

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
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Address correction requested

9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship

Christian Visitor

Moments with Janet – September 2009

Ahh -- September!

Growing up in an academic family, I wondered why September wasn't the first month of the year instead of January. Everything started all over in September – or after Labor Day which also signified no more wearing white shoes until next spring. September remains a magical month for me, even though much of what I remember about new beginnings has been pushed back into August, including the beginning of school. Nevertheless, there is a certain wonder about September. Remember the old song about the month?

Oh it's a long long while from May to December. But the days grow short when you reach September. When the autumn weather turns leaves to flame, one hasn't got time for the waiting game.

In the spirit of the beginning of the year, here's some of what's coming up in our fellowship and ministries for September.

You've been hearing a lot about the Jefferson County CROP Hunger Walk. We've already begun recruiting walkers and pledges in our church. We'll also need many volunteers on site. Saturday, September 26, West City Park. Registration 1 pm. Step-off 2 pm. **Mark your calendars.**

Another big event will be our Rally Day/Welcome Back Sunday on September 13. We'll honor all teachers and students during worship. And present the New Year in Christian Education. If you've been away for a while, please join us again on this Sunday to be welcomed back – we hope to stay!! Bring families. Bring friends. Bring food for a **carry-in fellowship luncheon** after church with a fun **Pound Auction**. To prepare for the auction, find a pound of something (nice, ugly, irrelevant, whatever), wrap it so

beautifully every one will want it, and bring it to the luncheon. All proceeds will go to the **General Fund**.

You'll notice the **Small Group Questionnaire** included in this newsletter. Please complete it thoughtfully and prayerfully. The Membership Committee will be glad to find out what kind of activities you're interested in and will help organize them.

The **Southeast Gateway Area Assembly** will be on September 19th at Union Avenue Christian Church in St. Louis, with the theme **Radical Hospitality**. Lots of good workshops are planned. And if you haven't heard the Rev. Dr. Alvin Jackson preach, you don't know what you're missing. Child care provided. So please register now – if you haven't done so.

Another upcoming gathering is the annual Southeast Gateway Area **Retreat for Women**, October 9 - 10, 2009. The theme is **Giving and Receiving Hospitality**. Keynote is Rev. Patrice Rosner, back by popular demand. It's at Abbey Road Christian Church in Cape Girardeau. Make reservations soon for local hotels.

You'll also notice a new look for our **Christian Visitor**. Many thanks to our very capable and creative Kathy Cage, office secretary.

Much more is on the following pages. As the autumn weather turns leaves to flames, let the spirit catch your heart on fire! Let's serve God with great joy and enthusiasm.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Janet

To be a faithful, growing church, that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion for justice.

THANK YOU...

I am happy to report that my sister (Sandy Lilliech) is doing very well. Thanks to everyone for the prayers and well wishes.

*Thanks,
Dave Crump*

We would like to thank Betty Niehaus for her donation to the food pantry.

Church -n- Society

Big thank you to Dan Avery for the great job he is doing on cutting the church grass all summer. It has looked great.

SUNDAY SCHOOL



REGULAR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
Resumed on
AUGUST 30, 2009
Bring friends and family

RALLY DAY



SUNDAY, SEPT. 13, 2009
CARRY IN LUNCHEON POUND AUCTION
(bring a pound of anything wrapped pretty)
Bring your family and friends for this special day.

CWF SEVICE PROJECT

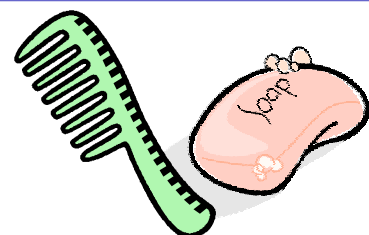
The CWF will once again be making **health kits** for our **September** project. If anyone in the congregation would like to contribute supplies, here is the list of what is needed:

- Bath size bars of soap
 - Metal nail files or clippers
 - Combs Band-Aids
 - Lightweight hand towels
 - Toothbrushes w/individual covers
- (the items can be left on the table next to the piano in the Wiles Fellowship Hall).*

We have plenty of washcloths and no longer put toothpaste in the kits when we assemble them here.

