FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH 211 South Walnut Street Crawfordsville IN 47933

New Sermon Series: Beginning April 11st



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A new sermon series entitled "Beyond Words" will begin Sunday, April 21 that will be exploring with the congregation common words of our faith that we use in worship, in study or in conversations about Christian life. Since the series will continue into the summer, I'd like to ask the

congregation if you have a particular word of faith you'd like to have explored. Please reach out to me by e-mail or phone and let me know. I would like to focus on what is on your heart and mind, as well as mine. While I might not be able to address every word you propose in preaching, nonetheless, Pastor Kevin and I would like to keep a list so that we can continue the exploration of the words in upcoming teaching settings.

One of the reasons I wanted to explore "words" of our

faith is that we often use them and assume that everyone else has the same assumption about their meaning as we do. Through preaching I'd like to explore the different assumptions about the meaning of the words we use regularly, discuss the origins of those meanings, and what the biblical text has to say about it. Ultimately, I look forward to uplifting the Good News embedded in these words of faith that don't always feel like hope filled words to everyone. I look forward to the task at hand and what the spirit will prompt when looking deeper at everyday ordinary words that shape who we are and what we say matters to us as people of faith! I hope you will join me in this endeavor as we seek to grow in our Christian life together!

	EYOND WORDS ploring Common Words of our Faith
CHRISTIAN CHURCH	Join us for 10:15 WORSHIP f In Person or Livestream / fccville.org
A Sermon & Teaching Series for Spring/Summer	

Date	Scripture	Sermon	Preacher
04/21	Romans 12:1-8	What Is Worship?	Rev. Darla Goodrich
04/28	2 Tim. 3:10-17	What Is Biblical?	Rev. Darla Goodrich
05/05	Eph 2: 8-9	What is Saved?	Rev. Darla Goodrich
05/12	ТВА	What is Love?	Rev. Kevin Toth
05/19	Acts 2:1-13, 42-47 Ephesians 2:11-22	What is Church?	Rev. Darla Goodrich
05/26	John 1: 1-5	What is Word?	Rev. Darla Goodrich

Grace & Peace, Darla





2 more WOWs left this spring before summer break!





Next Multi-Church Youth Group hosted at Wabash Avenue Presbyterian

This Saturday, April 13th @ 8:30am

Our final multi-church youth group this semester will be this weekend! The youth will be assisting in giving out tree seedlings out to those in the community. This will occur on the front lawn of WAPC or inside if the weather is not suitable. Pastor Kevin will be present and parents are welcome to participate as well. We will take a break over the summer and meet again in the fall. We hope you will join us for this great event!



Summer Church Camp registration is open!

All registration is done online by following this link to the Indiana Regional Website: https://indianadisciples.org/2024-camp/

If you wish to attend one of the camps and would like some financial assistance, please contact Pastor Kevin before May 1st.

CLASS OF Calling all

Graduates!

We will be honoring our 2024 graduates whose families are associated with our church on May 5th during worship. We need your help to identify those graduating from high school, college, or any Voc-Tech studies so that we can honor them in worship and in our church newsletter. Please contact Kevin or Kate Lindsay (kate@donandkate.org) or the church office with the name of your graduate, degree achieved, institution, and future plans no later than April 26th. Thanks for your help!

YOUTH SUNDAY HIGHLIGHTS!



VBS at First Christian Church 211 S Walnut Street, Crawfordsville June 3-7, 2024 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM For ages 3 years through 5th grade All children registered by May 15th will get a free t-shirt! Register online at: tinyurl.com/VBSatFCC Whenever in a train put my trust Trust Camp

Children's Church Calendar

Date	Bible Lesson	Teacher
April 14	Jesus's Last Passover	Diane McLaughlin
April 21	Jesus is Risen- Mary Magdelene	Beth Daniel Lindsay
April 28	Jesus is Risen- Road to Emmaus	Mary Fossnock

All children ages 4 to 12 are invited to participate in our Worship and Wonder curriculum!

COMING EVENTS

ATTENTION

all moms



If you're a mom (regardless of age) with kids aged from pregnancy through adulthood, this message is for you! Crystal Hahnstadt is creating a committee and putting together a new moms group which will be

hosted at First Christian Church. She is in the early development stages and needs your help. Please fill out the questionnaire shared below or grab a paper copy from the table in the Welcome Center. We need your input! If you have any questions, comments, or would like to assist with the creation of this group, please contact Crystal via email at chahnstadt@gmail.com.

