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WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER!



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

No, I am not confused about the month we are in. I know that the new year does not begin until January, but our official church year begins Oct 1. With the new church year come new opportunities for us to improve as a family of believers while stepping out on faith with new adventures that are on the horizon!

At the end of this month, we have another Youth Sunday with Wil preaching the sermon. We are excited about his progress and how he has grown over the past couple of years. Michaela is doing well too. She is growing in her piano playing and overall musical skills. We are looking forward to seeing both of them in action on Sunday morning, October 30. That night, we have been invited to our sister church in Aiken for a 5th Sunday rally. There is a picture with the details on page 8 of this newsletter.

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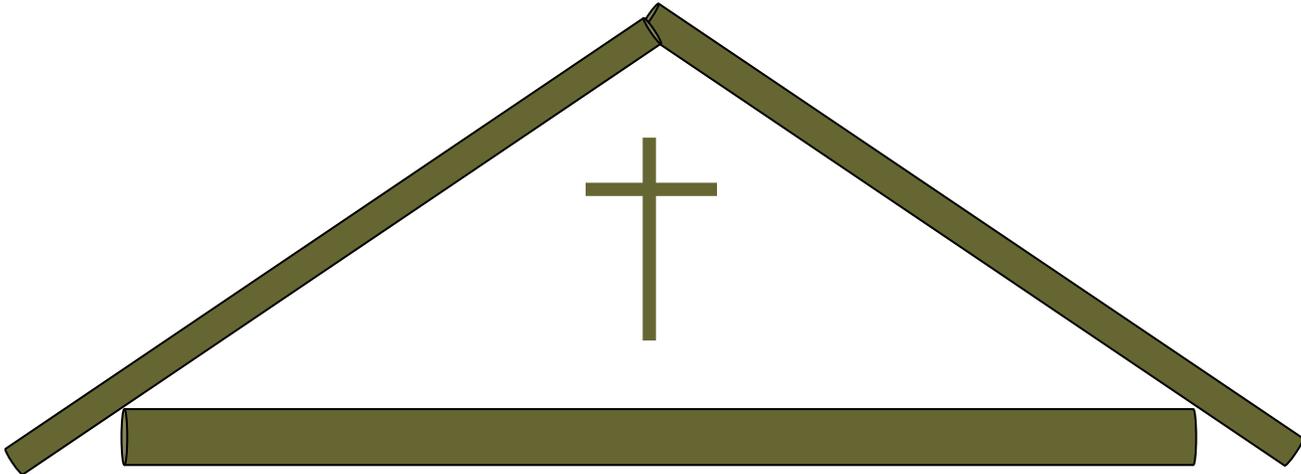
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What Kind of Church is First Christian Church?

First Christian Church is a non-denominational Elders-led Church located in Greenwood, SC. We are part of the movement to restore the simplicity of New Testament Christianity. We believe that Jesus Christ is the son of God, that He lived a sinless life, offered His life for ours on the Cross, and rose on the third day to live forever. We believe that salvation comes through simple obedience to the plan of salvation that is laid out in the pages of the New Testament.



Core Beliefs

A common misconception is that all churches believe and preach the same thing. Unfortunately that isn't the case. In a world that is greatly divided spiritually it is very important to know just exactly what a church believes and practices. We welcome the opportunity to sit with you and discuss these core beliefs in depth.

We believe...

1. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God who died for our sins and arose from the dead. **1 Corinthians 15:1-8**
2. That the Bible is the inspired Word of God - "a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path".
2 Timothy 3:16; Psalm 119:105
3. That every person has worth as a creation of God but "all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God" **Romans 3:23**
4. That forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life are available to those who trust and obey Christ as Savior and Lord. **John 3:16**
5. That we are saved by grace through faith in Christ. **Ephesians 2:8-9**
6. That the Church is the body of Christ on earth and exists to save the lost and edify the saved.
Ephesians 4:1-16
7. That Jesus Christ will one day return as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. **1 Thes 4:13-18**
8. That those accepting Christ must repent of sin, confess their faith and be baptized into Him.
Romans 10:9, Acts 2:38

For more information about baptism, see our Baptism FAQ located on our website

Biblical Foundation

Like most people I know, I love a buffet! Just walking into the room where there is food from wall to wall is what I consider to be a little slice of heaven. Taking my plate and filling it with different types of food is fun because I get to create a party in my mouth. Physical food is good to eat and the buffet is the best way to offer as much food for a variety of people as they can handle. I decided to take this concept and use it for the spiritual food that keeps us healthy and active for the Lord.

