

The Pittsfield Christian

First Christian Church of Pittsfield, Illinois

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Dear Church Family,

There will be a congregational meeting on October 12th, after the 10:30 service, to vote on recommended revisions to our Bylaws regarding how Deacons are appointed and operate in the church. The revisions will have the Elders appoint and oversee Deacons for specific areas of service in the ministry. We have been discussing the operation of Deacons at First Christian Church for quite some time, and we believe that these changes will help this important aspect of ministry be more productive, well-defined, beneficial, and more biblical. Copies of the proposed changes will be available on the church mantles, or you may contact the office, and we would be happy to email a copy to you.

We will be announcing the meeting and proposed changes in the next few weeks. Elders are available to answer any questions. We will answer any questions at Coffee Talk on October 7th, or during Sunday School hour the next 2 Sundays.

High School Girls' Bible Study begins Wed, **Oct 1**, 6:30A.M. at the annex. Contact Niki with questions.

Coffee Talk, Tues, **Oct 7**, 10:00 at the annex. Stop by for conversation with Pastor Michael or if you have questions regarding the proposed Bylaw change.

The **CWF Bible Study** will meet Thurs, **Oct 9**, 9:30 at the Cardinal Inn.

Christian Men's Fellowship has discussed and trained for the program Kid's Outdoor Zone which is a mentoring program for boys in the church family. **CMF will host a Kid's Outdoor Zone event after church on Sun, Oct 12.** The church will bus participants to Hamer/Jenny Tate's home for a campfire, grilled burgers, then lead a catch/release fishing event at a Tate pond. At drop off, parents will need to choose one of the following options **(1)** boy returns on the bus to Crossroads at 4:00; or **(2)** boy stays at Tate's and the parent picks him up at Tate's; or **(3)** boy stays for Vesper Service and returns to Crossroads on the bus around 8:00.

Men – If you would like to be a mentor but missed the Sept 14 meeting then contact Zack Boren at zboren@gmail.com and he will send you the login info for training.

Parents – Contact Zack for more info.



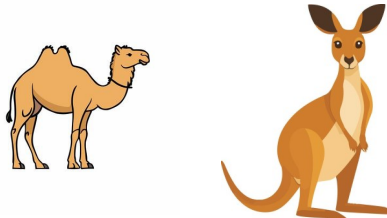
The fall wiener roast and Vesper Service will be at the Hamer & Jenny Tate farm on Sunday, Oct. 12. Like a family meal, all food will be provided with donations in the box to help offset expenses. All you need to bring is your cooking fork if you have one, and your lawn chair. The fire should be ready for roasting by 4:30. If you want to fish, paddle boat, play, or just have some relaxing time, feel free to come on down any time after 3:00.



Cookie Sunday!
October 5

Church Board Meeting, Tues, **Oct 14**, 6:00.

Hangout 45 will meet Sunday, **Oct 19**, after 10:30 service.
We will travel to Kamaroo Farms in Calhoun County. (Petting Zoo)
Bring a sack lunch.



Youth Group cookout will be Sunday, **Oct 26**, at the Dunham farm.
Flag Football, Hayride, Food, Live Worship & Jesus!

CWF will host a **Red Cross Blood Drive** at Crossroads on Tues, **Nov. 4th**, from 1pm to 6pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to support our neighbors and help save lives in our community. To register a time slot, you can log in online at redcrossblood.org. If you have any questions, please reach out to customercare@redcross.org or Barbara Fosco at bardonfosco@casscomm.com. Walk-ins are also welcome on the day of the event. Every donation makes a difference—thank you for considering being part of this important cause!

Turkey Dinner will be served on Wed, **Nov 19**. We will not offer carryout meals in our effort to encourage everyone to come and fellowship together. Sign up sheet will be out in a few weeks.

Christian Women's Fellowship will host their
Christmas Bazaar on Sat, **Dec 6**.

Youth Group: Xtreme Winter Conference
Dec 27-29 at Branson, MO
6th–12th Grade; \$75 + 2 meals
Contact Niki Dixon if interested.

