

CHRISTIAN VISITOR

**FCC Vision Statement: To Enlarge Globally The Kingdom Of God By Striving To Be
A Christ Oriented, Family Oriented, Community Oriented Church For All**

Church Office Hours: Monday ~ Thursday | 8:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.

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Col 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and **admonish** one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

To Admonish one another means:

a: to indicate duties or obligations to

b: to express warning or disapproval to, especially in a gentle manner

c: to give friendly advice or encouragement to

Why is admonishing one another such a difficult thing to do? I feel it is because Satan is working overtime to foul up the church. Think about it. When you have a problem with someone these days, especially in the church, many of us are so afraid to confront the problem that we go tell all our friends instead of actually talking to the person who can work through it with us. Sometime we internalize the problem justifying that it "probably isn't important". I fear that by doing either of these we are "giving the devil a foothold" into our lives.

For example: our spouses or our pastor may say something that really hurts... probably not even realizing that it hurt you. We naturally assume that our problem is our spouse or our pastor... But I am here to tell you that it is not either waging the attack. The bible is clear that Satan is out to deceive, steel, kill and destroy and those in the church are his target!

Paul's words here are to "**admonish one another with all wisdom**" and **love!** To admonish people in the church we must use the recipe God gave us to keep healthy. To do this we must:

1. Set you minds on things above!

2. "Must pull the log out of your own eye before you pull the splinter out of your brothers eye!" (ie. Choose not to live actively in your own sin)

3. We must be full of: Compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and LOVE!

By going to the person in whom your struggle exists you will "stick it to the devil!" He is the real problem in all the issues Christian's face! When we choose to internalize major problems we have with someone else or they have with us Satan wins the fight... but know that he doesn't win the war. Read Matthew 18 if you want more insight into the Biblical way of going to your brother in Love.

Part of the problem is that people now days don't understand how to fight! Scripture clearly explains how to fight, who to fight, and where the real battle is. We must understand and "live the Love" in order to stand unified against Satan!!!

JK. Rowling said it like this: "We are only as strong as we are united, as weak as we are divided."

I have told you this so that my JOY may be in you and that your JOY may be complete.

John 15:11

Attendance | Financial Report January 5, 2020

Sunday School ~ 53 8:00 a.m. Worship ~ 59 10:30 a.m. Worship ~ 152
General Fund \$5578 | To Date \$5578 New Building Fund \$100 | To Date \$100
Van Fund \$895 | To Date \$895 (Current balance \$12778)



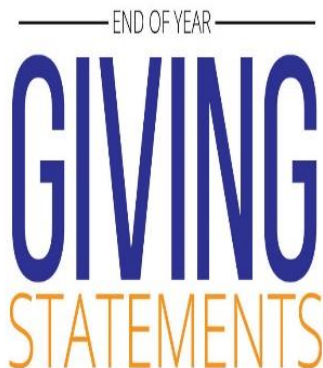
The Opportunity Class: There were three present, three who brought their Bible and three daily readers. Prayers requested for Mary Hamilton, Phyllis Adams, Ruth Allen, Diane Beckett, Ruby Crumm, Harold and Leon Demoret, Twyla Duryea, Harry Fink and others fighting cancer, Jim & Rosie Jordan, Reed Richardson, Carl Ulses, Alice Valentine, Jay Waltermire, our pastor's and families, our country's leaders, our military and their families and our missionaries, Haiti, Nathan and Becky Kowoch and Michelle Demoret.

The SOS Class: There were twelve present Sunday, eleven brought their Bible and eight were daily readers. Prayers for our country and troops, Roger & Phyllis Adams, Claron Benjamin, Stephanie Cole, Ruby Crumm, Twyla Duryea, Keith Finney, Clarence Hermann, Norma Hermreck, Bea Lile's family, Bob and Holly Meliza, Iona Sweers, Alice Valentine, Gene Watson, Loydene West and family, Dick & Velva Wilson, Sue Zentner & Australia fires. Larry Varvel opened the class with prayer. Burke Rogers presented the lesson on "The Rock, The Road and the Rabbi." Next week we will begin with page 37. The class closed with the Lord's Prayer.



