

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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THE EPISTLE

Greetings Faithful,

This Lenten/Easter season was such a blessing. The six Lenten lunches were well attended and I received very positive feedback. I know it sounds cliché, but Ron and the choir really outdid themselves at the Maundy Thursday and Easter services. They worked for months to pull that all together for you, and it culminated in two outstanding performances. Music can really transport us to deeper spiritual experiences. I certainly felt it, and I pray you did as well.

Now we are transitioning to a new season at First Christian Church. I know you have heard it many times by now, but Miracle Day is only one month away! Project leaders are narrowing the plans for the projects we will tackle and starting to purchase materials. Let me offer a few reminders as we prepare for the “Big Day”: If you are bringing tools with you on that day to use or loan, please make sure they are in good working order (gas, electric, etc.). If you are planning on making a donation, please do so as soon as possible or projects may be left out if we can’t budget for them. Please get your sign-up forms in so we can get a head count of who will be attending. Remember that your best ability is availability, so plan on volunteering even if are no able to perform strenuous physical labor. We want this day to be a memorable success. We can assure this by making sure have financial gifts, proper planning, enough volunteers, and some talents and gifts. What a day it will be!

Blessings, Tom



May 4 *Polly Bailey*
 Kathy Mason
 Pat Coleman
 ***Mike Largin**
 ***Will Largin**
 Kate Matheny

May 11 *Polly Bailey*
 Muir Steward
 Joe Duncan
 ***Bailey Farish**
 &**Kim Farish**
 Kenny Sulzmann

May 18 *Polly Bailey*
 Muir Steward
 ***Cindy Harris**
 Chris Largin
 Ken Largin
 ***Amy Montgomery**

May 25 *Polly Bailey*
 Kathy Mason
 ***Rosa Jennings**
 ***Steve Jennings**
 Chris Largin
 Ken Largin

Liturgist: *Amy Montgomery*

*communion preparation

If you are unable to serve on your assigned Sunday, please call Rosa Jennings at 759-4162.



Hope Circle will meet at **9:30 am** May 5th at the church.

Circle I will meet at **10:00 am** May 13th at the church.

Serendipity Circle will meet May 12th at **5:30** at the church.

The **General CWF** meeting scheduled for **May 5th** has been rescheduled for (covered dish) at **6:00 pm**. New officers will be installed. All women of the church are invited.

CMF Breakfast
May 18th
8:00 am



Wiley Hales
Family of Joan Woody



Joe and I want to thank everyone for their prayers, hugs and beautiful reception after Mother's memorial service. We have felt the love of a truly Christian church, and will be forever grateful.



Cynthia Duncan & Family

SAVE THE DATE!!!
JUNE 7, 2014



Volunteer registration forms are available in the narthex. Completion of forms by May 18th is encouraged and appreciated. Please take the time to view the Miracle Day display and let project supervisors know if you have any feedback or questions. T-shirts are also available for \$10. Everyone's help is needed to make this miracle happen!

There will be a pre-work day on May 17th for those who wish to participate in Miracle Day but won't be available on June 7th. This will be a day for preparation of projects and some minor projects being done while the appropriate help is available. Please come help out on this day if you can.


Kathy Mason and Polly Bailey represented our church as voting delegates at the Regional Assembly held in Ft. Walton Beach April 26th. They also sold T-shirts and advertised Miracle Day with a slide presentation.

The Outreach Ministry Team has identified a ministry that is literally staring us right in the face: the International students who worship in our Fellowship Hall every Sunday night! This group of students has some unique needs that we can help with: they are in need of transportation to and from appointments and an occasional trip to Wal-Mart; they also need assistance in practicing conversational English, both listening and speaking skills; a third need is assistance with child care during worship time on Sunday from 5:30-7:30. If you are interested, please contact the church office or Kathy Mason and let them know your available dates and times.



Outreach Ministry

An old Cherokee told his grandson, "My son, there is a battle between two wolves inside us all. One is Evil. It is anger, greed, jealousy, resentment, inferiority, lies and ego. The other is Good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, humility, kindness, empathy and truth." The boy thought about it, and asked, "Grandfather, which wolf wins?" The old man quietly replied, "The one you feed."

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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4 6:00 Mission Council	5 9:30 Hope Circle 6:00 CWF	6 5:30 Yoga	7 6:30 Circle of Prayer 7:00 Choir	8	9	10
11 	12 5:30 Serendipity	13 10:00 Circle I 5:30 Yoga	14 6:30 Circle of Prayer 7:00 Choir	15	16	17  8:00 Pre-Miracle Day Work Day
18 8:00CMF Breakfast	19 10:00 Merrill Gardens	20 5:30 Yoga 6:00 Miracle Day Committee	21 9:30 Soup Kitchen 6:30 Circle of Prayer 7:00 Choir	22	23	24
25	26 	27 5:30 Yoga	28 6:30 Circle of Prayer 7:00 Choir	29	30	31