A project of Church World Service, the **health kits** are shipped around the world wherever there is a disaster and provide basic hygiene items to people in need. Thank you all for your support of this worthy project!

*CWF Service Officers:
Betty Aders & Margaret Wiles*



EVANGELISM

Are you non compliant about Jesus? You have Him in your life, but you don't share Him with others. Be an Evangelist and tell others about Him.

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS.

Letetia Fanger, Chairperson

PARISH NURSE

This month our health ministry has focused on using prayer as a powerful stress management approach. It really is one of God's primary prescriptions to help us live and be well. Thanks be to God, that even when we don't know how or what to pray...the Spirit intercedes for us with signs too deep for words.
(Rom 8:26).

If you would like to discuss prayer further, or any other faith and health topic, please see me, (Letetia Fanger). I have many helpful resources that I would like to share with you. In the healing Christ.

Letetia Fanger, parish nurse

SEGA OFFICE

Dear SEGA friends & colleagues,

During the August 8 meeting at Abbey Road Christian Church in Cape Girardeau, the SEGA Board made the tough, but unanimous decision for Orchard Crest Camp to remain closed during 2010. As you will recall, Orchard Crest sustained such significant damage during a severe storm on May 8 that we had to move our 2009 summer camps to other campgrounds. Our JYF, Chi Rho, and CYF camps were held at Rickman Center in Jefferson City, and our MAD camp took place at the UCC Camp MoVal in Union, Missouri.

The Board's decision to keep Orchard Crest closed during 2010 came while they were working on the 2010 and 2011 Area budget proposals, which are to be presented to our Area Assembly on September 19. As it is very important to the Board to present a balanced budget, Orchard Crest financial data (as well as utilization data) from the last several years was considered. It was determined that opening Orchard Crest for 2010 would result in replicating the \$10,000 deficit of 2008. Several additional factors also went into the Board's decision:

- * Camp dates must be set in December in order to have sufficient planning time. Unfortunately, our insurance adjustor has not yet completed his work. With the extent of damage, the options for repair, and the cost of the repair still largely unknown, it is impossible to guarantee summer readiness by December. After the May 8

storm, we had to change our previously announced dates in order to secure a campground. As a result of this late date change, 24 campers had to cancel. We don't want to run that risk again.

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- * The number of SEGA campers at Orchard Crest has continued to decline. Congregational surveys indicate that most of our SEGA congregations have fewer young people than they've ever had. The surveys further express that many of their youth are too busy to attend church camp.

- * We've been unsuccessful at attracting outside groups to Orchard Crest. This may be due to the fact that there are many other options for camping in the Fredericktown area, and that our buildings need to be updated.

- * Our Mid-America Region is in a serious conversation about restructure, and there appears to be much interest in moving to a Region-wide outdoor ministries program. At this point, we don't know what that would mean for Orchard Crest.

At this time, no decisions have been made about Orchard Crest for 2011. We do not yet have enough information to make a responsible decision. In fact, during our September 19 Area Assembly, the Board will be asking the Assembly to empower the 2010-2011 Board

to make that decision after all the information is known.

In the meantime, camp manager Wendell Bellew and his family will continue to live in the manager's house. Wendell's job description and compensation will change so that he will only be providing security for the camp, a minimal amount of maintenance, and communication with the logging company as they continue the cleanup effort. As a result, Orchard Crest expenses will be reduced significantly.

Please be reassured that our camping program will continue during 2010. The SEGA Board and I are very committed to providing fun, meaningful, and safe church camp opportunities for all our young people. We'll begin exploring our campground options right away, and plan to announce our camping dates in December.

