

CHRISTIAN VISITOR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FCC VISION STATEMENT: TO ENLARGE GLOBALLY THE KINGDOM OF GOD BY STRIVING TO BE A CHRIST ORIENTED, FAMILY ORIENTED, COMMUNITY ORIENTED CHURCH FOR ALL.

OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 A.M. ~ 4:30 P.M. | MONDAY ~ THURSDAY

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On top of the hill in Washington, D.C. stands the Capitol Building of the United States of America. On top of the dome is what is known as the "Freedom Lady" that was placed there in 1863. The Freedom Lady, stands nearly 20 feet tall (that's some lady), and stands proudly on top the dome. A crest of stars frames her face. A shield of Stars and Stripes is in her left hand.

Sculpted in Rome, "the Lady" was brought to America by ship. During the trip across the Atlantic Ocean, a fierce storm developed. The Captain ordered cargo thrown overboard to lighten the load. The sailors wanted to throw the heavy statue overboard, but the captain refused, shouting over the wind, "No! Never! We'll flounder before we throw 'Freedom' away." And so, "Freedom" was saved, and the statue stands above the dome today, because one man stood for "Freedom."

Freedom Of our History... In 1787, our constitution was written, and within a few years, the Bill of Rights was added as the first 10 amendments to our constitution. Freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of people to peaceably assemble, and many of the other freedoms we enjoy.

Paul reminds us in **Romans 13:4**, "After all, they are God's servants, and it is their duty to help you." If you do something wrong, you ought to be afraid, because these rulers have the right to punish you. They are God's servants who punish criminals to show how angry God is. -- (CEV) This first phase of freedom flows out of the Revolutionary War and Declaration of Independence that we celebrate this day.

John 8:36, "If the Son gives you freedom, you are free indeed!" -- (CEV)

True Freedom Should Bring Contagious Christians.

A chime that changed the world on July 8, 1776, with the Liberty Bell ringing out from the tower of Independence Hall summoning citizens to hear the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence by Colonel John Nixon.

The purpose of the bell flows out of Leviticus 25:10, "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land." God has the same purpose for our lives today to proclaim liberty throughout the world that is ours through Jesus Christ. Paul reminds us we have a common need for the free gift God gives in Jesus Christ. Paul tells us in **Romans 3:22-24**, "22 God treats everyone alike. He accepts people only because they have faith in Jesus Christ. 23 All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory. 24 But God treats us much better than we deserve,[a] and because of Christ Jesus, he freely accepts us and sets us free from our sins." -- (CEV)

At the outbreak of the Revolutionary War, the American statesman Patrick Henry uttered the famous phrase, "Give me liberty, or give me death." It became a slogan for the revolution. Liberty or death. There were no other options. The state motto of New Hampshire, which is on its license plates reads, "Live free or die."

So we celebrate not only as a nation founded on freedom but as people who have discovered and want to share the ultimate freedom in Jesus Christ. There are no other options for lasting freedom. This freedom in Christ calls us to celebrate it, to share and to live it out each day. It is for freedom that Christ has set us free!

**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.**

YOUR PRAYER REQUEST WILL BE ON THE LIST 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: 785-448-3452 OR EMAIL MARSHA DULIN: marsha@fccgarnett.org

OUR CHURCH FAMILIES / FRIENDS: WEEK 1: Maurice & Carol White and Tanya (brother & wife and niece of Loydene West) | Diane Becket (friend of Mary Hamilton) | **PRAISE:** (1) All those who gave us freedom for our freedom (Karen Petersilie) | (2) For the GAPP work camp for painting our house & blessing us (Mary Hamilton) | Love and to love others as God loves all of us. | (3) Always thankful to God for His Blessings (Sara Blow)

WEEK 2: Finnegan Byerley (son of Dane & Holly Byerley) | Family of Waunita Porter | Family of Leona (Sulloff) Morgan (mom of Mary Gooding) | Jayne Miller | Charlotte Cox | Gary Hoke | Bill Meeker (cousin of Judy Tisor) | **Sunshine & dry weather** (Gayla Corley)

WEEK 3: | Marilyn Stevenson (Mary Hamilton) | Bill Hardesty (brother of Mary Martin) | Pauline Patterson (grandma of Tracy Clifton)

