



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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**CHILDREN'S
CHURCH IS BACK!**

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**“Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me,
and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven
belongs to such as these.’”**

MATTHEW 19:14

One of my goals for the year of 2022 was to re-start some children's programming in the church. I am happy to announce that part of my goal, which was to get our children's church program re-started, will soon be accomplished! Starting on January 30th, this coming Sunday, all our children ages 4 to 12 years old, will be invited to listen to a bible story, participate in some fun activities, and learn more about God and their faith! For the next five months, we will be exploring the bible stories involving Jesus in

the four gospels. I could not be more thankful for our six teacher volunteers, who have graciously said yes to teaching our young ones more about Jesus and God.

Sarah Reed Jay
Beth Daniel Lindsey
Sara Nicodemus
Diane McLaughlin
Kate Lindsey
Gwen Carlson

Children's church will begin right after the children's moment during worship. The children

will return to the sanctuary 20 minutes later during which the congregation will be partaking in the Lord's Supper. I hope you will share this wonderful news and I look forward to seeing our amazing youth grow in their faith this year!

Peace and Blessings,

*Pastor
Kevin*



CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

<i>Date</i>	<i>Bible Story</i>	<i>Teacher</i>
January 30th	Matthew 4:18-22	Sarah Reed Jay
February 6th	Mark 3:13-19	Beth Daniel Lindsey
February 13th	Luke 5:17-26	Sara Nicodemus
February 20th	Luke 10:25-37	Diane McLaughlin
February 27th	John 4:1-32	Kate Lindsey



WORSHIP FROM HOME

Mark and I worshipped from home, for the first time, on Sunday, January 16. I have worshiped online while on vacation but never from home. It was strange, but I felt as though I was worshipping with FCC for the first time, and it was an incredibly meaningful service for both me and Mark! It made me realize even more how much I appreciate the dedication of our extraordinary media team, Kelly Stanley's creative PowerPoint layouts, the beautiful sounds of our choir and musicians, our thoughtful worship leaders and elders, and Pastor Kevin who led ALL the pastoral parts that day with a joy-filled and peaceful presence! As some of you know, I needed to quarantine that Sunday after helping care for my mother who had heavy Covid symptoms. After a stressful week, worshipping with you is exactly what the doctor ordered! Thank you to all those who make worship a meaningful place to experience God welcoming us all home no matter where we are!

Grace & Peace, Darla



DATE	JANUARY SERMON SERIES	
Jan 9	Hope Amid Sadness	Psalm 13
Jan 16	Hope Amid Anger	Psalm 22
Jan 23	Hope Amid Guilt	Psalm 51
Jan 30	Hope Amid Fear	Psalm 137



MORE SMILES NEEDED

Thanks to all of you who have sent photos for our upcoming "Who's Who" display of our church people! But we need more! Please send the church a recent photo* of you and your family to help us with this "getting to know you" project.

You may:

Send your photo to fcc.comm211@gmail.com

Mail it to 211 S. Walnut Street

Or drop it by the office during office hours

**FYI, we will not be returning your photo, so please do not send one you do not want to lose.*



Bible for the People— We're Back!

Be sure to check out our first episode talking about the book of Numbers! Send us your questions, comments, and feedback anytime.

<https://directory.libsyn.com/shows/view/id/bibleforthepeople>

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The first Grief Support Group of the year is being offered on Thursday, February 10 at 10:30am in the Luther Hall of Christ Lutheran Church. The group is led by our Minister for Bereavement Care, j Miranda, and is open to adults experiencing any kind of loss or grief. RSVPs are appreciated but not required. Let j know if have questions or simply need some support in your challenging times. Contact j by emailing jmiranda@qfbwellness.com.

