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Our mission is to announce the Good News of God's love for all, by letting the joy of our relationship with Jesus shine through our daily lives, seeking to make disciples for Jesus, baptizing in his name and teaching toward maturity in faith.



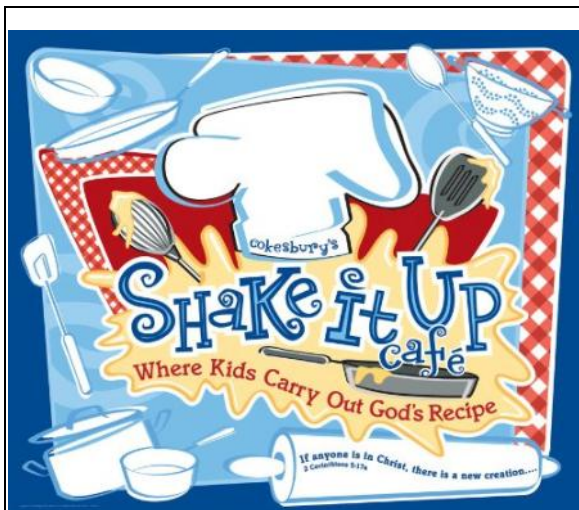
At the May board meeting, it was brought to our attention that at the end of April, there was \$515.12 left as a checkbook balance while a \$2200 insurance bill still remained to be paid. That bill was paid in the beginning of May, but it made us think...sometimes budgets at home have to be stretched. That new pair of shoes stays at the store because a medical bill needs paid. The same thing happens with the budget at church. Maybe an upkeep project has to be put off so the utility bills can be paid.

As with the budget at home, there are two ways to remedy this; either the income has to go up or the expenses have to go down (or some combination of the two). One idea we're exploring is the direct payment or automatic draft opportunity. Many bills can now be paid online using direct deposit...house payments, insurance payments, gifts to charities. Perhaps we have some members who aren't able to come every week, or that use debit cards more than they use checks that would like the convenience of an automatic draft. This would allow their gift to the church to move right from their checking account into the church's account. As with any automatic draft program, the donor would decide on the amount and frequency of this gift. It could be revoked at the giver's discretion by following the rules at his or her bank (usually written notice asking for the draft to cease).

Some of us consider the act of dropping our tithe or offering into the offering plate an act of worship. We wouldn't want to give up that ritual, and we wouldn't have to. Should we offer the direct giving opportunity to those who need the convenience of giving in another way? Any Stewardship/Finance member (Doug Manning, Mary Parker, Sophia Smither, Butch Beeman, Tammy Farr) would welcome your comments. Happy Giving!

Sunday School
9:15 a.m.

Worship
8:00 a.m. &
10:30 a.m.



Last year's VBS was fabulous, but we would like to top it this year. The theme this year will be cooking. There are 4 stories from the bible that we will be working with and we will fit cooking in to each one. It will be July 18th through the 21st from 6:00-8:30 pm. We will be serving dinner from 6:00-6:30. If you have children that are interested let me know and we will get you a form to fill out. Also, if you would like to volunteer, in any capacity, let me know. We had 19 kids last year and we're hoping to double that this year. That means we need lots of volunteers.

Thanks ,Georgia Cornell





Sermons for May

June 5th

Scripture: Acts 1:1-11

Title: "Waiting For The Gift"

June 12, 2011

Scripture: John 7:37-39

Title: "Thirsting for More"

June 19, 2011

Scripture: Psalm 8

Title: "This is Good"

June 26, 2011

Rev. Kirby Gould (guest preacher)

- Martha Kimberlin
- Franceline Parris
- Frances May
- Bob Raynes
- Joe & Lorene Hocker
- Jackie Dean



Our deepest sympathy to the family of Billy Wayne Moore.



"Wow!"

I couldn't be more proud of our church family than I am right now. Your generosity through donations, monetary gifts and hard work in the wake of the Joplin tornado is a powerful witness. Your donations are being put to good use through the First Christian Church of Joplin, Missouri.