Questionnaire: https://tinyurl.com/FCC-momsgroup

Ministry of FISH and Beans

During our Youth Worship Service last Sunday, a particularly large number of children lugging bags and baskets worked the aisles and choir loft gathering gifts of food and other necessities for delivery to FISH Food Pantry. The children's enthusiasm for their their task brings smiles, laughter, and feelings of hope and optimism to this every-week element of our community's worship life.

Last Sunday's FISH offering also received a substantial boost from a happy special occasion. Emily Petrie had a birthday last week. She suggested to friends that they make gifts to FISH in honor of her birthday, and they responded quite generously! After church we added boxes and bags of Emily's birthday haul to the worship collection, along with monetary gifts to FISH in excess of \$100.



Our gifts to FISH during the first quarter (Jan.-Mar.) of 2004 amounted to 1,034 pounds, for an average of 79.5 lbs per week. That's an increase of 334 lbs over our giving during the first quarter of 2023. But who's counting . . . ?

That's all, folks. **Don Lindsay**



HHCL News

Hand in Hand Creative Learning is currently hiring! If you or anyone you know would enjoy working with children in a small, family-like environment, please pass this on! Applications can be sent to Chantel at HHCLdirector@gmail.com, or the job listing can be found on Indeed.

We are also happy to announce we have joined Paths to Quality (Indiana's quality rating system for childcare) and passed our initial inspection with flying colors. We now rank as a level 1 childcare provider. This involved meeting a fairly extensive list of state requirements, and we are very grateful for our director Chantel's hard work that went into getting this done!

Finally, we are always looking for volunteers! Our teachers have a specific request- they would absolutely love to have an outdoor mud kitchen built so the kids can engage in some creative outdoor play as the weather gets warm! If anyone is handy and would be interested in helping make this a reality, please contact Chantel at HHCLdirector@gmail.com.



There are winter coats hanging in the Welcome Center that would like to find their way home!



Ladies Lunch Bunch

Join the LADIES LUNCH BUNCH on Thursday, April 18th at 12:30pm for some yummy food at Super China Buffet. Contact bonyund@hotmail for reservation.



We have a wonderful growing number of children and young families in our congregation and really need more childcare providers. Currently we are looking to **hire two childcare providers** for Sunday morning and for special church events at \$15.00 per hour. We give thanks for Ben and Michelle who are already offering wonderful care but are not always able to be there every Sunday or at other church events. **If you know someone** who might be interested and called to this loving service please have them e-mail 211fccville@gmail.com or contact the church office at 765.362.4812. Thank you!



We celebrate the wonderful news that **Mark and Leanah Brown** have been blessed by a new grandson, Cole Wayne Brown, born on April 2nd! Cole is the son of Mark & Gloria Brown and his siblings are Joshua Forrester, Ross and Liam Brown. His grandmother is Marlene Elmore, and his aunt and cousin are Nikki Kyger and Nina!



I was so thrilled by the turnout for April's meeting—thank you all for such an interesting and important discussion—one that I'm sure will be continued in some way soon!

Hope you will join us for some or all of these upcoming meetings:

- May 7—The Anthropocene Reviewed: Essays on a Human-Centered Planet by John Green
- June 4—Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's Will to Survive [also a miniseries on Netflix] by Stephanie Land
- July 2—*The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett
- "August" meeting (held one week early, on July 30)—*Liminal Thinking* by Dave Gray | Kevin Toth, discussion leader

One copy of each book is circulating through our church library. Contact Kelly Stanley with questions (<u>kellyostanley@me.com</u>).

Global Missions 5K Dash

The Global Ministries Mission 5K Dash is on Sunday, April 14th at 8 AM at FCC. Last year, the 5K brought in almost \$1000 for Global Ministries. To register, visit tinyurl.com/Mission-Dash. The cost is \$25 per individual or \$50 per family. Pre-registrants receive a race T-shirt. Participants can also register in-person on race day. Prizes are awarded to the top three finishers and breakfast will be served at the church following the race. Please contact Amber Rohr at arohr4@yahoo.com or Linda Weaver at weaverl@wabash.edu with any questions.



A MUSIC FESTIVAL CELEBRATIING 200 YEARS OF WABASH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



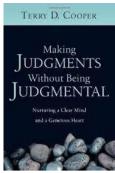
Special Music Opportunities



The wonderful FCC choir will take their customary break during June, July, and August, and we would love anyone interested to sing/play special music during the summer church services! Advanced experience is not needed - just a

heart to praise God through music. The church would be excited to hear your best effort whether you are new to a musical calling or have years of experience. Contact Music Director Sarin Williams today to reserve a summer Sunday!

