



FIRST CHRISTIAN disciples of christ HIGHLIGHTS

Making disciples who make a difference!

March 29, 2023

Unity

An unrelenting tension has invariably existed within the church between how things have been done over time and what is required to move forward. Christians of every generation have been - and will continue to be - charged with determining what to faithfully retain and what is required to move past in the midst of different times.

Covid-19 safeguards for the well-being of an undivided church family, female clergy, integration, anti-Semitism, suffrage, environmental-based stewardship, fair trade, immigration, and slavery touch but a small number of the questions the Campbell-Stone Movement has encountered since the 1808 publication of Thomas Campbell's "Declaration and Address." Overall, this is just a small reflection of the whole Christian experience dating back to the apostolic church of the New Testament. The early church was strained over whether to incorporate Gentiles with equal standing with believers grounded in Judaism. Paul's Galatians 2:1-10 teaching reminds us of the oneness founded in Christ even when new or different manifestations of faithfulness arise.

Is unity achieved through being inextricably bound to Christ or to arbitrarily designated practices experienced since childhood?

The unity of the church is grounded in grace. The acknowledgment of the tie which binds hearts in Christian love is not ascribable to doctrinal consensus or via socially derived political correctness. Such practices inevitably define an entire congregation with imposed constraints. An inescapable consideration asks if such imposed

practices/traditions undermine the Gospel's message of grace. Is unity achieved through being inextricably bound to Christ or to arbitrarily designated practices experienced since childhood? Former Anglican Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams states, "Rather than unity, the slippery slope into a uniformity of narrow biblical interpretation, rigid and inflexible theology, and a highly judgmental morality; and those who fail to conform to this standard are given a negative label and marginalized."

Galatians 2:1-10 teaches the gospel produces a church of wide diversity. Paul struggles with unity amid the new and different. No mistake, standing decisively upright for the Gospel is primary. Unity focused upon the Gospel's message of grace must not be confused with meritless enforced unity based on things past. The unity of the church is understood. It is a spiritual reality bestowed by Jesus which acts to join everyone to him, and through him, to each other.

Paul was not accepting of an invisible unity. He personally traveled to Jerusalem and debated in a charged climate for the inclusion of Christian Gentiles. This issue generated emotions leading to conviction from both sides. Galatians 2:1-10 enables Christian unity when grace leads into unexplored areas of new life experiences. Christian unity is not unexamined tolerance or unthinking indifference slaved hidebound previous routine.

Openness to the different, or the new, is openness to God's unending revelation.

Rev Colby Smith

Inside...

*April service roster, Holy Week/
Easter events, an upcoming
mission trip and more!*

KIDS CORNER

Kid's Club Schedule

April 2 –Egg-Stravaganza

See right for details



April 9-No Kid's Club (Easter)

April 16-Who Needs Prayer??

April 23-Who Needs Prayer??

April 30-Destination Unknown

Who Needs Prayer anyway



This month at Kid's Club we are exploring PRAYER and who needs it!

Each week we will look at prayer from a kid's viewpoint and explore myths about prayer through games, activities and crafts. And of course, find out what Jesus says about prayer!

Not only will we learn about prayer, we will also get familiar with some kid-friendly ways to make prayer a part of each day!

Kid's Club is open to children in grades K-5 and meets most Sundays right after worship from Noon-2 p.m.

Mark your calendar and plan to join us so you don't miss any of the fun!



Easter Egg-Stravaganza!

April 2nd

Join the fun immediately after Worship for an Easter Craft, snacks and photos with the Easter Bunny followed by an Egg Hunt in the Courtyard!

Children ages Toddler through 5th grade

Invite your family and friends!

Summer Camp Registration is OPEN for Camp Wakon' Da-Ho

Is this the summer you want to try Church Camp? FCC pays 1/2 the camp fee!

There are Elementary Camps for students who have completed Kindergarten –5th grade as well as camps for Middle and High School students.

Patti went to Junior Camp at Wakon' Da-Ho last summer so she has all the info you need to know about the food dorms, and activities you can expect. Bonus: the brand new pool will be ready to use this summer!