For 2022, I am going to offer an appetizer (Prayer topics), entrée (Daily reading plan), and dessert (Spiritual growth exercise) on this page. Every month, this will be spiritual food that will help you develop good habits for growing closer to the Lord. The reading plan is the harmony of the Gospels that covers the Life of Christ. This reading plan is not as intense as some of the others and will give you a great foundation for learning more about Jesus.

Gospel Harmony Reading Plan (Entrée)
(From R.C. Foster's Life of Christ class)

Prayer Topics (Appetizers)

Week 1 - Pray for the elders of the church

Week 2 - Pray for the Preacher

Week 3 - Pray for our volunteers

Week 4 - Pray for Youth Sunday

Week 5 - Pray for visitors that they feel welcome

276. Matthew 26:20	292. John 16:1-33
277. Luke 22:14-30	293. John 17:1-26
278. John 13:1-20	294. Matt 26:30-46
279. Matt 26:21-25	295. Mark 14:26-34
280. Mark 14:17-21	296. Luke 22:39-46
281. Luke 22:21-23	297. John 18:1
282. John 13:21-30	298. Matt 26:47-56
283. Matt 26:31-35	299. Mark 14:43-52
284. Mark 14:27-31	300. Luke 22:47-53
285. Luke 22:31-38	301. John 18:2-12
286. John 13:31-38	302. 18:12-14, 19-23
287. Matt 26:26-29	303. Matt 26:57-68
288. Mark 14:22-25	304. Mark 14:53-65
289. Luke 22:17-20	305. Luke 22:54-65
290. John 14:1-31	306. John 18:24
291. John 15:1-27	

Spiritual Growth Exercise (Dessert)

October is a cooler month which means there are more opportunities to be outside without the sweat that comes from the dog days of summer. For this reason, now is a good time to meet your neighbors. It is also a good time to take walks outside so you can enjoy the beautiful weather. Here are some suggested activities for this month:

1. Picnic:

Visit a park and have a picnic. Have a friend with you or take this time to be alone. Make sure you plan this for a day when you don't have anything else to do for a few hours. Enjoy!

2. Service:

Find a neighbor in need and help them out. Be sure to mention that you are a Christian.

3. Reading and singing:

Visit a park or find a walking trail. Read something while sitting outside. Sing a praise song.

THE ELDER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

As we have been looking at Titus 1:6-9, we have seen the Apostle Paul describe an Elder as a shepherd who is a family man. His primary role as a shepherd is to care for the flock so if he can care for his family, he is off to a great start.

We also see the Elder being an overseer who is not arrogant or quick to get upset. Anybody who has ever been in charge of a group of people can see how easy it is to let the power go to your head or to let the people cause you to get worked up to the point where your blood begins to boil. An Elder of God's church must guard against becoming a victim of the position.

Along with describing who the Elder is, we see Paul talk about the reputation of those in charge and how it is imperative that the Elder continues to work on himself and try to improve on a daily basis. If the people don't respect him, he cannot lead so it is critical to maintain a good reputation both inside and outside of the church.

Now we come to verse 9 when we see the Elder's responsibilities. Here is the outline:

4. The Elder's responsibilities (Titus 1:9)
 - a.) Hold firm to the trustworthy Word as taught
 - b.) Give instruction in sound doctrine
 - c.) Rebuke those who contradict sound doctrine

As you can see, the Elder is in charge of guarding the doctrine of the church. This means that he should know the Bible well enough to recognize when something is off. If he wants to be a good Elder, he should be able to teach the right doctrine so the people can grow in the Lord. Even though a full-time Minister may be on staff, the Elder should not rely on the Minister's knowledge of the Bible. He should study for himself and use the Minister as a resource for those hard to understand passages. He should study with the Minister to learn the Bible.

In order to effectively guard the doctrine of the church, the Elder must develop a love for the Scriptures and a desire to know it as if it was his own creation. As a shepherd and overseer of the church, people look to the Elder for guidance in what the Bible teaches.

