

The Christian Caller
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 Sunday school: 9:00 AM.
 Worship 10:30 AM.
 God's Praise Warriors Thursday 4:00-5:30 PM.
 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.

July 18 Caller



Prayer Concerns

In the hospital:

Local Concerns: Cleda Robinson, Marilyn Compton, Lucine Reed

Continuing Concerns: Howard Svaty, Louise Kelsey, Mardina Gregory, Wayne Sircoulomb, Butch Cox, Bob Compton, Evelyn De Cou, Lois McBride, Diane Carver, Barbara Neill, **Linda Shue**, Doris Regan, Evelyn Tarter, Lois Ramsey, Charlie North, George Chapman, Rose Cummings, Helen Smith, Louise Morrison, Jo Shue, Margaret Shinkle, Imogene Walton

Our extended family: The family of Richard Sunthimer, Chuck Baker, Maxine Wilson, Mary Teresa Cooper, Calvin Howard, Clayton Linville, New Life CO-OP, Charles Kennedy, Raymond Reutlinger, Barbara Baddy, Betty Bell, Laura Banning, Melody Billings, JR Schwarz, Emily Hudson, Justin Voorhies, Tye Libberman, Brenda Lockhart and our uniformed men and women serving our country at home and abroad. All storm and wild fire victims.

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

Serving in the Military : Griffin Voorhies- Marines

Financial Report

Sunday	General Offering
July 08	\$ 3190.48
July 15	\$ 2945.35



Happy Birthday!

July 18 – Sandra Cox
 July 21 – Zachory Ramsey
 July 25 – Karen Hull*
 July 26 – Shannon Huser
 Susan Voorhies
 July 28 – Sandy Besinger
 July 31 – Kaelyn Cox
 Fred Eisele*
 Aug. 01 – Cary Hutton
 Mary Shue



Happy Anniversary!

July 27 – David & Karen Rogers
 (33 Years)
 July 31 – Ron & Carol Boyer
 (41 Years)

Thank you

First Christian Church,
 On behalf of my mother, Barbara Neill, I want to thank you so very much for the beautiful Prayer Shawl. Also, thank you for blessing her with your warm kindness and prayers.

Kris Surber

Thank you

I would like to thank the Thrift shop for the donation of yarn for the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Mardina Gregory, Chairwoman



Called to Serve July – August

Sunday, July 22

Table Elders: Carl Thornton & David Rogers

Home Communion: Mike Jeffers

Deacons: Sandy Besinger & Ron Black

Deaconesses: Liz North, Reannan Hickey, & Amber Riggle

Greeter: Carol Bernauer

Usher: Ron Black AV. Cary Hutton

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay leader: Claudia Marr

Sunday, July 29

Table Elders: Todd Harrelson & Nancy Rogers

Home Communion: DeAnna Vaughn

Deacons: Don Vaughn & Susan Voorhies

Deaconesses: Liz North, Reannan Hickey, & Amber Riggle

Greeter: Tina Thomas

Usher: Rex Thomas AV. Nancy Burns

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay leader: Merlyn Ramsey

Sunday, August 05

Table Elders: Marvin Gregory & Merlyn Ramsey

Home Communion: Carl Thornton

Deacons: Ron Smith & Ron Black

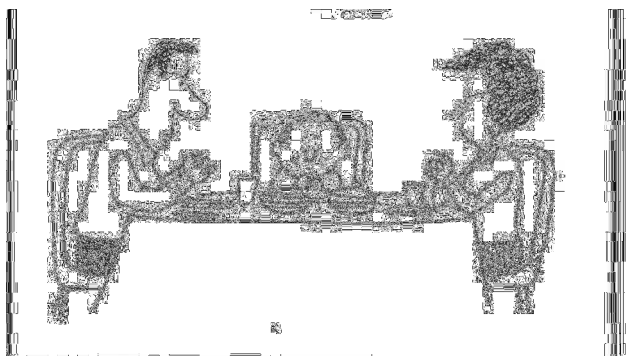
Deaconesses: Delores Kempinger & Marilyn Compton

Greeter: Claudia Marr

Usher: Doris Claiborne AV. Ron Smith

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay leader: Carol Bernauer



Since you can turn water into wine can you please do something about this broccoli?



A Message from Pastor Shue

I would guess that we are about half way through the summer break for school age children. I know as someone who is helping deal with children of that age it is not something that most of us want to hear. It seems to me that summer break should have been over weeks ago. I'm sure if you would ask the school age children they would tell you that summer break has just started. It just depends on whose eyes you are looking through. Either way summer is moving right along.

Mary and I will be out of state the week of July 25-July 30th. We will be spending time with our son Carl in Texas. We will be visiting around the Corpus Christi area. If you need me please call me on my cell phone: 405-255-3981. The pulpit will be filled by Max Reinhart. Max will speak about the Ministry that he and myself, and Jack Kyle do at the Wilson county Jail. Max will play a number of songs that we sing each week during our time there with the inmates. Jack and I are so very fortunate to have Max as part of our ministerial team. I am sure you will enjoy the program that he puts on for you.

The last group of young people from our church just finished their week at Camp Tawakoni. A good time was had by each of them. The camping program is by far the most important program that our Regional office oversees. The individual members of the different churches really conduct the different camps, but the regional staff does most of the administration duties. I would like to thank all of the different individuals who helped this past summer with the different camps. Without you, our camping program could not be a success.

