

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
P.O. Box 45
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Return Service Requested

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Yoga Class @ 9:00am	2
3 Sunday School @ 9:30am - 10:30am Worship @ 11:00am	4 Muscle Movers-10:30am Yoga Class @ 9:00am Early Learning 9:00am-2:00pm	5	6 Yoga Class @ 9:00am Early Learning 9:00am-2:00pm WNL 5:30-7:00	7 Muscle Movers-10am	8 Yoga Class @ 9:00am	9
10 Sunday School @ 9:30am - 10:30am Worship @ 11:00am	11 Early Learning 9:00am-2:00pm Holy Week Lunch 11:30am - 12:30pm	12 Holy Week Lunch 11:30am - 12:30pm	13 WNL 5:30-7:00 Early Learning 9:00am-2:00pm Holy Week Lunch 11:30am - 12:30p,	14 Holy Week Lunch 11:30am - 12:30pm Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:00pm	15 Holy Week Lunch 11:30am - 12:30pm	16 24 Hour Prayer Vigil 7:00 am - 7:00am tomorrow morning
17 <i>Easter Sunday</i> Sunrise Service 7:00am Sunday School @ 9:30am - 10:30am Worship @ 11:00am Easter Egg Hunt 12:00pm	18 Muscle Movers-10:30am Yoga Class @ 9:00am Early Learning 9:00am-2:00pm	19	20 Yoga Class @ 9:00am Early Learning 9:00am-2:00pm WNL 5:30-7:00	21 Muscle Movers-10am	22 Yoga Class @ 9:00am	23
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APRIL 2022

Worship Service 11:00am

April Birthdays

Phoenix Sandlin - April 7
David Ridings - April 7
Sam Doughty - April 9
Abby White - April 10
Dru Miller - April 14
Sandi Roberts - April 17
Tibby Snipes - April 18
Patti Montgomery - April 23
Molly King - April 26

Attendance for March 2022

03/06/22 In Ser 52 + On Line 26 = 78
03/13/22 In Ser 38 + On Line 40 = 78
03/20/22 In Ser 53 + On Line 25 = 78
03/27/22 In Ser 72 On Line 22 = 94
82 (AVG)



I've had a funny t-shirt that I purchased a few years back that you will likely see me wearing in the next few weeks.

The message says, "Spoiler Alert: The Tomb Was Empty!"

Most of us know the ancient story well. We know that after preaching, teaching and healing Jesus became an enemy of those in power. Although he threatened the religious authorities of the day, ultimately, it was the Roman State that put him on the cross (crucifixion was a Roman form of punishment).

We know that he was laid in a tomb that was sealed with a large stone. The BEST part of the story is the ending; (spoiler alert)- the tomb was empty! On day three, Jesus was no longer in the tomb. This is why we celebrate on Easter morning. We celebrate the good news that death does not have the final word. Violence, darkness and tragedy are not the end of Jesus' story; nor are they the end of ours.

So, let's put on those fine spring clothes, bring the family, bring our flowers to put on the flowering cross and CELEBRATE the ending of this ancient story that we know so well. I hope to see you on Easter Sunday morning, April 17th at 7:00am and 11:00 am. Sunrise Service and Worship Service!

Many blessings,
Pastor Sunny

Concerns and Celebrations for our Community of Faith

Sympathy to the Family of Andy Peters, American Troops, The people of Ukraine, Isaac Breazeale, Laura Booth's nephew, Carol Johnson, Bill Hopper - Sunny's friend Julia Musolf Bettye King Kennedy Ladd Linda Myers Laura Booth Jack Johnston Jr. Brenda Strong Marta Treadway Breaux, Danny & Patti Plaster, Victoria (Sandy Zarych's great, great niece) Margie Dunn D. J. - A friend of Melissa Burkhart's Amanda's Cousin, Karen Stage 4 pancreatic cancer

A Journey Through Lent

Lenten & Holy Week Celebrations at First Christian Church

Wednesday, March 2nd marks the beginning of Lent. Early Christians began setting aside some time before Easter as a time of preparation. Historically this is a time of repentance, fasting, & almsgiving. Early Christians chose 40 days before Easter in remembrance of the 40 days Jesus spent in the Desert. Throughout this time we will have special opportunities for you to worship. We invite you to join in the journey toward Easter Sunday!