"Mission experiences are never the same twice", a statement that certainly represents our experience down in Joplin over the weekend. Everyone in our group traveled to Joplin with various expectations. Some went just to do something, some went to show support for the people of Joplin, some went to learn for the first time what it means to love your neighbor as yourself, some went to listen and connect with those who survived, some went expecting tasks to be completed, some went expecting chaos and uncertainty. All of us went to Joplin because we felt it was the right thing to do. However we found ourselves in Joplin my prayer is that our experience will raise questions, will help us think about what exactly missions means, and will help us to continue to think about ways our church can help the people of Joplin.

Today my experience of Joplin is best remembered not as the terrible devastation to so many homes and businesses but the people I met and was able to minister to. It's sitting on Doris's couch listening to her tell me about taking cover between her bed and her wall. It's meeting Robert, a man who for the past week just wandered the neighborhood looking for someone to talk to. It's Jennifer and Aaron who lost everything and expressed how hard it was to be a receiver instead of a giver. It's Will who cried when we were able to help him cut some branches and recover his file cabinet. It's Linda who survived the storm in a shower with her son and three large dogs only to find that when the storm passed they had to crawl out through the rubble that was now her home; a pile that was not even recognizable as a house. As a group we did many things, sorted donations, cleared yards, cut trees, found personal items for homeowners, and just listened; the tasks will soon be forgotten when the sunburns fade and the muscles are no longer sore but the families we met and listened to will last a long long time.

Thank you again to all who participated, donated, and prayed for us as we were in Joplin. I look forward to planning another trip down in the near future. Shalom, Adam



Ryan Brown
1284 Highway U
Linn, MO 65051



Starting June 12th we will be doing a combined Kids Sunday School class. We did this last year and it seemed to work well. It gives the kids something a little different and it also always our Sunday School teachers to get a little break during the summer months. In order for this to work we need volunteers to teach. The lessons are simple and written out for you. There is no planning. Please let me know if you would be available to help out one or two Sunday's this summer. Thanks, Georgia Cornell

Membership



Graduates we honored on May 29th from our congregation.

Jonathan Beeman~Graduated from University of Missouri in Kansas City School of Law with Law Degree.

Kyle Livingston~Graduated from Harrisonville High School. Future plans include going to college.

Ryan Brown~Graduated from Pleasant Hill High School. Gone to Linn State, in Linn Missouri, for Heavy Equipment Operator.

Shayne Smither~Graduated from Harrisonville Christian School. Going to attend Harrisonville High School.



Christmas in July for Toys for Tots, is still in the planning stages. Look for more information to come.



Church in the Park or Lawn, is in the planning stages. This will be a picnic with burgers, hotdogs and brauts furnished. Please bring a covered dish and table service.

GOLDEN LEAVES

June 9 @ 10:30am

Fellowship in the Park.

Pot Luck. Hot dogs and buns will be provided.

Open for everyone to come!

There will be not meetings in July and August.

Meetings Will resume in September .



June 28 @ 7:00pm in Fellowship Hall is our next meeting.

Please join us and share your input. All are welcome!



Deborah Circle will be meeting for lunch and fellowship on June at Ryan's Buffet in Raymore. All women are invited to join us.

CHANCEL CHOIR

The last rehearsal for Chancel Choir before our summer hiatus will be Wednesday, June 1 at 7pm. Choir rehearsals will begin again on Wednesday, September 7 at 7pm. Contact Megan Davidson if you have any questions, and please consider joining us in the fall!!



HANDCHIMES CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED!



There has been some interest in forming a handchimes choir to perform this summer. We are looking to do an August 28th performance date with rehearsals occurring every other Wednesday at 7pm beginning June 15th (6 rehearsals total). If things go well, we might think about adding some special performances a few times throughout the year for various services. Prior experience in playing the handchimes is not necessary. If you have any interest in joining us, please contact Megan Davidson prior to June 15th.



Youth Retreat

YOUTH RETREAT Friday, June 3, 4 & 5, 2011 Heartland Center Parkville, MO

This was a great event. 16 people were present. Friday evening we enjoyed watching the movie, "Soul Surfer." Activities included, low ropes, labyrinth walk, swimming, volleyball, basketball, team building activities, just to name a few. Sunday morning we attended worship service at First Christian Church DOC in KCMO.