I ask for your prayers and your patience as we get things figured out. As always, don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

*Blessings,
Penny Ross-Corona, Area Minister*



WORSHIP

I saw Halloween stuff in the store the other day, can you believe it? When I was a boy, my dad did the carving of our pumpkin each year. In my adult life, I did most of the pumpkin carving with my sons. In the process of indulging my sons' artistic bent, I tried to carve faces to order: pointy ears or round? Jagged teeth or squared-off? Cartoon characters or famous celebrities?

Technically, a pumpkin is a fruit, since it has seeds in or on the fleshy part that you eat. And we are all familiar with the verse in

Colossians about the fruits of the spirit. Matthew 7:16 says "By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles?" Jesus was warning about false prophets and perhaps also about ourselves as well.

Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin. God lifts you up, takes you in, and washes all the dirt off of you. He opens you up, touches you deep inside and scoops out all the yucky stuff-- including the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside you to shine for the entire world to see.

So let's be like pumpkins in our worship. Let's come to church lifted up by God. Let God's Word scoop out the yucky stuff that has accumulated through the week. Let the Spirit of God put a smiling face on you and light you up from the inside out, making you a beacon of light that shines in the darkness.

Keith Osterberg, chairperson



MEMBERSHIP

As fall begins and we are energized by the cooler weather and more purposeful activity it is time to think how we can join in joyful community with others. Also we will soon have plenty of new, inviting class room space for more activities. Please help us plan for this by filling out the enclosed Small Group Questionnaire and returning it to the

committee via the mail box by the back door or in the box in the foyer. Use your imagination: all answers are correct and we are all winners. Blessings upon you.

Tom Schmidt, Chairperson

Membership Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 1, at 6:00 PM.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

We now have large print bulletins (2). They are on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. If you see that we need more please let the office know.

Thanks, Kathy, secretary

FREDERICKTOWN CHRISTIAN CHURCH 200TH ANNIVERSARY

*Fredericktown Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)*

Cordially invites you to join us in celebration of our 200th year anniversary. With an all day Homecoming, beginning with worship at 9:00 AM followed by lunch and special music in the afternoon.

Sunday, September 20, 2009

Fredericktown Christian Church

***208 W. Main Street
Fredericktown, MO 63645***

***RSVP: 573-783-6808
fredcc@sbcglobal.net***

***9:00 AM-worship
Afterwards-lunch***



Fredericktown Celebrates
200th Anniversary

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Members

Dale Ray Adams Dan Aders
 John Baynes Debbie Cresswell
 Jewell Crouch Letetia Fanger
 Buna & Les Dreiman
 Carma & Lee Howard
 Charles & Alice Staley
 Kyle Brewer Sr.
 Elise Humble Carole Jackson
 Scott Kimberlin Brian Stoll
 Wanda Manns Dorothy Moore
 Margaret Means Elnora Moring

*Opening New Doors for the Future
 Building Campaign*

Family & Friends

Orchard Crest Camp
 Kim Avery-(daughter of Dan Avery)

Matt Wilson-(friend of Jack-e Merseal)
 Tudor Carter of Imperial-(friend of
 Sandra Lilliech-Dave Crump's sister)
 Sharon Thurman & granddaughters,
 Bethany & Emma
 (aunt & cousins of Steve Cornish)
 Adelaide Blocher-(mother of John Blocher)
 Liam Osterberg
 (grandson of Keith & Carolyn Osterberg)
 Betty Crawford
 (friend of Letetia Fanger)
 Domica Nausley
 (friend of LeAnna Obermeyer)
 Mark Bellview-(friend of Brian Stoll)
 Steve Broombaugh
 (nephew of Chris Brewer)
 Andrew Becker
 (grandson of Letetia Fanger)

Eddie Davis
 (brother in law of Violet Hochthurn)

*Sympathy to the family & friends of
 George & Jean Christman on the
 passing of Jean's mother Luella
 Powell.*

CHOIR

**Choir practice will be held on
 the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of
 the month. First practice be-
 gins on Wednesday,
 September 2nd, at 7:00 PM.
 All who enjoy singing are
 welcome.**

Janet Taylor, Director



WORLD OUTREACH

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) celebrates the Gospel teaching that God's children come from all places and that the power of love at God's table is able to bring together all races, languages, cultures and traditions.

