



FIRST CHRISTIAN disciples of christ HIGHLIGHTS

Making disciples who make a difference!

May 31, 2023

1776

Mark 6:1-6

¹He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!

³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and imon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching.

Abigail & John Adams, Thomas Payne, Margaret Moore Barry, John Hancock, Thomas Jefferson, Betsy Ross, John Jay, Ben Franklin, Martha & George Washington, Daniel Morgan, John Paul Jones, Mercy Warren, Ethan Allen, Nathan Hale, Lucy & Henry Knox, Paul Revere - these individuals from among many who instrumental in gaining independence from Great Britain. The result of the American Revolution was the creation of the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

1776 is also significant as it marks the publication of Adam Smith's influential *Wealth of Nations*. His work is widely considered a groundbreaking source in the field of modern economics. It is a work that remains influential today. Both *Wealth of Nations* and *The Declaration of Independence* are publications that have inarguably shaped the world in ways beyond what the original authors could have ever imagined.

With these two works deserving esteem, Christian historian Mark Noll lifts a third 1776 publication

which may prove to be more influential than both the Declaration of Independence and the *Wealth of Nations*. In a lecture at Harvard Divinity School, "I say with calculated awareness of what else was going on in Philadelphia [the signing of the Declaration of Independence], and in Scotland, where Adam Smith published his *Wealth of Nations*, that of all world-historical occurrences in that year, the publication of August Montagu Toplady's hymn, *Rock of Ages*, may have been the most consequential." (Noll & Thieman, *Where Shall My Wond'ring Soul Begin?*)

This may seem a surprising choice. But Noll points beyond national citizenship. Toplady's hymn is one of the two most reprinted hymns in Christian history. Its lyrics look to something beyond what we now can see. It calls its hearers to identify with a greater citizenship. Beyond denomination, beyond nation, beyond the misleading divide of sacred and secular, public and private, beyond the labors of our hands, there was a time when humanity understood we are creatures and there is a Creator—a Creator with a redemptive plan. *Rock of Ages* bids us to see beyond the individual congregation, the individual nation, and individual understandings of history to the cloud of witnesses described by the Bible to the identity we share with all creation through all time.

Jesus' neighbors refused to believe in or be influenced by, the saving grace Christ offers through the Kingdom of God. The Bible states he was amazed at the unbelief. God's kingdom is not of a singular congregation, denomination, or nation. History is filled with the ebb and flow of influences and events, but of the Creator who is for us, there is no greater, unswerving influence.

Rev Colby Smith

Inside...

June events, birthdays, anniversaries and more

KIDS CORNER

Are you registered for VBS?

June 11-15



This year we will be partnering with the Presbyterian Church for VBS and we need your help in 3 ways!

- 1: Get the word out to families with children who are age 4-just completing 5th grade. Check the worship table for fliers that you can take to places you already go to let families know about the event. You can also share FCC emails, and Facebook and Instagram posts about this fun event.
- 2: Help before the event with decorations, registration and other prep work.
- 3: Volunteer to help with snacks, crafts, games, group leading, etc. the week of June 12-15 each evening from 6-8 p.m.

Contact Patti if you can help!



Summer Children's Worship

Summer brings some changes to the children's worship schedule.

Worship & Wonder for children ages 4-2nd grade does not meet in the summer months so all children, age 4-5th grade will worship together this summer.

Children are invited to leave the sanctuary after the Children's Chat and go to the 2nd floor Craft Room (#212) at the end of the youth wing. We will have a snack and hands-on activities each week on Old Testament stories that are not in the W&W series.

This summer we will learn about David & Goliath, Daniel in the Lion's Den, the Wall of Jericho, the Tower of Babel, Jonah & the Whale and more!

Kid's Club on the Go!



Kid's Club for children in K-5th grade will not meet weekly through the summer but we will be hitting the road for some fun outings!

We will have a "Destination Unknown" trip as well as two other trips yet to be scheduled.

Parents, in order to plan the trips on dates that the most kids can go, please let me know dates of family trips you already have planned so I can work around as many conflicts as possible.

Incoming Kindergarten students are invited to join the fun this summer and friends are always welcome. We hope to see you there!



We have leaders for each week this summer but still need assistants. If you are willing to help with this important program, contact Patti.

Have You Registered for Summer Camp?

It's not too late! Contact Patti for more info about camps for everyone who has completed Kindergarten through high school.

Don't forget that FCC pays half the registration fee for all campers!

