The Disciple NEWSLETTER

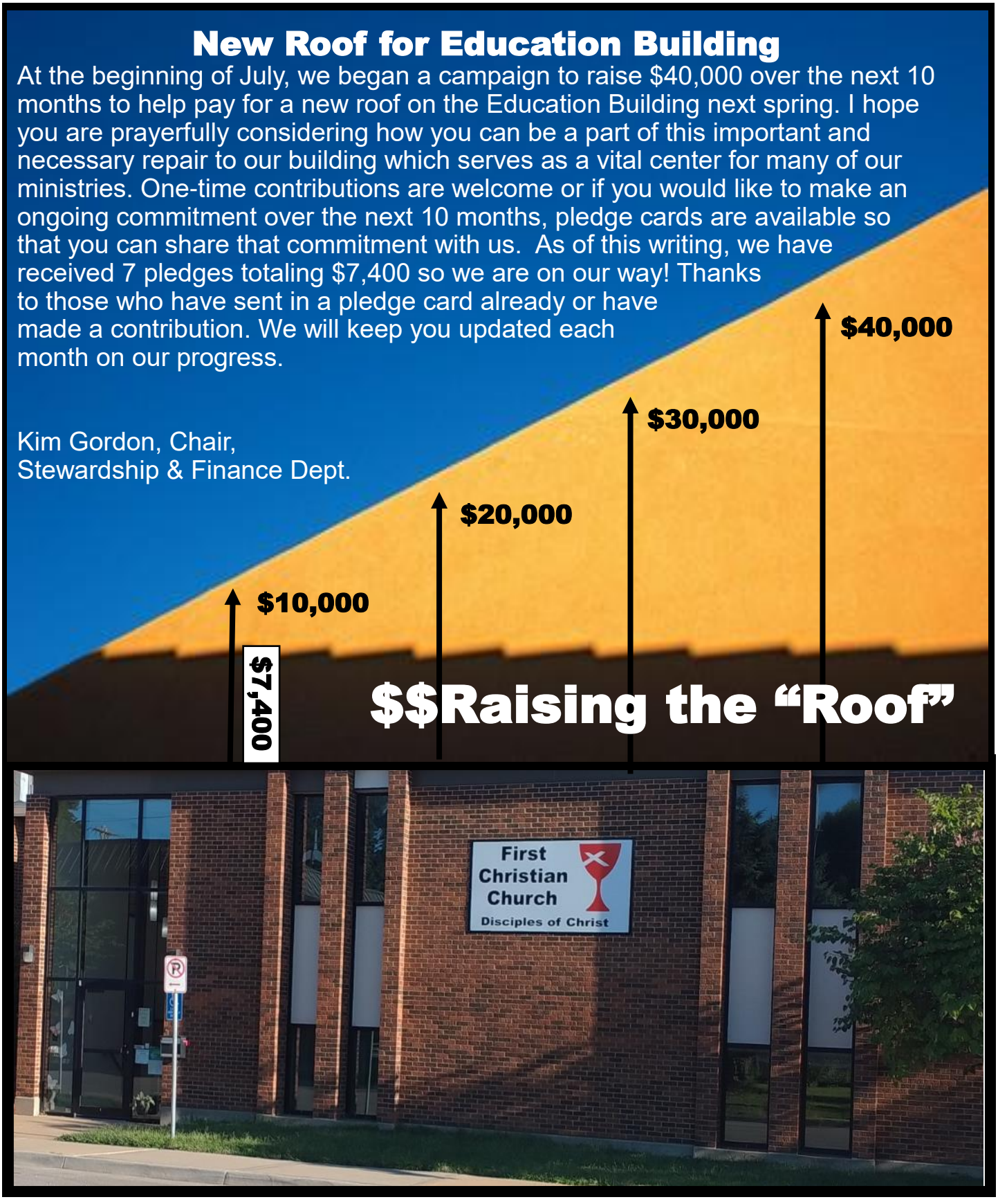
First Christian Church Olathe
Disciples of Christ

August 2023

New Roof for Education Building

At the beginning of July, we began a campaign to raise $40,000 over the next 10 months to help pay for a new roof on the Education Building next spring. I hope you are prayerfully considering how you can be a part of this important and necessary repair to our building which serves as a vital center for many of our ministries. One-time contributions are welcome or if you would like to make an ongoing commitment over the next 10 months, pledge cards are available so that you can share that commitment with us. As of this writing, we have received 7 pledges totaling $7,400 so we are on our way! Thanks to those who have sent in a pledge card already or have made a contribution. We will keep you updated each month on our progress.

Kim Gordon, Chair,
Stewardship & Finance Dept.



Women's Dinner

July 20, 2023

The ladies had a women's dinner that Connie Peterson graciously put together. It was a wonderful gathering to share a meal and good conversation.

