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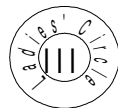


The Lifeline

*First Christian Church exists to glorify God by
making disciples, meeting needs, and unifying believers.*

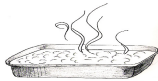
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January 19, 2010



Ladies, please join us on
Monday, February 8th, at
1:30 PM for food and fun!

Senior Citizens' Fellowship Lunch



All Senior Citizens are invited to the
activity center to have lunch with the
staff on Thurs., Feb. 4th, at 11:30 AM.

Thank You!

I want to thank you especially for the
prayers because that's what brought
me through! ☺

Frances Graham

Ministry to Shut-Ins

If you like to visit shut-ins
and would like to be a part
of this new ministry, please
sign up at the table in the
back of the sanctuary. Also,
if you know of any shut-ins,
please contact Karen Jameson
or call the church office.

Adverse Weather Conditions



In case of adverse
weather conditions,
please listen to 1420 AM
or check our website at
www.fccjcks.com.

Valentine Dinner



Sunday, February 14th, come anytime
between 6:00 PM and 7:30 PM for
dinner. Donations only. Childcare will
be provided during the dinner.
Donations for childcare.

Amazing Girlfriends



Woman's World is
an annual retreat
sponsored by
Manhattan
Christian College
and held at
K-State on February 26th and 27th.
Information packets are available at the
back of the sanctuary or visit Campus
Events at www.mccks.edu.

Piano Concert



We are excited to welcome gospel
pianist Bill Miller to First Christian
Church. He will present a concert on
Sunday, January 31st, at 3:00 PM. Bill
was the professor of Bible and Music at
Nebraska Christian College for over 40
years. During his time at NCC, he
accompanied the college choir and
traveled with the "New Way Singers".
Bill's concerts include hymns of the
church for all ages. He makes several
tours each year, traveling with his wife
Dorothy. His music and insights will be
a blessing to any who attend.



We would like to express our thanks for all the wonderful expressions of love and appreciation over the Christmas season. Your thoughts and displays of love prove to be strength in all that we do. We are anticipating wonderful new opportunities for 2010 as God leads us. Please continue to pray for us and for all those who lead and teach within this congregation.

Don't forget that our theme that continues through May is Growing On. Our prayer will be for your maturity in Christ and that the gospel message will spread through each of you. May God bless you.

- Ronnie and Linda Roberts

THE AFTERGLOW

How often do you allow your daily experiences to prompt you to worship? I'm sure that I miss opportunities for worship all the time. Some of these opportunities could be as simple as responding in thanksgiving for blessings we experience throughout the day. Or it could be acknowledging His greatness as revealed by creation around us. Some of the most meaningful worship experiences I've had as an individual have taken place while in the outdoors. I relish the times I can spend on the water or in the field soaking up the beauty of God's design. However, often we take these things for granted. Sunrises and sunsets. Cloud formations. The beauty of the Flint Hills. It's easy to do when so often they are a daily experience. Stop for a second and look around. There is evidence of God's infinite wisdom everywhere. Let's all take the opportunity to soak up the beauty around us and worship the Creator for His unbelievable design.

- Eric VonSpreckelsen

February		7	14	21	28
Outside Communion	1 st Person - Valley View 2 nd Person - Home/Hospital	Phil Irby Alan Kidd	Karen Jameson	Richard Young	Don Sheffield
Welcome Center	1 st Service	Paul Hood & Verleen Byrn			
	2 nd Service	Hank & Lisa Jones			
Greeters at Door	1 st Service	Richard & Pam Young			
	2 nd Service	Josh & Tiffany Junghans			
Hand Out Bulletins	1 st Service	John & Karen Jameson	Bob & Marge Ingmire	Ray & Nellie Smith	J. M. Heck & C. Caspar
	2 nd Service	Dori Farrow	Chris Pritchett	Kim Mann	Debbie Lenk
Offering Prayer	1 st Service	Bob Stewart	Bud Mooney	Rik VandeRiet	Phil Irby
	2 nd Service	Tom Leturgez	Mark Roeser	Randy Garner	G. Schmalzried
Scripture/ Prayer	1 st Service	Rik VandeRiet	Phil Irby	Casey Thomas	Bud Mooney
	2 nd Service	Ray Schmidt	G. Schmalzried	Randy Garner	Mark Roeser
Backup/ Server	1 st Service	Casey Thomas	Bud Mooney	Rik VandeRiet	Phil Irby
	2 nd Service	Randy Garner	Mark Roeser	Ray Schmidt	G. Schmalzried
Servers	1 st Service	Bob Hiatt, Bob Stewart			
	2 nd Service	Ginger Dodin, Tom Leturgez			
Communion Prep	Help Needed		If you cannot serve when scheduled, please trade with someone.		

Facts & Figures for December

Attendance:	Faith Promise:	Finances:
Sun. School Avg.....68	Promised YTD.....\$5,098	Monthly Budget Need.....\$30,491
AM Worship Avg.....255	Given YTD.....\$4,613	General Offerings.....\$31,444



“Don’t worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries.” Matthew 6:34

As you think about the fresh new year, are you worried about what might happen? Will money become worthless, sending people back to swapping cows and chickens? Will chunks from a meteor shower land in your backyard? Might a new ice age freeze your eyelids shut or global warming turn your pizza to liquid?