The Reconciliation Ministry works to practice faithfulness

with regard to the elimination of racism, which exists in all manifestations of the church, to discern the presence and nature of racism as sin, to develop strategies to eradicate it, and to work toward racial reconciliation.

The **2009 Reconciliation Ministry Special Offering** will be received in congregations on

September 27th & October 4th, 2009. Please give generously.

Karen Stoll, chairperson

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2008 RECONCILIATION OFFERING

We want to thank everyone for helping increase the **2008 Reconciliation Offering**. We are one of two regions with increased giving. According to April Johnson, the Minister for Reconciliation for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) there was a 24% increase in giving in Mid-America in 2008 over the previous year. It went up \$7500 to \$38,428.11. This is in large measure due to the hard work of the PRAR Teams in NE

Area and SEGA.

This is the only collection for the support of reconciliation ministry throughout the life of church. Remember, half of the money raised in our region stays in our region.

We have received two grants from the region for our work as your task force. We are proud to tell you that our Mid-America Region is one of the most active regions in the work of pro-

reconciliation/anti-racism. We thank God for the opportunity to do this vital work here in this area. Please pray for reconciliation. We want to be an anti-racist church and with God's help it can happen.

Blessings,
Devoree Crist and Martha Ruhl
 SEGA PRAR Task Force Coordinators

9-11 PRAYER SERVICE

Friday, September 11, at 8:00 PM the church Elders will lead a prayer service in the sanctuary, in memory of *September 11, 2001*. As you may recall we had a special prayer service that night.

We, the Elders thought this would be a good time to restart our quarterly prayer services. Please plan to come together to experience the healing power of praying together. Bring your family & friends.



BIRTHDAYS

01 John Baynes-Buna Dreiman
 07 Steve Cornish-David Jacobson
 07 Brian Howard
 08 Danielle Robinson
 09 Clifford French
 15 Darrell Flieg
 16 Debbie Cresswell
 19 Kyle Brewer
 20 Drew Buerck
 27 Dan Avery

ANNIVERSARY

03 John & Brenda Baynes
 03 Clifford & Betty French
 10 Kyle & Christine Brewer
 16 Tom & Tammy Robinson
 17 Dennis & Kristy Hoffman

DIACONATE SCHEDULE

Sept 6

Prep Lauren Cornish
 Homebound Dave Crump
 Greeter & Server Londa Crump & Carole Jackson

Sept 13

Prep Bob Roberts
 Homebound Keith Osterberg
 Greeter & Server Mary Ann Lodholz & Tina Roberts

Sept 20

Prep Emily Reilmann
 Homebound Doug Sickbert
 Greeter & Server-Jennifer Sickbert & Karen Stoll

Sept 27

Prep Andrea Skinner
 Homebound Glenda Skinner
 Greeter & Server Brenda Baynes & Jocelyn Baynes

ELDERS SCHEDULE

Sept 6

Invocation-Lisa Reilmann
 Scripture-Doyle Taylor
 Homebound-Warren Reilmann

Sept 13

Invocation-Janet Taylor
 Scripture-Steve Cornish
 Homebound-Margaret Means

Sept 20

Invocation-Margaret Means
 Scripture-Letetia Fanger
 Homebound-Doyle Taylor

Sept 27

Invocation-Barbara Buxton
 Scripture-Lisa Reilmann
 Homebound-Warren Reilmann

WAYS & MEANS COMM.

We are in need of fresh ideas for fundraisers. If you have any please contact Chris Brewer.