- Fri. 1/28 New episode of **Bible for the People** podcast
- Sun. 1/30 **Wired Word class** (Parlor)—9:00-9:45
Worship (in sanctuary or online)
Topic: *Hope Amid Fear* (Psalm 137)—10:15am
- Mon. 1/31 **Scouts meeting** (Upper Room)—6:30 pm
- Tues. 2/1 **Cruisers** (Pizza Hut)—11:30 am
- Wed. 2/2 **WOW**—4:30-630
Choir Practice—7 pm
- Fri. 2/4 New episode of **Bible for the People** podcast
- Sun. 2/6 **Wired Word class** (Parlor)—9:00-9:45
Worship (in sanctuary or online) 10:15
- Mon. 2/7 **Scouts (committee meeting only)** (Upper Room)—6:00 pm
- Tues. 2/8 **Ladies Lunch Bunch** (food & fellowship at the China Buffet Restaurant, which is no longer a buffet!)—1 pm
Elders meeting (Fellowship Hall)—7 pm
- Wed. 2/9 **WOW**—4:30-630
Choir Practice—7 pm
- Thurs. 2/10 **Grief Support Group** (Christ Lutheran Church)
Next Pathfinder newsletter

SCOUTS

Scouts BSA Troops 247 and 365 meet on Monday evenings at 6:30.

If you are 11-17 years old (or an adult) and are interested in being a part of our boys' or girls' organization, we would love to have you.

You can come to our meeting or contact:

Scouting247.365@gmail.com

Meeting at the church? Just a friendly reminder that if you are planning to have an FCC meeting or gathering at the church, whether just a few people or a large group, please e-mail or contact Kelly Stanley and Kym Bushong. Kelly puts this on the church calendar which informs everyone that a particular space is being used. It also alerts Kym and FCC staff that you will be in the building at a particular time and lets Kym know the best time to clean the space being used. Thank you so much!



YOUTH news from Rev. Kevin Toth

Follow us on Instagram
@fccyouthcrawfordville



Opening for Child-Care Worker on Sundays!

We are looking for an 18+ individual to look after our young children, infants to 5 years old, on Sunday mornings from 9:15-11:15 am. Vaccination and approved background checks are required. Please contact Pastor Kevin if you are interested.



WOW Schedule

Feb 2, 9, 23

Mar 2, 9, 16, 23

Apr 6, 13, 20, 27



Upstairs Craft Closet and Education Room Appreciation!

Last Saturday, January 22nd, we had a chance to re-organize and clean our craft closet and one of our education rooms in the 2nd room education wing. I am so thankful for the following individuals for spending several hours with me to work on this spring-cleaning project: Tom and Sharon Keedy, Linda Weaver, Ginny Maharry, Judy Michal, and Arleen Wilhite.



Special thanks to Tom Keedy and Rick Warner, who helped create fantastic meals for our WOW kids this month!



LOCAL & GLOBAL MINISTRIES

Update on Afghan Resettlement

Our church has been in contact with other Christian churches in our area. Geist Christian Church began sponsoring a family last week. They have met by Zoom because of covid protocol. We are awaiting more information from Exodus, the Immigration and Resettlement Service in our region.



Pies, cakes, cookies, and more—oh my!

On **February 20 after worship**, we will once again hold our annual First Christian auction to benefit the Week of Compassion! By donating items for or purchasing from the auction, we are helping people not only in our country but in other parts of the world whose lives have been devastated by floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, tsunamis, famine, war, disease and other disasters. In the past, your lavish outpouring of items for the auction and your generous bids have made it possible for our church to send a sizeable check to WoC.

So be thinking about the cooking, baking, sewing, carving, painting, writing and other ways you enjoy creating, then let us know what you would like to contribute to the auction!

Please contact Linda Weaver (chairperson) at weaverl@wabash.edu or Judy Michal at judy.michal@yahoo.com or leave word at the church office.

The Local and Global Ministry Team
Carolyn Snyder Sandra Ruby Linda Weaver

HAND IN HAND UPDATES

We are excited to have purchased a new curriculum for our daycare. Training on how to implement the materials is being planned. We also placed an order for classroom toys, books, and some furniture from a stabilization grant. Hopefully, the order will be delivered in 6-8 weeks. We also purchased dolls from all nationalities, diversity books, puzzles and pictures from the generous donations in memory of Hulah O'Dell. We are so grateful and we cannot wait to share everything with our little ones.



