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Sunday School: Sundays 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service: Sundays 11:00 a.m.
Youth Service: Sundays 6:00 p.m.
Choir Practice: Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting: Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Special Dates:

Aug 9th - Youth to Barter Theatre –
10:15

Aug 24-Homecoming Service-10:30

Mailing Address for Tithes & Offering

First Christian Church of Abingdon,
Inc.
185 Old Jonesboro Road
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Back to School

August 2025

FCC Church Newsletter

The Voice

Tom Crise—Senior Minister

Cody Roark—Youth Minister

Elders: Jim Counts, David Large

**Deacons: Chad Taylor, Carl Kling,
Roy Broyles**



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Tom's Two Minute Time Out

I AM SURE YOU HAVE HEARD THAT OLD PHRASE, “VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE.” THERE IS TRUTH IN THAT STATEMENT. I MEAN, WOULDN'T IT BE BORING IF THERE WERE NO CHOICES IN THE THINGS WE DO EVERY DAY? WHAT IF EVERY MEAL WAS THE SAME EVERY DAY? OATMEAL FOR BREAKFAST, BOLOGNA SANDWICH FOR LUNCH, AND CHICKEN FOR SUPPER. THAT MAY SOUND PRETTY GOOD TO SOME FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS OR A WEEK, BUT WHAT IF THAT ALL IT WAS FOR LIFE? HOW ABOUT THE SAME OUTFIT EVERY DAY? OR LISTENING TO THE SAME SONG OVER AND OVER AGAIN? DRIVE THE SAME CAR, GO TO SAME PLACE FOR VACATION EVERY YEAR, AND SO ON.

I UNDERSTAND THAT SOME THINGS NEED TO BE THE SAME. YOUR SPOUSE, FOR EXAMPLE, AND MAYBE YOUR JOB. BUT EVEN THEN THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME VARIETY IN EVERY DAY LIFE. DO SOME THINGS DIFFERENTLY, EXCITING, AND FRESH. LIKE PEOPLE WHO WORK IN AN ASSEMBLY LINE AND DO ONE THING ALL DAY, EVERY DAY FOR YEARS, THERE IS A RISK OF BURN OUT AND FRUSTRATION AND QUITTING.

THE LORD IN HIS WISDOM KNOWS THIS AND MADE US ALL SO DIFFERENT. SO HIS CHURCH, OUR CHURCH FAMILY, IS FILLED WITH PEOPLE WHO HAVE A VARIETY OF TALENTS, COME FROM A VARIETY OF BACKGROUNDS, AND HAVE A VARIETY OF IDEAS AND DREAMS. THAT'S THE WAY IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE. AND WE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS VARIETY TO MAKE US WHOLE AND COMPLETE. NOT TO BE DIVIDED AND GET OUR OWN WAY, BUT TO MAKE THE CHURCH THE BODY IT WAS DESIGNED TO BE. LISTEN TO HOW PAUL DESCRIBES IT:

1 Corinthians 12:12 The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ.

THIS IS SO COOL! WE ALL ARE PARTS OF THE BODY OF CHRIST, HIS CHURCH. THIS MONTH, WE WILL EXAMINE THE CHURCH IN A SERIES OF MESSAGES ENTITLED, “THE PURPOSE OF YOU.” WE WILL SEARCH SCRIPTURES TO FIND OUT WHY WE ARE HERE, WHAT ARE WE MEANT TO DO, AND THE VALUE OF EACH ONE OF US TO THE CAUSE OF CHRIST.

YOU ARE VITAL TO GOD'S WORK! DON'T MISS YOUR CALLING.

KEEP JESUS FIRST!! KEEP PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER AND I LOVE YOU!

TOM

Stats for FCC Sunday Morning
Facebook & YouTube

As of: 07/31 /2025

Date	Facebook	YouTube
07/06	304	12
07/13	357	16
07/20	423	20
07/27	318	9

What We Believe

1. We believe the Bible to be the one and only inspired Word of God.

2. We believe all men and women are sinners and need to repent and change their lifestyle for salvation.

3. We believe in baptism by immersion as a part of the plan of salvation.

4. We practice the celebration of the Lord's Supper each Sunday.

5. We believe we have the responsibility to share the message of Jesus Christ in our Community and throughout the world.



August Sermon Series:

August 03	"Who Am I?" - Psalm 139:13-18
August 10	"What Am I Doing Here?" - 1 Corinthians 12:4-11
August 17	"How Can I Keep Going?" - 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
August 24	"Where Am I Going?" - Hebrews 11:13-16
August 31	Allan McConnell Preaching

