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Calendar of Events

Thursday, August 10

7:00 p.m. Scout Crew Meeting

Friday, August 11

Office Closed

5:00 p.m. Crossroads Dinner

Saturday, August 12

8:00 a.m. CMF

2:00 p.m. Eagle Scout of Honor

Sunday, August 13

8:30/10:45 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Children's Church

1:30 p.m. Phil & Pam Morgan Concert

Monday, August 14

No Bible Study

Tuesday, August 15

6:00 p.m. Scouts

6:00 p.m. Admin. Cabinet

Wednesday, August 16

Thursday, August 17

Friday, August 18

Office Closed

Saturday, August 19

10:00 A.m. Yarn Ministries

Sunday, August 20

8:30/10:45 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Children's Church

Monday, August 21

No Bible Study

Tuesday, August 22

6:00 p.m. Scouts

6:00 p.m. Elders Meeting

6:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting

7:00 p.m. FCC Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 23

Thursday, August 24

Friday, August 25

Office Closed

Saturday, August 26

7:30 - 9:30 a.m. FCC Community Brkfst

Sunday, August 27

8:30/10:45 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Children's Church

Christian Pearls of Wisdom: What the World Needs Now Is... Jennifer Alston

Like many of you I sometimes get discouraged by the world situation, and often wonder what is needed to make the world a better place for all of us. Recently I asked myself the question and lo and behold the answer was staring me in the face when looking at the letters W-O-R-L-D!

The answer using all the letters of WORLD is The "WORD" plus "L" which is Love. Indeed what the world needs is the Word of God, and the lyrics of the 1965 Jackie DeShannon song *What the World Needs Now* indicates Love is also necessary:

**What the world needs now is love, sweet love
It's the only thing that there's just too little of
What the world needs now is love, sweet love,
No not just for some but for everyone....**

Biblical scripture also states that the WORD of God as well as LOVE is needed in the world as shown in 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NLT) "16 All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. 17 God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work", and 1 John 3:18 (NLT) "18 Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions".

Love is the Word of God in action, and my hope is that all of us will apply the Word of God in our life. If so the World will undoubtedly become a better place for all of us.

NOTES FROM BRUCE.....

FCC UPCOMING SPECIAL MUSIC HIGHLIGHTS

August 13, Phil & Pam Morgan - both services,

1:30 p.m. Phil & Pam Morgan in Concert

August 20, Quartet Bruce & Sue Marston, Julie McDaniel, Dennis Mayeaux, accompanied by Teri Mayeaux on guitar - both services

August 27, Duet by Bruce Marston & Paul Shrout - both services

September 3, Beth Fulks On Piano - Both Services

Prayer Action Team Corner

We will begin a new list each month. Please let us know if someone wants to still be included. We are happy to do so.

Prayer Action Team – P.A.T.

Become a part of the P.A.T. and pray for God's work through FCC. Contact Mary Czeschin at 796-6231 to sign up.

All scheduled activities



Michael Anthony
Betty Atchison
Sharon Borchardt
Jennifer Bosley
Bill & Helen Coil
Marjorie Cooper
Rusty Darnel
Aaron Farrell
Mary Foster
Jaenette Greene
Sharon Hiebert
Claire Humphrey
Shannon Humphrey

Claudia Loun
Roma Meinsen
Coradean Naylor
Faye Rader
Jerry Richards
Bob Shirk
Charles Shrout
Brecken Simmons
Rick Stone
Bill Thurman
Theresa Thurman
John Wilkinson

Welcome Visitors July 30 & August 06

Deidre Chasteen
Julie McDaniel
John & Linda Wolf

The Record Speaks

	Aug 06	July 30	Yr Ago
8:30 Worship	46	47	47
10:45 Worship	102	88	111
Total	148	135	158

Sunday School Attendance

	Aug 06	July 30	Yr Ago
Pre School	43	44	49
Grades 1-6	1	9	2
ChiRho/CYF	Cornerstone	Friendship	Hamilton
	14	13	4
	Philathea	Staff	4
		Total	43



2017 Procter School Supplies Drive Monetary Donations Needed

Missions is getting ready to start shopping for school supplies for the upcoming school year.

We as a church have provided supplies for Procter Elementary for several years. But we need your **Help!** You can share by bringing monetary donations to church on Sunday or mailing a check so that we can buy items requested by Procter. Please note on the donation that it is for Procter School Supplies.

Thank you for helping to support the children in our community.

Missions Committee



Santa Cali Gon

comes to Independence September 1, 2, 3, & 4 and we need volunteers to oversee our shifts at the parking lot on the Westside of Pleasant.

The sign up sheets are waiting for you at the front entry and by the office.

Sign up early for your favorite time slot.

SCG Parking Committee

Community Ice Cream Social "Cool Treats and Hot Beats" 2017 Recap

The August 5, Community Ice Cream Social was undoubtedly one of the coolest summer events in recent history with temperatures around 70 degrees with "Cool Treats" such as ice cream and assorted desserts provided, and "Hot Beats" entertainment enjoyed by all. Rain did not dampen the fun as the chapel was used for the entertainment area which provided much laughter, fellowship, and enjoyment once again proving "Jesus Rocks".

