



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

Prayers Are Being Sent To:

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WORKERS FOR OCTOBER

SOUND
 Tracy Snowden
 Jesse Likens

COMMUNION
 Deacons are taking care of this

ORGAN/PIANO
 10/06—Becky S.
 10/13 - Ann S.
 10/20—Becky S.
 10/27 - Ann S.

DEACONS
 John Duvall
 Jackie Adams
 Marty York
 Pat Garrett

this can be changed if it needs to

ELDERS
 10/06—Steve G.
 10/13 - Phyllis R.
 10/20 - Phillip W.
 10/27 - Elmer A.

NURSERY
 10/06 - Kathy T.
 10/13 - Becky C.
 10/20 - Liz R.
 10/27 - Sue C.

OCTOBER Birthdays
 7th Jennifer Wiseman
 8th Keith Ohr
 9th Lauri Durand
 10th Sue Curtis
 11th Shelby Rader
 17th Verlon Prewitt
 24th Martha Royalty
 27th Tracy Snowden
 31st Shauna Murrey

OCTOBER Anniversaries
 15th Robert & Phyllis Dawson
 16th Loyd & Christine Flynn
 17th Joedy & Janie Ohr

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED/REQUESTED

10/06 - Steve/Pat Garrett
 10/13 - Barsha H/Sue C
 10/20 - Joe/Judy Warren
 10/27 - Becky/Jayne C.

SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
 5:00p - Meal in Fellowship Hall
 6:00p - Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
 7:00p - Choir



More Than We Imagine

What a wonderful homecoming it was! We had a great worship service and we were so glad to have Eddie Marris with us. There was really a spirit of joy within the church as we enjoyed fellowship together. As we look ahead to the month of October we can see there's a lot of things happening and opportunities to serve:

- * Feeding the football team on Friday, October 11th
- * Helping prepare and serve at the chili cook-off October 26th

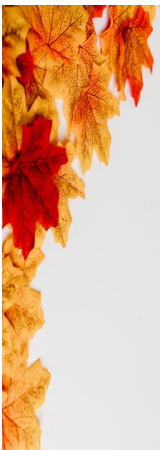
Both of these are examples of reaching out beyond the four walls of the church. We must keep in mind that we are not building a church in our own efforts, but we are working in the power of God. The apostle Paul captures this idea in Ephesians 3:20 "Now to HIM who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to HIS power that is at work within us." Time and again we see in the scriptures how God used the faithfulness of ordinary Christians serving Him and obeying Him to do mighty things beyond what they could imagine.

Next month I begin a new series of sermons called "More Than We Can Imagine"; how God used the faith of a cup bearer named Nehemiah to change the whole course of a nation. This series will be a reminder that God can use us, our simple faith and prayer, and our obedience to share the life-changing gospel with our community.

Won't you begin reading ahead in preparation for next month's messages? Here are the texts:


- October 6 1 Peter 4
- October 13 1 Peter 5
- October 20 Nehemiah 1
- October 27 Nehemiah 2

In His Love,
 Bro. Matt



October 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 5:00p - Meal - brown bag 6:00p - Bible Study 7:00p - Choir	3	4	5
6 9:30a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship	7 6:30p - Lions Club	8	9 5:00p - Meal - potluck 6:00p - Bible Study 7:00p - Choir	10	11 Feeding the football team before the game	12 9:3-a - CWF
13 PASTOR APPRECIATION 9:30a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship	14 	15	16 5:00p - Meal - brown bag 6:00p - Bible Study 7:00p - Choir	17 6:30p - Ladies Bible Study In Fellowship Hall	18	19
20 9:45a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship OCC Shoebox Kickoff	21 6:15p - Lions Club	22	23 5:00p - Meal - brown bag 6:00p - Bible Study 7:00p - Choir	24	25	26 1-3p - Chili Cook-off
27 9:45a - Bible Study 10:45a - Worship	28	29	30	31		



The [Estill County Community Food Bank](#) is an on-going project and is always grateful for donations. Demand continues to grow. **October 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

As we give thanks for God's blessings each day, we also lift many in our own families, church family, friends, community and beyond in need of prayer for whatever situation they are facing. It is comforting to know that God always hears our heartfelt simple prayers wherever and whenever we talk with him.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox kickoff is October 20th. We will be collecting gift filled shoeboxes until Sunday, November 17th. Shoeboxes will be available for you to take and fill with simple gifts, love and prayer. Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry is a wonderful opportunity for our church to bless a child, share the love and gospel of Jesus Christ and give hope to a child who desperately needs it.

