Weekly Update

December 11, 2019

**FELLOWSHIP**

There will be a fellowship hour following worship this Sunday hosted by the Men’s group.

**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 15TH**

**Elders:** *Sue Walker, Marilyn Tjardes, Angie Barnard*

**Deacons:** *Ryan Iverson, Janet Iverson, Mary Alice McRae*

*Ed Hopkey, Mike Finis, Adam Kincaid*

**Worship Leader:** *Sarah Higgins*

**Communion Preparation:** *Ed Hopkey*

**Home Communion:** *Marilyn Tjardes and Ed Hopkey*

**Greeters:** *Ron & Melanie Warfield*

**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!

**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.

**DWM**

Disciples Women’s Ministry will meet on Tuesday, December 17th at 6:30pm at the home of Carol Hutchcraft for their annual Christmas potluck.

**RECYCLING**

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

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

Sign-up is posted in the narthex.

**CHRISTMAS CARD TREE**

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

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE**

Our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held on Tuesday, December 24th beginning at 7:00pm.

**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.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Our Adult Bible Study will continue meeting every other Tuesday at 6:30pm going through the book of Judges. The next meeting will be December 18th. Childcare will be provided for children through 5th grade. Middle-schoolers are welcome to attend middle-school youth group!

**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 11-17, 2019)

December

11: Harry & Mary Ellen McClure ‘57

14: Angela Back

15: Ron Hoffman

16: Joe Higgins

Harold Stimmel

Nick Tabor

17: Kristine Medler

Barb Meyer

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 |
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| 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 | 62 |  |  |  | 94 |
|  | AVG | 63.5 | 55.4 | 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 |  |