Enough happy thoughts. You can worry all you want about those things, but it won’t do you any good. Just look at what two wise people say about worry:

- Worry never robs tomorrow of its sorrow, it only saps today of its joy. Leo Buscaglia
- Don’t worry about the world coming to an end today. It’s already tomorrow in Australia. Charles Schultz

The best word about worry, of course, comes from Jesus. His instruction? “Don’t.” Paul echoed that thought in Philippians 4:6: “Don’t worry about anything; instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done.” The apostle Peter added, “Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about what happens to you.” (1 Peter 5:7)

Sure, there will be plenty of things about this New Year that you won’t like - natural disasters, world tension, community strife, rumbles with friends or parents or your piano teacher, or maybe the serious illness of someone you care about. God never promised you a life without problems.

When bad, scary things come up, do you feel a sudden knot of worry in the pit of your stomach? That knot is your reminder that it’s time to pray. Whenever you feel yourself wound tight with worry, don’t let it paralyze you. Instead let it prayer-alyze you. Rush your concern to God in prayer. Tell Him straight up how you feel. Fill Him in on the people or situations that worry you. Give Him the details and invite Him to take control of them and you. Keep praying until your worry settles down. And when your nervousness comes back, pray again. . . and again . . . and again.

When you interpret worry as a natural nudge to pray, whatever problems you face won’t be so scary. You’ll take them as opportunities for God to work as you hand them over to Him in prayer.

- Jeremy McNeice

Upcoming Events:

High School Lock-In - January 29-30, 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM, \$13

Middle School Christ In Youth (C.I.Y.) Believe - February 5-6

Middle School Ice Skating and Pizza - Date and Time T.B.A.

Children’s Ministry



Ahoy there Treasure Seekers and Parents!

It’s a new year and it’s going to be a WOW one. February is a good month to be seeking out God’s love, His mercy, and how awesome He is at keeping His promises.

CAMP IS COMING SOON! Want to come?

Be looking forward to next month where you will find out information and how to get registered for Summer Camp at King Solomon. There will even be a day camp for Kindergarten! Keep in mind that the church pays half of the early registration fee for EVERY child who goes from our church. If you have problems coming up with the rest...let Mrs. Garner know...we can only help if we know. Camp is viewed as so important to our church that we strive to enable every child to go.

MISSIONS

We have good news! Our shoeboxes...all 77 of them, were delivered! There will be a special bulletin board up showing children from Mexico accepting our shoeboxes as well as how they received them. If you want to see them online go to <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC/Mexico/?src=eZgiveupdate>.

They are at the bottom middle of the page.

The rest of this year our missions’ focus will be on Miss Meaghan Smith. We will be collecting all of our change every week. We will be creating a contest to see which class brings the most change in for Miss Smith. It won’t be until our awards night that we will find out which class won. All of the money we collect will be sent to Wycliffe Bible Translators in May for her benefit. There will be no fees of any kind taken out for our children’s ministry or church. But we will also be encouraging all of you to keep praying for her and her work translating the Bible into an Ethiopian dialect. So please help us in this Great Commission.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Parents, you are invited to a new video series Sunday School class called “Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage” by Mark Gungor at 9:00 AM each week in the chapel. Your children will enjoy their Sunday School time as well. Don’t worry, they will get one lesson at 9:00 AM and a different lesson at 10:30 AM.

Sponsoring children in need is breaking the cycle of poverty. Compassion International exists as a Christian child advocacy ministry that releases children from spiritual, economic, social, and physical poverty and enables them to become responsible, fulfilled Christian adults.

Founded by the Rev. Everett Swanson in 1952, Compassion began providing Korean War orphans with food, shelter, education, and health care as well as Christian training.

The Child Sponsorship Program is:

- **Christ Centered** - Each child has an opportunity to hear the gospel in an age-appropriate and culturally relevant way.
- **Child Focused** - Engaging each child as a complete person, children are treated like we'd want our own children treated.
- **Church Based** - They partner with churches, parents, and communities - to teach, train, and mentor children.
- **Committed to Integrity** - They are dedicated to delivering excellent programs with complete integrity.

Today, Compassion provides child development aid to more than 1 million children in 26 countries. Each country office is staffed by country residents. The program reaches four main regions of the world: Asia, Africa, South America, and Central America and the Caribbean.

The 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders in Sunday Morning Live through their offerings are supporting a 5 year old boy from Kaani, Kenya, named Kisilu Kioko. Kisilu lives with his father and his mother and his two siblings. For fun, Kisilu enjoys soccer and hide-and-seek. He attends church activities regularly and is in kindergarten where his performance is average. Our sponsorship allows the staff of A.I.C. Kyenzenzeni Child Development Center to provide Kisilu with Bible teaching, recreational activities, nutritious food, social events, tuition, educational classes, and self-employment skills. Our students' love and support will help Kisilu to receive the assistance he needs to develop his potential. Please pray for him!