The Christian Caller 303 North Seventh Street Fredonia, Ks. 66736

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Pastor Claude Shue



Website www.fccfredonia.org Sunday school: 9:00 AM. Worship 10:30 AM.

Office hours: Mon. – Thurs. 9:00 - 2:30 PM.

Secretary: Cheryl Rice

Our Mission Statement

To help one another grow in Christian faith through worship, witness, fellowship, and service to our community and the world.

February 10 Caller



Prayer Concerns

Condolences to: Clara McCluskey & Family

In the hospital:

<u>Local Concerns</u>: Butch Cox, Marilyn Pryor, De Anna Spoon, Maxine Wescott,

Phillip Voorhies

Continuing Concerns: Nadine Timmons, Clara McCluskey, Fred Eisele, Marvin & Mardina Gregory, Diane Carver, Lois Ramsey, Charlie North, George Chapman, Margaret Shinkle, Emagene Walton, Carol Turner

Our extended family: Sherri Sass, Wendy Handshy, Kevin Olsen, John Siewart, Justin Voorhies, our uniformed men and women serving our country, storm, wild fire, shooting, looting, riot, racial violence, Covid victims and their care givers and students, teachers and parents home schooling, and pray for our country.

<u>Please call the church office (378-4118)</u> <u>with information or updates</u> related to illnesses, hospitalizations, crisis, or immediate family deaths, so that care can be offered.

Financial Report

Offerings: Received through
January 24 \$1357.50
January 31 \$1126.00
February 07 \$4782.30



Happy Birthday!

February 12 Nancy Rogers

February 13 Logan Vaughn

February 17 Kris Surber

February 19 Cheryl Rice

February 20 Clifford Pryor

February 24 Carol Boyer

Darlene Parker



February 14 Terry & Claudia Marr (50 yrs.)







service will be held at 9:00 a.m., Feb. 17 in the Sanctuary to maintain social distancing.

Feb. 17, 1:30 p.m. Thrift Shop Advisory meeting



Called to serve February

Sunday, February 14

Table Elders: De Anna & Darin Vaughn

Deacons: Pat Reed

Deaconess: Becky Ramsey

AV: Merlyn Ramsey

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay Leader: Anita Smith

Sunday, February 21

Table Elders: Nancy Rogers & Carl Thornton

Deacon: Sandy Besinger Deaconess: Becky Ramsey

AV: Cary Hutton

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay Leader: Mike Jeffers

Sunday, February 28

Table Elders: David Rogers & Ed Viers

Deacon: Ron Black

Deaconess: Becky Ramsey

AV: Cary Hutton

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay Leader: Claude Shue



A Message from Pastor Shue

I hope that everyone is both safe and warm. Old man winter came back this past weekend and reminded us that winter is

here to stay for a while longer. With all that is going on in this crazy world let us not forget to keep in touch with each other. While staying home it is important not to forget that we are only a phone call or text away. Please check often on those who do not get around as well as they used to. Make sure to tell those you care about just how you truly feel next time you talk to

them. You never know it might be the last chance you ever get. It never hurts to get ahead of the game of life.

Our donations to the Food bank have been slowly falling off. I know everyone is busy and things we mean to do fall through the cracks. Next time you are out grocery shopping please put a few extra items in your cart and bring them to church on Sunday. If you don't get out that much you can bring your money by the church and I will go out and shop for you. I take donations from the church to the food bank the last Thursday of every month. It is more important than ever now to help those who are struggling in our community. Everyone needs a helping hand from time to time.

I hope everyone has a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ, Pastor Claude

God's Valentine Gift

God's Valentine gift of love to us
Was not a bunch of flowers;
It wasn't candy, or a book
To while away the hours.

His gift was to become a man, So he could freely give His sacrificial love for us, So you and I could live.

So as we give our valentines, Let's thank our Lord and King; The reason we have love to give Is that He gave everything.