Mission Project Look for more information to come on Mission activities. Brenda has been working with individuals to get a schedule set up for the next following few months. We are looking at reaching out to others at Harvesters, Micah Ministries, Woodhaven, Operating Breakthrough, Festival of Sharing and other opportunities. We are also looking at doing some work around the community and for members as well. The congregation will be partnering with the youth.



LOTS AND LOTS OF FUN TO COME THIS SUMMER!

Mission project in and around our community, nursing home visits, sharing our gifts with the church, fundraisers, movie nights, overnight, bible lessons & activities, fellowship, worship, serving God and our neighbors.

MICAH MINISTRIES

Youth and Adult mission experience! Must be 12 years of age.

Monday, June 27 @5:00pm—7:00pm We will be serving food to the homeless.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact: Brenda

HARVESTERS

We are also going to Harvesters on Saturday, July 23 from 8:30am—noon. Look for these any more mission experience to come.

MEALS

If you would like to provide a meal or part of a meal for a youth group meeting, please sign up in the back of the sanctuary, or talk to Brenda, Rich or Heather. We average around 25-30 participants every Wednesday evening.

YOU COULD HELP FEED OUR YOUTH

Thank you for your support! Please keep bringing in your receipts. It takes awhile to collect \$500.00 in receipts to receive \$75.00 in pizza. It takes the full \$75.00 to feed the youth group one meal. Thank you for helping us provide a good meal for these youth. The box for your receipts is located in the back of the church.

ALUMINUM CANS

You can help the youth and recycle your empty aluminum cans by bringing them to the church. A wooden box for the cans is located on the west side of the church. In order to prevent loose cans in our bin, please tie all of your bags shut, before placing them in the bin. Thank you!

OUTREACH



Thanks to all the 10 helpers at Food Pantry Day– March 13.

Three projects outreach ministry wants to team up with our church youth... To work a Saturday at Harvesters, Festival of Sharing in October and packing lunches for homeless in KC. These opportunities are open to you, the congregation, as well. If you would like to help participate in any of these-further information will follow. Just let us know.

June 5th and 12th are Pentecost Sundays. Bill Maxon will bring us “Moments for Missions” both services on the 5th.

KFC-Keep Funding Churches Bucket is June 5.

Update: The “Just 4 Me” summer food project. Our monetary goal was not only met-but surpassed! Yea! Everyone-Thanks for your support! Extra will go for taking care of more children and to have available next year. Possibility of Harvesters to make Harrisonville schools a pilot summer back pack program in near future. Saturday the 21st we received the 1st delivery from the Angel Food Network.



The Thrift Shop is in need of volunteers. They particularly are looking for cashiers and or persons to sort and hang clothes for sale. If you are able to donate a few hours to this ministry, please contact Kathy Schrock at the shop. 816-884-2279

What’s Next?

As many of you know, through generous donations the village of Chacraseca, Nicaragua will soon have a lab in there clinic. Many of you have helped to make this clinic a reality and now we as a church have the opportunity to do even more. During the week of January 21-29, 2012 eight to ten people from our church will have the opportunity to travel to Chacraseca. This international experience will be an opportunity for our church to see firsthand what the money we sent was able to accomplish as well as get to know the people of Chacraseca, Nicaragua. If you would be interested in this trip, even just curious, I encourage you to check out the brochure located in the back of the church and talk with Pastor Adam.

SUGGESTED FOODS

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| Canned vegetables | Pasta |
| Pudding | Cereal |
| Canned fruit | Soup |
| Rice | Flour |
| Canned meats | Crackers |
| Macaroni & cheese | Sugar |
| Cake mix | Powdered milk |
| Vegetable oil | Peanut butter |
| Dry beans | Baby food & related items |

Food Pantry

**Thank you to all
our volunteers!**



Volunteers are needed Fridays (anytime) from noon to 7 p.m. If interested, please contact Lyle Krohn.



Disciples Women / C.W.F.

~Margaret Circle met at the church May 2nd with 3 members present. This month concludes our regular meeting times until we resume in the September.

~Rachel Circle met at the church May 10th with 3 members present. This month concludes our regular meeting times until we resume in the September.