*Church Family,
Thank you so much for taking the time to send me
a gift bag. I appreciate all that you guys have done
for me, our church, and our community. Y'all's light
shines bright!
Thank you again,
Wyatt McClintock*



During the month of October we will be showing our appreciation by taking time to thank those who labor in various areas of ministry. October 5 = Technology. October 12 = Christian Education. October 19 = Elders. October 26 = Staff.

October Birthday & Anniversaries **1** Jane Calaway, C.J. Hayes, J.P. Richmiller, Mae Heavner; **2** Tracey Reel; **3** Ann Ferguson, Caleb & Hayley Wombles; **4** Larry Howard, Linda Decker, Wayne & Cindy Chamberlain; **5** Mattie Sleeper, Jim Dehart; **6** Jenny Tate, Preston & Bethany Dunham, Brian & Marina Bradshaw; **7** Michael & Julie Boren, Cindy Chamberlain, Ed & Rosi Picone; **8** Bill Grimsley; **9** Korey & Lisa Wombles; **10** J.P. & Cassie Richmiller, Josie McClintock; **11** Robert Crowder, Don Houchins; **12** Chuck Barber, Cathy Lacey, Steve & Betty Hayden, Erica Thomas; **14** Deloras Martin, Ashley Ferguson, Hudson Moss; **15** Helen Earls; **16** Buddy & Chris Crowder, Cade Tomhave; **17** Gary & Christie Mendenhall; **18** Cindy Morrow; **19** Alex & Katie Sidwell; **20** Larry & Sandy Wigington, Chris & Cherie Wagoner, Steve & Kathy Lehr, Jaunae Bacon, Madilyn Wombles; **21** Maddie Sidwell; **22** Mary Gates; **23** Will & Marci Freesen; **26** Elaine Hoaglin, McKenzie Tomhave, Brian & Hannah Roig; **27** Scott Palmer; **28** Brianne Sealock; **29** Linda Belford, Judy Sweeting, Aidan Poor, Bill & Eleanor Jenkins; **30** Roger & Dorothy Yaeger; **31** Sarah Tharp, Craig Gengler.

Pike County Right to Life

Life Chain

Sunday, Oct 5

12:30-1:30

Pittsfield Square

Contact Susanne Curry for details 217.370.8525

First Christian Church of Pittsfield, Illinois

Church Building: 225 N. Memorial Street
 Crossroads Center: 125 W. Jefferson Street
 Offices: 115 W. Jefferson Street
 Phone (217) 285-4129
 E-mail: info@fccpittsfield.org

Staff:

Michael Ten Eyck, Pastor
 Niki Dixon, Christian Education
 Rebecca Rhodes, Administrative Secretary
 Grace Gordley, Custodian
 Bob Clark, Audio/Video/Maintenance
 Jenna Hull, Event Coordinator

Office Hours: M-TH 8:00am-3:30pm; F 8:00am-Noon**Worship Times:** Every Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

PRAYER CONCERNS: Phoenix Bacon, Carolyn Barber, Richard Decker, Tressa Dickerson, Brian Douglas, Bill Earls, Sue Evans, Terry Fine, Ruth Anne Goodin, Joan Halsey, Mary Harshman, Donnie Houchins, Jeanne Howard, Jim Kallal, Marge Lamb, Rusty & Jeana Sealock, Bill Van Hoose, Eddie White, Bernall Ackerman (Friend of Ten Eyck family) Randy Alloway (Friend of Chamberlain family) Karen Birch (John Birch's sister) Chloe Birdsell (Friend of Wilson family) Janie Bishop (David Bishop's sister) Jan Buhrmann (Friend of Wilson family) Terry Collins (Angie Ruebush's father) Denny Dell (Friend of Brokaw family) Nancy Foster Donnell (Katie Wine's grandmother) Dennie Hull (Jack Hull's brother) Pat Lehr (Steve Lehr's sister) Diana McCartney (Friend of Evans family) Zoey O'Leary (Friend of Wilson family) Chuck Seybold (Rob Seybold's father) Corda Suhling (Friend of Barber family) Beth Wade (Friend of Schwartze family) Gail Walston (Laura Grimsley's sister) Robert Wilson (Rachel Cawthon's father)