The Stimulus

A young woman whose child had become trapped beneath a car, in desperation to save her child's life, grabbed the bumper and raised the car sufficiently to allow him to escape. The load she lifeted was far beyond normal human capability. This sudden rush of supernatural strenth occurs often. A chemical called adrenaline, on such occasions is projected into the blood stream and provides the added strength. There has to be a stimulus to triggar for this to happen. Love is the stimulus.

Love unleashes the greatest power under Heaven.

Our Church Remains Open

- Take your temperature at home. Do not attend if you do not feel well.
- Wearing of masks is strongly encouraged.
- Social Distance
- Hand sanitizer is provided.
- **Bulletins** pick up by the door.
- No Physical Contact.
- No contact Communion service.
- Anita's class and the Adult Sunday
 School class meet at regular times.
- Nursery is available. Make sure temperatures are taken at home.

If you are unable to attend church please continue to send your tithes and offerings to the church address at 303 N. 7th, Fredonia, or to Nancy Burns at 328 S. 15 St., Fredonia, Ks. 66736

Christian Athletes in Super Bowl 2021

The Super Bowl is over and we all know the Buccaneers won, but did you know that there are athletes on both teams that are not only men of faith but also outspoken about it?

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers have four high quality players who are vocal about their Christian faith. Tampa Bay scouts players who care about "faith, family, and football." Shaquil Barrett in a post game interview said," First of all I want to thank my Lord and Savior; to God be all the glory." In his social media he often posts the hashtag #TGBTG, meaning To God Be The Glory. Ryan Succop grew up Catholic, but said he developed his

relationship with Jesus in college when he started attending a Baptist church. In a 2018 interview with the Baptist Courier he said the more time he prayed and spent time in God's word, the more peace he found. He also said when he saw his baby for the first time it strengthened his faith immensely. Devin White credits God for his career and often speaks about trusting God's perfect timing. He often tweets Jeremiah 29:11; "God makes no mistakes." Scotty Miller also gives God credit for his career. He says, "first and foremost I wouldn't be here without him." Miller lists Romans 10:9 in his twitter bio: "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

Spiritual development in players and staff is also encouraged by Kansas City Cheifs owner and CEO, Clark Hunt. Before the pandemic Bible studies and a nondenominational church service was held every Sunday at Arrowhead Stadium. Hunt and his family regularly attended. Cheifs chaplin Marccellus Casey says it makes a positive powerful impact on the coaches and players when Christian faith starts at the top. It attracts other Chrisian players such as Stefen Wisniewski who is very enthusiastic about his faith. KC Cheifs quarterback Patrick Mahomes says that faith has always been a big part of what he does. Antonio Hamilton tweeted that the AFC championship was the most amazing birthday gift he ever got. "It's got to be a God thing! I'm going to the super bowl! # Humbled and Blessed. The next day he tweeted Isaiah 55: 6-7; ⁶Turn to the Lord and pray to him, now that he is near. ⁷Let the wicked leave their way of life and

change their way of thinking. Let them turn to the Lord, our God; he is merciful and quick to forgive. Dustin Coloquitt works with organizations such as Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He thinks God put him in football to have a platform. He also believes God always finds a way to put his people in situations to spread his word and his kingdom. Colquitt and Wisewski often lead the team in prayer before a game.

Some Christians are not fans of mixing football and faith, however efforts are underway to use football for Gospel outreach. On football Sunday, 2021 the theme verse was Psalm 16:8. I am always aware of the Lord's presence; he is near, and nothing can shake me. Those are good words to remember especially in these unsettled times.

In conclusion, we may not be as famous as these men, but we should not be afraid to show others that we are Christians. Start a conversation, invite someone to church, show a kindness, show mercy and above all thank God for your blessings.

~Cheryl Rice

Martin, Stephanie, Players of Faith to Watch for in Super Bowl 2021, January 28,2021, https://church.leaders.com/news/389109



On Our Calendar

Feb. 14 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School & 10:30 Worship

Feb. 16 – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

Feb. 17 – 9:00 a.m. Ash Wed. /Sanctuary 1:30 p.m. Thrift Shop Advisory mtg

Feb. 21 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School & 10:30 Worship

Feb. 23 - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

