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

Rockwood, TN. 37854

www.rockwoodfcc.org

**Return Service Requested** 

# June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Worship @ 11:00am MINI VBS! 12:00-3:30 Pool Party 4:00-6:00	7 Muscle Movers–10am	8	9	10 Muscle Movers–10am	11	12
Worship @ 11:00am  Board Meeting @12:00	14 Muscle Movers–10am	15	17	18 Muscle Movers–10am	19	20
21 Worship @ 11:00am	Muscle Movers-10am	18	19	20 Muscle Movers–10am	21	22
23 Worship @ 11:00am 30 Worship @ 11:00am	24 Muscle Movers—10am	25	26	27 Muscle Movers–10am	28	29

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JUNE 2021

Sunday School: 10:00am Worship: 11:00am

# June Birthdays

Joan Woodall - June 4

Kim Bullington - June 5

Matt Thurman - June 6

Sumer Reid - June 7

Nick Nabors - June 8

Marsha Berry - June 18

Sauannah Jones - June 20

Laura Conner - June 21

Heather Albertson - June 22

Carroll Sharp - June 23

Pete Tagliere - June 25

Katelyn Overton - June 30

Anne Powers - June 30



## Estimated Attendance

<u>05/02/21:</u> In Ser 58 & On Line 15 = 73

05/09/21: In Ser 63 & On Line 15 = 78

<u>05/16/21:</u> In Ser55 & On Line 16 = 71

05/23/21: In Ser 53 & On Line 16 = 69

05/30/21: In Ser 38 & On Line 12 = 50



"Participate in your own miracle."

One of the benefits of churches adapting to pandemic life over the last 18 has been that I'm able to "visit" churches virtually. I like to pop in on Wednesday evening service at Community Christian Church in KC when they have them. Community CC is the church where I was ordained almost 17 years ago (My ordination anniversary is June 6). I've also enjoyed hearing sermons from friends around the country and participating in online prayer times.

I know some of you have taken advantage of these opportunities as well. You can hear former FCC Rockwood pastors Kara Foster and Ron Buck leading worship, giving a devotion, or having prayer time. To me, this has been a real blessing.

I've enjoyed Wednesday's early morning prayer with one of our sister churches, New Direction Christian Church. NDCC is one of the largest congregations in our denomination, they are located in Memphis (an urban church), and their congregation is predominately African American. When I hear their pastor, Dr. Stacy L. Spencer pray, I feel like I'm in the same room. A few months ago, I heard him say this phrase, "Participate in your own miracle." Then just a few days later, I heard Rev. Dara Cobb (a friend of mine who is a pastoral counselor and does devotions on Facebook at "The Devoted Life) say the same thing!

I've been kicking this around in my mind since I heard it. What does it mean to participate in my own miracle? In part, I think it means that while God is a miracle worker and a way-maker, God doesn't just drop miracles in our laps. God works things together for good (Romans 8:28), but we have a role to play in the miracle-making as well! In our sermon series this month, I quoted one of the Saints (either Ignatius or Augustine- there is some debate) who said, "Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you."

What miracle would you like God to perform in your life? Have you thought about your role within that miracle? If not, ask yourself, "How can I participate in this miracle?" Then, pray and ask God the same thing. If you are still not sure, I'd love to talk with you about it. Maybe we can figure out together how to participate in our own miracles.

Happy Summer, and see you in church!

-Pastor Sunny



What: MINI VBS!
When: Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>
Time: 12:00pm - 3:30pm MINI VBS
4:00pm - 6:00pm Pool Party

Join us for a MINI Vacation Bible School afternoon!

Children entering Kindergarten—5th grade are welcome.

The program will start just after worship (on the lawn that day) and end around 3:30 at the church. Then we will head to the pool from 4-6. For more information see

Pastor Sunny or Sara Tagliere.



Father's Day- You are invited to bring a picture of your father, grandfather, or a father figure in your life to church on Sunday, June 20th. We will display them in the narthex to celebrate Father's Day.



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.



Baby Blessing and Dedications

We've recently had several births within our church family. If any of our families would like to have their new little one blessed by the congregation and dedicated to God, please contact Pastor Sunny and we will set up a special celebration during worship.



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:
<a href="https://giv.li/vdhw2o">https://giv.li/vdhw2o</a>



# Join Us for Church on the Lawn:

July 4 (4<sup>th</sup> of July!)

August 1 - September 5

October 5 (World Communion Sunday)



We want to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to Sophie and Tracie and Jason Peacock for making our church sign look absolutely beautiful!

The design of the

landscaping and the flowers are SO PERFECT!

It's amazing just how much your creativity has

changed the whole front of the church now!

Your hard work is so appreciated! Thank you again!



## FREE FIREWOOD-First Come First Served

Lots of dry, seasoned hardwood split for fireplace or firepit! Bring your family or friends for alittle exercise in walking 5-gallon buckets of wood up a few steps to your vehicle. To use for a cozy warm next fall and winter or for hot dogs over a campfire NOW!



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# **CHURCH FINANCES**

# NEEDED WEEKLY 3,470.88

May 1, 2021 – May 31,	2021	Special Fund	Special Funds G/F **In/Out			
GENERAL FUND INC	OME	ELC**	ELC**			
05/02 Deposit	2,605.00	In/Out	53.97			
05/10 Deposit	1,418.00					
05/17 Deposit	2,609.00					
05/21 Deposit	900.00					
05/24 Deposit	913.00					
05/30 Deposit	3,258.00					
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Total Office+Church	11,703.00		Total 53.97			
Electronic Dep	1,623.87					

Total G/F

13,326.87

# NEEDED MONTHLY 15,040.50

DEPOSTIED INTO FAIR ACCOUNT

(DESIGNATED)

PERMANENT FUND

**SUSTAINABILITY** 

**MEMORIALS** 

(UN-DESIGNATED)

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TOTAL -0-

TOTAL ALL MONEY RECEIVED

13,380,84

### **Concerns and Celebrations for our Community of Faith**

Jack Johnston Jr. 1879 Dry Hill Road, Rockwood, Tn 37854
Miriam Johnston 1929 Dry Hill Road, Rockwood, Tn 37854
Brenda Strong NHC 300 Laboratory Rd. Room #209 Oak Ridge, Tn 37830
Julia Musolf, NHC, 122 Cavette Hill Lane, Room #359B, Knoxville, TN 37934
Betty, Linda Myers Sister-in-law, 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