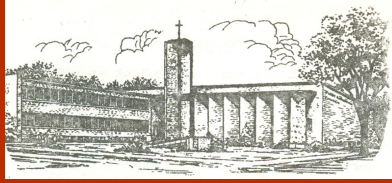




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Reflection

It is crazy around my house, unloaded all the stuff I had. My stepson brought me more things and I'm now unloading more stuff!

The sun is up in the morning. Our sun of God is up this morning and working, something I call a "God Thing" moving all around us.

What has God called you to do today? What will you accomplish this week and next week? Will you take time to see the birds or pet another animal? Will you look at all creatures you see and smile knowing God created them?

May God, surround you with love, grace, and forgiveness, we are given this every day

Blessings
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!

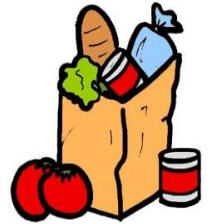
At Home Worship on Facebook/Vimeo



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.**

Welcome

During the month of October, the food pantry helped **72 families** with food, plus **various other items**, including **10 doz. eggs.**



Our pantry continues to be a lifeline for those in our community.

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

Sharon Ball & Family

Joy Frevert's Friend

Dick Hubert

Paul Martinez, Friend of the **Arnett's**

Hunter McCoy, **Chad & Laurie Kurzen's** Nephew,

Jaiden & Kinzie Kurzen's Cousin

Jennifer & Michael

Jacob Ramirez Son of Sonya Ihde

JoAnn Rincon, Friend of **Marilyn Dalton**

Dee Thompson

Upcoming Serving Schedule

October 8th, 2023

Elder~ Judy Moore

Worship Leader~ Jaylene Arnett

October 15th, 2023

Elder~ Jaylene Arnett

Worship Leader~ Janet Lostutter

Attendance and Giving Record

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September 24th, 2023 ~ SS 16/35 AH & IP Worship

October 1st, 2023 ~ SS 11/34 AH & IP Worship

GIVING RECORD

September 24th, 2023 ~ Offering \$1,390.00/

Spec. Offering \$50.00

October 1st, 2023 ~ Offering \$1,230.00/

Spec. Offering \$50.00



Birthdays and Anniversaries

OCTOBER Anniversaries

- 26 Carl & Rita Headrick
- 28 Tyler & Shelby Pedersen

OCTOBER Birthdays

- 10 Brilee Paige Blades
- 15 Torchy Duncan
- 17 Eleanor Edgins
- 17 Mildred Steeves
- 17 Jennifer Dalton

REJOICE
 ALWAYS,
PRAY
 CONTINUALLY,
GIVE THANKS
 IN ALL
 CIRCUMSTANCES.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NIV

Mark The Dates

Sundays at 9:30am— Sunday School

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

Mondays from 9:00—11:00 am—Food Pantry

Mondays at 7:00 pm—Boy Scouts

Fridays from 3:00—6:00 pm—Clothes Closet & Household Hut

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

Oct. 2, 2023 10:00am—Peter Bible Study

Oct. 8, 2023—Pastor Les’s First Sunday

Oct. 9, 2023 2:00pm—Christian Ed. Meeting

Oct. 9, 2023 4:00pm—Elders’ Meeting/ Study

Oct. 10, 2023 10:00am—Peter Bible Study

Oct. 11, 2023 1:30pm—DWF Group

Oct. 11, 2023 4:00pm—Stewardship Meeting

Oct. 16, 2023—Newsletter Deadline

Oct. 17, 2023 10:00am—Peter Bible Study

Oct. 18, 2023 6:00pm—Board Meeting



Lectionary Schedule October 8th, 2023— October 29th, 2023

October 8th, 2023

Isaiah 5:1-7
Philippians 3:4b-14
Matthew 21:33-46
Psalm 19

October 15th, 2023

Isaiah 25:1-9
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-4
Psalm 23

October 22nd, 2023

Isaiah 45:1-7
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22
Psalm 99

October 29th, 2023

Deuteronomy 34:1-12
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46
Psalm 1




FOOD PANTRY

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
202 E. 12TH AVE.**

Mondays, 9-11am

Helping families in our community!




CLOTHES CLOSET & HOUSEHOLD HUT

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
202 E. 12TH AVE.**

**Fridays, 3-6pm
Saturdays, 9am-12pm**

Did You Know?!

Did you know we have an Endowment Fund at the Christian Church Foundation?! By giving to our endowment fund, you are contributing to the ministries of FCC Emporia for years to come.

First Christian Church.
202 E. 12th Ave. Emporia, KS 66835
620-342-1582

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 16 oz Jar Peanut Butter | Ramen Noodles | Soup |
| 15 oz Can Fruits | Toilet Paper | Pork N Beans |
| 15 oz Can Vegetables | 5 oz Can Tuna & Chicken | Instant Oatmeal Packets |
| | Mac N Cheese | Saltine Crackers |

Thank you for your help!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

First Christian Church is looking for volunteers on Sundays to help run the sound and PowerPoint for the church service; Training is available.

Please call 620-342-1582 or email fccoffices@yahoo.com if interested!

THANK YOU

CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

INFANT ~ PRE-K

- 9:30am-10:25am
- Church Nursery

LOVE STATION (Kindergarten ~ 6th Grade)

- 9:30am-10:25am
- 2nd Room on South Side of Top Floor

First Christian Church

202 East 12th Avenue

620-342-1582 Church Office

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Pastor Les Dotson

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"The mission of First Christian Church is to inspire each other to reach out to the un-churched and to serve and share with our community by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Office Hours

Monday- 8:00-12:00

Tuesday- 8:00-12:00

Wednesday- 8:00-12:00

Thursday- 8:00-12:00

Friday- 8:00-12:00

Next Newsletter Deadline

October 16th, 2023 & October 30th, 2023



October 3rd- October 16th, 2023

Weekly Events

Sundays at 9:30am~ Sunday School

Sundays at 10:40am~ Worship Service

Monday's from 9:00am-11:00am~ Food Pantry

Mondays at 7:00pm~ Boy Scouts

Fridays from 3:00pm-6:00pm~ Clothes Closet & Household Hut

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

*Even through troubled waters
God is with you*

Isaiah 43:2

OCTOBER

Tuesday

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10:00am~ Peter Bible Study

Sunday

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Pastor Les's First Sunday

Monday

9

2:00pm ~ Christian Ed. Meeting

4:00pm ~ Elders' Meeting/Study

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10:00am~ Peter Bible Study

Wednesday

11

1:30pm ~ DWF Group

4:00pm ~ Stewardship Meeting

Monday

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Newsletter Deadline

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.