

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

October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Muscle Movers-10am	2	3 Fall Festival FCC Pumpkins For Sale
4 Worship @ 11:00am	5 Muscle Movers-10am	6	7	8 Muscle Movers-10am	9	10
11 Worship @ 11:00am	12 Muscle Movers-10am	13	14	15 Muscle Movers-10am	16	17
18 Worship @ 11:00am	19 Muscle Movers-10am	20	21	22 Muscle Movers-10am	23	24
25 Worship @ 11:00am	26 Muscle Movers-10am	27	28	29 Muscle Movers-10am	30	31

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Sunday School:

10:00am

Worship: 11:00am

October Birthdays

Miriam Johnston - 10/10
Nesa Burchfield - 10/10
Harper Evans - 10/11
Tyler Hutton - 10/17
Jo Walters - 10/18
Billie Sue Marshall - 10/21
Benjamin McElroy - 10/25
Sharon Evans - 10/26
Ben Woodall - 10/29
Casey Jones - 10/29
Mike Pemberton - 10/31
Vic Hurdle - 10/31



Attendance for September

09/06/20 30
Church +On Line

09/13/20 33
Church +On Line

09/20/20 29
Church +On Line,

09/27/20 42
Church +On Line



October 8, 2020

Dear Friends of First Christian Church,
Greetings, grace, and peace!

Who in the world would ever have guessed we'd have a year like the one we've just been through? Who in the world would have guessed that First Christian Church would have come through it so beautifully and with such creativity? We hope you'll join us in giving thanks to God for our leadership, especially Board Chair,

Tibby Snipes, Elder (and Health Advisor) Laura Conner, Property Chair Jim Cooley and Custodian Scott Skidmore. And what about Pastor Sunny and Music Director Amanda Miranda? Nobody worked harder than they did: worship online, pastoral care at a distance, so many Zoom meetings, and socially distanced weddings and funerals. No church is more blessed in their lay and pastoral leadership than ours!

Thanks very much to so many who maintained or increased their financial support for continuing church programs to the extent you were able. With the special government assistance for payroll and expense curtailment, we should finish this challenging year in decent financial shape. Without an end to the pandemic soon, it is difficult to be precise with the 2021 budget. With continuance of some expense cutting, we will still need to grow our contributions from our present congregation to cover the government grant loss and that of departing members.

And as every organization you're a part of has already said to you, your financial support means more now than ever to keep this flexibility, creativity, and faithfulness alive and thriving in the year to come. Stewardship Sunday is October 25 this year. On that day, we will seek to meet the challenges before us by gathering up our estimate of giving cards in the offering boxes at church. You may also bring them (or mail them) to the church office by October 23. Estimates of giving can also be emailed to the church office at: fccrock@bellsouth.net.

Before then, we hope you will take the enclosed estimate of giving card and place it somewhere prominent in your home. Whenever you see it, ask God to help you discern your pledge for 2021. As you do, consider praying this prayer:

*Great One, for you the floods clap, for you the hills sing.
You know my situation better than anyone.*

Take my credits and debits, ins and outs, my pluses and minuses, surpluses and lacks, and show me how to use them to join the great chorus of Creation. Amen.

For all that we've already accomplished together during this challenging season, for all that we will accomplish together in the future, thank God and thank YOU.

See you soon - and until then, let us be together for joy.

In faith,

Your Stewardship Team,

Ed Bilbrey, Linda Myers, Dana Pemberton, Kathy Snipes and
Dick Whiteman, Chair

October is Stewardship Month!

Our theme this year is: Together for Joy! We will celebrate each week: October 11- Creation is made for joy! Genesis 1:1-15, 1:30-2:3, October 18 Salvation is made for the sake of joy! Luke 15:1-10, 21-24, October 25- The Church is a community of joy! Psalm 98. Please plan to return your estimate of giving card and your time and talent card **on October 25**.

Written on a wall in a concentration camp.

I Believe

I believe in the sun even when it is not shining.

I believe in love even when I feel it not.

I believe in God even when He is silent.

Wednesday Night Live We will be doing something different each week! Be on the lookout for new from

Pastor Sunny

Our Pumpkins are HERE!



Pumpkins are for sale every day. There will be an honor box placed at the Pumpkin Patch for anyone making purchases. Get yours today!

Call- in Board Meeting

Sunday, October 11 at 9:00 am. All Elders and members of the board are invited to attend.

646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 825-8405-3202

Passcode: 632420

Computer Drive- RoaneNet

is collecting used computers, printers, and accessories (mouse and keyboard). First Christian will be a collection site you and you can bring those items to FCC on October 12- 16 from 9-2.

Memorials...

In Memory of Nora Tweed

By

Dick & Margaret Cole, Fran Long,

Mary King

J. B. & Thressa Anderson, Judy Giles

FCC Membership/Nurture

In Memory of Melba Hutcherson By

Dick & Margaret Cole, Nancy Kenderdine, Mary Ellen Varnell

David & Jenny Hembree, Charles & Marilyn King, Judy Giles

Mary King, Ruth F Cole, B. J Kirkham, Gloria Littleton,

Fran Long, Gilbert & Sarah Moore, Karen Tisher,

FCC Membership/Nurture, Julia Musolf,

Mike & Martha Smith, J. B. & Thressa Anderson,

Shirley French, Martha J Eady

CHURCH FINANCES

NEEDED WEEKLY 3,624.98

August 31, 2020 – September 30, 2020

Special Funds G/F **In/Out

GENERAL FUND INCOME

ELC**

09/07 Deposit	3,230.00
09/11 Deposit	300.00
09/14 Deposit	762.00
09/15 Deposit	1,257.00
09/20 Deposit	1,506.00
09/24 Deposit	1,425.00
09/27 Deposit	1,073.00

Total Office+Church	9,553.00
Electronic Dep	1,493.54
Total G/F	11,046.54

NEEDED MONTHLY 15,708.25

DEPOSTIED INTO FAIR ACCOUNT

(DESIGNATED)	PERMANENT FUND SUSTAINABILITY	600.00
(UNDESIGNATED)	MEMORIALS	<u>480.00</u>
	TOTAL	1,080.00

TOTAL ALL MONEY RECEIVED 12,146.54

Concerns and Celebrations for our Community of Faith

Jo Walters, Rene Giles, Victoria (Sandy Zarych's great, great niece-cancer)

Susan Turner (Vicki Weaver's close friend) Mabel Clem, Carol Johnson

Tommy Scarbrough, 51352-074, LSCI, P.O. Box 999, Butner, NC 27509

D. J. (Friend of Melissa Burkhart) going through radiation treatment

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.