



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)  
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NEWSLETTER - June 25, 2024

**John 14:6-7**

<sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

**News and Upcoming Events:**

**Mark Your Calendars!**

June 30<sup>th</sup> Guest Minister, Rev Travis McKee  
Potluck dinner following worship and a  
presentation by Travis after dinner.

Travis is Associate Regional Minister for Transformational Ministry,  
 Christian Church in Kansas (Disciples of Christ).

Travis knows we have been and are going through lots of changes and is looking forward to sharing a morning message with us and after dinner visiting with us about where we are and how we are going to move forward. He is excited about meeting with us to help us get started on this so we can name what we'll be doing and find a minister who will work with us to achieve our goals.

Please plan to attend on June 30<sup>th</sup> for worship and this special event.

For the potluck dinner, please bring your own table service and a favorite dish.

Drinks will be provided. Come enjoy the fellowship and hear and share with Travis.

**Welcome Pastor Jim Zier!**

Come join us on **July 7** and meet Pastor Jim Zier (called PJ by most of the churches he's served). He will be our minister for the next several weeks during this transitional period. He lives in Wichita and has served at several churches as an interim. He has been recommended to us by Regional Staff (and personally by two of my cousins who attend one of the churches he has served). He is aware of some of our needs and looks forward to helping us through this period. Let's roll out the welcome mat and make him feel welcome.

- Barb Gimple, Worship Chair

**Reminder** - **Children's Sunday School** is taking a break for the summer. Fall Kick off will be August 18 for all classes.

**Calendar items**

- June 30 - Travis McKee, Guest Minister, Potluck lunch and presentation
- July 3 - Homestead
- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 8 - Elders @ 4:00 pm
- July 8 - Christian Ed Meeting @ 5:00 pm

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**Our Family:**

Prayer List:

**Mildred Steeves**

**Jacob Ramirez**, Son of Sonya Ihde

**Hunter McCoy**, Chad & Laurie Kurzen's nephew; Jaiden & Kinzie Kurzen's cousin

**JoAnn Rincon**, Friend of Marilyn Dalton.

- Birthdays:
- June 28 - Jake Dalton
  - July 01 - John Harding
  - July 02 - Allison Harding
  - July 02 - Janet Lostutter
  - July 08 - Judy Moore

- Anniversaries:
- June 29 - John & Marie Harding
  - June 30 - Joe & Dana Witten

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**Upcoming Serving Schedule:**

- June 30: Message: Rev. Travis McKee, Guest Minister  
Elder - Jaylene Arnett; Worship Leader - Janece Bacon  
Children's Message - Judy Moore
- July 7: Message: , Guest Minister  
Elder - Marlene Hanson; Worship Leader - Judy Moore  
Children's Message - Marlene Hanson

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**Attendance and Giving Record:**

- June 16: SS - 3; Worship in person/at home - 39  
Offering - \$ 1,260.00
- June 23: SS - 2; Worship in person/at home - 34  
Offering - \$ 560.00

**Serving the Community:**

**Clothes Closet/Household Hut** is open every week: 3:00-6:00 pm Friday; 9:00 am-12 noon Saturday

We welcome everyone to come to shop and find good bargains. *Proceeds are used to help fund the Food Pantry.* (Volunteers are always needed - sign-up sheet by the office)

**Food Pantry** is open the last Monday of each month from 9:00-11:00 am, unless all bags are given out before 11. On June 24<sup>th</sup> we gave out 26 bags and 6 dozen eggs.

**July 29<sup>th</sup> is the next Food Pantry distribution.**

**Scout Troop 157** meets at the Church every Monday at 7:00 pm

**Food Pantry items we are encouraged to donate to put in the bags for distribution:**

16 oz jar peanut butter; 15 oz can fruit; 15 oz can vegetables; 5 oz cans tuna and chicken; Ramen noodles; Mac N Cheese; Soup; Pork N Beans; Instant Oatmeal packets; saltine crackers; toilet paper. **Thank you for your donations, whether food items or money donations.**

**Join together Sunday mornings for:**

Worship at 10:40 am

All are Welcome to come worship and share in communion

A nursery is provided for preschool aged children

If you cannot be here in person, watch on Facebook at First Christian Church—

Disciples of Christ of Emporia, KS

Be sure and leave a comment so we know you are with us.

Sunday School at 9:30 am - Adults only

No Children's classes June 2 through August 11; Fall Kickoff will be August 18

**REMINDER:** You can always watch the services on Facebook, even if you are on vacation

**Contact Information:**

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