Please come to our **CWF Shoebox Packing Party** on October 12th in the Fellowship Hall. Join in on the fun and fellowship as we decorate and fill the 30 shoeboxes CWF has committed to sponsor. It is guaranteed to get you excited about bringing joy and smiles to the hearts and faces of each child who receives and opens our shoeboxes!! And, it is a great motivator for each of us to fill our own shoeboxes to share the gospel.

CWF was asked to supply Mac & Cheese for the Tournament of Bands Competition this month at the high school. The competition was cancelled due to weather-related issues. However, the prepared/donated food was utilized used as a fund raiser for the band. Congrats to the Estill County Marching Engineers for their hard work, dedication and success they are having this year!!

Thanks to Judy Schnittker and crew for organizing our wonderful meal after Homecoming worship service. The Fellowship hall looked great and the food was delicious!!

Our church will be providing a meal for the Estill County High School Football Team on Friday, October 11th at the high school. Sign-up sheets are available for volunteers to help serve food and make desserts.

SAVE THE DATE: CWF Christmas Dinner is Friday, December 13th. More details to come. Ladies, get your creative ideas flowing for your table decorating!!

Please join us for our next Ladies Bible Study on Thursday, October 17th 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Phyllis Rucker will lead our study on "Fruit of the Spirit".

Next CWF meeting: October 12th, 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Shoebox Packing Party!!

Our Devotional was given by Corinne Calder on "Remembering". Corinne shared several scriptures about what the Bible teaches us about "Remembering" and how it is an integral part of our Christian faith. Below are some of the scriptures and comments Corinne shared that remind us to remember our God:

Deuteronomy—known as the "book of remembrance"

Psalm 78: 1-7—(verses 5-7) obligation to remember and teach our children

Exodus 20—The Ten Commandments; Great remembrance

Ecclesiastes 12:1—told to remember our Creator and your youth

Galatians 2:10—remember the poor

2 Timothy 2:8—not remembering is important

We are not to live in the past but learn from it by expanding our knowledge and experiences. God doesn't remember our sins once we give our life to him. We should treasure our remembrances.

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, Debbie Sparks, Matt Vaught, Gene Whorley, Aniah Wilson, Karen Wilson, Unspoken Requests, All Covid patients, Ukraine situation



FAMILIES OF: Jean Brandenburg, Joanne Chaney, Johnny Cox, Neva Hayes, Linnie Mae Herald, Mary Jo Palmer, Noel White, Levena Woods

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



THANK YOU

Members and Friends of First Christian Church,

*On behalf of the family of Jean C. Brandenburg. Heartfelt thanks for all you've done and all you meant to Mom.
Mom loved flowers and the ones sent from you all were beautiful. They did provide comfort to us and we know they were a reflection of your love.
Mom loved FCC and singing in the choir. We have wonderful memories of thoe happy times she spent with you.
Thanks so much for the monetary gift for our family and extended family's lunch following the service and burial. It meant a lot.
It was a lovely day and the flowers and your gift of love and knowing you care, all contributed.*

*Love to each of you,
Sherri Sullivan*

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together and running over Luke 6:38

Praying the Lord blesses your giving heart in abundant measure. Thank you

Thank you so much for keeping my family in your hearts and prayers. Thank you for the delicious meal and the space to spend time together ater Mom's service.

***The family of Joanne Chaney
Becky & Joe Crawford Chris & BJ Chaney***

PHOTOS FROM HOMECOMING



We were blessed to have Eddie Mairs with us on Homecoming Sunday. He is a very talented person and performed on the guitar, fiddle, harmonica and bango. He and Bro. Matt joined together on a beautiful version of 'Peace In the Valley.'