(314-614-6552)

Thanks, *Chris Brewer, chairperson*

VACATION TIME

Kathy & Don will be on vacation September 28-October 1, 2009. They both will return to work on Friday, October 2, 2009.



On Monday, September 7th-(Labor Day) the Office will be Closed.

FALL MEN'S GETAWAY

Fall Men's Getaway
 Sept. 11 & 12, 2009
 Friday 6:00 PM
 Saturday 4:00 PM
 Camp MoVal- Union, Mo

All men are welcome to come.
Registration:
 Bulletin board outside
 sanctuary at church

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Small Group Questionnaire

(Please complete and leave in Membership box or in the foyer, or give to a committee member
or you can place in the offering plate or place in the church office.)

The **Membership Committee** would like to know what small group activities members and friends of First Christian might like to join others in. These groups would meet once or a few times a month, as the members wished, to do a variety of things. They can bring a greater sense of belonging and support to our community, as well as provide a source of spiritual development, fun, and education. In order not become solidified and therefore isolating they could be fluid, having new participants or lasting only for a limited time, with the members moving on to another group. They could meet whenever it is convenient and appropriate for the activity.

Why not meet for outings, bible or church history study, book clubs, meditation and spiritual practices, musical practice, Ti Chi, card games, current event discussions, sewing and craft bees, gardening, home repairs, life passages support, habitat construction, or any other worthy adventure? Already some are talking about a pottery group, and several members got together for an afternoon seeing Oliver. The **Membership Committee** will facilitate each group's starting by finding an organizer, drumming up participation, and share contact lists of interested people.

Below is a brief list with plenty of space for your own creative suggestions. Since we want ideas of possibilities and not commitments now, please check and suggest any subject that is of interest to you.

Bible study _____ Bible history _____ Early church history _____ Contemporary theology _____
 Prayer group _____ Hymn study and singing _____ Worship _____ Meditation & spiritual practices _____
 Shut-in & hospital visitation _____ Banner creation _____ Small group dinners _____
 Monthly all church dinners _____ Fun night out _____ Cultural Excursions _____ Book club _____
 Gardening _____ Current event discussion _____ Sports (what type?) _____ Ti Chi _____
 Home repairs _____ Habitat building _____ Crafts (what type?) _____
 Your ideas _____

What times might you be available?

| Day | AM | PM | Evening |
|-----------|-------|----|---------|
| Monday | | | |
| Tuesday | | | |
| Wednesday | | | |
| Thursday | | | |
| Friday | | | |
| Saturday | | | |
| Sunday | XXXXX | | |

Name _____ Phone _____
 Email _____ Cell-phone _____

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Retreat for Women

October 9 – 10, 2009

Giving and Receiving Hospitality

Resource Leader: Rev. Patrice Rosner

Worship Study Games Food Fellowship Quiet Time & Labyrinth Crafts

Registration Deadline—Friday, September 25

Ask for a registration form in your church office or
see your Disciples Women's ministries contact person.

Cost \$20 (includes Saturday lunch)

Meeting Site: Abbey Road Christian Church
2411 Abbey Road, Cape Girardeau

You will be responsible for arranging your own accommodations and meals except lunch on Saturday.
Motel options provided with informational leaflet and registration form.

Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, October 9 Retreat closes 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Questions? Call Linda Kelley at 573-888-6480 or FCC church office at 573-888-2703

Registration Form

Name _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____

_____ Full Retreat (\$20—includes box lunch on Saturday. Menu choices below. Choose one)

_____ Honey baked Ham Classic Boxed Lunch

_____ Signature Pecan Chicken Salad Boxed Lunch

_____ Signature Honey baked Cobb Salad Boxed Lunch

Bottled water included with each lunch. Coffee/tea will be available.

Please make your check payable to First Christian Church, and mail with this form to 105 W. Washington, Kennett, MO by Friday, September 25

What to Bring: Comfortable clothing - Bible, paper and pen/pencil - 50 copies of your favorite recipes.
At the 2006 Women's Retreat, we began sharing recipes, and this has become a tradition.

