

Women's Dinner Out

11 of our women enjoyed dinner at Bella's Italian Restaurant in July. Our next dinner will be in September. Come join us!



Save the Date!

SEPTEMBER 17TH – 19TH
THURSDAY – SATURDAY

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Fall Retreat

THEME:
*Lesser-Known Women of the Bible:
You Are Seen and Heard Too! :-)*

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General Assembly

Ephesians 3:14-21

Neal Heckman, Kim Gordon, Pastor Sherry and Rev. Rob Carr attended the Regional get together of the inaugural all-virtual General Assembly of the Christian Church Disciples of Christ at Country Club Christian Church on July 11th.



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<u>Mark Your Calendars!</u>	
AUG 01	Game Night 5:00 PM (FH)
AUG 02	Monthly Birthdays 11:00 AM (FH)
AUG 02	Care Team Mtg. 11:15 AM (L)
AUG 06	Food Pantry 9:00 AM (FH)
AUG 06	Worship Ministry Mtg. 6:00 PM (Rm 208)
AUG 09	Property Mtg. 11:15 AM (Rm 107)
AUG 15	Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM (Black Bear)
AUG 16	Fall Kickoff/Back to School Sunday
AUG 16	Elders Meeting 5:00 PM (Zoom)
AUG 19	Choir Party 6:00 PM (Heckmans)
AUG 20	Food Pantry 9:00 AM (FH)
AUG 24	Georgie Babb Mtg. 1:00 PM (FH)
AUG 25	TC Team Meeting 5:30 PM (FH)
AUG 25	Board Mtg. 7:00 PM (FH)

Wednesdays	Bizarre Ladies 9:30 AM (FH)
Sundays	Bible Study 8:30 AM (L)
	Worship 10:00 AM (Sanctuary/On-Line)



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The Disciple NEWSLETTER

First Christian Church of Olathe
Disciples of Christ

August 2026



Thriving Congregations

During the month of September, the Thriving Congregations Team is planning several opportunities for us to gather in various ways (smaller and larger groups) to talk about the life and ministry of FCC Olathe.

We will invite you to answer questions about your personal connection to FCC (for ex: What drew you here? What are you most grateful for at FCC?) We will also ask what you think are the most important things happening in the life and ministry of our church.

Our goal this Fall is to create a mission statement (short and memorable!) that expresses who we are called to be in this time and place. AND we will share laughter and joy as, together, we build a common understanding of who God is calling us to be as we follow Jesus.

FCC Olathe Thriving Congregations Team—Lysa Dvorak, Team Leader, Kevin Coriden, Vicki Englen, Kim Gordon, Neal Heckman & Pastor Sherry



**2026 Fall Kickoff &
Back to School Sunday**
Sunday, August 16th

Praying for and acting on behalf of
our School Community



Worship: Join us for Worship as we pray for our School Community-- our kids, teachers, and school staff. (Signup sheet on Welcome Table in back of Sanctuary or call or e-mail the church office to provide names of those we will be praying for).

Fellowship: Stay after Worship for Root Beer Floats (or orange or cola—whatever floats your boat!)

Support our partner school – Northview Elementary: Help our teachers be ready for the school year by stocking their classrooms with essentials. Any way we can help support a teacher is a good way to show God's love to our community.

We are collecting the following items:

- Individually wrapped packages of Goldfish crackers (for teachers to have on hand when kids don't have a snack)
- Anti-bacterial wipes
- Packages of dry erase markers
- Boxes of tissues

Bring any items you would like to donate between now & August 16th. (Put in basket in Fellowship Hall or basket in the Welcome Center at the back of the Sanctuary).





OLD SETTLERS IS COMING!

It is time to get ready for our
Annual Breakfast Burrito Sale & Chicken & Noodle Lunch
Saturday, September 12th

Please watch the Sunday bulletins and church e-mails 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 by Sunday, August 16th. Kim Gordon will be coordinating the breakfast burrito sale and lunch this year, along with some great helpers — **all of you!** Please contact her 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!



Come Join in the Fun!

Memories from 2025



GOOD FAITH NETWORK—Justice Advocacy in Johnson County

VISION: Through faith in action, we seek a community of equity, justice, and belonging so all people in Johnson County thrive.

MISSION: Honoring the inherent dignity and value of each person, we advocate for just solutions to support our most vulnerable with a unified voice that won’t be ignored.

Good Faith Network begins its annual cycle this fall with a series of community listening sessions at 30+ churches in JOCO. FCC Olathe will host two sessions.

Tuesday, September 15th, 1:30-3:00 PM at the Heckman’s

Wednesday, September 16th, 6:30-8:00 PM FCC Olathe Fellowship Hall

We pose questions like, “What keeps you up at night worrying on behalf of someone in your family or neighborhood?” We catalog the answers and present them at the Community Problems Assembly in October as we consider a new issue to add to our Advocacy.

We invite you to join us with your voice at these Listening Sessions. Watch for more details.

Cindy & Neal Heckman and Becky Gronberg, Team Leaders

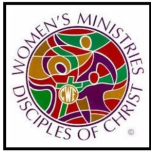
NEHEMIAH ASSEMBLY MAY 4, 2027



August Men’s Breakfast

Saturday, August 15th
8:00 AM
Black Bear Diner
11981 S. Strang Line Rd.
Olathe

There is a sign up sheet on the Welcome Table.
Contact Bob Barnes for more information.



Georgie Babb Women’s Group

Monday, August 24th, 1:00 PM
Fellowship Hall
All women are invited!



Food Pantry Partnerships

Each month Dave Regier and Neal Heckman make a trip to Harvesters (KC, MO) to pick up food for our Food Pantry. Harvesters is a nonprofit food bank which collects donated food, stores as necessary, and then redistributes to pantries like ours all over the KC area. In addition to the food they can give away for free, we spend about \$ 1,666/month on produce, meat, and canned goods at Harvesters in order to keep our pantry well stocked for those who come.

We are grateful for our partnership with Harvesters!



JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT



General Fund	June 2026	YTD 2026
Revenues	\$19,672	\$117,009
Expenses	\$18,109	\$106,974
Surplus /(Shortfall)	\$1,563	\$10,035

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



DATE	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES
AUG 02	Dixie Lampo	
AUG 03	Lysa Dvorak	
AUG 07	Brenda Maugh	
AUG 09		Ken & Sandi 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	



Game Night

Saturday, August 1st
5:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Everyone is invited. Bring a snack to share and a favorite game if you have one.



Choir Potluck Party

Wednesday, August 19th, 6:00 PM
Heckman’s—Trail View Co-op
14350 W. 13rd St., Olathe

Come join the choir for a fun evening of food and fellowship. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Spouses and significant others are invited.

New Choir Members: If you are interested in being part of the choir, please join us! Talk to Cindy Heckman or Vicki Penny for more info.