

Branches

January 2019

Junction City First Christian Church
160 Years of Service

Staff

David Bondurant - Minister
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Worship Service 10:00 AM
Education classes - 9:00 & 11:30 AM

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Return Service Requested

Grace Notes....

This week's Word is **ON PURPOSE!**

That's the theme for this year and this month:

2019: A YEAR LIVING ON PURPOSE!

We have spent the last two years figuring out who we are and what we are supposed to be doing here in Junction City and around the world. As a church – we are **ON PURPOSE “A Place to Belong!”** We are inviting, welcoming, inclusive. We think as a congregation – “How do new people fit in, become a part and belong.” This decision came early in 2018 and we worked at making FCC truly **A Place to Belong!** But what does that church do? (other than invite, welcome and include?)

That's the MISSION PART – and it too is done **ON PURPOSE!** After a lot of hours of conversation, prayer, more conversation with the Elders and with congregants we have proposed to the board and to the congregation that **A Place to Belong** intentionally (on purpose) is

TOGETHER-Loving God, Loving Others, Making Disciples!

We Love God through our worship

We love people through our service

We make disciples through Prayer and Study and Fellowship

This statement will help us plan for the future. If what we are doing does not help us to do these three things – then we won't do it. I also believe that the statement – although linear here – it is hierachial as well. Loving God is what we do first. Then we love others. And when we do these two things – the result is making Disciples.

Welcome to 2019 – The Year of Living **on Purpose!**
Pastor David

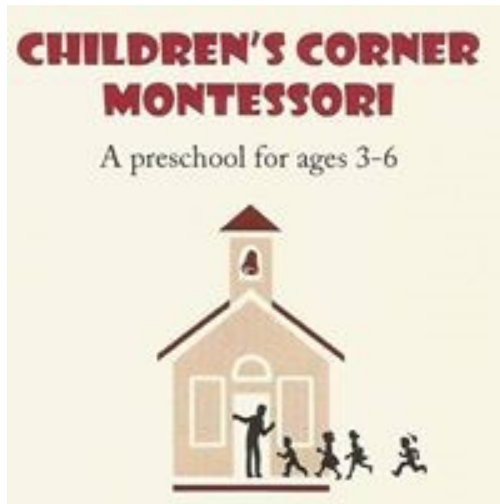


WILL YOU?

Put your Compassion
into Action!

February 17th & 24th





Happy Holidays everyone!!

I hope you all had a great Christmas and have a fun New Year.

I want to thank everyone for all your prayers regarding my son, Nicholas. He has been to the doctor twice since coming home from the hospital and they say he is doing well and on the road to recovery. My co-teachers, Mrs. Hemingway & Ms. Mandy and Candice Voss, our awesome sub, have been amazing during the last week of school while I was at the hospital with Nicholas. The kids prayed every day for healing and strength and I could feel their prayers and yours. So, thank you very much.

In spite of the unexpected happenings we were still able to make it to Avamere Rehabilitation center and carol the grandma's and grandpa's there. I was lucky and got to wish Martha Helms Merry Christmas and give her a hug. The children were all very excited to bless their parents with their homemade gifts for Christmas thanks to Mrs. Hemingway.

We don't head back to school until the 7th of January, but it will be one of my favorite themes. We will be learning about space! We will learn about gravity and the difference between jumping on earth and jumping on the moon. :) They will learn our planet song, and Pluto is still a planet in this classroom. Look for some amazing one of a kind constellations and space scenes to be displayed on the wall outside the classroom door. And all those toilet paper rolls you gave me last year will be turned into personal astronauts that they will fly through the planets every day.

January also has parent teacher conferences, where I will be sharing the growth each child has obtained over the last four months with his/her parent.

Thank you again for all you do and keep those prayers coming.

Mrs. Agoff

PRAYER CONCERNS FROM DECEMBER

Bill Washburne—prayers for Cherri-heart issues, loss of function, Pastor David, Praise Team, Gov't-Fed & State, Christians around the world

Glenda Zimmerman—prayers for friend's daughter now in a wheelchair due to inflamed Achilles tendons.

