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*Making disciples who make a difference!*

September 2025



## YOUTH MISSION TRIP 2025

### Pointe-au-Chien, Louisiana

**December 27 – January 02**

**WHO:** Youth & Young Adults – Middle School Students, High School Students, College Students  
**WHERE:** The Pointe-au-Chien Indian Tribal Community located in lower Pointe-au-Chien, a traditional village of their ancestors, the Chitimacha. The Tribe has approx. 800 members.  
**WHEN:** Saturday, Dec. 27 - Friday, Jan. 02  
**COST:** Nonrefundable deposit of \$50 per participant – \$80 family maximum.  
**DEADLINE:** Sunday, September 21. Contact Stephen Hinkle for youth and adult registration forms.



FCC YOUTH MINISTRIES PARTNERING WITH:

Pointe-Au-Chien Tribe

The Lowlander Center: **supporting coastal/bayou lowlands, both**

**human and natural, by honoring its residents – Indigenous and all diverse historied groups.**

<https://www.pactribe.com/>

<https://www.lowlandercenter.org/>

Inside...September Birthdays, Events, News and Announcements, Prayer Requests and more!

Rev Colby Smith

# FCC KIDS CORNER

## Kid's Club in September

**Aug 31st-NO Kid's Club (Labor Day)**

**Sept 7th-Clue**

**Sept 14th-Clue**

**Sept 21st-Destination Unknown!**

**Sept 28th-Clue**



## Kid's Club Fall Theme

### **?! Clue!?!**



All children age K-5th grade are invited to Kid's Club on Sundays right after worship until 1:30.

Each week we eat lunch, play games and do activities on a bible theme.

For more information, please contact Patti Wright,

## Back to School

### **Children's Program Changes**

September is the time we transition from all children worshiping together to two age groups.

### **Worship & Wonder-Age 4-2nd grade**

Pick up in the Worship & Wonder Room in the hallway near front Sanctuary Entrance

### **Children's Church-3rd-5th graders**

Pick up in Art Room, 2nd floor Youth wing.

## Kid's Club and Youth Back-To-School Celebration at Malibu Jack's



For questions about Children's programs, contact Patti Wright

Email [patti@firstchristiandanville.com](mailto:patti@firstchristiandanville.com) or text (812) 483-9004

## Please Keep the following in your Prayers

Gary Gibson	Bonnie & Tyler Traschel
John Taylor Ross	Danielle Fields
Jan Sheffield	Pat Mallard
Bill Morgan	Butch Pass
Trevor & Lucy Graham	Ruth Sigler
Darell Rickmers	David & Nancy Robertson
Lauren Newman	Mindy Carter
Wanda Huffman	The McMurry Family
Mary Sebring	The Talley Family
Mary Lou Withers	Barb Webie
Jim Routin	The Family of Ruth Sigler
Marlena Ellis	
Melodee Quinn	

## Remember our Shut-ins

Martha Akin	Lucille Lemmon
Pat & Steve	Margaret Milburn
Bruce	Bonnie Wilson
Mindy Carter	Georgianne Smith
Hugh & Mary Jo	Johnetta Gibson
Coomer	



## September Worship Roster

### September 7

Worship Leader— Elmer Jackson  
Elder—  
Vince Pennington  
Elder & Counter—  
Debbie Baker  
Children’s Chat— Carter Northcutt  
Worship & Wonder—  
Patricia Calvert/Sueann Rice  
Children’s Church—  
Linda Dachenhaus/Patti  
Nursery Volunteer—  
Mary McKitric  
Kid’s Club Assist—Suzy Smith  
Parkview— ?

### September 14

Worship Leader— John Funkhouser  
Elder—Brian Calvert  
Elder & Counter—Jan Bradshaw  
Children’s Chat—Jacob Cooper  
Worship & Wonder—  
Patti Wright/Sherri Horn  
Children’s Church—  
Penny Vaught/Stephen  
Nursery Volunteer—  
Mary McKitric/Edna Prall  
Kid’s Club Assist—  
Penny Vaught

### September 21

Worship Leader— Bart Gover  
Elder—  
John Funkhouser  
Elder & Counter—  
Kendra Funkhouser  
Children’s Chat—Darell Rickmers  
Worship/Wonder—Alice & Jay Reynolds  
Children’s Church—  
Darell Rickmers/Patti  
Nursery Volunteer—  
Mary McKitric/Kris Hamlin  
Kid’s Club Assist—Darell Rickmers  
Shut-In Comm.—  
Elmer & Suzi Jackson

### September 28

Worship Leader—  
Maryann McGlothlin  
Elder—Martha Caywood  
Elder & Counter—Evelyn Guerrant  
Children’s Chat— Patti Wright  
Worship/Wonder—Alice & Jay Reynolds  
Children’s Church—  
Kendra Funkhouser/ Patti  
Nursery— Mary McKitric/Trista Hinkle  
Kid’s Club Assist—Kendra Funkhouser  
Devotional/Cooks— John & Kendra Funkhouser



### Four Cans for Others

70 cans were donated during August. Which give a total of 841. Let’s keep bringing in those cans so we can beat our total for 2024 of 1,421 cans!



## News & Announcements

### 175 YEARS OF FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE AT LIBERTY FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

#### Honoring the Past, Embracing the Future

This year, we celebrate a truly special milestone in the life of Liberty First Christian Church — **175 years of ministry, worship, and community.** It's a time to reflect on the generations who came before us, honor their legacy, and look forward with hope and purpose to what God has in store for our future.

We invite you, your family, and friends to join us for a weekend of **celebration, fellowship, and gratitude** on **September 13–14, 2025.** Whether you've been a lifelong member, visited once, or are simply curious to learn more about our faith community, you are welcome here.

