



First Christian
(Disciples of Christ)
302 North Church Street
Fayette, MO 65248



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ELDERS Com.	Novy Foland	Jennifer Barringhaus	George Rasche	Steve Frevert
Off.	Aimee Sage	Laura Lewis	Mike Thornton	Skip Vandelicht
DIACONATE	Pansy Kean	Sheri Eaton	Lacey Gladden	Melody Vandelicht
	Ronda Gerlt	Jan Kunkel	Ariana Moore	Stephanie Moore
	Emily Bange	Stewart Huttzell	Darrel Monckton	Rick Sage
	Leslie Sutton	Rosie Thornton	Don Bagby	Annaliese Moore
LAY LEADER	Novy Foland	Cathey Monckton	Skip Vandelicht	Novy Foland
GREETERS	Bobby Wilhoit	Mona Stevenson	Sara Bagby	Melody Vandelicht
	Edris Wilhoit	Wade Monckton	Marcella Zellner	Pansy Kean
COMMUNION	<i>Diaconate Team</i>	<i>Diaconate Team</i>	<i>Diaconate Team</i>	<i>Diaconate Team</i>
PREP/CLEAN-UP				
NURSERY	Hailey Sage	Hailey Sage	Hailey Sage	Hailey Sage
HOSPITALITY ROOM	Joan McMillan	Nancy Symes	Jay Stevenson	Edris Wilhoit
	Lisa Cook	Rosie Thornton	Mona Stevenson	Jan Kunkel
Shut-In Communion	Jennifer Barringhaus			
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THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR

The Newsletter of the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

July 2021

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Adult Sunday School—9:00 a.m.
Children's Sunday School—9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship -10:15 a.m.
Nursery Provided

Members and Friends of First Christian Church of Fayette,

Thank you to everyone who came to send me off on Sunday, the 27th. And thank you to those who were not able to be there, but wished me well earlier or from a distance. It was a very meaningful day for me and I will not forget the acts of kindness and the loving words of support that you have given me as I prepare to make my way to new adventures in life and ministry. The wonderful cards and incredibly generous gifts you gave me on Sunday were overwhelming.

I am pleased with what we have accomplished together during my time as your interim/transitional pastor. There is still plenty of work to be done to ensure the ministry of FCC Fayette continues to be vibrant. I will refrain from leaving you a list of recommendations on moving forward, because you are in very good hands with Pastor Kerry to begin this next phase as a community of faith.

As I have gone through the many amazing cards that you have given me, I am truly struck by how many wonderful people are part of this congregation. I am lucky to have experienced your love and hospitality during my time here. I have been your pastor for longer than any of us anticipated, and I am lucky to have had the extra time to get to know you all a little better. You have been a blessing to me. May you continue to be a blessing to this community.

I love you all.
Stephen

Image: A quilted wall hanging made by Mona Stevenson surrounded by the cards that were presented to Stephen after his last worship service at FCC Fayette. On the quilt is a cup with Stephen's name and dates of his ministry in Fayette with an inscription that reads, "Look toward heaven and count the stars." A star map with a star named "Stephen's Light" was given to Stephen by his astronomy buddy, Ronda Gerlt. Several guitar picks are on the lower section. These were given to Stephen during the Children's Moment on Sunday.

A Note from Stephen



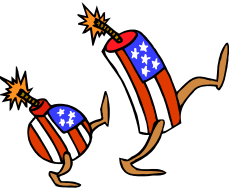
FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY Workshop

The Endowment Committee is looking into offering Dave Ramsey's "FPU" workshop this Fall (attendees develop good budgeting and financial planning skills) if enough folks are willing to attend. This workshop encompasses a series of nine classes with a video presentation and class discussion. Yes, there is homework. And there will be a cost (Most churches charge about \$100, but that has not yet been defined. Scholarships may be available). Class size typically runs 6 – 10 couples. If you have an interest or want more details, please contact Jay Stevenson (573-698-2019) by the end of June.

Shut-in Communion has resumed. If you or someone you know would like to receive communion on the first Sunday of each month, please contact Lori in the office.