Info is also available at:

<http://www.ccinky.net/ministries/camp/wakonda-ho>



For questions about Children's programs, contact Patti Wright

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

News & Announcements

Shaker Village | May 10th

Please register by April 16th. We will visit the shops, stroll around the gorgeous outdoor atmosphere, then cap off the trip at the highly recommended on-site restaurant. Feel free to bring friends and family! Sign up on the welcome table, or call the office at **859-236-4006**. Brought to you by Connections Ministry Team Questions? Contact Margaret Clark at **859-319-3895**. See more about our destination at: shakervillageky.org

Good Samaritan Sighted in Danville

The Saturday after the Big Storm Larry Scott was seen going up and down Lexington Avenue giving coffee and pastries to the cleanup crew! God bless you Larry!

4 Cans 4 Others

We have collected a total of 34,090 cans after receiving 22 in February and 94 in March. Let's keep bringing four cans every Sunday. The Salvation Army appreciates each and every donation for needy families!

Book Connection | April 2-Jan Bradshaw

Our Group continues to meet the first Sunday of the month right after church. We will be discussing the stories by Flannery O'Connor, John Gardner, and James Joyce using question #3 as a guide for thought on April 2. A light lunch will be provided by two of our members.

Waynesburg Manor St. Patrick's Day-Jan Bradshaw

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with Waynesburg Manor residents. Thanks to those who supplied goodies for the party! The six FCC folks who went had a great time bringing smiles and meeting smiles!

Backyard Gardener Seeds

This is the year to start a garden! And every garden starts with a seed. We are offering seeds to those who and would like to get a few seeds of a different kinds rather than hundreds of seeds of one kind. Seeds are to be picked up on Sundays. Contact us to let us know what you want and how much we have available! Contact the office or Steve (below).

Steve Cline
859.315.4332
bubstercline@gmail.com

Kentucky Wonder Bean (Pole)	King Midas Carrots
State Half Runner (Bush Bean)	Organic:
Sweet Banana Pepper	Caserta Zucchini
Mustard Tender Green	Pizza Pepper
Kale Premier	Roxy Lettuce
Spinach Bloomsdale	Mideast Prolific Cucumber
Upland Cress	Cascadia Bush Snap Pea
Bronze Fennel (Smokey Herb)	

Prayer Concerns

Shannon Warren
Mike Anderson
Aubrey Sivis
Catherine DeMoss
Steve Bruce
Charlotte Hopper
Howard Wilson
John Taylor Ross
Ken Harmon
Gary Gibson
Jan Sheffield

Margaret Milburn
Bill Morgan
Mary Lou Withers
Bonnie Wilson
Bill Barker
Heather Lockhart
Michael Allen
Michael Gretton
Elizabeth Clevenger
Jenny McClure's Brother
Rodger Morris

Keep Grieving Families in Prayer

Wendell Drury—Passed March 23, 2023

[Catherine Shoulty](#) - Passed March 16, 2023

[Jane Schmitt](#) (Patti Wright's Aunt) - Passed March 3, 2023

[Linda Delver](#) (Katie Powell's Sister) - Passed February 28

Assisted Living

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

Odell Hines
Marianne Kirby
Margaret Milburn
Betty Ramey
Aubrey Sivis
Mike Swain
Bonnie Wilson

Board Minutes

Minutes are posted on the board bulletin at the end of the Arcade. To read online, please navigate to: <https://www.firstchristiandanville.com/minutes>

Poem Read by Larry Davidson on March 12th

AN IRISH BLESSING

(Author unknown)

I do not wish you a pathway free of troubles,
nor a life of ease on a bed of roses.

I do not wish that you should never feel pain
or endure the bitter pangs of sorrow and regret.

I do not wish you these, for they are not things that matter.

My wish for you is that you find courage in times of trial
when the skies darken and the outlook is bleak,
when others load their burdens on your shoulders
and even blame you for their woes.

When all seems darkness, may you always find the ray of light;

and may all the gifts God has given you grow and flourish.
May you always have friends who are worthy of the name,
who will help in times of need and share your times of joy.
And may you always offer friendship in return
as you enrich the lives of all you meet.

But this is not all, one more wish I have for you --

In every moment of every day may you feel God's love
and be inspired.

That is my wish for you and all who are dear to you,

That is my wish for you now, always and forever.

News & Announcements

FCC Hearts Go Out To The Salvation Army Food Pantry-

Jan Bradshaw

The February Give From the Heart campaign was a success as FCC donated enough food items to **completely** fill 4 of the Salvation Army huge donation carts! The outreach committee thanks all who participated in this endeavor with special thanks going to the youth group and the Boy Scouts who assisted with muscle power to load the vans. Together we can and together we do make a difference!

Giving Thanks

Dear Everyone,

Thank you so much for receiving me on March 5th at the church. I could feel the warmth and concern from everyone.