Brad Helms—Martha in hospital with pneumonia and partial lung collapse

Prayers for **Nic Agoff** pneumonia recovery

Marlene Brickley—Catheran (Hansen) Francis has completed breast surgery, awaiting follow up for further treatment

Bower Family— Prayers for God to reveal the specific mission for our church, to renew our passion for prayer & the study of God's word, For God to bring new brothers and sisters in Christ to be baptized into the Kingdom of Heaven

Nancy Brink—friend Sandy, continued health issues related to childhood polio

Sandy Giles—prayers for son Patrick to find a better job with a better schedule.

Candice Voss— continued prayers for my mom, Cherri Washburne,& her cancer treatment, for strength & healing. Prayer for my dad, Bill Washburne and his heart problems.

Jake Westra— prayers for healing, hurt shoulder at work plus more work to sustain myself and for those in my care

Shawn Long—prayers for father's health & mother's strength to deal with father's heart health

Becky Barnts—skin cancer removal recovery

Glenda Zimmerman— friend's diagnosis of aggressive cancer, pray treatment to advance quickly and be effective for 2nd surgery day after Christmas

Kathy Helms— first appointment with transplant team —4 hours, on kidney transplant list

Judi Lesan—prayers for sister Glenda, painful therapy for osteoarthritis

Muriel Parker— Crystal's friend, Bonita, prayers for healing, health concerns

Brink Family—prayers for Bob's mom to find retirement facility that she would be comfortable living in, prayers for healing from fall

Christina Corelli—friend Mary, diagnosed breast cancer

Nancy Brink—Britney, 1 yr old niece on life support, SIDS daughter in law Nikie's grandfather—heart issues

Lolita Callahan— prayers for my family in the Philippines to be safe and good health

Prayers for **Clayton Frampton**, serious medical issues, also for Sheila and family and guidance for doctors to find solutions to help.

Welch Family—Ken's friend Bob has throat cancer

Kathy Helms— on kidney transplant list

Pastor David — prayers for sister Sara, medical issues,

Helms Family—Martha in the hospital with pneumonia

Pastor David—Mary Kilmer , back in the hospital, prayers for adjustment & for daughter Hailee

Glenda Zimmerman— friend's diagnosis of aggressive cancer,

Christina Corelli—friend Mary, diagnosed breast cancer

Prayers for **Bill Washburne**—heart issues



School Aged Children’s Ministry Update

December was a very busy month. We have been studying Advent for the whole month. With the key topic we focused on – What is Advent? We learned Advent is the season that allows us to prepare to celebrate Jesus’ birth as well as Christmas. In our lessons, we have discussed that Christmas is about more than just Santa and presents. These discussions have

given us the opportunity to explore why we celebrate Christmas and why the birth of Jesus is a joyous occasion. The kids especially like the lighting of the Advent candles each Sunday. We have talked about the 5 candles – Peace, Hope, Joy, Love, and Jesus and what they mean. Although, we are all in agreement that the pink candle should symbolize Love, not Joy. The kids took home Advent Calendar on the first Sunday of Advent. While they enjoy their chocolate treat each night, it allows a few moments to reflect on the meaning of Advent and the Joy of the Season.

We had our first youth activity on December 2nd. The kids stayed after church where we made lunch, cookies, Christmas cards and ornaments. We had lots of fun interacting and playing together. The next group activity will be planned for a Sunday in February. The date is still to be determined, but more information will be coming soon. This is a great opportunity to invite a family or a little person to church.

The Christmas Play, A Beastly Christmas was a huge success with lots of participation from our congregation. Our youth played rolls of Joseph, Mary, Angels and a Shepard in the play. Our children also served as the offering deacons that Sunday. They are very proud to serve the congregation and I plan to continue to integrate them in parts of our worship service as opportunities arise. Due to the many jobs, the kids stayed in the main sanctuary for the entire service. It was especially appropriate this was “JOY” Sunday, as there was much joyful noise coming from the front of the church.

Your prayerful support and encouragement of the Children’s ministry is much appreciated and I am sure it is contributing to the success of the program.

