

## THE CHRISTIAN CALLER

## First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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"To know Christ and make Him known"

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#### Sunday Schedule

8:30 am
Partners in Prayer

9 am All Ages Sunday School

OFFICE HOURS Monday thru Friday 8:30 am until 12:30 pm

PASTOR'S HOURS Monday thru Friday 8:30 am until Noon afternoons by appointment Welcome, Amy Moore! She is a current member of Lyons Christian Church, Lyons. Amy joined the church in October 2018 along with her husband Bill. In February 2019, Bill was at Cleveland Clinic for a double transplant - a kidney and a liver. Both organs were transplanted and they lived in Cleveland until July 2019. They returned to Cleveland for another month in the fall when Bill developed an infection in the liver biliary tract. He was able to come back to Wauseon to rehab and then went home just before Christmas 2019. Thankfully, they were able to attend a Christmas service at Lyons that year. The Lyons family provided prayers and support in many forms during this time.



From Christmas 2019 until November 2020, Bill enjoyed being free of dialysis and was progressing well. March 2020 brought covid, lockdowns and working from home for Amy. They enjoyed the time together immensely, cooking, baking, Bill making models, sorting rockets to build while Amy was working from home, gardening and cleaning. 2021 brought more medical challenges and they returned to Cleveland Clinic.

Bill returned to Wauseon for rehab and 2022 began with him staying three more weeks in Rehab. He returned home for three weeks then was sent back to Cleveland where he passed away at the age of 60 on March 4, 2022 of heart failure with contributing factors due to covid. Amy played the piano at Bill's Memorial service at Lyons Christian.

Prior to Lyons Christian, Amy was a lifelong member, having been born into, baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran, Morenci. She served as Musician there 1992 - 2014. Bill and Amy met in 1998 and married in 1999 in Bear Lake, Michigan, Bill's hometown. Bill joined Trinity and often twisted balloons and told Bible stories with them. Amy helps Bill's balloon twisting legacy continue by volunteering to twist balloons for local events like the Morenci Back-to-School Bash. She even made several sets of Shields and Swords - the basis of one of those Bible stories...

Fast forward to today - Amy is excited to join First Christian Church, Wauseon. She works a day job - her dream job - as a Conservationist for Fulton County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD). She administers the Farmland Preservation Program. Farmland Preservation is popular in Fulton County and Amy submitted a record ten applications to the ODA this year. This program helps Ohio farmers preserve farmland AS farmland forever by creating an easement and recording the deed with the easement. She also assists the Administrator of Fulton SWCD and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) with administrative and field work. You may have noticed rocks have been added and flowers are blooming in the retention pond in front of the Fulton County Historical Museum on ST RT 108. Amy helped designed this area to install a Rain Garden.

Amy also serves as the President of the Morenci Garden Club, a 4-H Photography Leader, a 4-H Superintendent for Lenawee County 4-H and local 4-H Club, State Line Hustlers.

Amy just joined her Morenci Class of 1985 to celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion. She was the valedictorian of her class and played her Mom's Ebony Clarinet in Concert Band and Marching Band. Amy also was a member of the choir during high school.

She lives in the country outside Morenci in what was her grandparents' farmhouse with her four indoor cats, Cassie, Zander, Zoey and Luna.

Amy looks forward to serving FCC with her talent for music and to getting to know her new church family.

### In the Life of our Congregation

**PRAISES:** God sightings in SO many faces, places and moments!

**CONCERNS:** Jerry Kingsbury, cancer treatments. The underground church in Iran. Barb Couts. Love and compassion for our church. Joy Lammon. Sharry Boyers. Gene Sugg. Resa Frey. Evelyn Engel. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Cleveland Reese. Pray for the remaining hostages taken from Israel. Pray for all innocent people caught in the middle of wars. That God continues to bless America with freedoms and religious liberties. Pray for our troops. Persecuted Christians being hunted and killed in Africa. Bernie Bronsink recovering from fall. Peace and unity for our America. The victims of human trafficking and the courageous people who free those they can find. Larry and Peg Burt. Jim Smith. Elaine Sugg. Pray for Christians in Syria. Ken Bell. Ben, Sharon Krumm's son -in-law, and her daughter Heather - recovering from major heart surgery. LifeWise needs volunteers and teacher! Marian Wilhelm in rehab following knee surgery. Sally Lutz adjusting to her new home.