Date	Attendance	Offering
07/06	141	\$ 7,658.75
07/13	149	\$ 3,330.00
07/20	134	\$ 3,913.00
07/27	140	\$ 5,331.00



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1**Ron & Shirley Snowden	2
3 Marilyn Taylor	4	5 Greg Nelson	6	7	8	9 ** Keith & Jen Medeiros
10 Addison Mullins	11 **Tom & Katrina Crise	12	13 Brady Bailey	14	15	16 Claude Ramey
17	18 Curtis Widener	19 Amy Crowder Alaina Roark	20 Juanita Lawson Judith Schuler	21 Betty Matney	22 Michael Poe ** Larry & Connie Dixon	23
24 31 Beth Pope	25 Ron Proffitt	26	27 Elaine Chapman Freddie Rife	28	29	30 ** Charlie & Joyce Powers

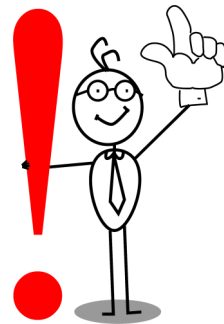
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2025

DATE	COMMUNION, OFFERING, PRAYER
August 03	Allan McConnell
August 10	David Large
August 17	Jim Gentry
August 24	Chad Taylor
August 31	Cody Roark



BOARD MEETING

August 10th, 7:00



There will be no
Golden Agers
Outing this month.



CHURCH
HOMECOMING
Aug 24, 10:30

Picnic lunch to follow at
Sugar Hollow Park



Adventurous Christians
August 16th

August Quiz

Back to School

A. What term describes the fear of going to school?

1. Arachnophobia 2. Glossophobia 3. Agoraphobia 4. Didaskaleniphobia

B. Each graphite pencil has enough graphite to draw a line how many miles long?

1. Ten 2. Twenty 3. Thirty-five 4. Nine

C. In what year did yellow become the official color of American school buses?

1. 1939 2. 1922 3. 1970 4. 1830

D. When were erasers added to the ends of pencils?

1. 1858 2. 1865 3. 1895 4. 1790

E. What percentage of students in the US wear school uniforms?

1. 25% 2. 40% 3. 20% 4. 15%

F. The largest college in the U.S. by acreage is Berry College, in Mount Berry, Georgia. How big is it?

1. 500 acres 2. 1,300 acres 3. 27,000 acres 4. 15, 000 acres

G. What is the average number of students in a classroom in the United States?

1. 25 2. 75 3. 50 4. 21

H. What was the original purpose of Play-Doh?

1. Soup thickener 2. Eraser 3. Caulking 4. Wallpaper cleaner

I. How many teachers are there in the U.S.?

1. 50 million 2. over 4 million 3. 9 million 5. 150,000

J. The IDEA act, which mandated that public schools provide free and appropriate public education to all students with disabilities was passed in what year?

1. 1975 2. 1890 3. 1920 4. 1930

Answers: A-4, B-3, C-1, D-1, E-3, F-3, G-4, H-4, I-2, J-1



Sunday Nights

August 3rd: Grief Support Group

August 10th: Shema Café
Music and Fellowship

August 17th: Hope 3:15 - Apologetics class:
Learn to defend your faith and define what you believe

August 24th: No program tonight due to Homecoming

August 31st: No program



2025 Youth Group Mission Trip

In attendance:

Chad Taylor, Cody Roark, Heather Pope, Hunter Crowder, Alayna Roark, Christian Taylor, Cody Roark, Jr., Layton Crowder, Noah Pope



Thank you to everyone who contributed!





Preschool Teachers

Date	11:00 AM
1st. Sunday	Elizabeth Blevins
2nd. Sunday	Gayle Large
3rd. Sunday	Heather Pope
4th Sunday	Beth Pope
5th Sunday	Breanna Crowder

K– 3rd Grade Teachers

Date	11:00 AM
1st. Sunday	Sandy VanDyke
2nd. Sunday	Allie Roark
3rd. Sunday	Misty Norris
4th Sunday	Christie Brummitt
5th Sunday	Christina Taylor

Cheryl's Class Helpers

Date	11:00 AM
1st. Sunday	Allie Roark
2nd. Sunday	Amy Gobble
3rd. Sunday	Kaylee Stiltner
4th Sunday	Melissa Morenings
5th Sunday	Susan Kling

