

THE MESSENGER



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Giddyup for two days of frontier fun!

Vacation Bible School
Wednesday, August 7 from 5:30
to 8:30 pm

Thursday, August 8 from
5:30 to 8:30 pm

Friday, August 9 Program
at 7:00 pm

Ages: 4 years through 9th Grade

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11 West Pine Street, Butler, MO



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August Serving Schedule

August 4

Elder: Shawn Quick
Scripture: Chuck Lewis

9:30 a.m. Worship

Deacons: Judy Colburn, Carol Lewis, Carol Roberts, Mike Studards
Greeter: Judy Colburn

August 11

Elder: Phyllis McBrayer
Scripture: Shawn Quick

9:30 a.m. Worship

Deacons: Derek Lile, Jennifer Schmehl, Lucille Munday, Alan Munday
Greeter: Bob Thomas

August 18

Elder: John Daniel
Scripture: Jennifer Schmehl

9:30 a.m. Worship

Deacons: Denise Burch, Kathy Wood, Dorothy Carter, Judy Daniel
Greeter: Judy Taylor

August 25

Elder: Diana Rich
Scripture: Carol Hedrick

9:30 a.m. Worship

Deacons: Judy Colburn, Carol Lewis, Carol Roberts, Mike Studards
Greeter: Norma Morgan

Music Director: Carol Ann Winburn — Accompanist: Mary Coffman

Sound Techs: Phyllis McBrayer, Dianna Silvers, Justin Quick,

Communion Preparers: Carol Hedrick | Nursery Attendants: Jessika Blaser, Jakaila Rolph

Birthdays

2—Jim Hunter
2—Norma Morgan
2—Summer Lewis
4—Dolly Studards
5—Jackie Morrison
7—Billie Bopp
7—Ryan Agnew
8—John Daniel
9—Judy Daniel
10—Patrick Wilson
14—Duane Hedrick
15—Don Malan
16—Jerry Wood
19—Sue Ann Steele
22—Airyka Carter
26—Bud Armstrong

Anniversaries

2—Joe & Peggy Fuller
4—Dustin & Tabitha VanMeter
12—Lyndell & Judy Colburn
13—John & Judy Daniel
19—Ted & Kathy Bunch

Budget

June Income
\$9,660.86

June Expenses
\$8,565.49

Year-to-date Income
\$53,597.38

Year-to-date Expenses
\$57,128.33

Attendance

Date	Sunday School		Worship
June 30	Life Group—9 Elementary—0	Officers—0 Total—9	50
July 7	Life Group—0 Elementary—0	Officers—0 Total—0	49
July 14	Life Group—0 Elementary—0	Officers—0 Total—0	51
July 21	Life Group—0 Elementary—0	Officers—0 Total—0	59

You may view a complete financial report in the church office.

Important Dates

07—VBS @ 5:30 pm
08—VBS @ 5:30 pm
09—VBS Program @ 7 pm
20—Community Café
25—Duke Mason Concert @ 2



August 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 11 Life Group	5	6	7 5:30 pm—VBS	8 5:30 pm—VBS	9 7 pm—VBS	10
11 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 11 Life Group	12	13	14	15 6 pm Elders	16	17
18 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship 11 pm Board Meeting	19	20 5:30-6:00 p.m. Community Café	21	22	23	24
25 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 11 Life Group 2 pm Duke Mason Concert	26	27	28	29	30	31

Upcoming Sermons

August 4

Message: "We Are Climbing..."

Scripture: Psalm 121

What I was thinking: In Psalms 120-134 we find a group of psalms with a curious label. What are they, and what were they for?

August 11

Message: "*petulant sign*"

Scripture: Psalm 13

What I was thinking: There are more Laments in the Psalter than any other kind of psalm. Yet how often do we pray them? Is there value for us in praying the Laments?

August 18

Message: "We Sat Down and Wept Together"

Scripture: Psalms 44 & 137

What I was thinking: How do we process and move forward from tragedy that affects a whole community? The group Laments and give us guidance.