**AYDEN:** Paul and Susan Rosenbeck

**ELIZABETH SCOTT COMM:** Vivienne Boyers; Sally Lutz

FAIRLAWN HAVEN: Heath Smith
FOUNTAIN PARK: LaDonna Smith
FULTON MANOR: Lee Zimmerman
KINGSBURY PLACE: Diann Roth

OTTERBEIN SENIOR LIFE: Marian Wilhelm

**DEATHS:** the family of Ginny Neuenschwander

#### SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVERS

Elder Sharon Krumm and Jayne Ferreira

Worship Leader Joyce Oyer

Diaconate Joyce Summers, captain

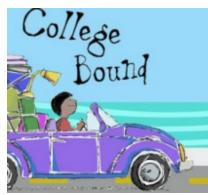
Rachael Buenger, Cynthia Vickery

Communion Prep Joyce Summers

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YOUR CHURCH
DIRECTORY and
consider sending
some cards during
his freshman year:
Carlos Bowers
Indiana Tech



Proverbs 9:1-6

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According to a Barna study, 75 percent of U.S. adults read the Bible once a week or less. God directs us in II Timothy 2:15 to study His word so we know what it says and what it means. This week's Bible verses are:

Exodus 34:1-35:9

Matthew 27:15-31

Psalm 33:12-22

#### FCC'S FINANCIAL STATISTICS

budgeted income needed for 2025	\$236,872.00
monthly income needed	\$19,739.34
weekly income needed	\$4,555.24
offering for 08.17.2025	\$2,131.75
July's operating expenses	\$20,064.32
July's operating income	\$13,171.72
Deficit	<b>—</b> \$6,892.60
Outreach Giving:	
Educational Scholarships	\$8,000.00
Memorial Fund—parking lot signage	\$3,683.33
Disciple Mission Fund	\$616.00
Local Outreach— housing assistance	\$150.00
Week of Compassion	\$50.00
Reconciliation	\$25.00
LifeWise, Wauseon	\$20.00

YTD Budget Used: 54.46% (3.87% under)

#### CHURCH CALENDAR

#### AUGUST 18—23

fellowship hall—humane society rummage sale

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

5 pm Super Cruise set up

6 pm Super Cruise

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

8:30 am FISH

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

5 to 6 pm CUMC community meal

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30 am chapel pray'ers

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship

#### **LOOKING AHEAD...**

August 25—Keep Watch prayer walking at WHS

August 26—Elders

August 27—Youth Kick-Off Cook-Out

September 6— Youth Car Wash



The luncheon after church on Sunday was amazing! We want to thank everyone that had a part in making the luncheon a success—to those

that arranged for the luncheon, to those that worked in the kitchen, to those that provided food, and to those who wished Carlos well on his next chapter of life. Carlos has been well loved by his church family for the last 18 years. He wouldn't be the pianist/organist he is today if not for the opportunity the church gave him to play during Sunday worship. He also wouldn't be the young man he is today if not for the love and support that you all have given him through the years. From the bottom of ours hearts, we thank you all.

Love, Courtney and Carlos



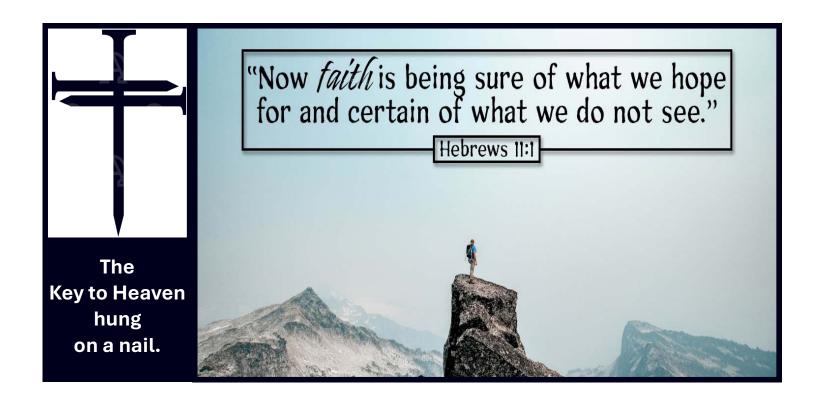
August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm Wednesday Youth Kick-Off Cook-Out Bring a dish to share! Hamburgers & hotdogs are provided.



## Rummage Sale Fundraiser benefitting the Fulton County Humane Society

in FCC's fellowship hall Set-up is August 18—19 Sale is August 20—22 9 to 5 pm August 23 9 to 11 am





#### **PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE**

Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

For there is still a vision for the appointed time;

it speaks of the end and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;

it will surely come; it will not delay.

Habakkuk 2:2-3 (NRSV)

As I write to you, it is Monday. We are still waiting for the arrival of our new grandbaby, while we have had a wonderful week with the big brothers and their parents (and Bekkah, too!).

We are so grateful for your love, prayers, and support during this time, and for all those who made worship go smoothly in my absence. I am so excited for the beginning of Amy Moore's service as musician, even while I am still reflecting on Carlos' wonderful ministry with us and wishing him God's blessing as he heads to school.

I am not sure when this week exactly we will return, but I know that the church is in good hands while we take care of our family. I'm so looking forward to the return of our Wednesday night ministry NEXT WEEK!!

See you soon!

In Christ, Pastor Michael

Be devoted to one another in love.
Honor one another above yourselves.

Romans 12:10