Tricia Welch



DECEMBER’S PRAYERS & PRAISES FROM OUR CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

- Rose**—Nic’s illness prayers to feel better
- Tricia**—prayers for Grandma
- Hailee**—mom in rehab & prayers for travel mercies (Lewiston)
- Rose**—praise mom getting better
- Maizey**—prayers for Silas’ headaches & neighbor dog is missing
- Tommy**—praise, grandma eyes better with eyedrops
- Allie**—neighbor’s dog injury
- Hailee**—Mom back in the hospital
- Tommy**—Mom’s health & knee
- Caliyah**—Mom’s headache
- Rose**—for Mom & Dad new job
- Tommy**—**Joy**, Grandma’s eyes better
- Hailee**—Mom’s health
- Addison**—prayer for possible move
- Maizey**—dog hit by car (friend)

DECEMBER’S JOYS

- Mission Month**— Giving Tree
- Helms Family**—Martha back in Residential center
- Jake Westra**- - Thanks and Praise for the wonderful, beautiful people in my life.
- Candice Voss**—Joys that my nieces are coming from Alaska for Christmas.
- Sandy Giles**—Joy, celebrated our 29th wedding anniversary
- Bill Washburne**—Praise Jesus the Reason for the Season!
- Welch Family**—friend Joaquin, doing better after car accident
- Brad Helms**— Mom back in Residential Center
- Praise & Joy** for our “**A Beastly Christmas**” and all that made it happen! What a joyous time for all!
- Sandy Giles**—Aunt Luana got good new, staff infection gone
- Glenda Zimmerman**—Praise for successful 1st surgery for friend with aggressive cancer
- Brandon Bower**—passed at least one of my finals and probably the other. My brother also passed his math class.
- Glenda Evenson**—Kenny’s testing shows with continued new meds—should heal his heart without surgery at this time.
- Christina Corelli**—neck & cat bite better
- Welch Family**—Catie’s cousin Paisley is in a national cross country race this next weekend in Reno
- Brad Helms**—We gathered 746 lbs. of food and 74 lbs. of toilet paper and 49 lbs. of personal hygiene for a total of 869 lbs. I think that was pretty good. It was a big pile to sort out.

The **NOMINATING COMMITTEE** will be meeting soon to begin their work finding leaders for the various volunteer positions within our church. If you would like to share your gifts with our congregation in one of the servant roles of the church: the Board (governing body), the Program Cabinet (plans the activities of the church), the Elders (spiritual leaders), or the Diaconate (servant workers), please let us know. The chair of this year's nominating committee is Warren Giles. If you are asked to serve as one of these servants, please prayerfully consider sharing your blessings with God's church here in JC.

January Mission Partner:

**PACIFIC NORTHWEST
TEEN CHALLENGE**

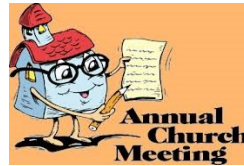
A residential discipleship program of recovery from drug and alcohol addiction.

Coming January 20th
During Worship!

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed!

Sign up sheet is on the Information Table in the Fellowship Hall. Please consider to volunteer with this fellowship time.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A HARD COPY OF THE REGIONAL NEWSLETTER, THERE IS ONE ON THE TABLE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.



ANNUAL MEETING

January 27, 2019

Right after Worship Service.

FEBRUARY 15TH



More details to follow

Contact:
Catie Welch & Tricia Welch
@ 541-607-8259



General Fund: November 2018

Giving:	\$8,946.25
Other Income:	\$ 689.00
CC Rent:	\$500.00
Bazaar	\$ 39.00
Rent	\$150.00

Total Income:	<u>\$ 9,635.25</u>
Expenses:	<u>\$ 9,424.94</u>

Net income for Month	\$ 210.31
Net Loss Jan through Nov	(\$18,431.23)

Total Giving for November	
For all funds:	\$10,020.94

Total Disbursements from	
all funds for November	\$33,397.24

Inflow/Outflow for the month	
	(\$23,377.00)

Total Inflow/Outflow all funds through	
November 2018:	(\$66,715.13)

BUNCHES OF LUNCHES

January 9th & 23rd
9 AM PACKING

Contact:
Nancy Brink @ 541-998-1135
Christina Corelli @ 541-688-0711 or
541-521-6400
For more information



ELDER MEETING
JANUARY 13TH @ 11:30

BIBLE STUDY
New Visions Adult Bible Study
Every Sunday @ 9 am
Study in
"The Gospel of Luke"
Meets in the Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDY
"Extreme Prayer"
January 2nd & 16th @ 6:30PM

Bible study is open to all
meets in the chapel

Childcare Provided

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY
"Colossians Against the Tide"
Every Sunday @ 11:30 AM
Meets in the Chapel

Everyone is Welcome!