I hope you have a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Claude



Shoes In Church

I showered and shaved...I adjusted my tie.
I got there and sat...in a pew just in time.
Bowing my head in prayer...as I closed my eyes,
I saw the shoe of the man next to me...touching my
own, I sighed.
With plenty of room on either side...I thought,
“Why must our soles touch?”
It bothered me, his shoe touching mine...but it
didn’t bother him much.
A prayer began: “Our Father” ...I thought,
“This man with his shoes has no pride. They’re
dusty, worn, and scratched.
Even worse, there are holes on the side!”
“Thank you for blessings,” the prayer went on.
The shoe man said a quiet “Amen.”
I tried to focus on the prayer...but my thoughts
were on his shoes again...
Aren’t we supposed to look our best when walking
through this door?
“Well, this certainly isn’t it,” I thought, glancing
toward the floor.
Then the prayer was ended...and the songs of
praise began.
The shoe man was certainly loud... sounding proud
as he sang.
His voice lifted the rafters...his hands were raised
high.
The Lord could surely hear...the shoe man’s voice
from the sky
It was time for the offering... and what I threw in
was steep.
I watched as the shoe man reached...into his
pockets so deep.
I saw what was pulled out...what the shoe man put
in.
Then I heard a soft ‘clink’ as when silver hits tin.

The sermon really bored me... to tears, and that is
no lie.
It was the same for the shoe man...for tears fell
from his eyes.
At the end of the service...as is the custom here,
We must greet new visitors and show them all
good cheer.
But I felt moved somehow...and wanted to meet
the shoe man.
So after closing prayer... I reached over and shook
his hand.
He was old and his skin was dark...and his hair was
truly a mess...
But I thanked him for coming...for being our guest.
He said, “My name is Charlie...I’m glad to meet you
friend.”
There were tears in his eyes...but he had a large
wide grin.
“Let me explain,” he said...wiping tears from his
eyes.
“I’ve been coming here for months... and you’re
the first to say “Hi.”
I know that my appearance... is not like all the rest.
“But I really do try...to always look my best.
“I always clean and polish my shoes...before my
very long walk.
“But by the time I get here...they’re dirty and dusty,
like chalk.”
My heart filled with pain...I swallowed to hide my
tears.
As he continued to apologize...for daring to sit so
near
He said, “When I get here...I know I must look a
sight,
“But I thought if I could touch you... then maybe
our souls might unite.”
I was silent for a moment...knowing whatever was
said
Would pale in comparison...I spoke from my heart,
not my head.
“Oh, you’ve touched me,” I said...“and taught me,
in part
That the best of any man...is what is found in his
heart.”
The rest, I thought...this shoe man will never know
Like just how thankful I really am...that his dirty old
shoe touched my soul.

~Author Unknown

Nadine Timmons has moved.

Anyone wishing to send her a card her new address
is: 13518 Jade Road
Fredonia, Kansas 66736

That's Life

"Sometimes you are unsatisfied with your life,
while many people in this world are dreaming of
living your life"

A child on a farm sees a plane fly overhead and
dreams of flying, but a pilot in the plane sees the
farmhouse and dreams of returning home.

If wealth is the secret to happiness, then the rich
should be dancing in the street, but only poor kids
do that.

If power ensures security, then officials should walk
unguarded. Those who live simply, sleep soundly.

If beauty and fame bring ideal relationships,
celebrities should have the best marriages.

Live simply, walk humbly and love genuinely...All
good will come back to you.

That's life! Enjoy Yours!

Each Life Affects Another's

We may not always realize that everything we do,
Affects not only our lives, but touches others, too;
For a little bit of thoughtfulness that shows
someone you care, creates a ray of sunshine, for
both of you to share.

Yes, every time you offer someone a helping hand;
Every time you show a friend you care and
understand,

Every time you have a kind and gentle word to
give;

You help someone find beauty, in this precious life
we live.

For happiness brings happiness, and loving ways
bring love;

And giving is the treasure that contentment is
made of.

~Author Unknown

Smiles and Tears

If times are hard, and you feel blue,
Think of others, worrying too;

Just because your trials are many,
Don't think the rest of us haven't any.

Life is made up of smiles and tears;
Joys and sorrow; mixed with tears;

And though to us it seems one-sided
Trouble is pretty well divided.

If we could look in every heart
We'd find that each one has its part.

And those who travel Fortune's road
Sometimes carry the biggest load.

*The greater part of our happiness depends on
our dispositions and not on our circumstances.*

*Trouble is like muddy water, be patient, don't
stir it, and it will clear up.*



On Our Calendar

July 18 -9:00 a.m. Prayer Group

10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group

July 20 -10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group

July 21 –7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast

July 23 - 10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group

4:00 – 6:30 p.m. Youth Groups meet

July 24 -2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

July 25 -9:00 a.m. Prayer Group

10:00 -11:00 a.m. Exercise Group

July 27 -10:00 -11:00 a.m. Exercise Group

July 29 1:30 – Morningstar Worship

July 30 -10:00 -11:00 a.m. Exercise Group

4:00 – 6:30 p.m. Youth Groups meet

July 31- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

August 01 - 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group

10:00 -11:00 a.m. Exercise Group

New Caller

August 08 - 7:00 p.m. Church Board meeting.

*Articles for the Caller may be edited due to length, content,
or for clarification.

