKFAST**

Our Elders will meet this Sunday at 8:00am with Arlen DeWall providing the meal.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday school classes for grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and adults begin at 9:00am every Sunday morning.

**SERVING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**

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

 **Deacons:** *Katy Neal, David DeWall, Kristine Medler*

 *Jeff Elder, Ruth Neal, Emily Elder*

 **Worship Leader:** *Youth*

**Communion Preparation:** *Ruth Neal*

 **Home Communion:** *Sharon Higgins and Ruth Neal*

**Greeters:** *Youth*

**CONGRATULATIONS**Congratulations to Alex Barnard, Brecke Barnard, Genna Kincaid, Sarah Higgins, Audrey Iverson, Colin Kristensen, and Kate Kristensen on their baptisms last Sunday.

**YOUTH GROUP**

Our middle-school youth group called “Rise” will continue tonight with a meal at 6:00 and youth group at 6:30! All middle-school students are welcome!

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Our Adult Bible Study will continue meeting tonight at 6:30pm going through the book of Judges. Childcare will be provided for children through 5th grade. Middle-schoolers are welcome to attend middle-school youth group!

**PRAYER LIST**

**Harold Stimmel**

**Harriet Farney**

**Patty Benz**

**Evelyn Fawver**

**Irene Schaefer**

**Mike Lorenzen**

**Chet Goodrich** – has been diagnosed with esophageal cancer and will be spending time with his daughter in Iowa.

**RECYCLING**

First Christian Church is in charge of recycling for the month of December.

Volunteers will be needed on December 7th and 21st from 8:00-11:30am.

Sign-up will be posted in the narthex.

**POINSETTIAS**

If you would like to have a poinsettia placed in the sanctuary in honor or memory of someone please fill out a form and leave in the church office. Order forms can be found in the Sunday bulletins or on the table outside the church office. The cost is $9.00 per plant and the deadline for ordering is December 9th.

**CHURCH BOARD**

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday, December 10th at 6:30pm.

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

**CHRISTMAS CARD TREE**

The Christmas Card Tree has been placed in the narthex to receive your greetings to church members and friends. We invite you to donate any postage savings to the special Christmas Offering.

**OUTREACH**

The Outreach committee is seeking your help in collecting the following items for Shepherd's Closet to assist individuals in need:



*Winter Hats and Gloves or Mittens*

*Please NO SCARVES*

*Children's Underwear (up to size 10)*

*Children's socks*

*Winter Boots*

**YOUNG WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY**

The Young Women’s Bible Study will continue to meet every other Tuesday at 7:00pm. The next meeting will be December 17th. During this study, we are going through a video series on the book of James. Expect a casual atmosphere for spending time hanging out, watching a quick video lesson, and discussing the teaching from the video.

**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.

**BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

(December 4-10, 2019)

 December

5: Jennifer Hagan

7: Tyler Ricks

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**](http://www.fccdocgc.com)

**On the website, you can view a** [**calendar**](https://fccdocgc.com/calendar/) **featuring upcoming events**

**and past** [**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 |
|   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 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 | 86 | 67 |   | 76 |
| 2019 | MAY | 67 | 73 | 63 | 63 |   | 67 |
| 2019 | JUNE | 47 | 44 | 54 | 57 | 40 | 48 |
| 2019 | JULY | 57 | 48 |  46  | 62 |   | 53 |
| 2019 | AUGUST | 53 | 60 | 70 | 42 |  | 56 |
| 2019 | SEPTEMBER | 41 | 78 | 42 | 57 | 62 | 56 |
| 2019 | OCTOBER | 60 | 61 | 64 | 67 |  | 63 |
| 2019 | NOVEMBER | 61 | 59 | 58 | 50 |  | 57 |
| 2019 | DECEMBER | 125 |  |  |  |  | 125 |
|   | AVG | 63.5 | 54.8 | 53.7 | 53.6 | 51.7 |   |

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| Average Monthly Attendance |
|   | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| July | 30 | 40 | 53 |
| August | 35 | 44 | 56 |
| September | 49 | 49 | 56 |
| October  | 46 | 58 | 63 |
| November | 51 | 53 | 57 |
| December | 46 | 69 |  |