



February Serving Schedule



February 7

Elder: Shawn Q.

Deacon: Jennifer S. & Denise B.

Greeter: Jennifer S.

Scripture Reader: Shawn Q.

February 14

Elder: Carol R.

Deacon: Chuck & Carol L.

Greeter: Peggy T.

Scripture Reader: Diana R.

February 21

Elder: Diana R.

Deacon: Judy C. & Dianna S.

Greeter: Dale K.

Scripture Reader: Peggy F.

February 28

Elder: Justin Q.

Deacon: Dale K. & Everett M.

Greeter: Peggy T.

Scripture Reader: Phyllis M.

Music Director: Carol Ann Winburn — **Accompanist:** Mary Coffman
Sound Techs: Phyllis McBrayer, Dianna Silvers, Justin Quick

BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Kimberly McGuire
- 4 Kelsey Lewis
- 4 Paula Brede
- 4 Terry Agnew
- 5 Kevin Huenefeldt
- 8 Abe Lewis
- 9 Beth Ann Davis
- 20 Chelsea McConkay
- 21 Ed White

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 A. F. & Deloris Baldwin
- 11 Allen & JoDee Fink
- 14 Scott & Julie Bitner

BUDGET

December Income

\$22,570.72*

December Expense

\$11,266.27

2020 Income

\$112,789.55

2020 Expense

\$110,035.42

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

*\$12,817.27 of the December income is that the bank has forgiven the PPP loan which according to guidance, changes from an outstanding loan to income.



ATTENDANCE



Date	In Sanctuary Worship	Online Live Stream*
January 3	-	25
January 10	-	20
January 17	26	13
January 24	25	9

**If you are joining Sunday worship via Facebook Live, let us know you are tuning in by leaving a comment on the live stream video or visit fccbutler.org and click the Register Attendance button.*



February 2021



Services/Activities are subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 <i>Groundhog Day</i>	3 6 pm Youth Group	4	5	6
7 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship 11:00 Elders Meeting 11:30 Worship Committee Meeting	8	9	10 6 pm Youth Group	11	12	13
14 <i>Valentine's Day</i> 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship	15 <i>Presidents Day</i> 	16	17 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 6 pm Youth Group	18	19	20
21 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship 11:00 Board Meeting <i>Week of Compassion Special Offering</i>	22	23	24 6 pm Youth Group	25	26	27
28 9:20 Prayer 9:30 Worship <i>Week of Compassion Special Offering</i>			<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">  <p>IMPORTANT DATES</p> <p>2 Groundhog Day</p> <p>7 Elders Meeting/ Worship Committee Meeting</p> <p>14 Valentine's Day</p> <p>15 President's Day</p> <p>17 Ash Wednesday</p> <p>21 Board Meeting</p> <p>21-28 Week of Compassion Special Offering</p> </div>			



Upcoming Sermons

February 7 (5th Sunday after Epiphany)

Scripture: Luke 7:1-17 (RCL: Lent 4 & 5, Year C)

Psalm: 119:105-107

Theme: Jesus raises a widow's son

Title: "Just Like Elijah"

What I was thinking: There is no doubt in my mind that Luke is modeling this story after the story of Elijah raising the son of the Widow of Zarephath (1 Kings 17:17-24). Why? What does Luke want us to know about Jesus?

February 14 (Transfiguration)

Scripture: Luke 9:28-45 (RCL: Transfiguration, Year C)

Psalm: 36:5-10

Theme: The Transfiguration of Christ

Title: "Shiny!"

What I was thinking: Jesus and some of his disciples are on a mountain when some very strange things happen. It's appropriate that this story closes out the season of Epiphany. What does it teach us about our own lives as disciples of Jesus?

February 21 (1st Sunday in Lent)

Scripture: Luke 9:51-62 (RCL:)

Psalm: 5:7-8

Theme: Jesus turns toward Jerusalem

Title: "The Journey Is Our Home"

What I was thinking: Everything from this point until Luke 19:41 takes place as Jesus travels to Jerusalem for the final time. What does this mean for our understanding of this passage and those that follow it?