I feel it was a great help in my recovery. Although I'm still 92, I feel grateful to be here and I thank you for still having the opportunity.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Henson



I know it's not Thanksgiving, but I am counting my blessings, thanking God for my recent medical procedure which has given much relief from my bursitis! Along with the procedure done in December for my back, I feel "more myself" than in a long time!

The main reason for my gratitude is YOU, my First Christian Church family, whose faithful prayers, cards, calls, food, and transportation when needed have made ALL the Difference!

In talking to an out of town relative recently, I told her how much better I was feeling and she replied, "you certainly have a lot of caring friends", to which I replied: "I have my church family which is all I need".

Gratitude & God's Blessings,
Jane Boyd



FCC Friends,

Thank you so much for all your thoughts and prayers during our family's time of loss. Losing a sister has reminded me of how precious and short life can be. It is good to have a loving and supportive church family care for you during these days. My family deeply and appreciates all the cards, care, support, and prayers from our FCC family.

Blessings,

Katie and John Powell

Welcome Members, Attenders, Visitors and Guests!

Palm Sunday | April 2

- Palm Sunday Worship, complete with palm leaves as a part of our **10:45** worship service.
- The egg-stravaganza for FCC kids will be held **after** worship in our courtyard.

Maundy Thursday | April 6

- Maundy Thursday with Tenebrae will be observed in the Sanctuary at **7:00p.m.**

Good Friday | April 7

- A Prayer Meditation Vigil will be held all day from **6:30 am to 6:30 pm**. You are welcome to show up at any time. Those who are homebound or shut-in will always be an important part of our prayer vigil from where they are.

Easter Sunday | April 9

- Easter Sunrise Outdoor Service will be at **7:00a.m.** at the southwest outdoor garden seating between Grace Gardens and the playground.
- A continental breakfast is offered on Easter Sunday **after** the sunrise outdoor service. Come by and grab something in the arcade and socialize
- Easter Sunday Service will be held at **10:45 am** in the sanctuary

Update on Operation Recovery

Operation Recovery is the outreach project of Cross-Roads Mission aiding tornado victims in Western Kentucky, specifically Dawson Springs and Princeton. In 2022, CrossRoads Mission organized and lead volunteers who

- served approximately 120 tornado victims
- worked on 67 different jobs
- contributed 15,730 service hours with a labor value of \$314,600

In 2023 CrossRoads Mission plans to

- complete 18 new home constructions by the end of October
- complete 22 new home constructions by the end of December

Volunteers from First Christian Church will be working with CrossRoads Mission in Princeton, Kentucky April 23rd - April 28th. You can come for a day or two or the whole week. Choose whatever best fits your schedule. Don't feel like you have to be a carpenter to come along. There are skilled and unskilled tasks, and OJT.

Contact Mary Ann McGlothlin for more information and/or to join the team.

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

April 2023

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<i>1</i>
<i>2</i> Jim Lester	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> Debbie Baker	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i> Sue Ann Prete	<i>8</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> Darell Rickmers	<i>11</i> Kathy Milby	<i>12</i> Jane Boyd Cheryl Gibson	<i>13</i> Ann Rightmyer **Terry & Linda Dachenhaus**	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> Sarah Taylor **Conley & Sherrie Horn**
<i>16</i> Libby McWhorter	<i>17</i> Kasey Wilson	<i>18</i> Jeff Withers	<i>19</i> Mallory Sebastian	<i>20</i> Ruby Cline Patti Wright	<i>21</i> Linda Dachenhaus Jeff Joiner	<i>22</i>
<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> Mary Ann McGlothlin	<i>25</i> Elizabeth Reynolds	<i>26</i> Billy Cannon Donald Holtzclaw	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> Margaret Milburn	<i>29</i> Ken Harmon
<i>30</i> **Tonia & Brian Darnell** **John & Kendra Funkhouser**						

