



Our mission is "To Glorify God as Disciples of Jesus Christ by reaching up, reaching in, reaching out."

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Prayers Are Being Sent To:



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WORKERS FOR NOVEMBER

SOUND
Tracy Snowden
Jesse Likens

COMMUNION
Deacons are taking care of this

ORGAN/PIANO
11/03—Becky S.
11/10 - Ann S.
11/17—Becky S.
11/24 - Ann S.

DEACONS
Paul Spicer
Suzanne Waite
Dave Schnittker
Kay Scrivner

this can be changed if it needs to

ELDERS
11/03—Steve G.
11/10 - Phyllis R.
11/17 - Phillip W.
11/24 - Elmer A.

NURSERY
11/03 - Carolee R.
11/10 - Jennifer W.
11/17 - Donna W.
11/24 - Jayne C.



1st Elizabeth Bryant
6th Becky Snowden
Susan Rader
9th Kim Noland
10th Michael Durand
11th Gwen Arthur
Phil Daugherty
16th Rachel Puckett
17th Sherri B Sullivan
22nd Kay Scrivner
25th Margaret LeMaster



None that we are aware of at this time.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED/REQUESTED

11/03 - Janie Ohr
11/10 - Carolee Robbins
11/17 - Bee/Andrea Williams
11/24 -

SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

5:00p - Meal in Fellowship Hall
6:00p - Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
7:00p - Choir



In the Midst of Change

Have you been enjoying the beautiful colors of autumn? Trish and I enjoyed our drive up north to visit my Mom and we caught the leaves in rare form. Trees must shed their leaves to survive a harsh winter. The leaves must die for the tree to live. And in all of this God brings such beauty. We're used to changing seasons.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." Not all change is pleasant and enjoyable, but it is the reality that we all deal with.

With changes always happening how comforting it is to know that God never changes. The scripture reminds us "The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; His mercies never come to an end" (Lamentations 3:22); "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8); and "I the Lord do not change" (Malachi 3:6).

The truth of God's word never changes. Jesus said, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away." (Matthew 24:35). In a world with continual political turmoil and societies morals changing We rest our hope on Jesus and his word. I'm so glad that God has given us His church, a shelter in the midst of the storm.

I hope you were able to be here for our wonderful homecoming with Eddie Marrs last month, and our chili cook-off this month. It was really a lot of fun. Thank you for all those that served and prepared all of the chili, and variety of sides and desserts. In our changing world a body of Christians who love us, laugh with us and cry with us is exactly what we need.

Last month we began 40 days of prayer and we have been praying each week as a church together. I hope that you have been joining together with us. I believe there's great power when Christians pray, especially when they pray together for the same things.

I hope you will plan to be here for our worship service on November 17th. My brother Andrew (the one I've told so many stories about) will be here preaching for me, and I will be in Georgia preaching for him. This will be his first time joining us in worship and I hope that you're here to welcome him and be encouraged by his words.

This month I encourage you to read ahead as we finish the book of Nehemiah:

11/03 Nehemiah 4
11/10 Nehemiah 5-8
11/24 Nehemiah 9-13

How blessed Trish and I are to be in ministry here. We are so thankful for your generosity and kind gifts.

Bro. Matt



November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 9:30a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship	4 6:30p - Lions Club	5 	6 5:00p - Meal - potluck 6:00p - Bible Study 7:00p - Choir	7 6:00p - Estill County Community Memorial Service at FCC	8	2 Lions Club Pancake Breakfast/7-11a
10 9:30a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship Veterans Recognition Congregational Meeting	11	12	13 5:00p - Meal - brown bag 6:00p - Bible Study 7:00p - Choir	14 6:30p - Ladies Bible Study In Fellowship Hall	15	9 8a-1p - Blood Drive 9:30a - CWF in Sanctuary
17 9:45a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship Last day for OCC Shoebox	18 6:15p - Lions Club	19	20 5:00p - Meal - brown bag 6:00p - Bible Study 7:00p - Choir	21	22	16 Lions Club Bus Trip to Derby Dinner Theatre
24 9:45a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship 6:30p - Thanksgiving Svc Ravenna Christian Ch	25	26	27 NO Wednesday night services Choir will be meeting	28	29	23 Decorate Church for Christmas



BOARD MINUTES September 8, 2024

The official Board of the Irvine First Christian Church, Inc. of Irvine, Kentucky, did not meet in regular session in October, therefore there are no minutes to publish.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Wilson
Secretary



Sunday, October 27th, we honored Bro Matt for his leadership in honor of Pastor Appreciation.



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Poinsettia Order Form 2024

Name _____
 Quantity (\$10.00) each _____ (please check one) Cash__ _Check__ Amount Paid _____
 In Memory/Honor Of _____

_____ After Christmas Eve Worship, I will **PICK** up my Poinsettia(s).
 _____ I would like to **DONATE** my Poinsettia(s) to a shut in or person in need.

Please make checks payable to First Christian Church

Orders due by Sunday, Novembr 24th

For additional orders or information contact Kay Scrivner @ 606-723-2924

The **Estill County Community Food Bank** is an on-going project and is always grateful for donations. Demand continues to grow. **November collection will be anything and everything, as long as it is in cans for the time being. Monetary contributions are also accepted. Please make checks to the Estill County Community Food Bank.** You can give the contributions to Steve Garrett.