FAMILY & FRIENDS | LONG TERM: Ethan Adams (grandson of Phyllis Evans) | Roger & Phyllis Adams | Linda Benjamin | Mike Burns | Linda Cadwallader (mother in law of Sarah (Allen) Cadwallader) | Tanya Coltrane (daughter of Max & Deb Worthington) | Ardis Comfort (Gayla Corley) | Ruby Crumm | Missionaries Michelle Demoret & Becky & Nathan Kowach. (niece and team of Shirley Modlin) | Harry Fink (Mary Hamilton) | Lois Gebert | Eugene Grimes (nephew of Judy Tisor) | Clarence Hermann | Jim Jordan | Juanita Kellerman | Willis Kramer (dad of Sandy Lewis) | Jim McAllister | Wilma McIntosh and family | Steve Richardson (son of Reed & Carol) | Becky Roush (Carol Hermreck & Carolyn Schuster) | Marilyn Stevenson (Mary Hamilton) | Bill Thornton, Sr. | Maurice & Carol White and Tanya (family of Loydene West)

OUR LOVED ONES CARE CENTERS: GUEST HOMES: Ruth Gorrell - PARKVIEW HEIGHTS: Jean Brown | Ruby Schuster | Ruth Allen | Gladys Young | Birdie Zentner | Jim McAllister - RICHMOND CARE: Dick & Velva Wilson

OUR VETERANS AND MILITARY (* IN STATES) : AIR FORCE: Matthew Schryer (Grandson of Frieda Hurt & 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) | 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)

ATTENDANCE | FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 30, 2019

SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ 48 | 8:00 A.M. WORSHIP ~ 86 | 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP ~137

GENERAL \$4157 | TO DATE \$19265

NEW BUILDING \$130 | TO DATE \$806 VAN \$75 | DATE \$235



THE OPPORTUNITY CLASS: There were three present Sunday, three who brought their Bible and two daily readers. Prayers requested for Diane Beckett (friend of Mary Hamilton), Charlotte Cox, Ruby Crumm and others fighting cancer, Harry Fink, Pastor Chris & Natasha family, Jim & Rosie Jordan, Jayne Miller, Joan Simpson, Marilyn Stevenson, Loydene West, those families who have lost loved ones thru suicide. Mary Hamilton opened the class with prayer, led the lesson "Right Attitudes," Matthew 5: 1-12 followed with prayer.

THE SOS CLASS: There were thirteen present Sunday, twelve who brought their Bible and eight daily readers. Prayers for Roger & Phyllis Adams, Gary & Linda Benjamin, Orville & LaVerne Cole, Charlotte Cox, Natasha Goetz, Gary Hoke, Juanita Kellerman, Bea Lile (traveling with family), Jayne Miller, Brenda Smith (daughter In- law of Edna Roach), Loydene West and Maurice White & Tanya (brother and niece of Loydene West), Dick & Velva Wilson and Birdie Zentner. Burke Rogers opened the class with prayer and presented the lesson on "The Life of Jesus." Next week the class will be starting on page Session 5 page 97. The class ended in prayer.

WELCOME VISITORS! WE'RE GLAD THAT YOU COULD VISIT WITH US. He says, "I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters; in the assembly I will sing your praises." Hebrews 2:12

Guests & Visitors

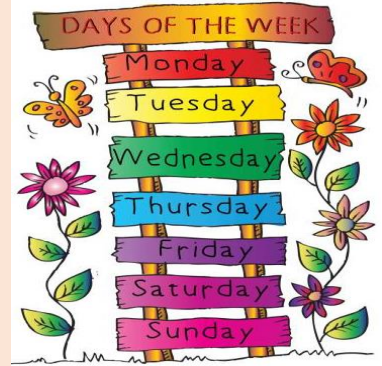
Eugene & Susan Grimes, Marlin & Peggy Brubaker, grandson Davis Flora all family of Ray & Judy Tisor | Gage Miller grandson of Tarry & Linda Miller | Travis & Amy Persinger, Maddux family of Mike & Sue Zentner | Myra Lybarger, Katie & Nick | Dillon & Cassidy Boyer family of Steve & Marcia Spring



The Opportunity Class would like to invite anyone to come join us this Friday, July 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the Annex for a time of getting to meet some Missionaries that we have recently decided to support. Their names are Michelle Demoret & Becky Kowach. They just happen to be Shirley Modlin's nieces. We thought it would be great to support members of her family. Michelle is in Indonesia and Becky, along with her husband, Nathan and family are in Korea. They will all be back in the states for a short time and in the Garnett area so that is why we have set Friday evening for our time to meet them and learn about what God has called them to do in the Mission field. Hope to see you there! Mary Hamilton

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday - Christian Woodworkers | Darwin Hamilton's | 8:30 a.m.
Monday - Fun – Faith – Fitness | Family Life Center | 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday – Ladies Bible Study | Annex | 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday - Prayer Group | Annex | 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday - Christian Woodworkers | Darwin Hamilton's | 1:30 p.m.
Thursday - Christian Crafters | Annex | 10:00 a.m.
Thursday - Fun – Faith – Fitness | Family Life Center | 6:00 p.m.



