



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ) 202 E 12th Avenue, Emporia, KS 66801 620-342-1582

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Psalm 138

¹ I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart; before the "gods" I will sing your praise. ² I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness, for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame. ³ When I called, you answered me; you greatly emboldened me. May all the kings of the earth praise you, Lord, when they hear what you have decreed. ⁵ May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great. ⁶ Though the Lord is exalted, he looks kindly at the lowly; though lofty, he sees them from afar. ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life. You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes; with your right hand you save me. ⁸ The Lord will vindicate me; your love, Lord, endures forever— do not abandon the works of your hands.

News and Upcoming Events:

<u>As we prepare to downsize</u> and eventually move, it is important to note that everything in this church building belongs to the church. There will be many items we will not be able to take with us, but we will give our church members and active participants an opportunity to bid on them through a sealed bid silent auction. This will allow members an equal opportunity to purchase items they may want. If there are items you are interested in purchasing, please notify Carl Richardson or John Harding. If it is something we do not feel we want to keep for the church, we will place it up for auction. We will have our first sealed bid auction soon.

Carl Richardson, Trustee Chair



Mark Your Calendars!

An Unlikely Advent-Adult Advent Study

An Unlikely Advent - Extraordinary People of the Christmas Story Advent Study begins Tuesday, November 26th at 4:00 p.m. in Church Parlor. This four-week Advent study focuses on the stories of Elizabeth and Zechariah, Herod, the Magi, and the shepherds. Each of these unexpected characters has something to teach about living faithfully on the journey to Christmas. The themes will be hope, love, joy, and peace. Study dates are November 26, December 3rd, 10th, and 17th at 4:00 p.m.

There is no cost for studying books, but we do need to know who is coming to order books for everyone. There will be a sign-up sheet on table by church office.

Jaylene Arnett

DWF November 13th

On November 13th at 1:30 in the parlor Jean Miller will be the hostess and provide the lesson for the next DWF meeting.

Calendar items

November 6 - 3:00 pm - Homestead November 11 - 4:00 pm - Elders Meeting

Our Family:

Prayer List:

Jacob Ramirez, Son of Sonya Ihde JoAnn Rincon, Friend of Marilyn Dalton. Tim Frevert, Brother-in-law of Joy Frevert Marla Darby, Frind of Jean Miller & Anita Imhoff



November 1 - Jaylene Arnett November 2 - Brooklynn Pedersen (5) November 4 - Landon Fuller (5) November 4 - McKenna LeClear

November 8 - Adam Harding

Upcoming Serving Schedule:

November 3: Message: Marcus Hanson, Guest Minister Elder - Nancy LeClear; Worship Leader - Jaylene Arnett Children's Message - Nancy LeClear November 10: Message: Malonne Davies Guest Minister Elder - Jean Miller; Worship Leader - Nancy LeClear Children's Message - Jaylene Arnett

Attendance and Giving Record:

October 20: SS - 13; Worship in person/at home - 41 Offering - \$ 385.00 October 27: SS - 17; Worship in person/at home - 40 Offering - \$ 904.00

Serving the Community:

<u>Clothes Closet/Household Hut</u> 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)

<u>Food Pantry</u> is open the last Monday of each month from 9:00-11:00 am, unless all bags are given out before 11:00 am. On October 28th we gave out 30 bags and 6 dozen eggs. November 25th is the next Food Pantry distribution.

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

<u>Food Pantry items we are encouraged to donate to put in the bags for distribution</u>: 16 oz jar peanut butter; 15 oz can of 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 us on 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 and Children Welcome

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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."