



The Disciple NEWSLETTER

First Christian Church Olathe
Disciples of Christ

January 2022



Pastor Jose Huertas and his wife Flor Sanchez arrived in Kansas City from Costa Rica on Monday, Jan. 3rd after spending two weeks in Kentucky with members of their partner churches there. Jose has been the pastor for over 10 years at our partner church in Tres Rios, Costa Rica. We have worked with Jose & Flor and their daughter Raquel on our mission trips to Costa Rica and our friendship and relationship with them go back many years. We will spend the week seeing some of the sights in the area and at our church so they can finally see the place we all come from when we go to Costa Rica! They are so excited to finally be here in Kansas and we are excited to have them here. They will be in worship with us on Sunday, Jan. 9th so hopefully you'll have a chance to meet them.



Kim Gordon

Worship - Gospel of John

Over the next five weeks we will explore the question – What do you need from Jesus in this New Year? As we hear five stories about Jesus we will watch to see where he goes and who he meets. What difference does Jesus make in the lives of the people that he encounters? What difference does Jesus make in your life?

January 9 – Jesus goes to a wedding, John 2:1-11

January 16 – Jesus goes to the temple, John 2:13-25

January 23 – Jesus meets a religious leader, John 3:1-21

January 30 – Jesus meets a woman at a well, John 4:1-42

February 6 – Jesus meets a government official, John 4:46-54



“THE LAST SUPPER”

This beautiful and delicate piece of artwork has been gifted to First Christian Church Olathe by the Artist (a member of our congregation), Christine Green. As you can see she is very talented and we are honored that she has chosen FCC as a home for this amazing piece. Thank you, Christine Green, for your beautiful artistic display of the Last Supper. Helping Us to remember we are ALL welcome to the table.

Artist—Christine Green

**ADVENT CANDLE STAND**

Artist — Dave Regier

Our heartfelt love and appreciation to Dave Regier for the beautiful new Advent Candle Stand in our sanctuary. It truly reflects the light of Christ. May it be a beacon to all of us this New Year - to be the light of Christ in our families, our community, and our world.



Grace and peace to you from God our father and the Lord Jesus Christ.



Dear Pastor Sherry and all First Christian Church,

On behalf of the displaced Ethiopian people we would like to sincerely thank you for your prayers and the generous gift of \$580.00. Your generous contribution will and has helped so many families and we want to thank you for that. We have individuals going to Ethiopia and distributing the funds that you and others have provided and they have also expressed their gratitude to you.

Merry Christmas and blessing to your families.

Tafere Masresha
Elders Chairman

**MEN'S
BREAKFAST
January 22nd
8:30 AM**



Cracker Barrel

12101 S Strang Line Rd,
Olathe, KS 66062



See Chuck Drews for questions.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

| DATE | BIRTHDAYS | ANNIVERSARIES |
|--------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| JAN 02 | Tina Schwarz | |
| JAN 03 | | Cindy & Emory Herrick |
| JAN 04 | Doug Sutton | |
| JAN 05 | Finnley Darr | |
| JAN 08 | Alan Penny Sue Jensen | |
| JAN 11 | Ronald Blanton Cindy Heckman | |
| JAN 15 | Don Geisinger | |
| JAN 17 | Mary Livingston | |
| JAN 18 | Robert Knoepfel JoAnn Radcliffe | |
| JAN 22 | Jay Gowen | |
| JAN 25 | Luci Roseman | |
| JAN 26 | Ian Winsor | |
| JAN 28 | | John & Patsy Roseman |
| JAN 29 | Betty Drews | |
| JAN 31 | Louis Moll | |

**Contemplative Community
Gathering**

Sunday, January 16, 2022

3:00PM

First Christian Church Olathe Sanctuary
200 E Loula Street

Our gathering this month will be led by Rev. Rob Carr, retired Disciples Pastor, and will focus on Centering Prayer. If Centering Prayer is new to you, don't worry! Rob will teach us the basics of this prayer practice and then will lead us in this time of prayer.

I look forward to this Sacred Space in which to catch my breath and pause for a moment at the beginning of a New Year. I invite you to join me. All are welcome.