~ Deborah Group met Monday, May 16th, with 4 members present. President Manning opened the meeting with the Disciple Women's prayer. Walter Goddard will be kept in prayer. Ruth Cummins announced the Golden Leaves meeting and picnic at Harrisonville City Park on Thursday, June 8th at 10:30 a.m., and invited all of us to attend and bring a dish. Hot dogs will be furnished. Ruth read a lovely poem, "Here in the U.S.A.", from the Secret Place devotional to commemorate Memorial Day. Judy Manning gave the lesson on Mrs. Noah, Noah's wife, also thought to be called Naamah. She was one of the most important and influential women in the history of the world. She, like Eve, was the Mother of the human race. From her and Noah's descendants all the nations of the earth were populated following the great flood. The eldest son, Shem's lineage, led to the Jewish race and the birth of Jesus. Ruth provided refreshments. The June 20th meeting will be lunch and fellowship at Ryan's buffet in Raymore. All women are invited to join us. Deborah Circle does not meet in July and August.

A reminder to continue saving barcodes from Best Choice items plus barcodes from Campbell soup products. The CWF receives \$30 for each 1,000 Best Choice codes and this money goes to our outreach concerns. The Campbell soup codes are sent to Woodhaven Learning Center for their many programs. Thanks for all your help!

Women of First Christian Church



Bridal Shower for
Kerry Smither

2:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 18, 2011

First Christian Church
Fellowship Hall

R.S.V.P.
Janet Allbaugh - 816-884-6085 or
Milly Long - 816-876-4214

*Kerry and Casey are registered at Bed,
Bath and Beyond and Target*



Thanks to all who donated to the Walk For Life sponsored by Life Choice Center for Women.

We had 161 walkers from 34 churches with a total of \$29,315 in cash and pledges. Amazing!

God is Good.

Church family invited...

60th Wedding Anniversary

Ellis & Gracie Webster

June 5, 2011

2:00pm-4:00pm

First Christian Church, Harr.



Disciples Men/CME

Disciple's Men / C.M.F.

Will not be meeting during the summer, will resume in September.



Church Elevator

Elevator Operator

We now have an elevator operator available, on Sundays. If you would like to volunteer to be a operator, contact Frank Long.

SERVING IN JUNE

8:00am Worship

Elders: Joe Murphy

Deacons: Courtney Covey & Mary Parker

10:30am Worship

Worship Leader: Teri Riemenschneider

Greeters: Cheryl & Beverly Tinsley

Sound: Cheryl Tinsley

Acolyte: Youth

Elders: Joyce & Jarrett Hawley

Deacons: +Delores Beeman, Jessica Gipson, Iliene Smither, Shorty Hocker & Cheryl Tinsley*

+Denotes Deacon in charge *Denotes Balcony

Communion Prep:

Iliene Smither

Communion Calling:

5-Ellen Wray

12-Joe Murphy

19-Andrea Murphy

26-Beverly Tinsley

Children's Moments

5-Frank Long

12-Brenda Brown

19-Sherry Krohn

26-Jamie Mathews



Musicians

<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>Choir</u>
5- Jo Irwin	Jo Irwin	Jo Irwin
12- Sherry Krohn	Sherry Krohn	
19- Janet Allbaugh	Janet Allbaugh	
26- Jo Irwin	Jo Irwin	



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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 2- Anissa Surber
- 3-Sherry Osborn
- 3-Larry Schoonover
- 4-Richard Hawley
- 8-Jean Boston
- 10-Tammie Farr
- 11-Kyle Bouchard
- 13-Jennifer Cook
- 14-Patricia Chaney
- 14-Teri Riemenschneider
- 15-Lyle Krohn
- 15-Bob Shelton
- 15-Jeff White
- 16-Sam Esler
- 17-Dorsella Cantrell
- 17-Judy Kilp
- 19-Herschel Franklin
- 19-Michael Hillmer
- 19-Ryan Murphy
- 21-Butch Beeman
- 22-Merrie Wilson
- 23-Becky Baier
- 24-Courtney Hawley
- 25-David Sexton
- 27-Linnette Pugh
- 28-Brandon Madden
- 29-Georgia Cornell
- 30-Kyle Livingston