July 2019 Calendar

Thursday, July 4 | Church Office will be closed in observance of Independence Day
Friday, July 5 | Opportunity Class | Missionaries presentation | 7:00 p.m. | Annex
Sunday, July 7 | Finance Committee Meet | following the 10:30 a.m. Worship service
Sunday, July 7 | Elders at 5:00 p.m. | Board at 6:00 p.m. | Annex
Sunday, July 7 thru Friday, July 12 | Middle Camp at Hidden Haven (grades 6 & 8)
Sunday, July 14 | Pastor Committee Meet | following the 10:30 a.m. Worship service
Sunday, July 14 thru Thursday, July 18 | 5-6 Camp 2 at Hidden Haven (grades 5 & 6)
Thursday, July 18 | Care Team Meet | 7:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall
Sunday, July 21 | Education Committee Meet | following the 10:30 a.m. Worship service
Sunday, July 21 thru Friday, July 26 | HS Camp 2 at Hidden Haven (grades 9 - 12)
Thursday, July 25 | Food Distribution | 4:00 p.m. | Quonset Hut at North Lake
Sunday, July 28 | All Church Brunch to honor those on the Education Committee | 9:15 a.m. |
Take note - No Sunday School Classes
Sunday, July 28 | Worship Committee Meet | following the 10:30 a.m. Worship service

Reminders for Sunday July 7

July Communion Preparation: Bill & Barbara Ratliff
July Deacons: Dan Dulin | Jeff Barnes | Lynn Wilson | Mike Croucher | Karl Hurt
Elders for 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. **Worship:** Communion David Bilderback | Offertory Kevin Lewis
Communion to Shut Ins: Prayer Gaylon Corley | Devotion Ben King
8:00 a.m. **Worship Pianist & Song Leader:** Debbie Wiesner | Mary Hamilton
Audio / Visual: Dylan Cole | Sophia Cole | **Welcome Team:** Diana Knox
10:30 a.m. **Worship Leaders:** Worship Team
Audio Visual: Jonathan Born | Hope Goetz | **Welcome Team:** Bill & Barbara Ratliff
Greeters West Door: Sandy Erhart | Carol Powelson | **South Door:** Doug & Connie Meyer



Ministry Opportunities

The Worship Committee is still looking for additional individuals to join the Audio / Visual team at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. No experience necessary – will train! Please contact the Worship Committee Chairwoman, Carmen Powls (Phone: 785-448-5553) or Audio-Visual coordinator Jenna Wight (Jenna Cell: 785-304-0683) if you wish to join or if you have any questions.



TUESDAY, JULY 2 THRU MONDAY JULY 8

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 | DAN DULIN

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 | CRAIG & JODY COLE

THURSDAY, JULY 4 | CASEY HURT

FRIDAY, JULY 5 | ALLYSSA ADAMS

SATURDAY, JULY 6 | AVERI WILSON

SATURDAY, JULY 6 | JADE TODD

SUNDAY, JULY 7 | DANNY & DEBBIE POIRE



NOMINATIONS FOR ELDERS, DEACONS AND TRUSTEE: It is time for us to pray and think about whom God might be calling to serve the vacant positions for Elder, Deacon and Trustee at FCC. Nominations may be submitted by contacting Kevin Lewis at 785-204-2257, contact church office at 785-448-3452 or write your nominations on the bulletin flap. Nominations are due by Sunday, July 28, 2019. Elders going off in 2019 are Jason Sjolund and Mike Zentner; Deacons going off in 2019 are Dane Byerley, Gaylon Corley, James Dodd and Jonathan Born; Trustee going off in 2019 is Nathan Wiehl.



**Meet
for
Breakfast**

ALL CHURCH BREAKFAST! Sunday, July 28 the Elders will be hosting a "All Church Brunch" honoring all the volunteer's past and present that have been involved with Education Team. It will be during Sunday School time so we will not have any Sunday School classes so that all may enjoy the delicious food. Cathy Hoke will be making breakfast casseroles and biscuits and gravy. If you wish to bring a breakfast item to share it would be welcome.



LOST AND FOUND...There are many items that have been left in and around the church over the past several months plus—these found items have been placed on a table in the Fellowship Hall on the North wall. Please look and claim anything that is yours. Any items unclaimed by July 7, 2019 will be donated.



Thank you Lord for this new life. A precious gift from you. Draw near and bless this baby, Lord, and bless the parents, too. Unite them all in love so sweet, and love that is so strong; no matter what the future holds, it will last their whole lives through. Amen!

Caleb Benjamin Shelton, born 6/24/19 at 8:41 a.m., 7# 3oz, 21". Parents Brian and Erin Shelton, sister Abby and brother Eli, and grandparents Butch and Sharon Rocker and Uncle Ian. Grandma, always outspoken, says "This is what pro-life is all about."



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