CWF HAPPENINGS

Our CWF October meeting was fun filled with laughter, fellowship and packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. The ladies looked very festive in their Christmas and Operation Christmas Child attire. And to make the outfit complete, a few had stylish glasses and headwear. We do like to have fun and make the most of every opportunity!!

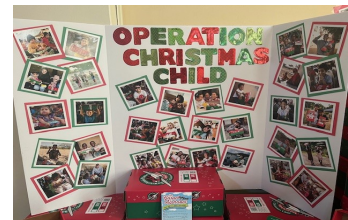
CWF sponsored and filled 30 shoeboxes to kick off our churchwide shoebox collection this year. We are always challenged but very creative to see how many simple gifts we can pack into a shoebox. Each year someone has a new packing idea or suggestion to make our gifts fit better.

We ended our packing party with a circle of prayer. Each lady prayed God's blessings for our shoeboxes and the children who will receive them. Each time we participate in this shoebox ministry, we are blessed beyond measure. The joy on our faces in the pictures tell our story! Please fill a shoebox with simple gifts, love and lots of prayer. You will be sharing the Greatest Gift of All, Jesus Christ. It will change a child's life forever.

Deadline for giving money for CWF to shop and fill a shoebox for you is November 10th.
Last day to bring filled shoeboxes is November 17th. Please secure your shoebox with rubber bands. Mark boy or girl and age on your label.

Save the date: December 13, 2024 (Friday) 6pm
Ladies Christmas Dinner
Church Fellowship Hall
Individual Table Decorating
Catered Dinner
Ornament Exchange
Chauffer Service
More details later re: cost

Thanks,
Pat Garrett



You can watch the morning worship service on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FirstChristianChurchIrvine>
The service begins at 10:45 a.m.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Elmer Adams, Kathy Duvall, Ann Hardy, Barsha Honchell, Mark Honchell, Debby Jones, Phyllis and W. J. Noland, Lois and Verlon Prewitt, Grace Sheffer, Jackie Staton, Bill Ball, Brandon Boling, Becky Riley Brode, Scotty Durbin, Tommy Harrison, Rheta Klump, Whitney Mays, Dale Perry, Cindy Rice, Wade Slusher, Matt Vaught, Gene Whorley, Aniah Wilson, Karen Wilson, Unspoken Requests, All Covid patients, Ukraine situation



FAMILIES OF: Rick Holbrook, Darrow Mixon, Debbie Sparks, Gwen

The Willows at Hamburg: Wanda Wilson
Legacy Retirement Community: Letitia King
Irvine Health & Rehabilitation: Peggy Kayse

MILITARY: Landon Carroll, Blake Dobbs, Austin Hayes, Austin Isaacs, Koda Boone Jones, Michael Tudor, Joey Warren

MISSIONARIES: Brian & Wendy Kiser



Electronic Giving Through SQUARE

The Board approved the use of Square as an electronic option to accept tithes and offerings. The system has been operational for a few weeks now. We've had a few volunteers to test the site with great success! You will be able to donate on the website which was free to the church or via the app. We also plan to make the QR code available for quick access. You will receive an email confirmation once your donation has been received. Here

are some basic Q & A to provide more information.

How much does it cost?

2.9% + \$0.30 per transaction

What credit cards can be accepted?

Visa, MC, Discover, American Express, Apple Pay and Google Pay

How does FCC get the money?

Directly deposited into the church's bank account, into the general fund

Does it track who donated?

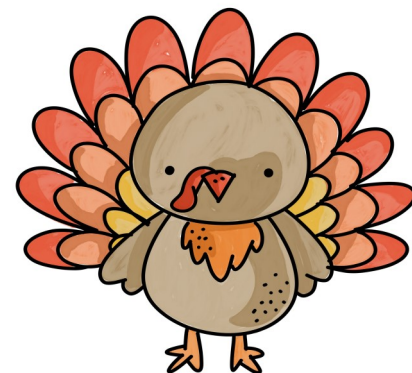
Transactions are tracked by card number and transaction date

Electronic giving is a great option if you are going to miss a Sunday, be on vacation, or just forgot the checkbook! The site gives you the option of selecting a fixed dollar amount or entering in a specific amount. Here is a look at the website and the link to our FCC account. We want to thank Jesse Likens and Kay for creating our site and getting things up and running. Watch the Sunday program for information on how to donate and use the QR code.

<https://irvine-first-christian-church.square.site/> When you go to this web site you will see the below picture. There will be a block where you can select the amount you want to send. The block says Tithe/Offerings



Irvine First Christian Church



We had a chili cook off on Saturday, October 26th. The winners were Tom Lisle - Main Street Chili; Bryan Whorley - Hunka Hunka Burning Love Chili; Bee Williams - Burning Bush Chili and Peoples Choice. They received an apron and a trophy. We had 21 pots of chili. This will become an annual event so start thinking about next year!! Donna Whorley was the master mind - Thanks so much.



Phyllis Rucker is making a point; There was a welcoming committee; Robin Powell graced us with a couple of songs; Karen Steinhauser presented a song and Bro Matt sang also.



Sunday, October 27th, Dan Ball and the Pickers (Bro Matt, John, Darrell) performed a special. It was also Tracy Snowden's birthday and he got treated to a special dessert at the Mexican restaurant thanks to Jesse.