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 2-Steve & Shelly Jansen
- 2-Cliff & Bettie Tanquary
- 3-Ellis and Gracie Webster
- 4-Abe & Heather Lewis
- 9-Andy & Melissa Boston
- 10-Raymond & Kristen Hawley
- 10-Frank & Milly Long
- 15-Jarrett & Joyce Haley
- 17-Ernest & Carol Parker
- 21-Jim & Nancy Emmons
- 22-Lee & Dena Cooper
- 23-Butch & Delores Beeman
- 23-James & Mildred Fannan
- 25-Nathan & Leanna Garlock
- 30-Jerry & Samantha Elliott
- 30-Richard & Sophia Smither



New Topic

“Knowing God” Great Themes of the Bible

By Kerygma
Starts May 29

Contact: Tiffany for a book if interested in joining.

June 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

1- 1:00pm-3pm Cass County Homemakers 7:00pm Chancel Choir	12- Pentecost Sunday
2- 3:30pm Exercise 4:30pm TOPS	15- 7:00pm Youth Group
3- Youth Retreat	16- 3:30pm Exercise 4:30pm TOPS
4- Youth Retreat	19- Father's Day
5- Youth Retreat KFC Collection	20- Newsletter Deadline
7- 6:30p,m Ministries Chairs 7:00pm Ministry Groups	21- Board Meeting
8- 7:00pm Youth Group	22- 7:00pm Youth Group
9- 10:30am Golden Leaves (meeting at Park) 3:30pm Exercise 4:30pm TOPS	23- 3:30pm Exercise 4:30pm TOPS
12- 8:45am Elders Pentecost Sunday	26- 8:45aqm Elders
	27- 5:00pm-7:30pm Micah Ministries
	28- Vision and Mission
	29- 7:00pm Youth Group
	30- 3:30pm Exercise 4:30pm TOPS

FACTS AND FIGURES

Sunday, May 1

8:00am Worship	26
Sunday School	19
10:30 am Worship	55
General Fund	\$2,409.23
KFC Collection	\$38.00
Youth Fund	\$15.00

Sunday, May 8

8:00am Worship	35
Sunday School	39
10:30 am Worship	73
General Fund	\$3,745.08
Garage Sale	\$471.32

Sunday, May 15

8:00am Worship	33
Sunday School	38
10:30 am Worship	66
General Fund	\$1,950.21
Youth Fund	\$75.00

Sunday, May 22

8:00am Worship	27
Sunday School	35
10:30 am Worship	60
General Fund	\$2,006.06
Food Pantry	\$22.58

Sunday, May 29

8:00am Worship	50
Sunday School	33
10:30 am Worship	68
General Fund	\$1,476.44
Week of Compassion	\$50.00
Joplin	\$100.00
(Monetary donations received from individuals for Joplin totaling \$1,112.00)	
(Donated supplies were also received by individuals)	

ALL DONATIONS WERE DELIVERED TO FCC JOPLIN. THANK YOU!



April 30, 2011

General Fund: Balance in checking--\$515.12
 Balance in Demand Plus--\$6,391.44
 Memorial: Balance in Investment Savings--\$3,474.43
 Endowment: Balance in Yoder savings--\$1,577.81
 Balance in Mauck/Morse flex plus--\$19,567.73
 Income (year to date)--\$54,764.21
 Expenses (year to date)--\$67,618.17



"Dad, can you make dinner for me and my entire Sunday school class?"



The deadline for the May Mission Message Church Newsletter is June 20, 2011.

Please turn all articles into the church office or email them to office@harrisonvillefcc.org or brenda@harrisonvillefcc.org



In order to better manage his time Pastor Adam will have office hours from 9:00am—12:00pm Monday thru Thursday with his day off being Friday. This will allow him to make calls in the afternoon, spend time on his Sunday message and other planning. If anyone would like to talk with Adam please stop by during his office hours or call him to arrange some other time.

Brenda will be in the office from 8:00am—5:00pm Monday & Tuesday and 2:00pm—5:00pm Wednesday thru Friday.