(Titus 1:5-9) "(5) This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you— (6) if anyone is above reproach, the husband of one wife, and his children are believers and not open to the charge of debauchery or insubordination. (7) For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, (8) but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. (9) He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it."

Who will be our Next Man Up?



Mentoring today for a better tomorrow

BACK PORCH CONVERSATIONS

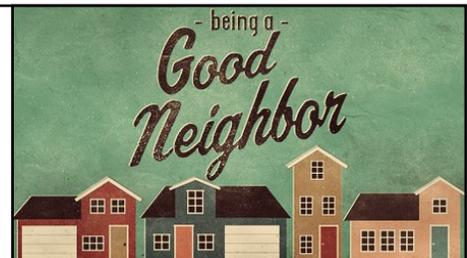


The concept of church growth is not easy to explain and it is even harder to demonstrate. Why is that? The main reason is that we have been conditioned to think that numeric growth is the only type of growth that exists when trying to determine the health of a church. Imagine what it would be like if we did this with family. A family reunion takes place and the grandparents are sitting around the table eating dessert and talking about their families. One grandma begins to talk about her 2 sons and she mentions that one son had a child who made the honor roll at school.

Nothing more is said about that son and his child who made the honor roll because she spent most of her time bragging about the other son who has 4 children now and his wife is expecting another one in the fall. She is so proud of the growth in that branch of the family tree because that is how a family stays healthy. You keep having children in order to keep the future secure and the family will remain healthy for the next generation. What the grandmother fails to realize is that the other son's child demonstrated growth in the mind that is an indication that the parents are doing a great job. Maturity in the mind is a great indicator of growth that is often overlooked since it is much harder to measure. Of course, being on the honor roll is proof of that growth. How many churches have grown over the past year without adding anybody to their roster? I am willing to suggest that more churches have grown in the mind and spirit than those who have grown in number, but they are often overlooked because those measurements are boring and do not look as good on paper.

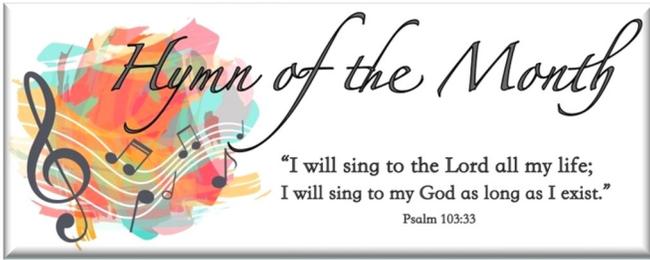
QUESTIONS TO "PRIME THE PUMP"

When working with a well pump, there are times when you have to fill the line with water before it will begin pulling the water through. This is called priming the pump because you are helping it get started. In a similar way, I want to get us thinking about how we can help our neighbors, so here are some questions to ask:



1. Do they have kids who will be going back to school?
2. Do those kids need school supplies or clothes for school?
3. Do the parents need a break from the kids so they can take care of school stuff?
4. Do they need a meal prepared since they have been running around all day?
5. How are they set for school lunches or after school care if needed?

Although you may not be able to help with everything, there might be something you can do to help them prepare for school. Of course, prayer is always needed too! Let's try to reach out to those who have kids in school. I'm sure there are plenty of families who may need some help with something.



My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

(DianaLeaghMatthews.com)

This hymn I am sharing is inspired by a very special man, who had a great love for music but an even greater love for God. Although I only knew him the last year of his life, that love of both God and music was still evident. His children introduced me to this

beautiful hymn and informed me this was one of his favorite songs and we would sing it often. According to his children, he rested in God in ALL things and all of his favorite songs were about resting in God. I'm sure his years of service as a missionary in both South Africa and the Cayman Islands greatly tested this faith at times.

The author of the hymn is often listed as Lidie H. Edmunds, the pen name for Eliza Edmunds Hewitt. Hewitt was born on June 28, 1851 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Upon graduation she became a teacher, but shortly thereafter suffered a serious spinal problem when a student struck her with a heavy slate. She was an invalid for the remainder of her life, even though she was able to partially recover.

She continued to live in Philadelphia and turned to hymn writing. She was a regular contributor to various Sunday School publications.

She also served as Sunday School superintendent for a church and home for orphaned children. On April 24, 1920 she died and was buried at the Woodlands Cemetery.

