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MAY 2015

Sunday School:

10am

Worship: 11am

May Birthday's

- Eddie Bilbrey - May 3
- Nell Bilbrey - May 4
- Kemper Begley - May 6
- Trent Bullington - May 6
- Bob Hembree - May 6
- Marshall King - May 6
- Zane Begley - May 7
- Mike Pemberton - May 8
- Polk Cooley - May 19
- Tommy Scarbrough - May 19
- Sara Tagliere - May 19
- Jack Johnston - May 19
- Greg Biddle - May 24
- Donna Davis - May 28
- Velma Beckner - May 29
- Peggy McCullough - May 30
- Dennis Myers - May 30
- Mark Foster - May 31
- Tim Woodall - May 31

"In our own backyard," Youth Summer Mission Experience is May 27-29th! We will be staying at camp Montvale (www.harmonyfamilycenter.org/montvale) in Maryville.
What: For two days, Wednesday & Thursday, we will be volunteering at area nonprofits in Knoxville and Maryville that serve those in need. On Friday morning we will head for Dollywood.
When: Leave 9am, Wednesday Morning the 27th & return late Friday evening the 29th.
Who: Youth 6th-12th grade are welcome! We also need adult chaperones willing to go too! (Talk to Kara if you are interested) Friends are always welcome! They just need to pay \$50 toward cost of the trip to reserve their spot & can pay the rest when we leave.
Where: We will be staying at Camp Montvale in their cabins (boys cabins and girls cabins). Camp Montvale is owned by Harmony Family Center and does wonderful work to help children in the foster system and adoption.
What to bring: Closed toed shoes to wear when volunteering (no sandals), clothes you don't mind getting dirty in, towel, toiletries, Bible, and bedding for twin mattress and pillow. Leave at home anything you'd be devastated to lose.
Total Cost: \$100 (this includes your housing, most food, Dollywood ticket and transportation.) You will need to bring extra money for food you buy during our time at Dollywood.
Questions? Call Kara – 466-8773, karaleigh121@gmail.com

Celebration!!

We celebrated the baptisms of Tracy Jones, Taylor Jones, Morgan Jones, Thackery Porter, and Isaiah Snipes on Easter Sunday! We share in joy with you at this important step in your journey of faith!

Mother's Day is May 10th!

You are invited to bring a picture of your mother or someone who has been a mother to you in to Church with you on the 10th. The picture can be framed or unframed. We will display the pictures in the entryway for everyone to enjoy and you can take them back home with you after worship.

Summer Camp information about Camp Bethany Hills

FYI: First Christian Church will pay for half the registration cost for any child at First Christian who would like to experience Church Camp. Check out more information or register online at www.ccdctn.org

CYF Camp and Conference

Sunday, May 31, 2015 - Saturday, June 06, 2015
Start time 3-5 PM --Pickup at 11:00 AM (cost 330)
For those who have completed 9, 10, 11 or 12th grades.

Chi Rho Camp

Sunday, June 07, 2015 - Friday, June 12, 2015
Start time 3-5 PM --Pickup at 11 AM (cost 330)
For those who have completed 6th or 7th grades.

Fighters Camp

Sunday, June 28, 2015 - Saturday, July 04, 2015
Start time 3-5 PM --Pickup at 11 AM (cost 330)
For those who have completed the 8th grade.

Junior Camp

Sunday, July 12, 2015 - Thursday, July 16, 2015
Start time 3-5 PM --Pickup at 11 am (cost 235)
For those who have completed 4th or 5th grades.

Discovery Camp

Sunday, July 19, 2015 - Wednesday, July 22, 2015
Start time 3-5 PM --Pickup 11 AM (cost 190)
For those completed 2nd or 3rd Grades.

Firsters

Thursday, July 23, 2015 - Saturday, July 25, 2015
Start time 3-5 PM --Pickup at 11am (cost 130)
For those who have completed kindergarten or 1st grade. All parents or grandparents are welcome to attend, pre-registration required.

May 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 2pmWorship at Victorian Square	4 Muscle Movers-10am Kids Cafe: 4:30-6:30	5	6 Handbells 7:30 Wed. Nite Live 5:30-7:30	7 Muscle Movers-10am	8	9
10 Mother's Day *** Board Members : The regular monthly Board meeting has been moved to May 17th so that we can celebrate Mother's Day with our families.	11 Kids Cafe: 4:30 Muscle Movers-10am RHS Baccalaureate hosted by First Christian Church (DOC) @ 7pm	12	13 Handbells 7:30 Wed. Nite Live 5:30-7:30	14 Muscle Movers-10am	15	16
17 9:00am Executive Committee 6:30pm Elders-7:00 Board Graduation Covered Dish Luncheon 3rd Sunday Breakfast	18 Muscle Movers-10am Kids Cafe: 4:30-6:30	19	20 Handbells 7:30 Wed. Nite Live 5:30 @ Cooley's Home	21 Muscle Movers-10am	22	23 6pm Music in the Park @ Gazebo
24	25 Muscle Movers-10am Kids Cafe: 4:30-6:30	26	27 Handbells 7:30 Youth Mission Trip	28 Muscle Movers-10am Youth Mission Trip	29 Youth Mission Trip	30
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Thought for the Month:

“IF GOD BELIEVED IN PERMISSIVNESS, HE WOULD HAVE GIVEN US THE TEN SUGGESTIONS”

Attendance for April 2015

April 5 - 225
 April 12 - 81
 April 19 - 82
 April 26 - 101



Vacation Bible School is June 7-11th from 6 to 8:30 pm! Invite a child you love to bible school! We will have something for children 4 years through 8th grade! We are right not looking for volunteers to help with decorating, teaching, craft helpers, kitchen workers, recreation leaders and MORE! If you are

willing to help, there is a place for you! Check the tables in the entryway to sign up to help! Right now we are collecting item to help with decorating. You can bring these items and leave in the entryway or drop by the church office. Here is what we are looking for: skateboards, scooters, rollerblades, roller skates, pogo sticks, helmets, knee/elbow pads, hula hoops, surf or snow boards, pool noodles, 1 small blow up or plastic pool, sports equipment (all types) & a bicycle or two. All items should be labeled with a name so we can return them when Bible School is over.