August 25

Message: "Every Day Is Thanksgiving Day"

Scripture: Psalm 30

What I was thinking: Psalm 30 is a good example of a psalm of thanksgiving. We'll think about the content of such psalms and why stopping regularly to give thanks to God is important for our spiritual and mental health.



2019 VBS Service Project

We will be collecting school supplies again this year. All donations are welcome!

If you have any questions, please see Carol Roberts.

Disciples Women

Reminder: The Disciples Women will not be meeting in August. We will start back in September with a special event being planned.

Save Your Best Choice UPC Labels!

Please save all your Best Choice UPC labels and turn them in to the church. There is a box in the foyer to collect the labels. For us to get proper credit, please make sure you have the full label with the numbers.



FCC CHOIR ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sunday evening June 30 the FCC Adult Choir hosted their annual Ice Cream Social at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. An appreciative crowd from throughout the community enjoyed several favorite selections by the choir to open and close the program. Rev. Sharla Hulseley sang a familiar hymn in its original language – Welch (with English lyrics on the big screen). Phyllis McBryer shared an inspiring contemporary arrangement of “Look Up, Child.”

Sally Anton and Sharla offered a delightful flute duet “Blessed Assurance,” after which Mary Coffman and Don Malan played piano/organ accompaniment for a congregational sing-along.

Peggy Fuller’s pure soprano rendition of “People Need the Lord” was both touching and beautiful. A crowd pleaser was the piano/keyboard duet of “Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho” by Mary Coffman and Lynda Perkins

Following the final choir anthem and before the benediction, Mary surprised choir director Carol Ann Winburn with a bouquet of red roses and card of thanks from the choir members. An arrangement of white roses was presented to Mary for her hours of preparation for every musical event and service of the church.

The evening definitely ended on a sweet note, as everyone adjourned to Fellowship Hall for homemade ice cream provided by choir members and delicious sweet treats made and contributed by members of the congregation.

Personal Note: I am so very grateful to Mary and Sharla and ALL the members of our Adult Choir for their unwavering dedication to our mission, as well as their support and patience with me. We work together every week to bring to God and our congregation our very best efforts, to truly enhance worship in our services, and to trust our Lord to “tune our hearts to sing His grace” in everything we do and say.

In His Service, Carol Ann

Thoughts & Prayers

Aimee Daniel Breiner, Barbara Walsh, Bill Cumpton, Caleb Hoffard, Carl Shubert, Cheryl Cumpton, Dennis Shannon, Deloris Baldwin, Ed Perkins, Gary Coffman, Gary Studards, Jamie Hibbs, Jill Tiona, Kay Haile, Keera Brockman, Kenny Hunt, Lona Grosshart, Pat Arnold, Paul Miller, Rachel Bittencourt, Rhonda Yarick, Sam McCombs, Shirley Berry, Sharon Jones, Tracy Clayton, Verna Kooker

YOUTH LEADERS NEEDED

Carol Lewis will be resigning as Youth Leader after this school year. We will need 2 new Youth Leaders for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. One leader will teach our elementary aged kids and one leader will teach our junior high aged kids. Please contact Carol Roberts if you are interested.

Board Minutes

July 21, 2019

Pending Board Approval

Board members present: Deacons- Dorothy Carter, Judy Daniel, Judy Colburn, Carol Lewis, Carol Roberts, Mike Studards, Jennifer Schmehl, Lucille Munday, and Alan Munday. Elders-Phyllis McBrayer, Shawn Quick, Dolly Studards, and John Daniel. Others present: Everett McBrayer.

Alan Munday called the meeting to order at 10:56 AM. Alan Munday opened with prayer.

The agenda was adopted with additions on motion of Phyllis McBrayer and second by Dorothy Carter.

The minutes of the 06-23-19 meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved as presented on motion of Jennifer Schmehl and second by John Daniel.