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place was published in 1891 book Songs of Joy and Gladness, No. 2. The tune is a Norwegian folk melody, "Norse Air" written by Andre Ernest Modeste Gretry, a Belgain opera composer. "Norse Air" tune also goes by the titles "No Other Plea" and "Landas". William James Kirkpatrick arranged the melody for the hymn, My Faith Has Found a Resting Place. After the initial publication, the song is not known to be reprinted until the 1944 hymnal, Choice Hymns of the Faith.

One can only imagine how her own experiences inspired the faith and lyrics for this song. Hewitt is well known for a number of her other hymns, including "When We All Get to Heaven," "Will There Be Any Stars in My Crown," "More About Jesus," and "Sunshine in My Soul."

In an article I read her great-nephew describes the hymns as, "the best statement of faith that exists in hymns."

This hymn was definitely a statement of faith for my dear friend. He lived a life of service and now is worshipping face to face with our Savior.

What hymn is your statement of faith? Where have you found your resting place?



"How He Loves" (Article found on worshipleader.com)

The heart of a song is more than the story of its inspiration or inception; it's also the story it becomes in the listener and the singer. "How He Loves" became the anthem of a youth movement as John Mark McMillan recounted the story of his friend Stephen at a conference with 70,000 young people. John Mark told how one fateful night his friend prayed something on the order of: "I would give my life, for these people that I love." And that very night, Stephen's earthly existence was ended in a terrible accident. McMillan says, "I was in complete shock of my friend dying. And I sat down and had a conversation with God about it. And that song, basically, popped out." For those who heard John Mark tell the story and the half million who viewed it on YouTube the legend emerged: "Stephen offered his life. God took him up on it. And out of his sacrifice, a youth movement of others like him—willing to lay down their lives—would be birthed and this song would be the fuse that would ignite it." And so although the story had some truth, the song's real heart and meaning were partially hijacked.

"I think, what happens is that a story travels—and it's an exciting story. One thing I really regret is that I didn't put more thought into what I said. I really didn't know it was going to be broadcast to the universe. None of it was untrue in any way shape or form. But I wish I'd been clearer about things so that people better understood what I was saying. It's like [the game of] telephone, it's a legend that gets crazier every time someone tells it. To the point where, someone said Stephen was raised from the dead and came back and gave me that thought [song]. But I was like, 'that's a great story, but it's not true at all.'"

The song became about Stephen and a movement when it was really about God. "What the song means to me—this is why it comes from the death of my friend—is we have these places that we would like for things to sort of exist, this sort of plane, where we have the love of God and God loves. We have church; I have every hair in place, the perfect suit and you dress up... But God, isn't confined to the hour or the rituals, you know. The Bible says 'the whole earth is full of his glory (Is 6:3).' God exists and you can find him in every situation. I think that's the point: that I found God in the worst situation. My friend, a young healthy guy died in a very, very terrible car accident, and God was able to show me who he is even in that situation.

"In church we like to pretend everything's okay a lot. And most of the songs we sing in church are sort of the happy songs, but only 15 to 20 percent of the songs found in the Bible are happy. The other 75 to 80 percent are the angry ones, the sad ones, or the brutally honest ones. For me, the song was not about 'how much' he loves us: 'he loves us so much that he died.' It was 'how' he loves us, 'the way' he loves us. He loves us in ways that are not like we think; they're better than we think. The idea that Jesus is acquainted with our situation: we don't serve a God who doesn't understand our suffering and our pain or joy. He's not this sort of mechanical brain in the sky who does things for us when we pray. He's actually a person, and he has experienced life on earth.

"I was super angry. And I didn't know who to be angry at. And I came to realize if you're angry at nobody then you're really angry with God, because he's the only one who can change the situation. So, I sat down. I didn't have a bad attitude. I wasn't shaking my fist at God. I was just, I guess, hurt. I was really young. I'd never experienced anything like that before. I thought Stephen was the only one who understood me in certain ways, probably the only guy at the time I could be completely honest about any area of my life."

