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Reflection

First Christian Church News (Disciples of Christ)

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We had young people join us on Sunday! They looked so great, and their smiles were wonderful. I love looking into the face of a child. You never know what they are thinking – or not!

I see God as a child smiles and I feel God when a child becomes upset. What did you see on Sunday? I saw God as they smiled, and you could see a little orneriness through their eyes.

God be with you! Pastor Les

Join us for Worship In Person Worship

We are meeting at the church for worship at 10:40 a.m. on Sunday mornings! We are using pre-packaged communion. We hope to see you Sunday!

At Home Worship on Facebook/Vimeo



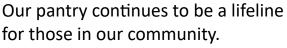
Find us on Facebook at First Christian Church—Disciples of Christ of Emporia, KS. to join us for worship at 10:40 a.m. on Sundays. Leave a comment on our worship service to let us know you are with us! Find us on Vimeo at First Christian Church–Emporia.



Upcoming Serving Schedule

<u>November 5th, 2023</u> <u>Elder</u>~ Marlene Hanson <u>Worship Leader</u>~ Janece Bacon

November 12th, 2023 Elder ~ Nancy LeClear Worship Leader ~ Marie Harding During the month of October, the food pantry helped **150 families** with food, plus **various other items**, including **25 doz. eggs**. Our pantry continues to be a lifeline



During this time, we have implemented a no contact method for providing food to the community and have reduced our food pantry hours to Mondays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Church Family Prayer List

Dick Hubert

Paul Martinez, Friend of the Arnett's

Hunter McCoy, Chad & Laurie Kurzen's Nephew,

Jaiden & Kinzie Kurzen's Cousin

<u>Jennifer & Michael</u>

Jacob Ramirez Son of <u>Sonya Ihde</u>

JoAnn Rincon, Friend of Marilyn Dalton

Dee Thompson

Attendance and Giving Record

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<u>October 22nd, 2023</u> ~ SS 6/40 AH & IP Worship <u>October 29th, 2023</u> ~ SS 8/40 AH & IP Worship

GIVING RECORD

<u>October 22nd, 2023</u> ~ Offering \$1,010.00/ Building \$10.00 <u>October 29th, 2023</u> ~ Offering \$2,570.00

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- 10 Vicki Cole
- 13 Shirley Ayers
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- 14 David Meierhoff
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- 23 Laurie Kurzen
- 25 Dana Witten
- 30 David Harding
- 30 William Hopkins



Mark The Dates

Sundays at 9:30am – Sunday School

Sundays at 10:40 am—Worship Service via In Person & Facebook Live

<u>Mondays from 9:00—11:00 am</u>—Food Pantry

Mondays at 7:00 pm—Boy Scouts

<u>Fridays from 3:00—6:00 pm</u>—Clothes Closet & Household Hut

Saturdays from 9:00 am—12:00 pm—Clothes Closet & Household Hut

Nov. 5, 2023—Daylight Savings Time Ends

Nov. 7, 2023—Election Day

Nov. 8, 2023 1:30pm—DWF Group

Nov. 8, 2023 4:00pm—Stewardship Meeting

Nov. 10, 2023—Veterans Day Substitute (Office Closed)

Nov. 11, 2023—Veterans Day

Nov. 13, 2023—Newsletter Deadline

Nov. 13, 2023 2:00pm—Christian Ed. Meeting

Nov. 13, 2023 4:00pm—Elders' Meeting

Nov. 15, 2023 6:00pm—Board Meeting

Lectionary Schedule November 5th, 2023— November 26th, 2023

November 5th, 2023

Joshua 3:7-17 Micha 3:5-12 Matthew 23:1-12 Psalm 43

November 12th, 2023

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 Amos 5:18-24 Matthew 25:1-3 Psalm 78:1-7

November 19th, 2023

Judges 4:1-7 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30 Psalm 123

November 26th, 2023 Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46 Psalm 100



As the 2023 year comes to an end, I would like for everyone to think about several items for our church. 1: The legacy for the church 2: Continue to keep monitoring for possible location s to move or other church to nest with, should property be sold 3: Clarity of the Bylaws and Constitution of First Christian Church. As you give this thought, I would like to assign individuals to work with one of the programs starting after the first of the year. Please let me know which program will work for you

Moderator, Marlene Hanson

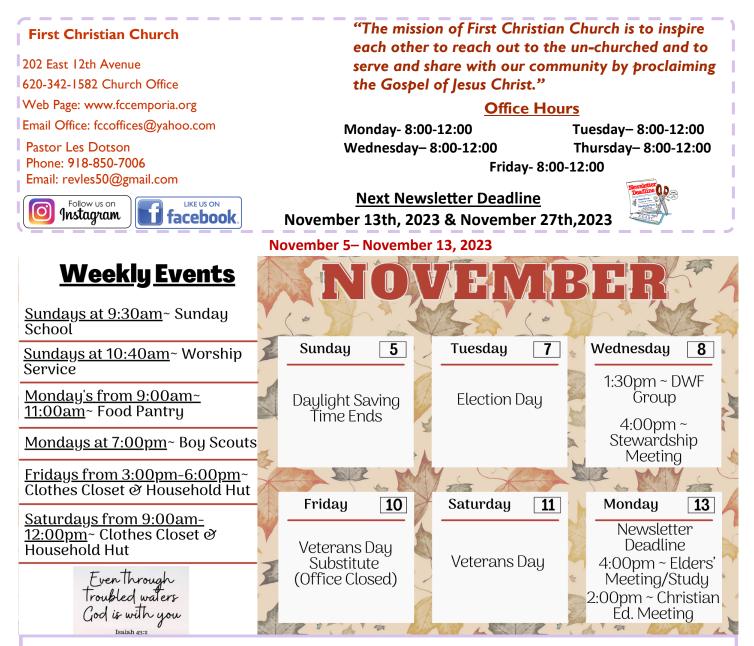
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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS

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Today's Prayer:

Dear God,

Thank you for this new day and all of the blessings it brings. We ask for your guidance and presence as we go about our daily tasks and responsibilities. Please give us the strength and resilience to face whatever challenges may come our way, and help us to be a source of love and support for those around us.

We pray for your protection and care for all those in need, and for your wisdom and discernment to guide us in making good choices. We trust in your love and care for us, and we pray for your continued presence in our lives.

Amen.