Financial Reports: June 2019 financial reports including Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Budget Performance sheets. John Daniel noted that the budget for Church Camp was increased to \$2295 and VBS budget was increased to \$2195 as the income from the dessert auction was divided between the two line items. He also noted there was a \$250 in and out for the special offering for Pentecost. The financial reports were reviewed and approved on motion of Shawn Quick and second by Judy Colburn. Full reports are available in the church office.

Minister Report: Rev. Hulseley was not present as she is attending the General Assembly in Des Moines, Iowa through July 24th. She left a written report noting activities, meetings, and office visits. She noted some dates she will be gone in September. Her full report is available in the church office.

Old Business:

Security Issues: Don Malan was not present to report an update on the availability of a concave mirror to place in an area that would make easy observation of the front double glass doors. This is being considered in an effort to increase security during church services. We hope to have a report next month.

New Business.

Sanctuary Lighting: Alan Munday reported that the choir and individuals paid to have the light bulbs replaced with LED bulbs in the two front sanctuary chandeliers. There were several positive comments from board members. Alan reported the cost for both was \$148. Alan suggested a campaign to "Adopt a Chandelier" be started to replace/upgrade all chandelier light bulbs with LED. Alan volunteered to coordinate and promote this campaign. The board approved this on motion of Carol Roberts and second by Judy Colburn.

Interest in Lunches for Butler School children on Mondays this fall: Shawn Quick wanted the board to know about a project being discussed in the Life Group Sunday School Class to provide food for school children on Mondays when Butler school will not be in session this next year. They have no definite plans on how this would work at this point. There was some discussion about 1) other organizations might be looking at doing something also, and 2) concern about the logistics and details could be complicated.

Safety Issues with some Stairs Going to Basement: Carol Roberts noted a concern about several falls that have occurred on the inside steps going to the basement from the North door. Carol Lewis mentioned the same issue exists on the West steps going to the basement. Everett McBrayer has been asked to look at some safety alerts to help alleviate these problems and report back to the Board.

Board Minutes—Continued

Committee Reports

Education – Library: Judy Daniel reported she is nearing completion of the library clean-out. There will be books on the table up-stairs for one more week, then she will donate some books to Goodwill, some to Bates County Industries, and the Butler Public Library.

Property: Everett McBrayer reported there was a problem with one of the air conditioners, but was repaired by replacing a fuse.

Worship: Phyllis McBrayer mentioned this committee was happy to secure Dr. Dave Corder to fill the pulpit today in Rev. Hulsey's absence while she is attending the General Assembly.

Closing Prayer: Phyllis McBrayer closed the meeting with prayer.

Adjournment: With no further business brought to the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:26 AM on motion of Dolly Studards and second by Mike Studards.

Submitted by: Carol Roberts, Secretary

Festival of Sharing

In the light of all the flooding around the country, our congregation will be putting "CWS Cleanup Buckets" for Festival of Sharing this year. A box will be placed in the foyer to place your items. Deadline to have your items in is September 8, 2019. The Disciple Women's group will put the buckets together and deliver them to the collection center. The items to be collected are listed below.

5 gallon new resealable bucket with lid

1 bottle of liquid household cleaner (12-16 oz.) Must be water mixable (no Spray bottles)

1 non aerosol insect repellent (6-9 oz.)

1 scrub brush (plastic or wooden)

1- 100 ft OR 2- 50 ft Clotheslines

1 pair work gloves (cotton w/ leather palm or all leather)

48-50 clothespins

5 dust masks

2 pairs non-surgical latex gloves. Should be durable for multiple uses. (remove packaging)

1- 50 oz. OR 2- 25 oz. liquid laundry detergent (bottle(s) only)

1 liquid disinfectant dish soap (16-28 oz.)

18 reuseable cleaning (i.e. easy wipes)

4- scouring pads

7 sponges, including 1 large sponge

26-48 heavy-duty or contractor type trash bags sized 30-45 gallon in a roll (remove cardboard packaging)

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