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October 5TH Sunday Rally

Where: Christ's Way Christian Church
 183 Old Wagener Road
 Aiken, SC 29803 (803)508-3687



When: Sunday, October 30th from 6:00-7:30

The Event: Fellowship, Congregational Singing,
 Special Music, Refreshments



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"And he was the same with me; there was no sort of pretension. When he was gone, it was, 'I have nobody to call, nobody to talk to. How am I going to process and deal with life without him there?' And so I sat down and that song just sort of materialized. And as I was singing the song I saw the story of my friend in the song. In my heart I was questioning the love of God, really. I was trying to have a conversation with God, but I think he was speaking to me in the song even though it's written from my perspective."

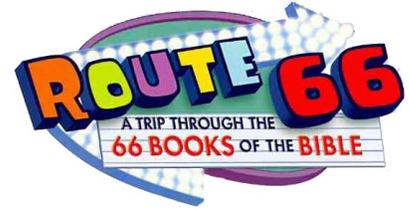
Uncensored Conversations

For John Mark, the song gives people permission to have whatever kind of encounter with God they need to have at that moment. "I want to give believers a language. I think that's what being a worship leader is: helping people have their conversation with God, helping them say the things they need to say. Giving them permission to enjoy God, complain to God, love God, in an action-oriented way, where they can worship God at any moment of any day. Why do you wait until you get into a service to do it? Is it because for some reason when the guy gets on the stage or the lady plays the chords, that gives people permission to do it in that setting?"

"The Bible says there's one mediator between God and man, and that's Jesus. So as a worship leader you can't be a mediator, you don't stand between the people and God and offer sacrifices for them, like the priests did in the Old Testament. But what you do is create a space for them to come and offer what they have. So I absolutely love doing it. I want to help cultivate worship in people's lives."

Epistles: Philemon

(Several sources used each month, see Earl for details)



Who wrote the book?

For more than two years during his third missionary journey, Paul ministered in Asia Minor among the people of Ephesus. This was a successful period for the apostle to the Gentiles, who saw many converts among both residents of Ephesus and visitors to the city. One of the visitors converted under Paul's teaching was a man named Philemon, a slaveowner from the nearby city of Colossae (Philemon 1:19). In the Bible book that bears Philemon's name, Paul addressed his "beloved brother" as a "fellow worker," a title given to those who served for a time alongside Paul. (Gospel writers Mark and Luke also received this title later in the letter [1:1, 24]). Clearly, a kinship existed between Paul and Philemon, one that would serve a significant purpose in light of the circumstance that brought about the letter.

A slave named Onesimus had escaped from his owner, Philemon, and had run away from Colossae to Rome in the hope that he could disappear into that populous, urban environment. Once in Rome, Onesimus, either by accident or by his own design, came in contact with Paul, who promptly led the runaway slave to faith in Jesus Christ. Paul had already been planning to send a letter to the Colossian church by the hand of Tychicus. So in AD 60 or 61 from a prison cell in Rome, Paul wrote a personal letter to Philemon and sent Onesimus the slave back to Colossae.

Why is Philemon so important?

The letter to Philemon reminds us that God's revelation to humanity is intensely personal. In more formal biblical works such as the Gospels or the epistle to the Romans or even Paul's letters to churches at Philippi or Colossae, it might be easy to get the impression that God does not care or have time for the trials and tribulations in a single household. Philemon stands as one piece of strong evidence to the contrary, revealing that lofty doctrines such as the love of God, forgiveness in Christ, or the inherent dignity of humanity have real and pertinent impact in everyday life. The book of Philemon illustrates that principles like these can and should profoundly affect the lives of believers.

Paul's message to Philemon was a simple one: based on the work of love and forgiveness that had been wrought in Philemon's heart by God, show the same to the escaped and now-believing slave Onesimus. The apostle's message would have had extra force behind it because he knew Philemon personally. Paul had explained the gospel to Philemon and had witnessed the profound result: new life blossoming in a once-dead heart (Philemon 1:19). Paul knew that conversion is nothing to trifle with, but that it should be honored and fostered.

So Paul made a request. He wanted Philemon to forgive Onesimus, to accept the slave as a brother in Christ, and to consider sending Onesimus back to Paul, as the apostle found him useful in God's service (1:11–14). Paul did not minimize Onesimus's sin. This was not some kind of cheap grace that Paul asked Philemon to offer. No, there was sacrifice required in this request, and because of that, Paul approached the topic with gentleness and care (1:21). His letter to Philemon presents in full color the beautiful and majestic transition from slavery to kinship that comes as a result of Christian love and forgiveness.