February 28 (2nd Sunday in Lent)

Scripture: Luke 10:25-42 (RCL: Proper 10 & 11, Year C)

Psalm: 15

Theme: The parable of the Good Samaritan

Title: "Pretend you've never heard this before"

What I was thinking: When a passage is as familiar as this one, it's hard to hear it as the first people who heard Jesus tell it did. But we must, if we're to learn what he was trying to teach those original hearers, and figure out what it means for us today.

THOUGHTS & PRAYERS



Current & Ongoing

- ◆ Darlene Adcock, Deloris & Frank Baldwin, Rachel Bittencourt, Joe & Jean Christopher, Lyndell Colburn, Herschel Ewing, Lona Grosshart, Caleb Hoffard, David Holiman, Denny Hubbard, Kenny Hunt, Sharon Jones, JC McHargue, Kevin & Pam Miller, Bill & Larry Neil, John Tucker, Dusty Warren, The family of Kenton Wackerman, The family of BartVanMeter

At Home

- ◆ Bud Armstrong, Ruby Cummings, Eula Ghere, Julie Lewis

Currently Serving in the Military

- ◆ Jordan Olson, Ryan Strong, Josh Thompson, Matt Thompson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **No Community Lenten Services**

- ◇ These services usually are the main support for the Butler Ministerial Alliance's crisis fund. With the cancellation of these service, please consider donating to the Butler Ministerial Alliance.

- ◆ **FCC Annual Soup & Cracker Drive** for the Butler Food Pantry until February 7. Donation box is located in the sanctuary.

◆ **Butler Ministerial Alliance Soup Sale**

- ◇ Pickup for soup orders is Saturday, February 6, 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Ohio Street Methodist Church. A limited amount will be available to walk-ins on pickup day.

- ◆ **Bates County Transport** (taxi service) is needing volunteers to drive and run dispatch at the Senior Center. If interested, contact the Senior Center at 679-5830 or Bob Jennings (volunteer coordinator) at 679-7652.

- ◆ **Youth group** will meet every Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. , as long as school is in session. Open for children grades 3rd-12th. Masks are strongly recommended, but not required.

First Christian Church Board Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2021

Board members present: Deacons- Jennifer Schmehl, Alan Munday, Peggy Fuller, Dale Kinsman, Dianna Silvers, and Everett McBrayer. Elders- Carol Roberts, Diana Rich, Don Malan, Justin Quick, Phyllis McBrayer, and Shawn Quick. Others present: Rev. Sharla Hulse, John Daniel, Judy Daniel, Carol Ann Winburn, and Mike Studards.

Don Malan called the meeting to order at 10:33 AM. He then opened with prayer.

After additions, the agenda was adopted on motion of Alan Munday and second by Diana Rich.

The minutes of the 11-15-2020 meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved as presented on motion of Justin Quick and second by Alan Munday.

Financial Reports: The November and December 2020 financial reports including Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Budget Performance sheets as of 11-30-20 and 12-31-2020 were reviewed, as well as all end-of-the-year numbers. John Daniel reviewed a few items noting year-to-date numbers. The financial reports were approved as presented on motion of Carol Roberts and second by Alan Munday. Full reports are available in the church office.

Ministers' Report: Rev. Hulse reviewed her attached report. She noted meetings she attended, visits/conversations, and funeral activities. She continues to do the morning prayers every day on Facebook Live. She noted that the Ministerial Alliance will not be hold Lenten Services this year. She encouraged participation in their frozen soup/chili sale fund raiser. Her full report is available in the church office.

Old Business:

Water Damage to sanctuary walls, and choir robe room ceiling Repair Update: Everett McBrayer stated nothing additional has been done to the choir robe room due to holidays and illnesses.

New Business:

2021 Dept./Committee Chairs: A full list of all chairs was presented for review. Since these are appointed by the Board Chairman, no motion was needed. There were no objections to the list.

Chairs for Elder and Deacon: It was noted that normally these 2 groups would meet and elect chairs, but with the limitations on meeting due to COVID, this was accomplished during this board meeting. Justin Quick agreed to be Chair of the Elders, and Peggy Fuller agreed to be Chair of the Deacons.

Personnel: John Daniel reported that Christmas bonuses and Holiday pay for the Administrative Assistant were paid according to budget.

Procedure Document Update: Carol Roberts inquired if anyone knew when the Procedure Document was revised and approved. There was some discussion. No one was sure if these were revised after the new constitution and by-laws were approved in 2014. Carol Roberts volunteered to investigate and take the lead to do this.