Thanks to the Membership Team, volunteers, David Wade and the "Hillen Brothers" for making the event a success. Special thanks to the entertainers Mike "Love Me Tender Elvis P" Hillen, Bill "Mr. Las Vegas" Hillen, Noah "Guitar Piano Man" Kleaver, Curtis "Monster Mash" Grigsby, Steve "Frank Sinatra" Badami, Monte "Not the Printer" Parker, Star "Over the Rainbow" Tebbe, and Rod Stewart's Identical Twin... and especially all who attended.

CMF Breakfast Meeting Saturday, August 12 "Getting your mind back on track: Lessons for Christians"

Men, make plans now to attend the CMF Breakfast Meeting at 8 am, August 12 on "Getting your mind back on track: Lessons for Christians." The lesson and discussion will be Biblically based and will include among other things the importance of getting back on track and developing a relationship with God that grows, and what is needed to do so. This is an ideal time to invite others as we learn in an informal setting. For information, contact Clint Shrout (229-8076) or Bill Czeschin (796-6231).

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ at First Christian Church,

Our deep appreciation and thanks go out to everyone for all the prayers and hospital visits during John's illness.

In Christian Love,
John & Dorothy Curty

Opportunities For Service

August Communion Preparation

Bev Cox

Aug Hospital Communion

Aug 13 Harold & Eunice Doubledee

Aug 20 Joan Justice & Lois McCarty

Aug 27 Jay & Dee Crowley

8:30 Worship

August Greet & Serve Communion

Karen Manning & Mary Price

Aug 8:30 Elders

Aug 13 Harold Doubledee

Aug 20 Joan Justice

Aug 27 Bruce Marston

Aug 8:30 Shepherds

Aug 13 Bill Czeschin

Aug 20 Mary Czeschin

Aug 27 Harold Doubledee

10:45 Worship

August 10:45 Worship Line Leader

Marla Jones

Aug 10:45 Serving Elder/Prayer

Aug 13 Clint Shrout/Wayne Tibbetts

Aug 20 Brent Schondelmeyer/Clint Shrout

Aug 27 John Livesay/Brent Schondelmeyer

August 10:45 Deacons

Sandra Barrett

Jacque Leathers

Kay Comer

Betty Langton

Bob Greene

Rita Livesay

Mike Hillen

Sue Marston

Aug 10:45 Shepherds

Aug 13 Dee Crowley

Aug 20 Wayne Bear

Aug 27 Linda Humphrey

Aug Worship Leaders

8:30 Worship

Aug 13 Karen Manning

Aug 20 Martha Schmidt

Aug 27 Geoff Ingram

10:45 Worship

Aug 13 Martha Schmidt

Aug 20 Clint Shrout

Aug 27 David Ross



DWM NIGHT CIRCLE

Hello September..... A new month is before us, an old one left behind. The only wish I have is that September is kind!

Now that you should be nice and rested from the three day weekend please join us for DWM Night Circle on September 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Susie Vader, 1701 NW Oak Circle, Blue Springs. Dinner will be at 5:30 at Mod Pizza, 1112 NE Coronado Dr. in the Adams Dairy Landing. Marla will continue with our study

Women of Faith. This month will be on Anna from the book of Luke. Our Service Project will be the Officer Tom Wagstaff fund. Please join us for a fun-filled evening. You can even wear white if you want, even though it's the day after Labor Day, we don't judge.

Membership Moment: God Wants Our Burdens

2 Thessalonians 1:5 (AMP) ⁵This is a positive proof of the righteous judgment of God [a sign of His fair verdict], so that you will be considered worthy of His kingdom, for which indeed you are suffering.

God wants our problems, difficulties, challenges and worries. Almost all of our problems that we worry about are outside of our control, which gives us the perfect chance and opportunity to give what troubles us to God. Worst case scenario is that our problems and burdens tend to make us worry, while the best case scenario is that our problems will test our faith.

Do you trust God enough to let Him be in charge of and control everything in your life from your big problems to the small stuff? If so He's willing to take control of our woes if we just let Him.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all the calls, beautiful cards and wonderful notes on our 50th wedding anniversary. We celebrated with a wonderful Alaskan cruise. We appreciate the church so much, especially the friendship, love and support of so many. We are truly blessed!

Wayne & Norma Tibbetts

Crossroads
Food Drive



Help Feed
His Flock...
Please Bring

nut Butter,
Grape Jelly,
Snack Crackers,
Granola Bars,
Fruit Cups,
and Juice Boxes
for the Children.

DWM Day Circle to meet September 13, 2017

The DWM Day Circle will meet Wednesday, September 13 at 10:00 a.m. in the Friendship Classroom. Refreshments will be provided by Bette Kunkle and Susan Lundquist. Mary will conduct the business meeting, after which we will go to the Chapel.

Bette Kunkle will bring the devotion for the day and Martha Schmidt will continue our study based on our theme, "Promise and Struggle" in the Bible. The service for September will be "Answering the Call," honoring Tom Wagstaff, the Independence police officer who was critically injured while answering the call of a victim of assault and robbery. The monetary gifts will go to a fund to help with rehab expenses.

We welcome all women of the church to our monthly circle meetings!

The date September DWM board meeting has been set for September 27, at 10:00 a.m.

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