*With Sympathy: Carol Seybold
 (Rob Seybold's mother)*

Stewardship (Offering Only) 9/15-21 9/22-28

Operational	\$9,651.25	\$5,528.94
Property Improvement	200.00	15.00
Outreach-Missionaries	40.00	40.00
DHF	30.00	30.00
Construction/Renovation	144.91	216.91
Youth	50.00	240.00
Outreach-General	205.00	10.00
FCA	0.00	300.00
CMF - Kids Outdoor Zone	0.00	300.00
Total	\$10,321.16	\$6,680.85

Operating Receipts (Offering, Rentals, etc.)

Received Last 7 Days \$9,651.25 \$5,678.94

Estimate Needed Each Week to Meet Budget \$10,568

The collection boxes for greeting card fronts and reading glasses are at the annex.

The September, October, November edition of **Our Daily Bread** devotional can be found on the sanctuary mantels.

Lectionary

10/5: Lam 1:1-6; Hab 1:1-4; 2 Tim 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10
 10/6: Psalm 137; Lam 1:16-22; James 1:2-11
 10/7: Psalm 137; Lam 2:13-22; 1 John 5:1-5, 13-21
 10/8: Psalm 137; Lam 5:1-22; Mark 11:12-14, 20-24
 10/9: Psalm 66:1-12; Jeremiah 25:1-14; 2 Timothy 1:13-18
 10/10: Psalm 66:1-12; Jeremiah 27:1-22; 2 Timothy 2:1-7
 10/11: Psalm 66:1-12; Jeremiah 28:1-17; Luke 5:12-16
 10/12: Jer 29:1-7; 2 Kings 5:1-15; 2 Tim 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19
 10/13: Psalm 102:1-17; Jeremiah 29:8-23; Acts 26:24-29
 10/14: Psalm 102:1-17; Jeremiah 29:24-32; Ephesians 6:10-20
 10/15: Psalm 102:1-17; Jeremiah 25:15-32; Matthew 10:5-15
 10/16: Psalm 119:97-104; Jeremiah 26:1-15; Acts 17:22-34
 10/17: Psalm 119:97-104; Jeremiah 26:16-24; 2 Tim 2:14-26
 10/18: Psalm 119:97-104; Jeremiah 31:15-26; Mark 10:46-52

Serving Schedule:

October 5: Elder: Wayne Chamberlain, Steve Tharp
 8:00 Communion: Richard & Rebecca Rhodes
 10:30 Communion: B. Fosco, S. Clark, S. Bacon, D. Bryant
 Children's Church: Ali Curless, Molly Caughlan
 Fellowship Treats: A. Casto, R. Rhodes, K. Sealock, H. Evans

October 12: Elder: Bob Clark, David Bishop
 8:00 Communion: Tom & Debbie Robinson
 10:30 Communion: Eric & Jill Kunzeman
 Children's Church: Stan & Jill Moss

Ways to Give

- Mail: PO Box 306, Pittsfield, IL 62363
- Online: Website fccpittsfield.org then Resources
- At the Office: 115 W. Jefferson Street
- Black metal offering boxes secured on the sanctuary mantels.

Ways To Watch/Listen

fccpittsfield.org - Ministries, Live Stream or Resources, Sermons.
YouTube - Search First Christian Church of Pittsfield and subscribe.
Facebook - Search First Christian Church of Pittsfield.
90.9 FM while parked next to the church building.
97.5 FM - Sunday mornings at 10:30

Wishes & Wants

None at this time.

Parents: Be sure to watch the Kids@FCC Facebook page for the latest news and events!

Pardon our dust during the construction process.

Worship Service 9/21 9/28

8:00	76	105
10:30	158	145
Total	234	250

Christian Education

Youth	46	41
Disciples	9	11
Sermon Study	12	9
C.O.F.F.E.E.	16	15
Total	83	76