First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) P.O. Box 45 Rockwood, TN. 37854

www.rockwoodfcc.org
Return Service Requested

February 2021

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---------------------------|-----|---|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| | 1 Muscle Movers-10am | 2 | 3 | 4 Muscle Movers–10am | 5 | 6 |
| 7 Worship @ 11:00am | 8 Muscle Movers–10am | 9 | 10 | 11 Muscle Movers–10am | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Worship @ 11:00am Happy Valentines (Day | 15 Muscle Movers –10am | 16 | 17 Ash Wednesday 6pm Online or In Person | 18 Muscle Movers–10am | 19 | 20 |
| 21 Worship @ 11:00a | 22 Muscle Movers–10am | 23 | 24 | 25 Muscle Movers–10am | 26 | 27 |
| 28 Worship @ 11:00am Week of Compassion Offering | | | | | | |

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) 328 W. ROCKWOOD ST ROCKWOOD, TN WWW.ROCKWOODFCC.ORG 865-354-1753

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) FEBRUARY 2021

Worship Service 11:00am

February Birthdays

Elizabeth Brady - 2/2

Gail Neal - 2/4

Larry Cisson - 2/4

Jeri Fulmer - 2/8

Kathy Snipes - 2/12

Robin Lambert - 2/12

Joyce Woodall - 2/17

Mallie Hyde - 2/25

Attendance for January

01/03/21 On Line=84 01/10/21 On Line=84 01/17/21 On Line=84 01/24/21 On Line=84 01/31/21 On Line =84 Estimated Online Attendance

Elders and Deacons for 2021

<u>Elders – 2021 (9)</u>

Ed Bilbrey
Sheila Lemons
Michael Ann Begley
Ron Berry
Laura Conner
J. B. Anderson
Sandra Miller
B. J. Kirkham
Marsha Berry

Deacons - 2021 (14)

Mary King Kathy Snipes Tibby Snipes Sara Tagliere Thressa Anderson Dana Pemberton Thackery Porter Isaiah Snipes Patti Montgomery Nicholas Nabors Sandi Roberts Olivia Tagliere Sophie Cooley

Jensen Peacock

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First Christian Church
In person and online

February 17 @ 6pn

"Olly olly oxen free!" Did you ever use that phrase when playing hide and seek? Calling out "olly olly oxen free" brings everyone out of hiding. I want to offer an "olly olly oxen free," or "y'all c'mon now," to everyone who has thought about becoming a member of First Christian Church but hasn't done so yet.

Why become a member? One reason to join is that you like First Christian, and we like you. Becoming a member is

committing to join us in the work of being God's community and serving others. Church members also help us decide things by voting in congregational meetings. When it is time to nominate deacons for the church, we select (for the congregation's approval) those leaders who are church members. Elders are chosen (for the congregation's approval) from those who have served as deacons for at least three years.

How do I become a member? To become a First Christian Church member, all we ask is that you confess your faith in Jesus Christ. Typically this would happen in worship. During the hymn of invitation, you would come forward and allow me to ask you, "Do you believe in Christ, the Son of the Living God, and accept him as your Savior?" If you haven't ever been baptized, then we would follow that confession up with a service of baptism (can be on a separate occasion). If you have been baptized (even by sprinkling or pouring), then we accept that baptism.

If you aren't ready to come back to worship yet but want to become a member, please contact me, and we will work out a way for you to join. If you would love to be a member but can't imagine standing in front of the whole church, we will work with that too!

If you would like more information about our church or membership in it, let's set up a time to talk. I look forward to sharing with you.

Many blessings,

Pastor Sunny

You are invited for our Ash Wednesday Service. We will be closely following our detailed In-Service Covid-19 protocols.

You may request for ashes to be mailed to you by calling the church office 865-354-1753 or by email at fccrock@bellsouth.net or on FaceBook at FCCROCKWOOD.

The sanctuary will be open for in-person worship as an option, starting Sunday, February 7. As a reminder—these are the protocols for worship.

Protocols for our "In Person" Worship Option, FCC Rockwood Gathering as Community while loving and caring for "the least of these".