Look for a sign up sheet to come for the next dinner. Come join the fun!

OLD SETTLERS IS COMING!

We will be having our Chicken & Noodle Lunch and Breakfast Burrito Sale Saturday, September 9th.

Please watch the Sunday bulletins and e-mails from Pastor Sherry and the church office during the month of August for more Information on how you can help. Signup sheets for donations and volunteers to help will be on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, August 13th . Kim Gordon will be coordinating lunch and Chuck and Betty Drews will be coordinating breakfast burritos. Please contact one of them or the church office if you have questions. As always, we will need everyone's help to make this important FCC Olathe tradition a huge success again this year!

AUGUST
Cookie Fellowship
Congregation

The congregation is responsible for hosting cookie fellowship in August.

We will need:
3 people to bring cookies each week
2 people for setup each week and
2 people for cleanup each week.
There is a sign up sheet in the narthex.

"Bazaar Ladies"
Old Settler's
Craft Sale

Sept 8th & 9th

Men's Breakfast

August 19th

8:30 AM

Perkins Family Restaurant

2000 E Sante Fe St

Gardner, KS 66030

All men are welcome to join us!

contemplative prayer

Contemplative Community

August 20th

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Focus: Yoga, lead by Robin Olson

Location:

First Christian Church Olathe Sanctuary
200 E. Loula Street
Olathe, KS

Georgie Babb Women's Circle

August 28th

1:00 PM

In the Fellowship Hall.

Everyone is welcome to join us!

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

DATE	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES
AUG 02	Dixie Lampo	
AUG 03	Lysa Dvorak	
AUG 07	Brenda Maugh	
AUG 09		Ken & Sandy Kelley
AUG 16		Gary & Sarah Armour
AUG 18	Debby Schwarz	
AUG 21	Justin Peterson	
AUG 22	Brent Meadows II	
AUG 23	Jan Jones	
AUG 27	Carol Bretthauer	
AUG 29	Chuck Drews	

Pastor Sherry will be on vacation
August 21st - September 4

Financial JUNE REPORT

General Fund	JUNE 2023	YTD 2023
Giving	13,194	106,483
Expenses	14,074	97,606
Surplus /	(880)	8,877

Half way through our fiscal year, the General Ministry Budget continues to be on solid financial footing. Thank you for your financial commitment to the life and ministry of FCC Olathe. Your gifts make it possible for the love of God to be known in our community through our food ministry, in the sharing of our building, through worship, as well as many other ways.

Stewardship & Finance

FCC Olathe Outreach Update

GOOD FAITH NETWORK
AN INTERFAITH JUSTICE ORGANIZATION

1. **Interfaith Hospitality Network of JOCO** has its annual **fundraiser in September**. They count on donated items and baskets for an auction. If you are interested in supporting this nonprofit that assists situationally and temporarily homeless people contact Cindy Heckman.

2. We're having a **Clothing Drive for ages 4-12**. Center of Grace is in desperate need for clothes and shoes for children in our community. Used or new clothes are welcome and the collection basket is in the fellowship hall **until August 2.**

3. There will be a brainstorming **meeting for food pantry** workers and others interested in Thanksgiving in Action. Please come and make suggestions for this year's operation or just find out what we are planning. Thursday, **August 10 at 11:00** in the fellowship hall.

4. The Good Faith Network held their celebration gathering on July 9 and First Christian had 10 in attendance. **Our church was awarded the "52:1" award (one of 3 congregation to receive it!)** The "52:1" award is given to member churches whose attendance at the Nehemiah is more than the average weekly attendance.

5. **SAVE A DATE for a GFN Listening Conversation,**
Monday, September 18, 2:00-3:30PM,
or Wednesday, September 27, 6:30-8:00PM.

Cindy Heckman receiving "the Social Butterfly" award for being in the top 3 to bring attendees to the Nehemiah Assembly. She brought 16 people to the Assembly.

Aug 02 - Monthly Birthdays - 11:00 AM (FH)
Aug 04 - Membership Dept Mtg. 9:30 AM (FH)
Aug 05 - Department Chair Mtg. - 10:00 AM Olathe Library
Aug 19 - Men's Breakfast - 8:30 AM (Perkins Family)
Aug 20 - Contemplative Community - 3:00 PM (S)
Elders - 5:00 PM (library & (zoom)
Aug 21 - Steward & Fin. Mtg. - 5:00 *PM* (RM 208)
Aug 28 - Georgie Babb - 1:00 PM (FH)

Wednesdays - Bazaar Ladies - 9:30 AM (FH)
Thursdays - Food Pantry - 9:00 AM (FH)
Strengthen Families - 5:30–8:30 PM (FH)
Sundays - Bible Study - 8:30 AM (Library)
Worship - 10:00 AM (Sanctuary / Live)
Ethiopian Worship - 12:00 (S)

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