

The Good News ...

December 2020

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (*Disciples of Christ*)

*Thanks
be to God
for His
incredible
Gift!*

2 Corinthians 9:15

Givelify
Tap. Give. Done.



OUR STAFF:

Senior Pastor - David Nordyke
Admin. Asst. - Sherry Curtis
Custodian - Cindy Jones

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - 1:00 pm
Friday - 8:30 am - 12:00 (Noon)

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We Care Campaign ...

First Christian Church of Mt. Vernon
launched their Fall "We Care Campaign"
by delivering *Power Snack Boxes* filled



with hundreds
of snack items
to the five Mt. Vernon Schools and
Administration and to the Lawrence
County Health Department to let staff and
volunteers know how
much we appreciate their
hard work during these
unprecedented times.

Thank you to all the volunteers assembling the
boxes: Arthur Henry, Susan Conaway, Jean Berg,
Deitra Henry, Marsha Jones and Pastor David and
Sherry Curtis for making the boxes.



Outreach donations were made to Neighbors

Blessing Neighbors for thanksgiving meals and to the **Mt. Vernon Veterans' Home** and the **Mt. Vernon Boys' Treatment Center** for Christmas gifts and parties. We are grateful to Dennis & Loretta Thrasher and the sales of Terri Lynn Gourmet Nuts and Chocolates which have allowed us to do these special outreach projects.

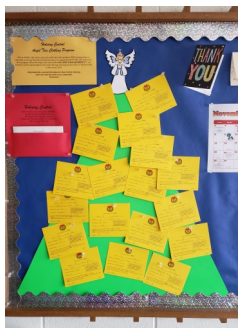


**CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION
SERVICE
DECEMBER 24, 2020
6:30 PM
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

*We will be collecting White Gifts
(non-perishable food items)
for St. Susanne's Food Pantry*

St. Susanne's Food Pantry ... November 29th is the fifth Sunday of November, which is the Sunday FCC collects non-perishable food items for St. Susanne's. Please bring your donation and drop it in the bin that will be in the Narthex. Thank you!

Angel Tree... Each year FCC congregants have supported Holiday Central with an angel tree. Attached to the tree are cards for children in need of new clothing items and in the red pouch are envelopes for monetary donations if you so choose. The donations need to be in the church office no later than **Wednesday, December 2nd** for the Holiday Central representatives to collect. Help a child have some new clothing and make their Christmas a little brighter by being an Angel.

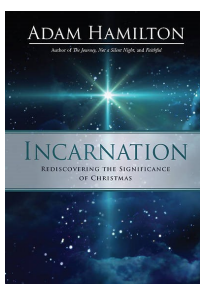


Decorating for Christmas...

November 23rd was Christmas decorating day at FCC. Thank you to the following: *back row*-Dennis Thrasher, Jean Berg, Arthur Henry, and Pastor David; *front row*-Loretta Thrasher, Sharon Bacon, Deitra Henry, Susan Conaway, Marsha Jones, and Sam Jones.



Advent Bible Study... This year's Advent Study will be from the book *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas* by Adam Hamilton. In the face of uncertainty and conflict, as Christians, we reclaim the Christ child who brings us together, heals our hearts, and calls us to bring light into the darkness. This will be a 4-week study. Be sure to sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The cost of the book is \$10.00. The study dates and time will be forthcoming.



Poinsettia Fund Raiser ... Monies for this year's fund raiser will go to St. Susanne's Food Pantry. A sign-up sheet will be on the Narthex bulletin board for those you wish to designate "in memory of" or "in honor of". The donations may be given to Jean Berg or Deitra Henry no later than December 20th. A donation of \$10.00 is suggested. Two large poinsettias will be purchased to be placed at the front of the sanctuary.



December Birthdays

6th - Carol Rodgers
7th - John Furgason
12th - Stacey Morris
15th - Chester Herzberger
15th - Wayne Wiese
16th - Sydney Buffington
16th - Ed Spencer
16th - Kody Bacon
17th - Rose Porter
26th - Jackson Nordyke

December Anniversaries

2nd - David & Kristina Nordyke
12th - Arthur & Deitra Henry
29th - John & Dea Lou Furgason

Upcoming Events

- 12/14 - 6:30 pm Board Meeting
- 12/19 - 7:30 am Men's Breakfast
- 12/24 - 6:30 pm Candlelight Communion Service
- 12/25 - Christmas/Office Closed
- 12/28-31 - Office Closed
- 01/01/2021 - New Year's Day/Office Closed

November Attendance

	<u>In-Person</u>	<u>On-Line</u>
1	51	295
8	49	504
15	32	136
22	42	167
29	will be included with December	

November Offering

\$11,359.00 (as of 11-22)

Thank You Notes

Mt. Vernon Veterans' Home-

Thank you for thinking of us.

Debbie Trokey- Thank you for your donation to *Neighbors Blessing Neighbors*.

First Presbyterian Church Diaper Pantry- Thank you for your gift.

Emergency Services for Children- Thank you for your continued support.

Mt. Vernon Treatment Center- 100% of your donation helps our youth with their needs. Thank you!