Accommodation Options Register at hotels early

Super 8, 2011 N. Kingshighway St. (573) 339-0808

Budget Inn Motel, 1448 N. Kingshighway St., (573) 334-2828

Drury Hotels 1) 104 Vantage Dr., (573) 334-7151 2) I 55 & William St., (573) 651-4698

Holiday Inn Express, 3252 Williams St., (877) 863-4780

Town House Inn, 505 N. Kingshighway St., (573) 335-2700

Holiday Lodge, 1918 N. Kingshighway St., (573) 651-4698

Comfort Inn, 2904 Old Orchard Rd., Jackson, MO (573) 204-0014

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Sign up to Walk in the Jefferson County CROP Hunger Walk

On Saturday, September 26th, our congregation and community will participate in the Jefferson County CROP Hunger Walk at West City Park in Festus. CROP is an acronym for *Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty*. As a congregation, we can do something to help people facing hunger and poverty. For a few hours and a few miles, friends and neighbors will be coming together to, in the words of I John 3:18: "...love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."

CROP Hunger Walk funds will benefit the overall work and ministry of Church World Service, and 25 percent of what we raise will help three local food pantries--the Jefferson County Rescue Mission, the First United Methodist Church Food Pantry and our own food pantry here at First Christian Church-Festus.

We have packets with envelopes ready for you to pick up. You can register as a single walker, or get extra envelopes for your family, friends and co-workers and encourage them to walk also. Walkers will solicit sponsors to donate money for their participation in the walk. You can also get sponsors to donate on the web. Register on the web by going to www.cropwalkonline.org. Go to the state of Missouri, then choose the Jefferson County CROP Hunger Walk. Follow the directions to register as a walker. Your sponsors can donate to you by going to the same website and searching for your name. They can donate through Church World Services' secure website with a credit card. You can even create your own team of walkers. You can e-mail your friends and family from near and far and solicit donations online. All walkers will also receive a CROP Hunger Walk T-shirt on Walk Day.

You can get envelopes and other materials from Tina Roberts, Dan Avery, or any member of our church on the Jefferson County CROP Hunger Walk Committee--Rev. Janet Fowler, Tom Schmidt, Karen Stoll, Sherreé Faries, or Londa Crump. Or, come to our next planning meeting on Thursday, August 27, at 7 p.m. here at church to get more information and materials.

So please mark your calendars and come CROP Walk with us! Together -- with your family, group, co-workers, and church congregation -- we can walk to change the world, one step at a time.

Jefferson County CROP Hunger Walk **Saturday, September 26, 2009 West City Park-Festus** **Registration-1:00 PM Step Off 2:00 PM**

A project of the Twin City Area Ministerial Alliance in partnership with Church World Service

2009 SEGA AREA ASSEMBLY

Radical Hospitality

**Union Avenue
Christian Church**

**733 Union Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63108**

**Saturday, Sept. 19th
9:00 AM - 3:30 PM**

Registration Form

The church office or on
the bulletin board.

Deadline for Registration
September 3, 2009

Adults \$15

Youth \$10

Children under 10 if eating \$5

Youth and children will have program time during the workshops and business meeting.

They will be with their families for worship and mealtimes.

Please contact the SEGA office at sega@eden.edu or (314) 918-2515 with any questions.

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NAME TAGS

Everyone please remember to wear your name tags on Sunday and other events. This way all new members and visitors can learn your name.

NEW ADDRESS

Jeanette Flieg
411 Woodland Villas
Arnold, MO 63010
636-287-6014

ACOLYTE

New training in
September. Let us know if
you're interested.