- Online worship will continue as an option for anyone who wishes to join us that way (A reminder that it is recommended that those over 60 and those with underlying conditions who have not yet been vaccinated should continue to worship via live stream)
- · When entering the building, please do so from the sanctuary doors facing Rockwood Street.
- Please observe the distancing markers as you enter the building.
- Cloth face masks must be worn at all times. If you do not have a face mask, one will be given to you before you enter the building.
- Temperatures will be taken before entering the building. If you have a temperature above 100 degrees, you are asked to return home and take advantage of worship streaming online. (facebook.com/fccrockwood)
- The offering will be no-contact. Collection boxes are in the back of the sanctuary where you can leave your gift to the church on your way out of worship. You may also mail your offering or give it through Givelify. (https://giv.li/vdhw2o)
- Our Communion Celebration will also be no-contact. You will pick up individually packaged communion elements (laid on a table by gloved hands) on your way into worship. Bulletins will also be available for individual pick up. Bulletins will also be sent in an email so you can print at home or view it on a smartphone if you prefer.
- There will be no group (congregational) singing in the sanctuary. Our choir will not gather or sing.
- There will be no nursery care, Sunday School, or Worship and Wonder to reduce the risk to our children. Our playground will not be open. Children are to worship with their families and will remain in the pews during the children's time during Worship.
- When you are seated for worship, sit with only near the people with whom you share a living space. Please leave six feet between your family group and others.
- There will be no coffee or snacks in the downstairs area.
- The upstairs of the education wing will be closed.
- If you need to use the restroom, please use the one downstairs in the education wing while maintaining your distance from others.

Thank you so much for following these protocols so that we have the option to gather in person.



Need an Update on your giving?

If you would like an update on your annual giving feel free to contact our Financial Manager, Fran Long. She can print out a report for you. Fran can be reached at Emergftl911@aol.com or you may call her at 354-9687.



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



On Sunday, February 7 two new deacons will be installed for service at First Christian Church Sophie Cooley and Jensen Peacock will

both participate in this service of installation.

Congratulations Sophie and Tensen!



Week of Compassion Special Offering, Sunday, February 28th

Week of Compassion works through a remarkable network of church partner organizations and partnerships that insures that our response to humanitarian needs in the world is efficient, effective and faithful. Through these partnerships, Disciples are able to join a tapestry of caring that brings help and hope to hurting people in every corner of the world. We rely on your compassion, your gifts and your commitment to help change lives for the better. We do so in the name of Jesus Christ and on behalf of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). During worship on Sunday February 28th, we will be taking up a special offering for this very important ministry. There will be Children's Coin Collection Boxes for pick -up on Sunday, February 7th or you may stop by the church office to get one for your child! Thank you for you continued support of Week of Compassion.

CHURCH FINANCES

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| January 1, 2021-January 31, 2021 | | Special Funds G/F **In/Out | | |
| GENERAL FUND INCOME | | ELC** | | |
| 01/06/ Deposit 2,015.95 | | Misc. In/Out | | |
| 01/11 Deposit | 1,525.00 | | | |
| 01/14 Deposit | 2,070.00 | Total | | |
| 01/19 Deposit | 775.00 | | | |
| 01/21 Deposit | 2,020.00 | | | |
| 01/26 Deposit | 1,150.00 | | | |
| 01/29 Deposit | 425.00 | | | |
| Total Office+Chu | rch 9,980.95 | | | |
| Electronic Dep | 2,385.36 | | | |
| Total G/F | 12,366.31 | | | |
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| (DESIGNATED) | | PERMANENT FUND | | |
| (DESIGNATED) | | SUSTAINABILITY | 2020.00 | |
| (UN-DESIGNATED) | | MEMORIALS | 50.00 | |

Concerns and Celebrations for our Community of Faith

Sympathy to the Family of Suella Newvine All who are dealing with COVID-19, directly or indirectly Jack Johnston – 1879 Dry Hill Road, Rockwood, Tn., Miriam Johnston, Victoria (Sandy Zarych's great, great niece), Carol Johnson, Marta Treadway Breaux (Karen Treadway's sister-in-law)

Tommy Scarbrough, 51352-074, LSCI, P.O. Box 999, Butner, NC 27509 D. J. (Friend of Melissa Burkhart), Michael Gilbert (Nancy Miller)

Tallu Quinn (Pastor Sunny's friend)

These addresses are for anyone who wants to send a card of encouragement. If there are any additions, changes or mistakes, please contact Karen at 865-354-1753.

Memorials & Honors

TOTAL

TOTAL ALL MONEY RECEIVED

In Memory of Polk & Erma Cooley by David & Melanie Cooley

2,070.00

14,436.31

In Memory of Dean & Marian Ault by Jane S. Davis