New Class Coming: gam Eundays



Pastor Darla will be leading a new 4-week class on Sunday mornings beginning Sunday, April 28 promptly from 9:00 – 9:40 am (in the former bell room off the chapel). Child care available! We will be exploring the short paperback book Making Judgments Without Being Judgmental: Nurturing a Clear Mind and a Generous Heart. Pastor Darla will also be presenting scriptures about making

scriptures about making judgments and judgmentalism for discussion along with the book. This is a timely discussion as we live in a divided culture that tempts us to make harsh judgments of someone who does not think the way we do. The book takes seriously the need to make judgments in our own lives but clearly articulates how easy it is to fall into the trap of judgmentalism without even being aware.

Author, Terry Cooper, is a counselor and professor of religion and psychology. This is a book that cultivates our deeper self-awareness of our human tendency to rush to judgment about others, about important decisions, about our perspectives of the world we live in, and how that impacts our relationships with family, friends, strangers, and the quality of our own lives. The book offers a faithful approach to making decisions between right and wrong, truth and lie, reality and our perceptions. He offers ways to engage with others in situations where compassion and conviction can empower us rather than confuse us. Terry is a member of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Let us know you intend to join the class by e-mailing 211fccville@gmail.com or sign up on clipboard in the Welcome Center. The book can be purchased for \$18.99 plus tax on Amazon at https://www.amazon.com/Making-Judgments-Without-Being-Judgmental-ebook/dp/B001HL0F00 OR you can bring a \$20.00 check/cash to the office indicating it's for the "Pastor's Class" by Sunday, April 21st. The first class will be reviewing chapters 1-2. Pastor Darla looks forward to the rich discussion and growing in our faith together!



The AME Regional Church is holding their conference in our building Friday and Saturday. They will be using the entire church other than the office and education wing.

Information, Please: Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau



First Christian Church will be represented when Rev. Darla and Kaylynn Keedy Ranspach take to the stage at Wabash College on May 18 for Dancing with the Montgomery County Stars

The annual event is a fundraiser for the Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau, which serves more than 4,000 children every year through delinquency prevention, community education and youth advocacy. It formed out of a 1970 study by the League of Women Voters.

The organization's services include:

- Court Appointed Special Advocates: Volunteers trained to advocate in court for children involved in abuse and neglect cases
- Child Abuse Prevention Council: Organizes personal safety classes in elementary schools and trains groups and organizations on the signs and symptoms of abuse
- Drug Free Montgomery County: Provides grants to programs and services geared to addressing substance use disorder
- Inspire: Motivational group for girls in middle and high school
- Juvenile Mentoring Program (JUMP): Pairs children ages 6-14 with adult mentors.
- Montgomery County Alternative School: Provides credit recovery opportunities to students who have been suspended, expelled, or don't benefit from traditional school settings
- Nourish: Provides weekend food backpacks for school children
- REINdear (Reaching Everyone in Need): Provides Christmas gifts to children referred by schools and community organizations
- Teen Court: Diversion program for non-violent, first-time offenders ages 9-17
- Youth as Resources: Philanthropic, youth-led service and fundraising organization

For more information, call 765.362.0694 or visit mcysb.org.



Due to Pastor Darla's mother's health and other factors she canceled her vacation this week.

Pastor Kevin will be away for his Spring Bethany Fellows retreat from Monday, April 15th to Friday April 19th.

Pastor Darla will be available and on call that week for emergencies.

PRAYER

Help us Keep this list up to date!

Please email <u>211fccville@gmail.com</u> if you wish to have a name removed or provide an update. Thank you for your help with this—and for your ongoing dedication to holding each other in prayer.

THE FAMILY OF RANDALL GARRETT who passed away Thursday, April 4th.

STEVE HOUSE—had surgery on 3/26 for cancer on his neck

THE FAMILY OF TIM NANNET who passed away Tuesday, March 19th.

GERRY COATS—home after receiving a blood transfusion in the ER and being transferred to the IU Arnett hospital. He is awaiting further testing.

TOM BROWN (Jan Stout's brother) —is improving after having a severe staph infection and stroke, but will remain hospitalized for approximately 4-6 weeks.

DARLENE GOODRICH—continues to experience some health challenges and is receiving care at Wellbrooke in Crawfordsville (Room 129).