We at FCC want to take a moment to extend a very warm welcome to everyone who's visiting us this morning. Whether you're just having a look, or are searching out for a place to worship, we're delighted to have you here.

Sherry Pankey mom of Xan Kasprzak | Lucy & George Sample grandchildren of Sandra Hamilton | Jerry Rockers | Nancy McIntosh daughter of Wilma McIntosh



"Annual Financial Contributions Statement for 2019"

NOTICE: Anyone wishing to receive an "Annual Financial Contributions Statement for 2019" from FCC please contact Marsha at the office (785-448-3452 or email marsha@fccgarnett.org) to get your name put on the list. We can also send your statement to you as an email. If you would like it sent as an email attachment I will need your email address as well. Statements will be sent out in mid-January.

Prayer requests are on for 3 weeks and then removed. If you wish to have it on again please write on the Sunday flap or contact Marsha Dulin | Office Phone: 785-448-3452

Our Church Families | Friends

Week 1: Mary Hamilton | Nungesser family | Clarence Hermann | Maurice & Carol White and Tanya (brother & wife and niece of Loydene West) | Judy, Cindy Witt, Rochelle (Gayla Corley) | Naomi Burgess (Earl & Ruth Peine)

Week 2: Audra (Kent) Bowden (daughter of Charles & Ann Kent) | Lois Miller (mother in law of Tammy Clark) | Claire & Judith Mays (Barbara Ratliff) | Robert Graham, Carol & Joe Evans (Retha Burnett) | Doug Linder | The family of Kathryn Lindsay Nelson, Larry Ward, H R Colgin, law enforcement & military families and God Bless America! (Rosemary Turner) | Reed & Carol Richardson, Claron Benjamin, Twyla Duryea (Jeanine Zentner) | Dorothy (Barbara Ratliff) |

Week 3: John Pruett (son-in-law of Jeanine Zentner) | Lori Roeckers (Henry & Kay Roeckers) | Peggy Paddock (Charlie & Becky Allen)

Family & Friends | Long Term - Ethan Adams (grandson of Phyllis Evans) | Roger & Phyllis Adams | Tanya Coltrane (daughter of Max & Deb Worthington) | Ardis Comfort (Gayla Corley) | Missionaries Michelle Demoret & Becky & Nathan Kowach. (niece and team of Shirley Modlin) | Harry Fink (Mary Hamilton) | Clarence Hermann | Jim Jordan | Willis Kramer (dad of Sandy Lewis) | Claire & Judith Mays | Wilma McIntosh and family | Reed Richardson | Becky Roush (Carol Hermreck & Carolyn Schuster)

Our Loved Ones in Care Centers - Guest Homes: Ruth Gorrell | Parkview Heights: Jean Brown, Ruby Schuster, Ruth Allen, Gladys Young | Residential Living Center: Jim Jordan, Twyla Duryea | Richmond Care Center: Dick & Velva Wilson | Osawatomie Life Care Center: Reed Richardson

Our Veterans and Military (* In States) - Air Force: Matthew Schryer (nephew of Marcia Spring) | *Nicholas L Wales (grandson of Orville & LaVerne Cole) | *Jesse Hale (nephew of Rosemary Turner) | Army: *Thad Dodds (grandson of Alice Chase) | *Dustin Worthington (grandson of Max & Deb Worthington) | *Ethan Bilderback (grandson of Dave & Janette Bilderback) | *Nick Watkins (son of Steve Watkins) | *BJ Moody (grandson of Tom & Janice Tush) | Marines: Spencer Guyett (great grandson of Alice Chase) | *Zach Wilper | Navy: *Dyllon and *Alyssa Morford (granddaughter of Les & Lennet Thomas and husband) Coast Guard: *Joseph Ferguson, *Matthew Ferguson, *Jacob Ferguson (sons of Jerry & Karen Ferguson and grandsons of Howard & Doris Wilson)

**Lord, I trust in your unfailing love, in your promises. I give this day and all that it holds to you.
May I walk in your goodness, knowing your gentle hand will guide me, and keep me.**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:

The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Corinthians 5:17

REMINDERS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

January Communion Preparation: Judy Tisor

January Deacons: Jeff Barnes | Mike Croucher | Dan Dulin | Karl Hurt | Lynn Wilson

Elders for Worship Services: Communion Kevin Lewis | Offertory Cody Clark

Communion to Shut Ins: Prayer James Dodd | Devotion Jonathan Born

8:00 a.m. Worship Pianist: Carmen Powls | Song Leader: April Powls

Audio / Visual: Diana Knox | Cheryl Varvel Welcome Team: Marcia Spring

9:00 a.m. | Nursery: Adult: Katelyn Skedel | Helper: Casey Hurt

10:30 a.m. Worship Leaders: Carmen Powls | Worship Team

Audio Visual: Nate Wiehl | Nicole Wiehl Welcome Team: Morgan Hurt

Greeters West Door: Jeff & Khristine Barnes family South Door: Karl & Morgan Hurt family



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday: *Legacy Youth | 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | Family Life Center | 7th thru 12th grade

Monday: *Christian Woodworkers | 8:30 a.m. | Darwin Hamilton's

*Fun – Faith – Fitness | 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. | Family Life Center

*Boys Disciple | 6:00 p.m. | Home of Youth Pastor Ryan McDonald

Tuesday: *Prayer Group | 6:30 p.m. | Annex

Wednesday: *Christian Woodworkers | 1:30 p.m. | Darwin Hamilton's

*ROOTS | 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | Family Life Center | 4 years thru 6th grade

*Girls Disciple | 7:00 p.m. | Home of Miranda McDonald

Thursday: *Christian Crafters | 10:00 a.m. | Annex

*Fun – Faith – Fitness | 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. | Family Life Center

*Born Life Group | 6:30 p.m. | Home of Jonathan Born



January Events 2020 Calendar

Sunday, January 12

~ The Pastoring Committee meet following 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Thursday, January 16

~ The Care Team Committee meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 19

~ The Education Committee meet following 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Thursday, January 23

~ The Food Distribution at the North Lake Quonset Hut beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 26

~ The Worship Committee meet following 10:30 a.m. Worship Service



New Series coming January 12! "I LOVE MY CHURCH"



"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." —John 13:34-35

Do we really love each other? If we are going to truthfully evaluate our obedience to Jesus' commandment, we must answer these questions. We need to understand the purpose of the church and how it should be interacting in our lives. Understanding why we meet together will help us form a love for the people in our church.

The Bible studies in this series will address four ways that we express ourselves as a church—through Community, Serving, Giving, and Sharing. Each lesson will address how we as individuals and as a group of believers can obey Jesus' commandment to love one another. Love is the overarching theme of the entire series.

**I need people to share a very brief excerpt about what you love about your church! This video clip can be 1 word or 20 seconds but not longer than 20 seconds. Would you please speak clearly and send what you love about your church to 503-474-7965? I can also make the clip for you if you come see me. Hope to hear from you! Blessings, Chris



An opportunity to serve is available at First Christian Church. Ask yourself if this is one of your "Spiritual Gifts" that God has given you. Then pray about it and ask God if this is an opportunity for you!

The Worship Committee is looking for someone to share as song leader at the 8:00 a.m. worship service. Please contact the Worship Committee Chairwoman, Carmen Powls (Phone: 785-448-5553) if you would like to help or if you have any questions.



Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas Mobile Resource Bus

will be in Garnett, Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at ECKAN – 132 East 5th Ave. They offer a variety of resources and support.

NOTE: For financial assistance appointments contact ECKAN

Office: 785-448-3670 or the Resource Bus Hotline: 913-433-2039.

Services Available by Appointment Only include: case management, budget coaching, and some emergency financial assistance (rent & utility).

Services Available for Walk Ins include: food (nonperishables as well as bread and seasonal produce), diapers, books, personal hygiene items, socks & underwear, and seasonal clothing. These items are subject to change depending on availability. They serve as a community partner to ensure that those in Anderson County get the help and hope they need to become self-sufficient.

PASTORS

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