

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Sunday, September 18, 2011

PRELUDE "Take My Life, and Let it Be Consecrated" Wolaver

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
(Thank you for signing the attendance pad and silencing your Cell Phones.)

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "Jesus, Stand Among Us" Chancel Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 121**

*I lift up my eyes to the hills where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot slip He who watches over you will not slumber;
indeed, He who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord watches over you the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep you from all harm
He will watch over your life;
the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.*

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "How Great Thou Art" Chalice Hymnal No. 33

***INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER and GLORIA PATRI** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
(Words to the Lord's Prayer, Gloria Patri and Doxology are in the pews)

CHILDREN'S BLESSING Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
Children who are rising four years old through fourth grade will be dismissed to
Children's Worship & Wonder.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, and OFFERINGS
Call to Stewardship Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
Prayer of Dedication Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

ANTHEM "Awake, My Heart" Marshall

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Communion Hymn "Kum Ba Yah" Chalice Hymnal No. 590
Invitation to Communion Clarissa Harms

(This is the Lord's Table. All believers in Christ are invited. As the emblems are passed, partake of the bread and hold the cup, offering your own prayer/meditation until after the congregational response.)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:
(Taken from the New Testament: First Corinthians 11:23-26)

ELDER: The Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is My Body which is given for you."

COMMUNION MUSIC "Communion in Christ" Kendall

ELDER: In the same way also the cup, after supper saying, "This cup is the new covenant of My Blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."

CONGREGATION: As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

SCRIPTURE John 8: 1-11 Rev. Edd Spencer

SERMON "Reflections on Rocks" Rev. Edd Spencer

*** HYMN OF INVITATION** "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" Chalice Hymnal No. 214

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Edd Spencer

***CHORAL RESPONSE** "Spirit Song" Chalice Hymnal No. 352

*O let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit and His love.
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.*

Special Music Offering "See Jesus, Your Name" Torngvist
*O let Him have the things that hold you,
and His Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.* *Doxology

*Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.*

***POSTLUDE** "Awakew!" Broughton

LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, September 18

9:00 am Sunday School
9:45 – 10:15 am Fellowship Moment
10:15 am Worship Service – Edd's back in the pulpit!
10:30 am Worship & Wonder
1:30 pm Bell Choir Practice
5:00 pm Youth Groups Begin
5:00 pm Chi Rho & CYF Parents Meeting
6:15 pm Snack Supper

MONDAY – THURSDAY

9:30 am – 1:30 pm The Adventure Nook Preschool

MONDAY, September 19

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
10:00 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Worship Mission
7:00 pm Finance Council

TUESDAY, September 20

9:45 am The Adventure Nook Chapel
10:00 am Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm Elders Gathering

WEDNESDAY, September 21

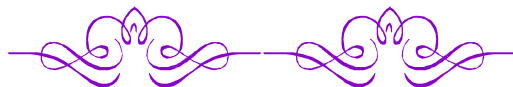
6:30 pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY, September 22

7:00 pm Advocates Bible Study
7:00 pm Women's Bible Study

SATURDAY, September 24

Jeanene Flora & Michael Goldman
Wedding



First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Where The Grace of God Awaits You



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IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

WELCOME BACK EDD!

Today Edd will begin a three-week sermon series "Reflections on a Mountain Top Experience". Please invite your family and friends to come and hear about his adventure.

PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS MEETING FOR YOUTH GROUPS

Sunday, September 18 at 5:00 pm (Please note time change)

How well do you know your child(ren), teenager(s), or grandchildren? And how well do you think that they know you? We are planning an evening of fun and games as the adults match up with their children. You are guaranteed to have a good laugh as we discover just how much we all know about each other. We will also do some non-threatening competition games. So plan on attending this night of family fun. At this meeting we will also invite and encourage parents/grandparents to bring the updated information for our health forms and permission slips. The adults will also have an opportunity to pay in advance for the children's snack suppers as well as sign up to prepare one. Plan now to attend and remember to bring your child's updated information and your check book. See you there!

SNACK SUPPERS

As an important part of our Sunday evening youth programs, we offer a simple snack supper for only \$2.50. If you are a parent, grandparent, a member or friend of this church, we invite you to help us by preparing a simple meal for our children, young people and their sponsors. Just call or see Conlee Alderson, our snack supper coordinator, and tell her when you would like to prepare a meal. The good news is that the kids love just about anything and you will also be reimbursed. All you have to do is to keep your receipts and turn them in at the office.

Parents/grandparents, in an effort to help you, we are encouraging you to pay for your child(ren's) snack supper in advance. It helps you not have to scrounge around for the right amount of money on Sunday afternoon right before youth groups. It will also save you money. If you pay in advance, you will save \$12.50 per child. It will also be a help to the sponsors, as we do not always have change. Please consider paying in advance and bringing your checkbook to our parent's meeting today at 5:00 pm in the Farkas room along with updated information concerning health forms. Snack suppers: For those who pay in advance for one year (25 meals @ \$2.50) will save the cost of 5 snack suppers.

1 child = \$50.00; 2 children = \$100.00

3 children = \$150.00; 4 children = \$200.00

Youth Groups start at 5:00pm. Please make your checks payable to First Christian Church and write in the memo section "snack suppers". If at all possible, please bring your check with you. Thank you and see you there!

WORSHIP LEADERS

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Edd Spencer & Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
MUSIC MINISTER: Rev. Jan Watts
ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher
ELDERS ON CALL: Clarissa Harms & George Dudley
SERVING DIACONATE: Bobby Boyd, Faye Boyd, Clayton Brammer, Charlotte Brammer, Cayla Corbin, Don Garrison, Susan Hales, David Hamilton, Gary Howard, Sherri LaBeau, Alyssa Lamb, Nickey Rudd, Carole Rudd.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER:

LESSON: How the Church Tells Time

STORYTELLER: Paulette Farquhar

GREETERS: Sarah Ford, June Pryor, and Emily Fowler.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen

WORSHIP GREETERS (Door): Charles & Peggy Daniels

WORSHIP GREETER (Table): Regena Varvoutis

Transitional Worship for "Graduates"

Several of our children will be "graduating" from **Children's Worship and Wonder** this fall. We are very proud of these children and want to offer all the support we can as they continue to grow in their Christian faith. On September 25 and October 9, they are invited to attend a special worship called "Transitional Worship". This will be a time for them to learn about the worship that takes place in the sanctuary. Some things are done the same as in Children's Worship and Wonder, and some things are different. Transitional Worship will help them get ready for the differences. They will learn how to use the hymnal and pew Bible and how to follow the bulletin. They will talk about things they can do to help listen closely to the sermons. They will share communion, which is much like the feast in Worship and Wonder. Thanks to Bud and Georgia Flora, who will be leading in this special worship experience.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monday, September 26 at 6:30 pm

At the next Men's Gathering we will share ideas regarding prospective projects including Habitat for Humanity as well as our visiting speaker. Go ahead and put this on your schedule.

BELL CHOIR & CHRISTMAS CANTATA - Bell choir rehearsals are on Sunday afternoons at 1:30 pm until we play. The Bell choir will play the first Sunday in Advent, November 27. Our Christmas Cantata will be December 11, this year and our first Cantata practice will be September 28, at 7:30 pm. Anyone who would like to participate in any of these musical activities is welcome. Jan