

## CHRISTIAN NEWS & VIEWS

First Christian Church Ashland, Nebraska April 2024 Pastor Bob Schofield

## Wonderful Things Are Happening at FCC!!!

Our newly renovated Fellowship Room is a true labor of love and made possible by the generosity and hard work of our church family. The renovation was possible through our memorial fund, which honors the lives of beloved church members who have passed on. Additional donations from church members allowed us to fully fund this project. We are also grateful for a donation made in memory of Brad Buckingham.

Many hours of planning and coordination went into this renovation over the past months. We'd like to extend heartfelt thanks to James & Darsey Hamm, Biff & Tammi Schofield, Dan & Cindy Lambert, Korey & Michelle Grell, Robbie Berge and Suzi Schofield for their leadership and tireless efforts in making this project a reality. Thank you!





LILIES IN MEMORY OF - EASTER 2024



Dave & Melissa Anderson	<ul><li>1 in memory of Thelma Anderson &amp; Mae Allington</li><li>1 in memory of Ginger Stewart &amp; Betty Poulter</li></ul>
Jim Anderson	1 in memory of Jack & Alice Anderson, Dave & Jean Warzala, K.C. & Martha Anderson
Marilyn Boston	<ol> <li>in memory of Jim Boston Sr.</li> <li>in memory of Louie, Fern, &amp; Terry Hauschild Art Laughlin</li> <li>in memory of Floyd, Blanche, Floyd Jr, &amp; Roy Boston Sr, Paul Stone</li> </ol>
Steve & Carol Bowen	<ol> <li>in memory of Norv &amp; Connie Bowen</li> <li>in in memory of Clarence &amp; Gladys Gausman</li> </ol>
Elizabeth Buckingham	1 in memory of Karl, Hattie John, Charlotte, Donald Hammer, Jack Buckingham Sr.
Joyce Buckingham	1 in memory of Brad Buckingham
Sandra Cochran	1 in memory of Brenda Cochran 1 in memory of Gail & Alice Alley
Marsha Danner	1 in memory of Larry Westling
Mark & Robin Fosbender	1 in memory of Jim Boston Sr.
Jana & Pat Gramkow	1 in memory of Tim Dunlevy & Granpa Harding
Michelle & Korey Grell	1 in memory of Bert & Rhonda Biede, Stacey Ghumm, Baynard & Linda Riggs, Don Grell
James & Darsey Hamm	1 in memory of Marie Hamm
Don Harrington	1 in memory of Bev Laughlin, Diane Harrington
Bev Johnson	1 in memory of Ray Johnson, Allen Johnson, Brianna Johnson
Dan & Cindy Lambert	1 in memory of Tadd Lambert & Keith Weston



## LILIES IN MEMORY OF - EASTER 2024



#### Randy & Kathy McFarland

Mitch & Sheri Miller

Laurie Murray

Joslene & Merlyn Osborn

Tony & Kim Petersen

Missy Pinkman

Biff & Tammi Schofield

Gerry & Patti Schofield

#### Paul & Jackie Whitehead

- 1 in memory of Donald & Leora McFarland
- 1 in memory of Roy & Marlene Carpenter
- 1 in memory of Glen & Pat Miller, & Jill Vandeman
- 1 in memory of Jeff Steffen
- 1 in memory of Jamie Mitchell
- 1 in memory of Merlina Hartman & Peggy Weeth
- 1 in memory of Robert Petersen
- 1 in memory of Joyce Beckman
- 1 in memory of Mary Turnipseed
- 1 in memory of Brenda Cochran
- 1 in memory of Clayton Schofield
- 1 in memory of Howard & Cozy Schofield, David Schofield
- 1 in memory of Paul Whitehead, Sandy Whitehead, Dennis & Jeanette Whitehead, Ralph & Irene Reed, Bill & Bessie Whitehead, Ron Reed



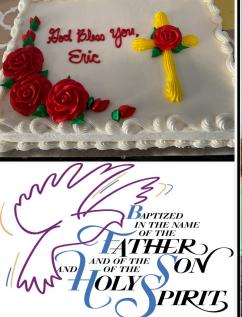
#### Congratulations & God Bless, Eric Fosbender!



Congratulations on your baptism! This is an exciting milestone in your spiritual journey. Baptism is a public declaration of your faith and a symbolic washing away of your old life. By being baptized, you are following Christ's example and professing your belief in Him as Lord and Savior.

The baptismal waters represent purification and the start of a transformed life in Christ. As you went under the water, your old self was buried; as you emerged, you were raised to new life in Him. What a joyful celebration this is! Your FCC friends and family rejoice with you at this fresh beginning.







## FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for giving to the Ashland Food Pantry. For the month of April we are being asked to donate the following items:

#### Pork-n-Beans, Canned Fruit, Soda Crackers

Next time you're in the store please pick up a few of these items and drop them at the church office. If you or somone you know



needs assistance please call Jean to set up an appointment. Her number is 531-240-0186.