Dylan Merseal (Sept)

TRIVIA NIGHT

TRIVIA NIGHT
SATURDAY, OCT. 17, 2009
6:30 PM

First Christian Church
Festus

Any questions contact:
Chris Brewer
314-614-552

*Proceeds go to: Opening New
Doors Building Campaign*

CONGREGATIONAL MTG

There will be a called congregational meeting on Sunday, September 27, 2009, right after church. We will present an update on the *Opening New Doors for the Future Capital Campaign and Building Project*. Please join us and discuss all the latest information.

*Warren Reilmann,
Chair of General Board*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Cabinet Mtg-August 31st. 6:45 PM
Membership Mtg-Sept.1st.6:00 PM
General Board Mtg
Sept. 10th. 7:00 PM
Christian Men Fellowship
Sept. 12th.-9:00 AM
Wiles Fellowship Hall in use
(Orchard Crest Task Force Meeting)
Sept. 23rd. 9:30 AM
Congregational Meeting
Sept. 27th Noon

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The *Christian Education & Development Ministry* will have an open meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at 6:30 in *Wiles Fellowship Hall*. Pizza will be available. Bring other snacks and drinks, if you wish. Anyone interested in the development and nurture of our children, youth, and adults, please come for an open brain stimulating discussion. All current and former teachers are encouraged to be there. Also for more information, call LeAnna Obermeyer, 636-937-7454.

LeAnna Obermeyer, chairperson

NEWSLETTER

Newsletters
articles due
Sept 14, 2009
9:00 AM

NOTE DATE CHANGE



WORSHIP & SERMON FOCUS

September 2009

Sept 6 14th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Mark 7:24-37

Sermon Reading: Proverbs 22: 1-23

Worship Focus: So That You May Give a True Answer

Sept 13 15th Sunday after Pentecost-Rally Day

First Reading: Proverbs 1:20-23

Sermon Reading: James 3: 1-12

Worship Focus: Thoughts for the New School Year

Sept 20 16th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Psalm 1

Sermon Reading: James 3: 13-4. 3:7-8a

Sept 27 17th Sunday after Pentecost

(Reconciliation Special Offering)

First Reading: James 5: 13-20

Sermon Reading: Mark 9: 38-50

Worship Focus: Bearing the Name of Christ

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September 2009

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| ACOLYTE Training in September | August 31 6:45 PM Cabinet Mtg | 1 6:00 PM Membership Mtg | 2 6:15 PM Elders 7:00 PM Choir Practice Registration Deadline for 2009 SEGA Area Assembly | 3 Noon CWF Luncheon All women are invited | 4 | 5 |
| 6 9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship | 7 Labor Day Office Closed | 8 6:30 PM Christian Education & Development Ministry Mtg. Pizza Provided | 9 6:15 PM Elders | 10 6:30 PM "Twin City Got Talent" 7:00 PM General Board Mtg | 11 6:00 PM Fall Men's Getaway 8:00 PM 9-11 Prayer Service | 12 9:00 AM CMF 4:00 PM Fall Men's Getaway |
| 13 Rally Day 9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship Noon Carry-n-Luncheon Pound Auction | 14 9:00 AM Newsletter Articles Due NOTE DATE CHANGE | 15 | 16 6:15 PM Elders 7:00 PM Choir Practice | 17 | 18 | 19 9:00 AM-3:30 PM SEGA Area Assembly-Union Avenue Christian Church |
| 20 9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship Fredericktown Christian Church 200th Anniversary | 21 | 22 | 23 9:30 AM Orchard Crest Task Force Mtg 6:15 PM Elders | 24 | 25 Deadline Registration for Retreat for Women | 26 1:00 PM Registration for CROP Walk West City Park |
| 27 9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship- Reconciliation Of- fering Collected | 28 Kathy & Don Vacation | 29 Kathy & Don Vacation | 30 6:15 PM Elders Kathy & Don Vacation | Oct 1 Kathy & Don Vacation | Oct 2 7:00 PM Wooldridge & Braddy Wedding Rehearsal Kathy & Don Return Work | Oct 3 3:00 PM Wooldridge & Braddy Wedding |

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