Our staff also attended a dinner/training on Wednesday, January 12th at the Hoosier Heartland Success Center. Duke Energy sponsored this event and it was hosted by The Montgomery County Coalition. The topic was the importance of interaction with children in their first 3 years. It was very interesting and we learned a lot of valuable information.

Also, with Covid on the rise, we have taken extra precautions to keep everyone healthy and safe. Kevin has even volunteered WOW to help deep clean and sanitize toys for our classrooms in the future. Thank you in advance, Kevin and WOW!!



HHCL HIRING FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

Hand in Hand Creative Learning is seeking to hire a Part-time Financial Administrator. Hours vary per week, with an expected minimum of 5 hours per week to prepare payroll, make deposits, complete financial transactions, prepare monthly reports, prepare and submit taxes, and other general accounting functions. Experience using Quickbooks, Microsoft Office and Google Workspace required. This position would primarily report to the HHCL Board Treasurer while working with the HHCL Director. Please contact Board Director Gwen Carlson at HHCLBoard@gmail.com if you or someone you know might be interested in the position and would like to learn more! Thank you!

Just for fun—print this page and color it as you reflect on this Psalm.





Pray for Our Church Family, Friends, and Other Concerns

Continue to pray for the protection, health, and well-being of those people who are serving in various ways that put them at higher risk of exposure to COVID-19. We give thanks for their service.

- DAVE LUNSFORD** recovering from an aortic aneurysm repair
- RICK AND KERRI WARNER** and family on the passing of Rick's mother, **MARTHA WARNER**
- DALE & LINDA PETRIE** and the whole Petrie/Laetsch family on the passing of Dale's mother, **MARILYN PETRIE**, and Linda's father, **W. BRUCE LAETSCH**
- JACK WYATT** in the Neuro Trauma Unit at St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis with a brain bleed
- THE FAMILY OF DORIS BRANSTETTER** on her passing
- DAVID KLINE**—recovering from a stroke he suffered this spring after having a brain tumor removed
- HENRY VAN LEEUWEN** (Jaci Wollenberg's dad)
- ALAN & JANENE PLUNKETT**—recovering from illnesses
- CAROLYN TUNIN**—recovering from a third surgery on her right hip
- BEN MCCORMICK**—at home but still recovering
- BETTY CEDARS**—recovering from pneumonia and Covid 19
- LIAM VENIS** and family—Liam is recovering from surgery
- RANDAL TURNER**—recovering from hip surgery
- RUSSELL RUBY**—health issues
- DEBBIE (REBECCA LANG'S SISTER)**—treatment for lung cancer
- SANDY & KEN BROWN**—he had pacemaker replacement procedure and she's recovering from broken arm
- JERRI STEWART**—breast cancer; recovering from mastectomy
- BOB MASON**—energy is low from tests and treatments for cancer
- CATHY MOFFETT** (Marilyn Moffett's daughter-in-law)—chemo for breast cancer
- MATT RYKER** (son of Ron Yund's friend)—victim of a beating
- ALEX** (and his parents, Beth and Chris, friends of Sarah Jay)—Alex has a tumor on his spine
- CARSON COLLINS** and family (friends of Kym Bushong's)—leukemia
- JENNIFER (FRY) KREKELER** (daughter of Daryl & Mary Helen Fry)—chronic fatigue syndrome
- JOE CARTER**—friend of Keedys, cancer
- GARY MEEK**—ongoing health concerns
- SHEILA CLARK**—Chronic Lymphatic Leukemia
- CHURCH STAFF, MINISTERS, AND LEADERSHIP**

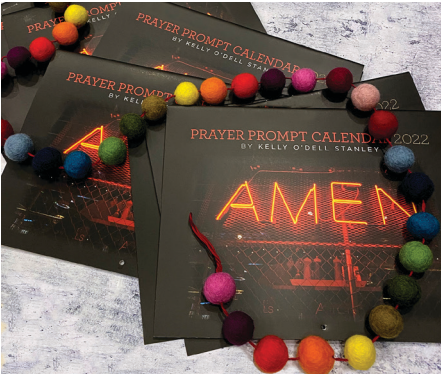
Help us keep this list up to date!