#### Kids' Cupboard

Kids' Cupboard is a food pantry just for kids in

the Ashland community. It was started by the churches to provide food for the children during the weekends and summer months. The Cupboard is located in the basement of the American Lutheran Church. Thanks to everyone at FCC who has given to this very important ministry throughout the school year. For the month of **April** we are being asked for donations of **CEREAL**.



<u>ELDERS</u>	Merlyn Osborn Kellie Ford
<b>DEACONS</b>	Joyce Buckingham Korey Grell Kathy McFarland Randy McFarland
<b>DEACONESS</b>	Rhonda Riecken

**GREETERS** 

Darlene Breemes Jackie Whitehead



Kim Petersen Willa Laughlin Randy McFarland

Chris Root

Delise Hauschild Alfred Hammer

Claude Hurst's Family

Brad Buckingham's Family

Ashland-Greenwood Staff & Students

Members & Friends @ Oxbow Living Center,

Meadows of Ashland Nursing Home,

Golden Apartments,

Our Military and military families,

All First Responders, &

All Law Enforcement Personnel



#### DAILY SCRIPTURE

#### APRIL 7

- Acts 4:32-35
- Psalm 133
- John 20:19-31
- 1 John 1:1-2:2

#### <u>APRIL 14</u>

- Acts 3:12-19
- Psalm 4
- 1 John 3:1-7
- Luke 24:36b-48

## <u>APRIL 21</u>

- Acts 4:5-12
- Psalm 23
- 1 John 3:16-24
- John 10:11-18

#### <u>APRIL 28</u>

- Acts 8:26-40
- Psalm 22:25-31
- 1 John 4:7-21
- John 15:1-8

# FCC Historical Room

The Laughlin family's furniture that was graciously donated in previous years is being used for the creation of a new meeting room, the FCC Historical Room, which will be used for both bible studies and general meetings. This room holds a significant amount of history materials, providing a delightful atmosphere for all to enjoy.



#### **APRIL BIRTHDAY WISHES**

Virginia Clark	1st
Judy Green	3rd
Kevin Scheel	4th
Zach Wagner	6th
Debbie Akers	7th
Carol Bowan	7th
Martin Cerny	9th
Amy Bevis	12th
Cheryl Pallas	12th
Sandra Allington	13th



Jessica James	22nd
Patrick Krom	22nd
Carly vonRentzell	23rd
Sharon Sherman	25th
LaVon Root Felton	27th
Kim Cooper	28th
Kasen Spangler	29th
Emily Lambert	30th
Robert Wilson	30th



Mark & Patty Feldhacker	5th
Jeff & Trisha Smith	6th
Scott & Rhonda Riecken	15th
Casey & Jamie Anderson	25th



With Heartfelt

Dolores M. Gade, 93, of Lincoln, NE, entered into rest on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at Tabitha Nursing and

Rehab Center in Lincoln, NE. She was born March 9, 1931 in Ashland, NE to Charles and Leda (Flieschman) Gade. Dolores graduated from Ashland High School in 1949. She received a bachelor's and master's degree from the University of Nebraska and she received her PhD from Kansas State Universiy. Dolores was a professor at University of Wyoming for 26 years. She also owned and operated Leda's Attic in Ashland for several years and was a long time member of FCC. You Took My Parking Space at Church;

One day a man went to visit a church. He got there early, parked his car and got out. Another car pulled up near the driver got out and said, "I always park there! You took my place!"

The visitor went inside for Sunday school, found an empty seat and sat down. A young lady from the church approached him and stated, 'That's my seat! You took my place!' The visitor was somewhat distressed by this rude welcome, but said nothing.

After Sunday school, the visitor went into the sanctuary and sat down. Another member walked up to him and said, 'That's where I always sit You took my place!' The visitor was even more troubled by this treatment, but still he said nothing.

Later as the congregation was praying for Christ to dwell among them, the visitor stood up and his appearance began to change.

Horrible scars became visible on his hands and ion his sandaled feet. Someone from the congregation noticed him and called out, 'What happened to you?' The visitor replied, as his hat became a crown of thorns, and a tear fell down his eye, "I took your place."

When you read this say a prayer. That's all you have to do. This is powerful. Maybe, just maybe we can get the world to start thinking of who took our place.



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Robin Fosbender

If you've had a change of address or phone number, please let the office know. Other info that needs updated is a current email address. If you would like to be added to the birthday, anniversary or newsletter list contact the office.



MEN IN MISSION Word of Hope will be hosting Men in Mission,

#### Saturday, April 6, 2024

Coffee is on at 6:30am with the prayer breakfast following at 6:45.

#### Dennis Fujan

will be speaking. All men are welcome. Be sure to invite a friend.





NationalDayofPrayer.org

Please let the church know if you have anyone graduating from high school or college this year. We would like to honor them in a special recognition in May.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

THURSDAY, MAY 2ND