For questions about Children's programs, contact Patti Wright

Email patti@firstchristiandanville.com or text (812) 483-9004

News & Announcements



Communion Change | June 11

We will be offering communion both on trays and as single serve. All are welcome to participate in either method according to preference.

Construction

If you noticed some construction remnants last Sunday in the chapel and hallway by the fridge/ice maker/pantries, don't fret!! About a month ago, those areas sustained water damage after some heavy storms. Brian Lockhart, Chris Taylor, Nathan Cunningham and Mason Lockhart from United Structural Systems have been working with Jack Jones to remediate the problem and make the spaces look as good as new. Stay tuned for the finished product very shortly.

Attention Connection Book Group | June 11



We will be meeting after church on June 11th postponed one week due to GABB Festival). Our focus will be on Question 6 as we discuss stories by Richard Bausch, William Trevor, J. F. Powers, and Tobias Wolff. Bring ideas for future discussion books as we wind down our God Stories on July 2. If others in the congregation have ideas for a book you'd like to study with a group, please submit your ideas also to Jan Bradshaw or any member of the group!

Contact & Information

If you are not receiving any One-Calls and would like to, please contact us. To Opt-In to texts please text "Alert" to 22300. If you missed a message, your voicemail box is full, or accidentally ended the call, call 877-698-3261 and play the current message or use their app.



Prayer Concerns

Karen Rickmers
Michael Gretton
Shannon Calvert Warren
Joanne Cocanougher
Jane Boyd
Charlotte Hopper
Steve Bruce
John Taylor Ross
Gary Gibson
Jan Sheffield
Margaret Milburn
Bill Morgan
Mary Lou Withers
Bonnie Wilson

Bill Barker
Mike Anderson
Heather Lockhart
Michael Allen
Jenny McClure's Brother
Rodger Morris
Britt O'Brien
Donna Brown
Milton Cash
Paul Gwaltney
Linda Fisher
The Missions & Families
affected by KY Storms,
Flooding and Tornadoes

Keep Grieving Families in Prayer

Caroline Brook Mills (Sister to Bart Gover) | [Obituary](#)
Denny Cocanougher (Sherrie C.'s FIL) | [Obituary](#)

Shut-In / Homebound

Martha Akin
Jerry Boyd
Pat & Steve Bruce
Steve Campbell
Mindy Carter
Bill & Patty Castle
Hugh & Mary Jo Coomer
Tom Ensslin

Odell Hines
Lucille Lemmon
Margaret Milburn
Betty Ramey
Aubrey Sivis
Mike Swain
Bonnie Wilson

Giving Thanks

First Christian Church,

On behalf of our own Executive Director, Kimberly Velasco, we want to thank you for your kind and generous donation of \$1,000.00 to Family Services Association. Please know that this goes to assistant support families that are in need in the Boyle County Community. God's blessings upon you and thank you once again.

Donna Reiton,
Staff of Family Services Association



Pictures (Left-Right, Top-Bottom): Family Fun Day May 21, Happy Travelers May 10

News & Announcements

Operation Rescue Mission Trip

Under the guidance of CrossRoads Missions, the FCC Operation Rescue team worked on two Habitat for Humanities houses in Dawson Springs, Kentucky April 24-27th. We along with the Disaster Relief Team from SouthBrook (Christian Church) worked on the Habitat house for Eaton DeLong and Kara Trover and their 16 month old daughter. We put vinyl siding and fascia on the house and installed insulation in the exterior walls. We also worked alongside the CrossRoads electrician to install ceiling fans and outlet covers in another Habitat house. CrossRoads has a long term commitment to help Dawson Springs recover with plans to complete 22 Habitat houses this year. Let us know if you would like to join us on future Operation Recovery Mission Trips.

David May, Mary Ann and Lyle McGlothlin, Jan and Larry Scott, and Ruth Sigler



7 Round the Table

Saturday, May 20th, 11 individuals gathered for the Inaugural 7 Round the Table dinner. Good food, great conversation and wonderful fellowship filled the evening. Thank you Nancy and Doug McMurray for being the evening hosts. **Stay tuned for the July date.** If you would like more information before that contact Mary Ann McGlothlin at

maryann.mcglathlin@gmail.com or 859-396-7109.



4 Cans 4 Others

We have collected a total of 34,284 cans after receiving 146 in May. Let's keep bringing four cans every Sunday. The Salvation Army appreciates each and every donation for needy families!