#### WEEKEND SCHEDULE:

##### **Saturday, September 13 | 6:00 PM**

##### **Picnic & Fun for All Ages**

Bring your lawn chairs and your appetite! We'll gather for a good old-fashioned church picnic filled with games, laughter, and fellowship. It's a great chance to reconnect with familiar faces and welcome new ones.

##### **Sunday, September 14 | 11:00 AM**

##### **Worship Celebration**

Join us for a special anniversary worship service featuring a message from **Bro. Bob Brooks**, as we give thanks for 175 years of faith and God's enduring love.

Following worship, enjoy a **delicious lunch provided by the members** of the church.

Hope to see you there!

#### **Nursery Volunteers Needed**



Share your love with our youngest members by volunteering one Sunday a month in the church nursery! Our Safe Sanctuary Policy requires that we always have two adults working with our children.

We are so thankful for Mary McKitric, Edna Prall, Kris Hamlin and Trista Hinkle who already help with this important ministry! We need two more volunteers to cover all the Sundays. Please consider loving on our infants and toddlers. Contact Patti for more information.

*thank you*

Rev. Colby, Elders, Staff and Members of First Christian Church,

I want to express my heart filled gratitude for your unwavering support for Michael and me. The visits, phone calls, food and cards of your expression of love for Michael was most heart warming. Thank you for the open arms and support during his illness and for being a part of celebrating the man we all loved.

Sam Swain

#### **Come Join Our Youth Group!**

We've got something for everyone—come grow in faith, friendship, and fun!



#### Sundays:

- Seekers** – Right after Children's Chat Middle School Youth

- The Gathering** – After Worship Middle and High School Youth

- DYC (Disciples Youth Connection)** – Sunday nights at **5:30 PM @ FCC** (August & September) Middle and High School Youth

#### Wednesdays:

- High School Devotional** – Join us at **Dry Stack Coffee at 7:00 AM** for a midweek boost with coffee & conversation

Everyone is welcome—bring a friend!

#### **Volunteers Needed**

Our Youth groups are looking for enthusiastic volunteers who are willing to make a difference in young lives. You can help in any group. You can help by teaching if called upon or assisting with games and activities. Whether you have a heart for giving, playing or both. We'd love to have you on our team.

Join us in making our group a fun, inspiring and welcoming place for all. -Stephen Hinkle

#### **Office & Walking Track Hours**

Monday— Friday

8:00 a.m.— Noon & 1:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m.

## News & Announcements

### GOD IS HERE!

#### Connection Book Group – 3 Ways to Grow This Month!

Pick 1, 2, and/or 3:



**1. Read the Book** *Same Kind of Different as Me* by Ron Hall and Denver Moore. A powerful true story of friendship, faith, and transformation.

**2. Watch the Movie** See the story come to life on screen – a great companion to the book.

**3. Join the Discussion & Light Lunch Sunday, September 7th, immediately following Worship Fellowship Hall** Connect over lunch and share your thoughts. This is a space where all opinions are welcomed and respected.

**All are welcome – insights abound when we grow together!**

We have raised \$11,225 towards our \$19,000 goal to purchase a sanctuary piano – leaving just \$7775 remaining. Every contribution, no matter the size, bring us closer to enriching our worship with music.

To donate, please write a check with “sanctuary piano” in the memo or contact the church office. Thank you for your generous support.



Dear Christian Friends:

On behalf of Boyle County Habitat for Humanity, I would like to thank you for your recent generous donation in memory of your pastor's mother Billye Ruth Bigbee-White.

This donation will be useful in the construction of our Habitat homes throughout the years and in our mission to help families in need. We could not manage all that we do without the consideration and kindness of caring individuals such as you.

We appreciate your prayers and continued support of our mission and ministry. May God bless you!

Kind regards,

Cindy Arnold, Office Assistant

Boyle County Habitat for Humanity

God is here! As your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

As we sang this during worship, I was struck by how much it reflects what our Outreach ministries currently look like those and we have yet to discover. We ARE a congregation of ideas; we ARE a congregation of action; we ARE a congregation who leads with their hearts and engage the best parts of themselves to do those things that God places before us.

Some of our Outreach involves putting our monetary resources in the hands of those who know how best to maximize its potential. Some of our Outreach involves our time, talents and treasures. Some of our Outreach is “behind the scenes” while others are “front and center.” But all of our Outreach involves conversation, engagement and advocacy. With that in mind, the Outreach team will be hosting a “Mission Sunday” to bring some new voices and opportunities to our attention. As with any work in progress, stay tuned for further details!! In the meantime, we have some exciting opportunities to fill your calendar.....

**Thursday 9/4 @ 9:30 am at Boyle Co Schools Food Pantry @ the UK Extension office**

\*help is needed to off-load the God's Pantry delivery and stock the pantry prior to family food pick up day

**Thursday 9/11 @ FCC Fellowship Hall (time TBD)**

\*serving dinner to the Danville Football team after their practice - details to follow

**Tuesday 9/16, 9a-12p United Way Day of Caring**

\*asking for at least 5-7 participants - details to follow

**Friday 9/19, 10:00a (pack boxes), 12 noon (box distribution) Boyle Co Mobile Food Pantry @ the UK Extension**

\*this is FREE to any Boyle Co. resident regardless of where children attend school

**Wednesday 9/24 @9a00a at IHCC annex**

\*BPK packing for both school districts

**Friday 10/17, @ Parkview Assisted Living (time TBD) - Fall Party - details to follow**

\*\*\*\*If you have any questions about the above, please reach out to Julie or an Outreach team member\*\*\*\*

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