



The Disciple NEWSLETTER

First Christian Church Olathe
Disciples of Christ

June 2023



Putting the neighbor in touch with God

Becoming signs of light and hope in our neighborhood

This summer we will focus our attention on the question of what it means to follow our calling to put the neighbor in touch with God. This is not primarily about making someone else feel better about themselves, but about the affirmation of human dignity and the image of God in others.

This is about becoming signs of light and hope in our neighborhood.

The Christian Education Team and the Elders will be inviting us into a specific practice each week specifically related to putting the neighbor in touch with God or - as we have been saying for a while now – being the Light of Christ. This will be a nine week challenge for each of us to make an intentional decision to act as the Light of Christ in our families and community.

I'm looking forward to a joy-filled summer of sharing ways to be the signs of light and hope in our neighborhood!

CHALLENGE

Week # 1 – Smile

Week # 2 – Let someone go before you

Week # 3 – Reach out to someone in writing

Week # 4 – Pause to listen

Week # 5 – Give an affirmation

Week # 6 – Intentionally chat with someone

Week # 7 – Do an act of generosity

Week # 8 – Pray for someone

**Week # 9 – Surprise someone with a gift
(a gift can be word, actions, or something tangible)**

summer



By email vote, the Church Board has approved a motion from the Stewardship & Finance Department to initiate a drive to raise \$40,000 over the next 10 months to pay for a new roof on the Educational Building by the Spring of 2024. The hope will be to raise the needed funds ahead of the project so that no funds will have to be borrowed.

Over the last few years, we have taken many strides to maintain, remodel, and upgrade our building. We purchased computers and cameras for live streaming our worship, remodeled the library, replaced some very old windows, and had the front steps at the corner of Loula and Chestnut completely redone.

All of this was possible because of

- the leadership of our Property Department (Chuck Drews and Bob Barnes),
- the faithful stewardship of our congregation, and
- the commitment of many people (both local and across the country!) to maintain the legacy of this building as a tremendous resource for ministry.

Please look for more detailed information from the Stewardship and Finance Department and respond as you are able!

Pastor Sherry



We will have a congregational meeting on June 11th after Worship to approve a report from the Nominating Committee for new leadership for 2023-2024.



**CANDLE LIGHTING
MEMORIAL
SERVICE
May 28, 2023**



**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Georgie Babb Women's Circle

June 26th - 11:00 AM

Olive Garden

15090 West 119th Street

Olathe Ks 66062

Everyone is welcome to join us!

Men's Breakfast

June 17th at 8:30 AM

The Shack

7940 West 135th Street

Overland Park, KS 66223

(Just east of Sam's Club)

All Men are welcome to join us!

DATE	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES
JUNE 01	Nick Englen	
JUNE 02	Coke Fellenstein	
JUNE 04	Sandra Kelley	
JUNE 07	Ed Rice	
JUNE 08	Archie Brashears	
JUNE 11		Karen & Kevin Bing Charles & Linda Hopkins
JUNE 12	Christine Green	Barry & Brenda Maugh Betty & Branson Moore
JUNE 14	Stephanie Meadows Damian Roseman	
JUNE 15	Sherry McGlaughlin Jerry Traylor	
JUNE 20	Coke Fellenstein	
JUNE 21	Isabel Presley	
JUNE 22	Dean Davis	
JUNE 23	Kevin Bing	
JUNE 25	Tom Cooper	
JUNE 26	John Schwarz	
JUNE 27	Sue Herzig	
JUNE 28	Susan Clark	
JUNE 30	Deana McClure	

Financial

APRIL REPORT

General Fund	April 2023	YTD 2023
Giving	14,100	76,794
Expenses	14,352	64,712
Surplus / Shortfall	(252)	12,082

Stewardship & Finance

Our end of April report continues to show a strong financial foundation for the ministry at FCC Olathe. Thank you for your generous and faithful giving as we nurture grace in our church life and in our community, seek the love of God and follow Jesus in ways that bring healing into the grief, pain and woundedness in our world.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Don Geisinger
 Vernon Green
 Lori Clinton
 Melvin Dell
 Diane Brown
 Rick Weakley
 Bill Wiget
 Ryan Harry
 Forrest Hoobler
 Sharon Zehner
 Jim Keith
 Janet Kunick
 Bryan Duncan
 John Wickey
 Kay Beets Buie
 Kevin Christy

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 Memorial Service May 28, 2023





June 01 - Choir Practice - 6:30 PM (Rm 203)
June 04 - Monthly Birthdays - 11:00 AM (FH)
June 17 - Men's Breakfast - 8:30 AM (The Shack)
June 19 - Steward & Fin. Mtg. - 5:00 PM (RM 208)
June 26 - Georgie Babb - 1:00 PM (FH)
June 27 - Board Meeting - 7:00 PM (FH)



Wednesdays - Bazaar Ladies - 9:30 AM (FH)
Sundays - Bible Study - 8:30 AM (Library)
Worship - 10:00 AM (Sanctuary / Live)
Ethiopian Worship - 12:00 (S)



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PRACTICING GRACE...SEEKING GOD...FOLLOWING JESUS



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