Join us for Music in the Park on Saturday, May 23rd at 6pm at the Gazebo in downtown Rockwood. We will have a brass band playing and food and drinks will be provided. All you need to bring is a blanket or a chair to sit back and enjoy the evening! This is a great event to bring a friend!

This event is being sponsored by the Evangelism Committee and they could definitely use your help. If you are willing to lend a hand, please talk with Danny Plaster (384-7151 or plas330@gmail.com)

CHURCH FINANCES

April 5, 2015 - April 26, 2015
 GENERAL FUND INCOME
 April 5 - \$4,870.00
 April 12 - \$1,204.00
 April 19 - \$2,015.00
 April 26 - \$3,144.00

NEEDED WEEKLY 3,434.20

Special Funds G/F **In/Out
 WNL \$200.00
 Youth \$487.00
 Lily \$39.00

Total Sunday	11,233.00	Total	\$726.00
Total Office	1,691.00		
Total G/F	12,924.00		

DEPOSITED INTO FAIR ACCOUNT	(DESIGNATED)	Roof	250.00
		Picnic Tables	545.54
	(UN-DESIGNATED)	Memorial	695.00
		Total	\$1,490.54

Total All Money Received \$15,140.54

Worship Leaders Serving in May:

May 3 - Laura Conner May 10 - Marsha Berry
 May 17 - Pat Bishop May 24 - Ron Berry
 May 31 - Fran Long

Communion Preparation: Marsha Berry

Elders: Bread - Joan Woodall Wine - Wayne Honeycutt

Deacons: Scott Albertson, James Albertson, Mary King, Michael Ann Begley

Table: Scott Albertson, James Albertson

Narthex: Mary King, Michael Ann Begley

Dear Friends,

Years ago at my first Church in Lexington I wrote a newsletter article that made a few people mad. I was totally surprised. In my article I wrote about the beauty and historic-look of the sanctuary of Central Christian Church. It truly is a beautiful space. Dark wood, high vaulted ceilings, a beautiful stain glass image of Jesus. I recently saw an article that listed the most beautiful churches in the state of Kentucky. Central Christian Church was on the list.

In my article I spoke of the beauty of the sanctuary and then I wondered if anyone had ever noticed that the beautiful lights that hung high in the room sanctuary had many broken or missing pieces. The lights still worked, they were just old and missing a cosmetic pieces. I was trying to make the point that Church knew what was important and what was not – a new homeless ministry (important), making those lights in the sanctuary look better (not important.) I intended the article to be total praise to the congregation. A way to highlight their recent commitment to a homeless ministry and give thanks. You know who didn't appreciate me pointing out those imperfect lights? The man whose job it was to maintain that beautiful, historic building. He actually thought my article was a part of some scheme to point out his terrible job performance and get him fired. All I thought I was doing was trying to praise the Church for choosing to be a part of an important ministry! I can recall an awkward conversation of me trying to convince him of my intentions. In the big picture, this was not a big deal. I tell you all this because that conversation was an early lesson for me – sometimes our words have unintended consequences. It was also a reminder of how easy it can be to jump to conclusions.

Lately we have all been inundated with messages from our media about how peaceful protests in Baltimore were overrun by riots. We are also just at the beginning of the political "season" as the Presidential race begins to get underway while also waiting on big decisions from the Supreme Court. As more and more of us get our news from the articles and pictures shared on Facebook – I am mindful of how easy it is to label someone or to let those opinions become a wedge between us. As Christians, we are to see all of humanity with the eyes of Christ. Call it the "imago dei" each person has the imprint of God. Even the ones who vote differently that we would. Even the ones who make us mad on Facebook. Even the ones who riot. Even the ones who vow to protect and to serve.

Glad to be in ministry with you!

Peace,

Kara

To the congregation of First Christian-
 You all have meant so much to our entire family over all these years. Please accept this small gift from us to honor our mother and the love she had for her church. We have so many wonderful friends & memories there. Thank you for the love you've shared with us.

In memory of Ruth Klyce-
 Steve, Bob & Ken Klyce and Jan Klyce Treadway

Memorials

Memory Dr. Jack Lindsey
 By Mabel Clem

Memory Ruth Klyce
 By Her Children

Memory Floyd Hutcherson
 Dick & Margaret Cole, Membership/Nurture FCC,
 Fran Long, Bob & Wilma Hembree

Children & Youth Ministry

On Wednesday, May 20th Wednesday Night Live will celebrate our last night before Summer break. Wednesday Night Live follows the school calendar and we do not meet in the summer. We will celebrate with an "All Ages Event" at Jim Cooley and Tracie Graham's home at 483 W. Hwy 70 from 5:30-7:30pm. Parents and families are welcome to come too!

Join us for the next 3rd Sunday breakfast on Sunday, May 17th at 10am in the fellowship hall! Children, youth, and their families are all invited!