Outreach Updates, Spring Edition

Members of the Outreach team have been busy with several projects this spring! Here are some highlights:

- Community Easter Egg Hunt
- Operation Recovery mission trip to Western Kentucky
- CASA summer items drive with Centre students
- Contributing to A Gathering Place to help repair vandalized vans
- Awarding FCC Scholarships to Boyle Co. and Danville High students
- Assisting Patti with VBS planning
- Making approximately 300 meals with Soups On Us monthly
- Monthly packing meals for the Backpack Kids program
- Delivering canned goods for the "Four Cans for Others" program

If YOU would like to get involved with any of these worthwhile projects, please join us! Contact Brian or Patricia Calvert for details (calvertz@bellsouth.net).

June 2023

Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10am Bible Study 10am Worship Team	2 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 7:30pm Jaywalkers 8pm Al-Anon	3 10:30am Al-Anon
4 <i>Brass Band</i> 9:15am Worship at GABBF (Centre) 2pm Morning Pointe	5 9am Body Recall 10am Tai Chi 10am Bridge 6:30p Parents/Addict	6	7 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 6:30pm Ladies AA	8 9am Connections Meeting 10am Bible Study	9 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 7:30pm Jaywalkers 8pm Al-Anon	10 10:30am Al-Anon
11 <i>Backpack Kids</i> 10:45am Worship Book Connection	12 <i>VBS</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Bridge 12pm Finance Team 6-8pm VBS @ FCC 6:30p Parents/Addict	13 <i>VBS</i> 6-8pm VBS @ FCC	14 <i>VBS</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 6-8pm VBS @ FCC 6:30pm Ladies AA	15 <i>VBS</i> 10am Bible Study 6-8 VBS @ The Presbyterian Church of Danville 7pm Church Board	16 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 7:30pm Jaywalkers 8pm Al-Anon	17 7:30am Soups On Us 10:30am Al-Anon
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Katie Kirk	2 *Jeff & Mary Lou Withers*	3 *Doug & Nancy McMurry*
4 Anne Kerbaugh	5	6	7 *Amy & Clark Bradshaw*	8	9 *Mike Gragg & Donna Plummer*	10
11 Bart Gover Harry Mercer Patti Powell	12 *Pat & Steve Bruce* *Vince DiMartino & Patti Powell*	13 *Bob & Ann Rightmyer*	14 Brian Calvert	15	16 Mary Emily Gross	17 Donna Elam
18 *Jim & Caroline Sullivan*	19	20 Avery Shartzter *Charles & Marilyn Highfield* *Wendy & Roger Ross*	21 *Tom & Rosemary Huckleberry*	22 Janice Bohannon	23 Bob Milby *Joey & Laurie Kirk*	24 Mary Ann Wilson
25 Betty Holtzclaw Mickey Anders	26	27 *Jacob & Molly Cooper*	28	29	30 Meghan Paynter *Greg & Kelly Anderson*	

Service Roster

June 2023

	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25
Worship Leader	Vince Pennington	Julie Jones	Evelyn Guerrant	Bart Gover
Elders at the Table	Mary Ann & Lyle McGlothlin	Jan Bradshaw Cheryl Gibson	Brian & Patricia Calvert	Debbie Baker Joey Kirk
Deacons	N/A	Patrick & Jenny Mc Connie McVicker Jeff Withers	Connie McVicker David May Libby & Jeff Joiner	Connie McVicker Jeff Withers Libby & Jeff Joiner
Greeters	N/A	Jeanette Barbour Debbie Baker	Youth	Wendy & Rodger Ross
Stewards	N/A	John Caywood	Elmer Jackson	Joey Kirk
Children's Chat	N/A	Darell Rickmers	Patti Wright	Martha Bryant
Children's Summer Worship	N/A	Darell Rickmers	Patti Wright	Penny Vaught
Children's Church	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nursery	N/A	Trista Hinkle?	Kendall Williams?	Kris Hamlin
Acolytes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sound	N/A			
Camera	N/A			
Slides	N/A			
Other	Brass Band Festival Morning Pointe		Shut-In Communion	Elder's Lunch

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Vacation Bible School



Presented by First Christian Church and
The Presbyterian Church of Danville

June 12-15
6:00-8:00 PM

Ages 4-entering 6th grade

Register online at **www.fccdandville.com**

NOTE: The Great American Brass Band Festival is
June 4th at 9:15am at Centre College
This is where worship is held on June 4th

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