Play Room for Children next door!

Leaders
Tricia Welch @ 541-554-3183
Barbara Bower @ 541-998-1614

<i>Date</i>	<i>Sermon</i>	<i>Scripture</i>	<i>Nursery Leaders</i>
1/6	2019a A Year of Living ON Purpose	Matthew 22:37-39 Jeremiah 29:11	Karlyne Agoff
1/13	Loving God	Matthew 22:36-40	Barbara Bower
1/20	Loving Others	Matthew 22:36-40, 1 John 4:7-11	
1/27	Making Disciples	Matthew 22:36-40, Matthew 28:16-20	
2/3	Love and Compassion:	Ephesians 3:20	

<i>Date</i>	<i>Child Time</i>	<i>Worship /Scripture Leader</i>	<i>Elders</i>	<i>Deacons</i>
1/6	Pastor David	Brad Helms	C-Bill Washburne O-Clayton Frampton	Gary Scholten Char Scholten
1/13	Bill Washburne	Sally Moffett	C-Pastor David O-Janice Nail	Cliff Willis John Nail
1/20	Christina Corelli	Char Scholten	C-Clayton Frampton O-Ryan Vermilyea	Larry Zabel, Donna Zabel
1/27	Pastor David	Brad Helms	C-Warren Giles O-Bill Washburne	Brad Helms David Dickson
2/3	Kathy Helms	Anita Nelson	C-Kathy Helms O-Pastor David	Bob Nelson Anita Nelson

If you cannot serve on your scheduled day, please make your own switch with someone.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Greeter</i>	<i>Sound</i>	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>Communion prep</i>	<i>Open Church</i>	<i>Close Church</i>
1/6	Sheila Frampton, Bill Washburne	Brad Bower	Judi Lesan	Judi Lesan	Judi Lesan	Bill Washburne
1/13	Sheila Frampton Barbara Bower	Warren Giles		Sally Moffett	Sally Moffett	Judi Lesan
1/20	Barbara Bower David Dickson	Brad Bower	Char Scholten	Donna Zabel	Brad Helms	Lloyd Callahan
1/27	Karlyne Agoff, Donetta Wood	Warren Giles		Lloyd Callahan	Judi Lesan	Bill Washburne
2/3	David Dickson, Karlyne Agoff	Brad Bower		Anita Nelson	Bill Washburne	Judi Lesan



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
December 30 9 am New Visions 10:00 am Worship Svc	December 31 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	January 1 7:00 pm AA mtg	January 2 6:30 pm Bible Study “Extreme Prayer”	January 3 6:00 pm Stewardship meeting	January 4 	January 5
January 6 9 am New Visions 10:00 am Worship 11:15 Fellowship time 11:30 Bible Study “Against the Tide”	7 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	8 7:00 pm AA mtg 6:30 pm Program Cabinet meeting	9 9:00 am Bunches of Lunches packing 6:30 Children’s Corner Board meeting in Chapel	10 	11 12:30 to 2:30 CEF 7:00 pm CAA	12
13 9 am New Visions 10:00 am Worship 11:15 Fellowship Time 11:30 Bible Study “Against the Tide” 11:30 Elder Mtg	14 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	15 7:00 pm AA mtg 7:00 Board Mtg	16 6:30 pm Bible Study “Extreme Prayer”	17 	18 12:30 to 2:30 CEF	19
16 9 am New Visions 10:00 am Worship Svc 11:15 am Fellowship time 11:30 Bible Study “Against the Tide”	17 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	18 7:00 pm AA Mtg	19 6:00 Praise Team Practice	20 	21 12:30 to 2:30 CEF 7:00 pm CAA	22
20 9 am New Visions 10:00 Worship Svc Special Guest— Teen Challenge 11:15 Fellowship Time 11:30 Bible Study “Against the Tide”	21 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	22 7:00 pm AA Mtg	23 9:00 am Bunches of Lunches packing	24 	25 12:30 to 2:30 CEF	26
January 27 9 am New Visions 10:00 Worship Service 11:15 Fellowship time 11:30 Bible Study “Against the Tide”	January 28 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	January 29 7:00 pm AA mtg	January 30 	January 31 	February 1 12:30 to 2:30 CEF	February 2