This month's Church myth: "The Preacher does not have to give a tithe"

When the preacher gets paid by the church, does he pay a tithe? Is that giving the church a 10% discount on his salary? Wouldn't it be easier to just deduct the tithe before writing the check? The church myth is that since the Preacher is working for the Lord, he is exempt from paying a tithe. That is not in the Bible. In fact, the opposite is true. The Preacher is often put under the microscope when the subject of money comes up and people start to judge his financial situation based on his material possessions. It is almost as if all of his paycheck belongs to the church so the people feel that they have the right to inspect his spending habits whenever they feel like it.

There are several directions we can go with this but the bottom line is that the Preacher's salary is income just like anybody else's paycheck, and the Lord expects him to pay a tithe. Of course, if the word tithe seems to be a little too Old Testament for you, feel free to change it to offering.

Speaking of the Old Testament, this is where we get the idea to pay the Preacher. When the Lord delivered the Israelites from Egypt, He divided the people into tribes and used the names of Jacob's sons to identify them. The tribe of Levi was reserved for working for the Lord so they were not allowed to own land. When they were traveling to the Promised Land, the Levites were in charge of setting up and breaking down the Tabernacle so God could have a place to dwell and receive the worship and sacrifices required for remaining His children. When the temple was built, the Levites remained set apart for service and they worked in the temple while everybody else worked the land and raised funds to give to the Levites.

Every tribe was required to give a tenth of their income so the Levites could have their necessities provided while they served. This was their income and the Lord required that they give a tithe for the Priests who served. All Priests were Levites but not all Levites were Priests. Those who were chosen to be Priests received the tithe of the tithes so they could have their necessities provided, and then they were to give a tithe for the necessary materials for the feasts and other events that happened in and around the temple.

Following the idea that those who serve the Lord are given an income from the people's tithe, the Preacher receives his paycheck from the church. He is expected to tithe like everybody else does, but it may not be as noticeable especially if he is not physically placing something in the offering plate. Some have opted for giving the tithe either before or after the service, and while there is nothing wrong with that, it probably helps the people if they see their Preacher give during the worship service. While it is a private act of worship, the Preacher can lead by example if he gives the tithe just like everybody else does.

THIS MONTH IN FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH HISTORY

2017 was a good year for us. We had a good year with visitors and youth activities along with blessings of worship services that were building momentum. In 2016, we had a successful pair of events that we brought back the next year and had even better success! Our Easter Egg Hunt in 2017 attracted 40 people and was a great event for us. However, our Fall Festival was even better with over 70 people showing up and lots of high energy and fun!

One of my favorite memories from that year was the hay ride we offered with a pickup truck that took people to the school parking lot across the street and there were several repeat riders during the event. People loved it and they also loved the giant bounce house we rented. I considered this event a success although some may have a different opinion. Something we have to keep in mind is that when we have events like this, we create opportunities for us to have conversations that can lead to invitations for those who showed up to visit our worship service the next day. The conversations are critical because that is when we make connections with the visitors. If we do not take advantage of these moments, the people will go home without knowing that we would love for them to visit on Sunday.



“Pray for FCC”

For 2022, we want to cover our church in prayer on a weekly basis. Along with the many prayers that go up on our behalf, I am declaring every Tuesday to be a day for us to offer up special prayers specifically for our church. Please join us by praying at some point every Tuesday!

One Liners to Make You Laugh

Before treating my nose and ear my doctor asked for an arm and a leg.

Bible Trivia Question (Send answers to Earl)

Answer to last month's question:

Onesimus was a run away slave from Colossae (Colossians 4:9; Philemon 1:12)

Winners: Wil Winfrey/Phillis Jackson/Michaela Winfrey



Be one of the first 3 people to answer correctly and you will be a winner!

Be one of #4-10 to answer and you will receive an honorable mention!

Honorable Mention: Michael Winfrey

This month's question:
What color was the High Priest's robe?

