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Visit us online at www.firstchristiangoldsboro.org this week for videos on sermon, communion, music, and scripture.



Weekly Conference Call Times
Sunday 10:45 AM Sunday.
Wednesdays at 6:45 PM.

Here is all you do: Dial 712-770-5505 and then wait for instructions to enter access code, which is 300904#

#### A Word from Rev. Tom

From getting to know the congregation to figuring out video editing software to having our first in-person service in months, it has been a full first month at First Christian! It has been delightful every step of the way. I have never felt more welcomed than I have here—and y'all managed to do that without really being able to see me. I know Laura feels the same way. We are both just simply grateful to be here, and are eager to see what lies in the future. May God continue to do the work of the Kingdom through you all, my new church family.



**Congratulations** to Jay and Kelley Pittman on their wedding on June 13, 2020.



# OUTSIDE GATHERING AT CHURCH BEGAN JUNE 28

We had a joyous, celebratory outdoor gathering on June 28<sup>th</sup>. Masks were worn, but did not stop our fellowship. We plan to continue having these outdoor gatherings for the month of July, beginning at 9:30 AM. We will be wearing masks and practicing physical distancing. Online services and conference calls will continue as before, EXCEPT the Sunday conference call which has been pushed back an hour, to 10:45 AM.



Thanks for your continuing faithfulness and devotion to the church and each other during these challenging times! We pray God will bless you in mind, body and spirit!



No Calendar Mailed out for July. Conference Call Times and Other Virtual Meetings included in this newsletter!

# JUNE GIVING

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June 7	\$3,994.25
June 14	\$2,715.00
June21	\$1,457.00
June 28	\$3,675.00
Pentecost Offering	\$ 150.00
UCM Offering	\$ 215.00



Celebrate Pentecost! Our Pentecost celebration was a hit, and is continuing on into Ordinary Time. So please continue to "Celebrate Pentecost" by picking up a seed packet at the church in the breezeway to "Sow the Seeds of God's Word." From the Evangelism/Community Task Group.

# **CWS Hygiene Kits**

## Church World Service needs your help!

Because of the Coronavirus quarantine, Church World Service suspended its kit ministry program in early March. CWS is restarting this program in July. As we enter the hurricane season, CWS is concerned that inventory is dangerously low and that we will not be able to respond to those in need when the storms strike. CWS is asking for partner congregations to resupply its inventory. Hygiene kits are an especially effective ministry in these times when many church buildings are still closed. Once kits have been assembled, Hillyer Memorial Christian Church will serve as a drop off depot. They will be accepting kits from August 3-14. If you would like to help, here is what is needed:



# SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR EACH HYGIENE KIT:

- -One hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (no fingertip, bath, dish towel, or micro-fiber)
- -One washcloth
- -One wide-tooth comb removed from the package (found at discount dealers like <u>sallybeauty.com</u>)
- -One fingernail or toenail clipper removed from the package (either one is acceptable) -One bath size bar of soap in the original package
- -One toothbrush in the original package -Ten standard size Band-Aids

All items need to fit inside a one-gallon Ziploc type bag. Remove the excess air from the bag and seal before boxing.

In lieu of making a kit, if you prefer to make a financial contribution, the estimated cost of the kit is \$15. Contributions should be made out to First Christian and marked for CWS Hygiene Kits.

Special Mission Offerings through June 21
Protestant Preschool \$272.00
Souper Bowl of Caring \$216.58
Week of Compassion \$664.00
United Church Ministries \$470.00
Easter Special Day \$480.00
Pentecost \$120.00
Total through June 21 \$2,222.58



Grace Price, Eloise Kleinert and family, Mary Ethel Lewis, Joe Ben Sauls, G. A. and Kathy Spain, June Anderson, Willie and Faye Rogers, Rick Rogers (Faye & Willie Rogers' son), John and Becky Selzer and family, Rebecca Daniels, Lorraine Loch, Bradley King, Val Watkins (Brantley's sister-in-law), the Spain's great granddaughter Katie, Molly McEldowney (Sharon Jones' daughter) and her brother, David Reynolds, Robert Strader (June Anderson's son-in-law), Linda Hilburn, Chuck Saeger (husband of Patricia Nickens Saeger), Bill Smith, Gary Bartlett, Herbert Hill, Mary Anne Cowley, Ruby Santee, and those suffering with and working with COVID19.



#### **JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Julie Sutton – 2
Dennis Isenhower - 6
Carey Ziemer – 7
Ben Spain – 9
Bunkie Parker – 10
Matt Uzzell – 12
Cindy Creech – 22
Sandy Paul-Belmore – 23
Mary Bartlett – 28
Linda Turner - 28

# Elders Presenting Scriptures Online in July

We thank our Elders and Young Adults for continuing to present our scriptures online and to Andrew and Will for videotaping.