April 2023

Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Sundays</u> 9:30am The Bistro 9:45am Adult SunSch 10am Grace Presby 5:30pm DYC						<i>1</i> 10:30am Al-Anon
<i>2 Palm Sunday</i> 10:45am Worship Egg-Stravaganza Book Connection 2pm Morning Pointe	<i>3 Holy Week</i> 9am Body Recall 5:30 Outreach 7pm Resonance 7pm Boy Scouts	<i>4</i> <i>(April 2nd-9th Holy Week)</i>	<i>5 Holy Week</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 6:30pm Ladies AA 5:30 Rehearsals	<i>6 Maundy Thursday</i> 10am Bible Study 2pm Worship Team 6pm Maundy Thursday Service	<i>7 Good Friday</i> 6:30am Prayer Vigil 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 7:30pm Jaywalkers	<i>8 Holy Week</i> 12:30pm Easter Egg Hunt @ Millennium Park 10:30am Al-Anon
<i>9 Easter</i> 7am Sunrise Service Breakfast (Arcade) 10:45am Worship Egg-Stravaganza	<i>10</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Tai Chi 6:30p Parents/Addict 7pm Resonance	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 6:30pm Ladies AA 5:30 Rehearsals	<i>13</i> 9am Connections 10am Bible Study	<i>14</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 7:30pm Jaywalkers 8pm Al-Anon	<i>15</i> 7:30am Soups On Us 10:30am Al-Anon
<i>16</i> 10:45am Worship Kids Club The Gathering	<i>17</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Tai Chi 6:30p Parents/Addict 7pm Resonance	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 6:30pm Ladies AA 5:30 Rehearsals	<i>20</i> 10am Bible Study 6pm FCC Men's Dinner & Discussion 7pm Church Board	<i>21 Newsletter Articles</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 7:30pm Jaywalkers 8pm Al-Anon	<i>22</i> 10:30am Al-Anon
<i>23 Operation Rescue</i> 10:45am Worship Kids Club The Gathering Elder's Lunch	<i>24 Mission Trip</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Tai Chi 6:30p Parents/Addict 7pm Resonance	<i>25</i> <i>(April 23rd-28th Operation Rescue Mission Trip)</i>	<i>26 Highlights</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 6:30pm Ladies AA 5:30 Rehearsals	<i>27 Operation Rescue</i> 10am Bible Study	<i>28 Mission Trip</i> 9am Body Recall 10am Healthy Back 7:30pm Jaywalkers 8pm Al-Anon	<i>29</i> 10:30am Al-Anon
<i>30</i> 10:45am Worship Kids Club The Gathering						

Some repeating events are unable to fit in the above boxes.
 For a full list of our events please see <https://www.firstchristiandanville.com/event-calendar>

Service Roster

April 2023

	Apr 2	Apr 9	Apr 16	Apr 23	Apr 30
Worship Leader	Margaret Clark	Jan Scott	Mary Ann McGlothlin	Elmer Jackson	Jane Boyd
Elders at the Table	Martha Caywood Evelyn Guerrant	Mary Ann & Lyle McGlothlin	Brian & Patricia Calvert	Joey Kirk Vince Pennington	Nancy & Doug McMurry
Deacons	Rodger and Wendy Ross	David May	Eben Henson Kasey Wilson	Cory & Kellie Jones	Rodger & Wendy Ross
Greeters	Jeanette Barbour Katie Powell	Patrick & Jenny McClure	Youth	Alice & Jay Reynolds	Ruby & Steve Cline
Stewards		Elmer Jackson		John Caywood	Joey Kirk
Children's Chat	Kendra Funkhouser	Debbie Baker	Pastor Colby	Patti Wright	Martha Bryant
Children's Worship and Wonder		None	Jackie Fowler		Sueann Rice
Children's Church	Kendra Funkhouser	None	Penny Vaught	Linda Dachenhaus	Martha Bryant
Nursery	Mary McKitric	Becky Whited	Kris Hamlin	Kendall Williams	Trista Hinkle
Acolytes	Lillian Russell Meryk Hinkle	Bari Bowman Ainsley Shartzter	Jenny Wilson Lillian Russell	Becca Hoffman Bari Bowman	Ainsley Shartzter Meryk Hinkle
Sound	John Funkhouser	Doug McMurry			
Camera	Margaret Jones	Cory Jones			
Slides	Connie McVicker	Connie McVicker			
Other	Morning Pointe Palm Sunday Egg-Stravaganza	Easter No Kid's Club	Assisted Living Communion	Elder's Lunch	

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Palm Sunday

April 2nd

10:45 am

**Worship
Service**

Eggstravaganza



Maundy Thursday

April 6th

7:00 pm

**Tenebrae
Service**



Good Friday

April 7th

6:30 am -

6:30 pm

**Prayer
Meditation Vigil**



Easter Sunday

April 9th

7:00 am

Sunrise Service

Breakfast

10:45

Worship

All are welcome to attend each and every service for holy week. We welcome with open arms to you and anyone you would like to bring with you!

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