Please notify the office or email fcc.comm211@gmail.com if you wish to have a name removed or provide an update. Otherwise, the prayer requests will remain on the list. Thank you for your help with this—and for your ongoing dedication to holding each other in prayer.

Pray for our Shut-ins

Long-term care facilities are open again to visitors, even without vaccination. Our shut-ins would enjoy visits.

- WHITLOCK: **CAROLYN SIMPSON** (#151)
- FOUNTAIN SPRINGS ADULT COMMUNITY IN COVINGTON: **EILEEN MORRETT**
- WELLBROOKE: **MARGE KOPERSKI** (Marge Michael's mother)
- HOME: **BILL & FRANCES COLLINGS, RUSSELL & SANDY RUBY, DALLAS & KAREN McDONALD**
- ST. ANTHONY'S, LAFAYETTE: **MARILYN MOFFETT**
- THE LANE HOUSE: **BETTY CEDARS**



FREE PRAYER CALENDARS

If you haven't grabbed a copy of Kelly O'Dell Stanley's 2022 Prayer Prompt Calendar, please take one! They are available in the church office as well as the Narthex and they are completely free. Add some fun and color into your prayer life!

If you aren't able to get in to the church but would like one, please email fcc.comm211@gmail.com and I'll do my best to get one to you!

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

- Jan. 29 Beverly Wyatt
- Feb. 4 Paul Cass (91)
- Nancy Rogers (88)
- Feb. 10 Joe Boswell
- Feb. 11 Sue Caldwell
- Feb. 12 Gene Everett (92)
- Feb. 15 Marlene Elmore (90)
- Feb. 17 Seth Nunan
- Mark Wollenberg

ANNIVERSARIES

- Feb. 1 Dick and Carolyn Tunin
- Feb. 16 John and Jan Horner

If you would like your birthday and anniversary included in the bi-monthly Pathfinder newsletter, please let Kelly know.



HOW CAN WE HELP?

PASTOR DARLA

Monday is Rev. Darla's day off. Please contact Rev. Kevin with questions, concerns or emergencies when Darla is unavailable.

CELL: 314-805-0347

EMAIL:

darla.goodrich@gmail.com

PASTOR KEVIN

Friday is Rev. Kevin's day off. Please contact Rev. Darla with questions, concerns or emergencies when Kevin is unavailable.

CELL: 724-825-0997

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katoth112792@gmail.com

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 10 – 3
Wednesday & Thursday 10 – 4
Friday 11 – 1

The FCC doors will remain locked during office hours in order to maintain safe space for our Hand in Hand children and staff, and our FCC staff who may be in the office by themselves. Please simply ring the bell during office hours (at either the Walnut Street or Parking Lot doors) and FCC staff will be delighted to "buzz" you in!

OFFICE STAFF

Arleen Wilhite, Volunteer

765.362.4812 (Leave a message. Voicemail is checked on weekdays.)

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GRIEF AND LOSS

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FINANCIAL CONCERNS

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HAND IN HAND CREATIVE LEARNING

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HAVE INFO FOR FUTURE NEWSLETTERS?

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For a full list of our leaders, go to www.fccville.org/our-lay-leaders

YOUR SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO US

We continue to wear masks and practice social distancing for all church activities in order to create a welcoming, safe environment for all. All church staff and childcare givers are fully vaccinated.



Sharing our Facebook posts helps us grow! On our **Facebook (First Christian Church Crawfordsville) page**, we share updates, news, and pictures of all of our happenings along with LIVE worship on Sundays.