Department/Committee Reports:

Membership: Carol Roberts reported this group will meet next Sunday 01-24-2021 immediately following church. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Property: Everett McBrayer reported the elevator was inspected in December and they reported everything to be approved.

Outreach: Phyllis McBrayer noted FCC will most likely be collecting soup and cracker on Super Bowl Sunday to be given to the food pantry as in the past.

No other reports from committees/departments were given.

Closing Prayer: Rev. Hulse closed the meeting with prayer.

Adjournment: With no further business brought to the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 AM on motion of Carol Roberts and second by Alan Munday.

FCC Board Members, Officers, & Chairs 2021

<u>ELDERS:</u>	To 12-31-2021 Diana Rich Carol Roberts *	To 12-31-2022 Justin Quick (Elder Chair) Don Malan	To 12-31-2023 Phyllis McBrayer Shawn Quick
<u>DEACONS</u>	To 12-31-2021 Jennifer Schmehl Gary Coffman * Denise Burch Kathy Wood Alan Munday	To 12-31-2022 Peggy Fuller (Deacon Chair) Dale Kinsman Dianna Silvers Chuck Lewis	To 12-31-2023 Carol Lewis Judy Colburn Everett McBrayer

* Denotes those filling unexpired terms

2021 Board Officers

CHAIR: Don Malan

VICE-CHAIR: Chuck Lewis

SECRETARY: Carol Roberts

TREASURER: Judy Colburn
FINANCIAL SECT.: Diana Rich

2021 ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES

Thru:
2021 Justin Quick & Alan Munday

2022 Paula Shaffer & Carol Ann Winburn
2023 Jennifer Schmehl & Chuck Lewis

2021 PASTORAL SUPPORT COMMITTEE

2021 John Daniel (Chr.) & Carol Lewis
2022 Mary Coffman & Chuck Lewis
2023 Shawn Quick & Kathy Wood

ELDER EMERITUS

Bud Armstrong 2008, Paula Shaffer 2020, Sue Ann Steele 2020, Kathy Bunch 2021

DEACON EMERITUS

Lylah Linard 2020, Ed Steele 2020

2021 Department/Committee Chair

WORSHIP	Carol Ann Winburn
STEWARDSHIP	Diana Rich
CHRISTIAN ED.	Carol Lewis
PERSONNEL	John Daniel
OUTREACH	Phyllis McBrayer
PROPERTY	Co: Chuck Lewis and Everett McBrayer
MEMBERSHIP	Carol Roberts
EVANGELISM	Don Malan
MEMORIAL GIFTS	Judy Daniel
NOMINATING	Shawn Quick

Building Fund Drive

The Stewardship Committee is having a building fund drive. There are many repairs that need to be made to our church. This year we are concentrating on the following repairs:

- Repair the north wall of the Fellowship Hall
- Repair the north wall of the Sanctuary
- Repair the ceiling in the Choir Robe Room

Current donations: \$17,003

Goal: \$40,000



Weather Cancellation Policy

If the Weather Is Bad...

...the pastor and board chair will decide together whether we will have worship. We will ask Everett for input as well. A decision will be made by 7 a.m. Sunday. We'll then contact the following news sources:

- WDAF (Fox4)
- KSHB (Channel 41)
- FM-92.1 and their website (www.921news.com), and Facebook (kmam kmoe)
- Bates County Live

Cancellation information will also be posted on the church's facebook page (facebook.com/FCCButlerMO).

If you haven't seen or heard anything by 8 a.m. (to give the media outlets time to post the information), you can assume we'll go on as usual; but please use your common sense about whether you believe it's safe to get out. We would rather have you stay home and be safe than try to get here and have an accident or a fall.

If worship is cancelled, all other Sunday activities (including Sunday school and any meetings) will also be cancelled.

On weekdays, if Butler's school has cancelled classes, the church will be closed and all activities for that day will be cancelled.



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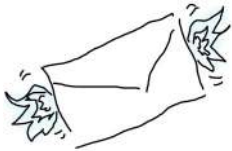
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*"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.
Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.
By this everyone will know that you are my disciples,
if you have love for one another."*

-John 13:34-35