Pastor Sherry



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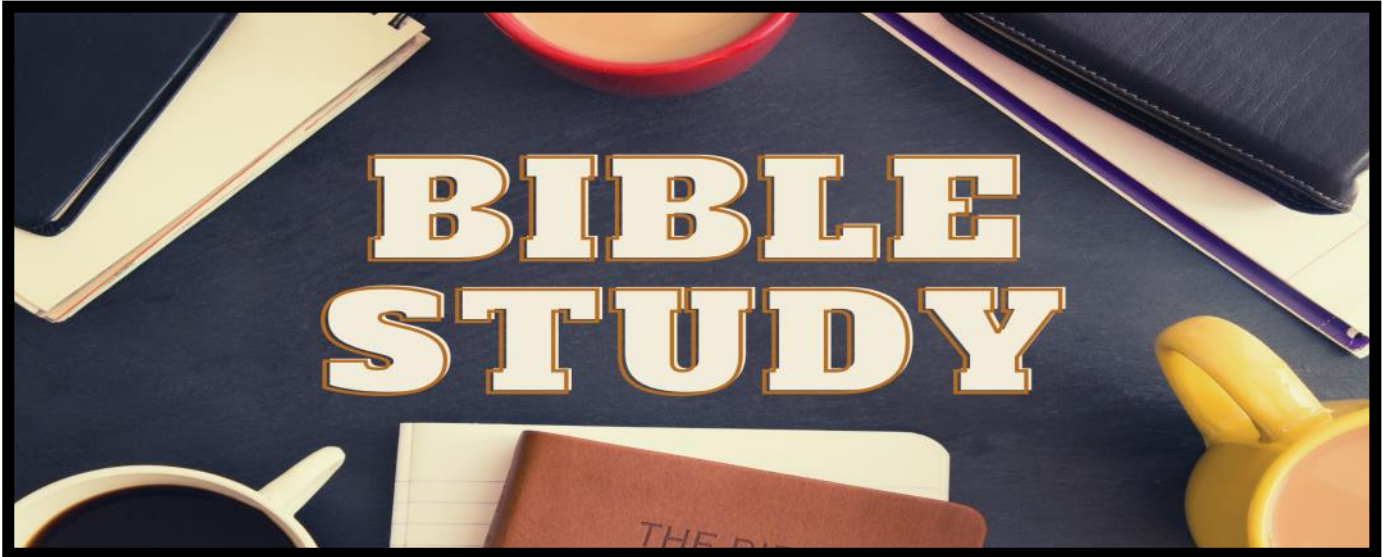
The family of Herschel C. Dugan, minister of First Christian Church from 1968-1986, would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for your kind expression of sympathy and contribution to Herschel's Memorial Fund.

Financial NOV REPORT

| General Fund | November 2021 | YTD 2021 |
|---------------------|---------------|----------|
| Giving | 13,475 | 168,007 |
| Expenses | 16,102 | 167,101 |
| Surplus / Shortfall | (2,357) | 906 |

Stewardship & Finance

Thank you for your glad and generous giving in 2021. FCC Olathe stands in a strong financial position to begin the New Year. This strength allows us to focus on mission and ministry as we discern how God is calling us to love others in 2022.



Sunday, 8:30 AM, led by Elaine Bagley, in the Fellowship Hall



Current Study - Proverbs

Tuesday, 11:00 AM, led by Pastor Sherry, in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, 6:00 PM, led by Pastor Sherry, by Zoom



Current Study - Gospel of John

Three small groups meet for Bible Study each week. You are welcome to find your place at the table of any of these groups. The goal is always to study scripture in a way that shapes our lives as followers of Jesus.



Reminder

Bizarre Ladies - Wednesday - 9:30 AM (FH)
 Choir Practice - Thursday - 6:30 PM (Choir Room)

January 12 - Membership Meeting - 1:30 PM (FH)
 January 16 - Contemplative Community - 3:00 PM
 January 17 - Steward. & Fin. Mtg - 6:30 PM (208)
 January 22 - Men's Breakfast - 8:30 AM
 January 23 - IHN Service Week
 January 25 - Board Meeting - 7:00 PM (FH)

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