Stop and Come (Part 2)

"Abraham answered, 'God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.' And the two of them went on together." Genesis 22:8

Then Abraham said, "Come," to Isaac, and he placed him on top of the wood and bound him on the altar. Isaac was also obedient. He must have learned this from Abraham. Isaac came to his own father who he loved and trusted, his father who loved and trusted Father God. While the Bible doesn't say anything about Isaac's words or thoughts, I'm sure he was very frightened. But perhaps he knew, too, that God would provide. Maybe Isaac was willing to die for God. I don't know, but there was Isaac bound on top of the wood he had carried himself. Abraham had the knife. Everything was prepared and ready. "Then [Abraham] reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son" (verse 10). When an animal is sacrificed as an offering to God, it is bound on the altar of wood and the knife is plunged into the throat and sliced down the middle through the stomach. Abraham's arm was lifted up, ready to plunge the knife into his only son's throat when "the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven 'Abraham! Abraham!'" (verse 11). Abraham stopped. "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son. Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son" (verses 12-13). I'm sure Isaac must have thought, that was a close call, Dad.

Abraham named that place on the top of the mountain "The Lord Will Provide." There was no doubt in Abraham's heart that God would provide. Can you imagine what the two servants must have thought when they saw Abraham and Isaac come back with no wood and a blood-stained knife? But then Abraham did say, "We will return." They did worship, and they did return. I know my worship today is stronger because of this passage. I'm sure Abraham and Isaac's was as well. Isaac showed obedience when his father said, "Come with me to worship," and "Come get on the pile of wood." Abraham showed obedience, and he experienced in a truly deep and unique way that the Lord will provide. When the angel called his name, Abraham stopped to listen.

Perhaps our cup needs to be filled with an obedience like Abraham's. We say we trust God, but then we take matters into our own hands and try to move ahead in our own power, not allowing the Lord to provide. We miss seeing and experiencing the miracle hand of God. What are you asking God to provide for you today? Job, children, husband, finances? Are you willing to trust Him and know He will provide? How obedient are we to God's call? Come! Come to His altar and lay the pain of your heart there. Stop and worship. And as you walk away from your worship with God, you will know with hope and trust that God says, "I will provide."

Thoughts for Action:

Make a worship center in your home, a chair where you pray, a corner of a room, a closet, a bathroom, under a tree, by the creek, at the kitchen table.

Come and worship. Stop and listen. Trust God. Obey His Word.

Additional Scripture Reading: Galatians 4:28, Romans 9:7, Hebrews 11:17-19

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Psalm 23 Anagram



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Bible Verse Box Writing

Write the bible verse in the boxes below.

Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light for my path.
Psalm 119:105

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS - OCTOBER 2022



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Prayer - 9:30am Coffee - 9:45am S.S. - 10am Worship - 11am	Daily Scriptures are given for us in anticipation of the sermon	Pray for FCC reminder to pray for our church every Tuesday	Elders meet as needed. For questions, see Frank or Chris	Mission of the Month: Greenwood Pathway House		1 Matt 28:16-20
2	3 Job 37	4 <u>Pray for FCC</u> Job 38	5 Job 39	6 Elders mtg (10:00am) Job 40	7 Job 41	8 Psalm 29
9	10 Gen 28:10-17	11 <u>Pray for FCC</u> Psalm 34	12 Eph 4:22-28	13 Psalm 141	14 Matt 9:1-8	15 Deut 16:13-17
16 Chris Crawford preaching	17 Ex 15:1-21	18 <u>Pray for FCC</u> Jer 31:1-14	19 Jer 31:15-20	20 Jer 31:21-30	21 Jer 31:31-40	22 Psalm 30
23	24 Genesis 3	25 <u>Pray for FCC</u> Psalm 96	26 Isaiah 27	27 (Matt 2:1-18) Newsletter Submissions Due	28 Matt 8:28-34	29 Revelation 12
30 Youth Sunday Wil Winfrey preaching	31 Deut 31:14-29	5th Sunday rally at Christ Way CC in Aiken (6pm) October 30		Weekly bulletin will have the most current information		All events subject to change if needed





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Oct 09 - Ascribe to the Lord Glory (Psalm 29)
 Oct 16 - Chris Crawford preaching
 Oct 23 - Joy Comes with the Morning (Psalm 30)
 Oct 30 - Youth Sunday (Wil Winfrey preaching)
 Nov 06 - Into Your Hand I Commit My Spirit (Psalm 31)
 Nov 13 - Blessed Are the Forgiveness (Psalm 32)

“The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.” (Psalm 29:4 ESV)



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