July 5 Mary Bartlett Genesis 24:34-38; 42-49, 58-67, Song of Solomon 2:8-18, Romans 6:12-23

July 12 Sandra Bell Genesis 25:19-34, Ps. 119:105-112, Romans 8:1-11

July 19 Brantley Watkins Genesis 28:10-19a, Ps. 139:1-12, 23-24, Romans 8:12-25

July 26 Gwen Horne Genesis 29:15-28, Ps. 128, Romans 8:26-39



#### **Meetings for July**

**July 7** Administration Committee meeting at 6:45 PM over conference call

# **July Elders**

Since we are not meeting in our sanctuary or serving homebound communion in July, our July elders are available for pastoral care:

July 5 Linda Cannon July 12 Mary Bartlett July 19 Brantley Watkins

July 26 Cheryl Griffin



# **July Lectionary 2020**

#### July 5 2020

Genesis 24:34-38; 42-49, 58-67 Song of Solomon 2:8-18 Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

#### July 12 2020

Genesis 25:19-34 Ps. 119:105-112

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

#### July 19 2020

Genesis 28:10-19a Ps. 139:1-12, 23-24 Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

# July 26 2020

Genesis 29:15-28

Ps. 128

Romans 8:26-39

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

#### **MEMORIALS**

Gifts were given to the Memorial Fund in memory of Teenie Wilson by the following:

Dr. & Mrs. George Thigpen Mr. & Mrs. Brantley Watkins Mr. & Mrs. Steve Herring Mr. & Mrs. Bill Long

Ma Vincinia Cham

Ms. Virginia Shaw

Donna Quinn, Carolyn Pittman & Emilee Pilkington

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Reeves Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Alford

Ms. Carol C. Caudill

Mr. & Mrs. Tony M. Phillips

Ms. Marcia R. Wilson

Gifts were given to the Memorial Fund in memory of Mary Ellen Ham by the following:

Dr. & Mrs. George Thigpen Mrs. Carolyn McCullouch Mr. & Mrs. John Tulloch Harold Hill and Annie & Mac Pigott

A gift was given to the Memorial Fund in memory of A.W. Griffin and John Kleinert by Ross Spain.

Gifts were given to Current Expense in memory of Teenie Wilson by the following:

Mr. Tom Casey

Mr. & Mrs. John Selzer

Mrs. Frances Allen

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Smith

Mr. & Mrs. Willie Rogers

Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie Thompson

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A gift was given to Sanctuary Decorations in memory of Teenie Wilson by Mrs. Margie Savage.

A gift was given to the George Wilson Bible Class in memory of Teenie Wilson by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bell.

A gift was given to the George Wilson Bible Class in memory of Mary Ellen Ham by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bell.

A gift was given to the Choir Memorial as a special thank you by Cheryl Griffin.

A gift was given to Current Expense to honor Rev. Tom Millay and his Family by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Smith.

A gift was given to Current Expense to honor Rev. Penny Ziemer by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Smith.



Holly Cannon, grandaughter of Walter and Linda Cannon, graduated from Pitt Community College with a degree in sonography. She has passed her board exams and is ready to get started! Holly is the daughter of Wendy and Tony Cannon of Kinston. Holly can be reached at: 2708 St. John Circle, Kinston, NC, 28504.

Catherine Mallard, grandaughter of Margie Savage and daughter of Keith and Kelly Savage Mallard, graduated this spring, Magna cum laude, from NCSU with a BS degree in Elementary Education. She will begin teaching kindergarten with Wake County Schools in the fall. Catherine can be reached at: 501 S. Harding Dr., Unit 702, Goldsboro, NC, 27534.



# Virtual Camp Caroline for Youth K-12 started Monday June 22 and will continue each Monday following until July 20. The camp activities will be available at https://ncdisciples.org/vitual-camp/. No registration or fee is required. To get further details, you can get in touch with Tom.



**JULY 2020** 



Regional Prayer with Bishop Valerie Melvin runs through July 31!

You can join on Facebook

HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ CCINNC

or Free Conference Call **712-451-0911**, Access Code **769702**#
If you would like to lead a prayer, contact Bishop Valerie Melvin at <a href="mailto:valerie@ncdisciples.org">valerie@ncdisciples.org</a>.

# **Regional Update**

The Vigil for Freedom and Resilience on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> sparked a call to action that is continuing to develop. The NC region's Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation Committee will be hosting a series of conversations between different Disciples churches on racial justice. The committee will also be tasked with issuing grants for anti-racism and pro-reconciliation projects. Look for further updates in the upcoming July bulletins.



You may need these addresses:

Mary Anne Cowley 225 West Park St. Cary, NC 27511

Jo Ben Sauls 2150 Hull Rd., Rm. 206-A Kinston, NC 28504

Scottie Precise (Teenie Wilson's Daughter) 203 Plantation Rd. Goldsboro, NC 27530

Phil Ham 1338 Windover Dr. Brevard, NC 28712