Homebound Holy Communion

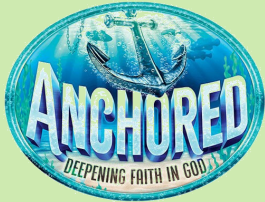


July Birthdays
and Anniversaries

July 2	Michelle & Larry Ishmael
July 3	Skip Vandelight
July 5	Myrl Frevert
July 7	Bob Wilhoit
July 10	Joy Rasche Ben Gladden
July 11	Ashley Davis Crocker Rick & Pam Huffstutter
July 14	Sterling Hilgedick Emma Hilgedick
July 16	Everett Stroupe
July 18	Jeff Strodtman Kayla Strodtman
July 19	Oliver Strodtman
July 20	Janet Adams Blakely Pettit
July 21	Novy & Valerie Foland
July 24	Tom Hackley Cathy Johnmeyer Terri Rohlfing Mike and Heather Hilgedick
July 27	Pansy Kean
July 28	Sheri Eaton Matthew & Jennifer Vandelight
July 30	Curtis Baylor
July 31	Kathy Baylor



3 cousins enjoying the nursery.
Canaan Gladden and Blakely & Katie Pettit



Vacation Bible School
July 27-29 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.
July 30 6:00-8:00 Celebration

Preschool: 3 years through going into Kindergarten
Rotating Groups: Finished Kindergarten through going into 5th grade.
Jr. Staff: Entering 6th grade and up are welcome to be Jr. Staffers.

First Christian is gearing up to present a fantastic VBS for you! Rotations of games, lesson, crafts, and snacks July 27-29 from 6:00-7:30. Picnic Celebration in the park on Friday, July 30 from 6:00-8:00 pm. Attached to this newsletter is a pre-registration form that can be filled out, printed and returned to the church office prior to or brought the first night of Bible School. A form can also be downloaded from the website at www.fayettefcc.org.

Please contact Aimee Sage if you are interested in helping.

The vacation Bible School Directors are requesting help in the following areas. Please contact Aimee Sage at 573-239-0238 if you are able to help.

- * Snack Helper
- * Pre-School Helper
- * Registration Table
- * Decorations, Set-up and Clean-up
- * Photographer during the week. Are you also able to make a slideshow out of the photographs?
- * Adult Helpers to walk students between stations



Station Helpers

- * Games
- * Lessons
- * Music
- * Crafts

Yellow donation envelopes will be provided in the pews until July 25th. Please consider making a donation. You can also mail it direct to the office.

July Worship Schedule

Sunday, July 4: Hymn Sing Sunday. Novy Foland will be lay leader and will also lead us through the service. We will have Scripture Reading and members of the congregation can pick their favorite songs to sing. Pam is a great sport!! We will also share communion. It will be a fun service, please join us.

Sunday, July 11: We will enjoy a message from Rev. Dr. Paul Koch that was recorded for our valentines day service which was cancelled due to weather. Everything else will be as normal.

Sunday, July 18: Rev. Kerry Kesey’s first Sunday in the pulpit! Meet and greet immediately following worship with finger foods.

Pastor Kerry is here ! Pastor Kerry arrived in Fayette on Sunday afternoon, June 27th. A crew of 17 people met her at 2:00 p.m. to unload her at Pat Hilgedick’s apartment house on Church Street. Kerry will be renting a back apartment until she finds permanent housing. Bottom right picture: Caden Newell, Zane Rice, Nick Bagby (obscured), Gary Bagby, Steve Frevert, Terry Bentley, Fred Eaton, Ivan Moore, Jeff Strodtman, Stephanie Moore, Skip Vandelight, Tori Eaton, Ben Gladden, Todd Flaspohler, Mike Thornton, Rick Sage, Joe Grill and Kerry Kesey. Lori Strodtman took the group picture. Unloading shots were provided by Pat Hilgedick.

It was a hot and humid day, but a full U-Haul was unloaded within an hour. Thank you to all that volunteered!