Sunday, April 10th – Palm Sunday Worship at 11am

Holy Week Luncheons in Fellowship Hall are Monday, April 11th – April 15th @ 11:30am

This event is sponsored by the Rockwood Ministerial Association. A meal & worship is provided by area Churches. A donation is taken for the meal & goes to the RMA Ministries. FCC Church to host on Monday with Speights Chapel.

Thursday, April 14th – Maundy Thursday Service @ 6pm

This Service commemorates the Last Supper Jesus had with his Disciples in the Upper Room. We will retell the story of Jesus' arrest & crucifixion. Communion is a central part of this worship service.

24 Hour Prayer Vigil – Saturday, April 16th at 7:00am to Easter Sunday morning, April 17th at 7:00am

This is a deeply spiritual time of prayer and meditation. Signups are in 30-minute increments. You are welcome to come to the church. There will be a prayer room set up with study and prayer materials available. Or if you wish, you may still sign up for a certain time but reside in your own home for this time of dedicated prayer and meditation.

Sunday, April 17th - Sunrise Service and Breakfast @ 7:00am

Easter Service on the Lawn @ 11:00am with Easter Egg Hunt following.



Hand Bell Choir has been meeting. For those interested in joining in, we meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm - 7:00pm.



You are welcome to mail gifts to the church or simply drop them by the church office. You can also mail them to First Christian Church, P.O. Box 45, Rockwood, Tn. 37854. Or you may give electronically through. Givelify at: <https://giv.li/vdhw2o>



Donating for the Easter Egg Hunt

We are needing donations for plastic Easter eggs, and the items to stuff into each one. For example, Candy, small toys, stickers etc. All eggs are appreciated, already filled or unfilled! Thank you so much!



Our Easter Tradition of Decorating an Easter Cross!

On Easter Sunday you are invited to bring something blooming or

flowering from your yard and place it on the cross that will be in front of the Church



7:00 am Sunrise Service and Breakfast
11am: Easter Sunday Worship and Easter Egg

CHURCH FINANCES

NEEDED WEEKLY 3,470.88

March 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022

Special Funds G/F **In/Out

GENERAL FUND INCOME

Deposit 03/02	570.00
Deposit 03/07	2,755.00
Deposit 03/10	1,263.00
Deposit 03/14	460.00
Deposit 03/21	2,475.00
Deposit 03/28	8,057.00

ELC**	315.00
WOC	282.55

Total	15,580.00
Electronic Dep	193.60
TOTAL	15,773.60

Total 597.55

NEEDED MONTHLY 15,291.41

DEPOSTIED INTO FAIR ACCOUNT

(DESIGNATED)

SCHOLARSHIP
PERMANENT FUND
SUSTAINABILITY

(UN-DESIGNATED)

MEMORIALS

TOTAL ALL MONEY RECEIVED

16,371.15



Youth Mission Trip, May 29- June 4

Serving with Connect Ministries in Fort Worth, Texas. We will be learning about urban childhood poverty and working agencies who help address that issue.

Rising 6th graders (completed 5th grade) through high school seniors are invited to join us. The cost per person is \$100. Please let Sunny or Tracie know if you have more questions. Information form and money will be due to Sunny on or by April 10th.



Bethany Hills Tentative Summer 2022 Camping Schedule

Memorial Day (Family) Camp - May 27th - 30th
Jr. Camp (3rd - 5th Grades) May 31st - June 3rd
Discovery Camp (K-2nd Grades) June 1st - 3rd
CYF Camp (9th - 12th Grades) June 4th - 10th
Specialty Arts Camp - July 10th - 16th
Eighthers Camp (8th Grade Only) July 17th - 23rd

Anyone interested please contact Pastor Sunny.