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

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Website www.fccfredonia.org 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.

November 21 Caller



Prayer Concerns

In the hospital:

Local Concerns: Marilyn Compton, Lucine Reed,
Continuing Concerns: Howard Svaty, Louise Kelsey,
Mardina Gregory, Wayne Sircoulomb,
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, Wauneta Shaver

Our extended family: Judy Puckett, Rita Renfro, Bill Ward, Debbie Sunthimer, Brenda Firr, Sharon Heien, Myla Farwell, Linda Schneider, 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.

<u>Please call the church office (378-4118) with</u> <u>information or updates</u> 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		
Nov. 11	\$ 1934.47		
Nov. 18	\$ 1436.02		



Happy Birthday!

Nov. 22 – Linda Ensminger Dec. 03 – Helen Smith* Dec. 04 – Nathan Huser Dec. 05 – Paula Hutton

Dec. 06 – Ashly Shue



Happy Anniversary!

Nov. 26 – Cary & Paula Hutton (41 years)



Steve Siegele, thank you for painting the men's bathroom. It looks a lot cleaner and brighter.



Nancy Burns thank you for all your hard work on Operation Christmas Child. Also thank you to those who brought materials to go in the boxes and to the Thrift Shop for the postage. Thanks to your generosity we are shipping out 52 boxes this year.



There will be a basket in the Narthex on the desk if you wish to donate money for poinsettias to help decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas.



Called to Serve Nov. - Dec

Sunday, November 25

Table Elders: Carl Thornton and David Rogers

Home Communion: Darin Vaughn Deacons: Ron Smith & Ron Black

Deaconesses: Pat Hilyard, Linda Blevins, & Lorelei Cole

Greeter: Louise Kelsey

Usher: Cleda Robinson AV. Jess Reed

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay leader: Mike Jeffers

Sunday, December 02

Table Elders: Todd Harrelson and Nancy Rogers

Home Communion: David Rogers Deacons: Cary & Derian Hutton

Deaconesses: Lois Ramsey and Mary Shue

Greeter: Delores Kempinger

Usher: Marilyn Compton AV. Cary Hutton

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey Lay leader: Stacy Siegele

Sunday, December 09

Table Elders: Marvin Gregory and Todd Harrelson

Home Communion: Todd Harrelson Deacons: Sandy Besinger & Ron Black Deaconesses: Lois Ramsey and Mary Shue

Greeter: Carol Bernauer

Usher: Claudia Marr AV. Nancy Burns

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey Lay leader: Merlyn Ramsey



Thank you to the Tuesday Ambulance crew (Todd, Lynn, Cory and Susan) for surprising us with a lovely meal. Words cannot say how surprised and happy we were for your thoughtfulness.

Thanks again,

Marvin & Mardina Gregory, Carl Thornton, and Cleda Robinson



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A Message from Pastor Shue

I hope each of you take a few minutes to reflect on all the many things we have to be thankful for this Thanksgiving season. I know personally I have been blessed in so many different ways. I was blessed to be born in a family that had moral values even before they were a practicing Christian family. I was taught at a very young age that you had to work hard if you wanted good things in your life. My mother taught me that giving up on life was just not an option. I was taught that money was important in life, but God's love was even more important. As a matter of fact on the list of important things to try to have in your life, money wasn't even in the top ten. Don't get me wrong growing up was hard, but I always had people in my life that loved me for who I was. It is sad to say today that many young people in the greater Fredonia community cannot say that. I want all the young people in our community to know that there will always be a place for them to feel God's love. That place is of course First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Fredonia, Kansas. I was so very happy to see so many people from our church walking around the Fredonia High School this past Thursday. One of my and my family's many blessings has been our relationship with this church. I know I say this all the time, but it is so very true. I can't think of any church I would rather be a part of than First Christian Church of Fredonia, Kansas. I hope each of you have a very Happy Thanksgiving Day!

I hope each of you have a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Claude



Thank You, God



Another year has come and gone.
On this Thanksgiving Day,
O, God our hearts are turned to thee
With grateful thanks we pray.

For all thy care which shelters us Wherever we may go, For wonders of thy bounteous love Whichever make it so.

For all the beauties of the world Created by thy hand And given to your people here Who dwell upon the land.

For harvest when the autumn flings Her color to the sky, For winter silence, soft and deep, Protecting snow piled high.

For all thy wondrous gifts to us, Your children here below, We offer grateful thanks to thee; Our love for you will grow.

~Marion L. Moore





Let Us Give Thanks

Have you thanked the Lord today
For the blessings of the way,
For His mercies new each morning
As you rise?
Have you thanked Him
For the sunshine warm and bright,
For the beauty of the earth and sea and skies?

Have you thanked God for His love That sent Jesus from above, That all of Heaven's treasures You may share?

Have you thanked Him for His power
That sustains you hour by hour,
Thru heavy burdens you are called upon to bear?

Have you thanked God for His word, For messengers from whom you heard Of the Christ, who is the Truth, the Way, and Life?

For all the wonders God has wrought, And countless gifts His Love hath brought, May our Hearts o'er flow with thanks This very day!

~Martha Readings





Christmas Food Baskets

Once again it is time to gather items for the Christmas food baskets. Many items are on sale around Thanksgiving and that is a good time to buy a little extra to donate.

Items needed:

- 1. canned vegetables
- 2. canned fruit
- 3. boxed stuffing
- 4. cake mixes and frosting
- 5. boxed potatoes
- 6. mac & cheese
- 7. spaghetti dinner or equivilent
- 8. boxed dinners/Hamberger Helper
- 9. canned meat
- 10. cereal
- **11**. soup

There is a table in Fellowship Hall for you to deposit your donations on.

Community Christmas Dinner



Community Christmas Dinner will be held Tuesday, December 25th at Noon. More details in next Caller.

Christianity

...Is not a voice in the wilderness, but a life in the world. It is not an idea in the air, but feet on the ground, going God's way. It is not an exotic to be kept under glass, but a hardy plant to bear twelve months of fruits in all kinds of weather. Fidelity to duty is its root and branch. Nothing we can say to the Lord, no calling Him by great and dear names, can take the place of doing his will. We may cry out about the beauty of eating bread with Him in His kingdom, but it is wasted breath and rootless hope, unless we plow and plant in His kingdom here and now. To remember Him at His table and forget Him at ours, is to have invested in bad securities. There is no substitute for plain, everyday goodness.

~Babcock



On Our Calendar

Nov. 21- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group 10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group 5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Cadet Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

Nov. 22 – Happy Thanksgiving!

Nov. 23 -10:00 -11:00 a.m. Exercise Group

Nov. 26 -10:00 -11:00 a.m. Exercise Group 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. - Youth

Nov. 27-2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

Nov. 28 - 9:00 a.m. – Prayer Group 10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group 5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Cadet Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

Nov. 29 - Leaders Class Party

Nov. 30 - 10:00 - 11:00 Exercise Group

Dec. 02 – 1:30 p.m. Morning Star Worship

Dec. 03- 10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. - Youth

Dec. 04 -2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

Dec. 05 –9:00 a.m. Prayer Group 10:00 – 11:00 Exercise Group 5:00 – 6:45 p.m. Cadet Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice New Caller

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