GENE EVERETT—completed rehab at Ben Hur and will now be living at Wellbrooke (room #25)

JACK WYATT—at home with health concerns

LADAWN PRIEBE—began chemotherapy and radiation after being diagnosed with a brain tumor

SHEILA CLARK—chronic leukemia and recovering after a heart catheterization procedure.

AMY WOODALL

JUDITH SMITH'S husband RICK had open heart surgery (12/23) / 2 months of rehabilitation.

JORDAN TURNER (Gerry Turner's grandson) and family—recovering from motorcycle accident

JOHN HOOPER—ongoing Parkinson's issues

QUINTON NANNET and family— Rejoice for Quinton is back in the USA! Please continue to pray for his strength, courage, and discernment as he navigates these next steps.

GERRY TURNER—health issues

BETTY CEDARS—ongoing health concerns

ALLEN GOFF (friend of the Keedys) —cancer

DEBBIE (REBECCA LANG'S SISTER)
-lung cancer

SANDY & KEN BROWN—ongoing health concerns

MATT RYKER (Ron Yund's friend's son)—beating victim, long recovery ahead

CHURCH STAFF, MINISTERS, AND LEADERSHIP

Pray for our Shut-ins

Our shut-ins would enjoy visits.

WHITLOCK:

CAROLYN SIMPSON (#151)

THE LANE HOUSE: **BETTY CEDARS**

MAPLE PARK REHAB at WESTFIELD, IN: **BOB DIXON**

WELLBROOKE CRAWFORDSVILLE:

DARLENE GOODRICH (#129), GENE
EVERETT (#25)

HOME: PAUL & MARIAN CASS, RICHARD McDONALD



Dear Members and Friends,

Many thanks for your loving inquiries, letters, and prayers. Darlene is now at Wellbrooke in recovery after several weeks in two hospitals. Her vital signs are stable and she is slowly improving. Life is so precious, Jesus knew.

Love, Howard & Darlene

Vote Center Information

Why wait in line when you can vote early at a time that works for you? To vote by mail or to have home delivery, call 765.364.6437.

Early Voting:

Court House First Floor	April 9th-May 3rd April 27th and May 4th May 6th	Monday through Friday: 9:00am-4:30pm Saturday: 8:00am-3:00pm Monday: 9:00am-12:00pm
Rock Point Church	April 27th and May 4th	Saturday: 9:00am-1:00pm
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Election Day Voting:

Montgomery Co 4H Building	May 7th Tuesday ELECTION DAY 6:00am-6:00pm
North Montgomery High School	May 7th Tuesday ELECTION DAY 6:00am-6:00pm
Whitesville Church	May 7th Tuesday ELECTION DAY 6:00am-6:00pm
Rock Point Church	May 7th Tuesday ELECTION DAY 6:00am-6:00pm



Notes from Carolyn Enyder



The facility use application is now on line on our website. Thank you to all who participated in this decision making process.

Also, a couple of deviled egg plates would be useful in the kitchen. If you have one you are not using, please bring it to the church. We would appreciate it. Thanks.



What are you doing with your leftover eclipse glasses? We're donating them to be sent to schools in Latin America so children will be able to view the October 2024 annular eclipse safely! There will be a box in the Welcome Center to put your glasses in and we will mail them out together.

HOW CAN WE HELP?	
General Questions	Contact Kay Nannet (contact information above) for any questions about the church: building, calendar, messages for personnel, ministers, elders, lay leaders, prayer requests, and general communication.
Financial Questions	Andrew Nicodemus , FCC Financial Administrator
and Concerns	FCC Office: 765.362.4812 (leave a message) fcccvillefinance@gmail.com
Communications	<i>Crystal Hahnstadt</i> , Communications Administrator
(incl. newsletter)	Cell: 217.460.1027 (text/leave a message) fcc.comm211@gmail.com
Church Business	<i>Carolyn Snyder,</i> Chair of the Board
and Policies	Cell: 765.401.6425 (text/leave a message) carolynsnyder42@gmail.com
Other Leaders or	For a full list of our leaders, go to <u>www.fccville.org/our-lay-leaders</u> or
Ministries	consult your church directory.



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Monday is Rev. Darla's day off.
Friday is Rev. Kevin's day off.
On their days off, please contact the other
pastor or the Church Office with questions,
concerns, or emergencies.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

MEALS ON WHEELS

On Fridays of even months. **Dave Maharry**765.918.4076

<u>maharryd@wabash.edu</u>

FISH FOOD PANTRY

Distributes grocery items to meet emergency needs. Located at St. Bernard's Church, 1306 E. Main St., Crawfordsville 765.362.3474

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