



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
211 South Walnut Street
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PASTORAL MESSAGE:
WOW LEARNS ABOUT
COMPASSION

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Compassion

Compassion. We may hear this word often in worship through our prayers or in conversation regarding different outreach projects we engage with throughout the year. But what does the word, 'Compassion' even mean? We can look toward the Merriam-Webster's Dictionary definition which states, "Compassion is the sympathetic consciousness of other's distress together with a desire to alleviate it." The literal definition, which derives from Latin, means, "to suffer together with." Throughout the bible, we are called to love others who are suffering, thus becoming compassionate. Abraham and Sarah show compassion to wandering guests in need of some shelter and hospitality for the night. Jesus



shows compassion to the sick, oppressed, and forgotten throughout the gospels and then teaches his disciples to do the same. And God invites all of humanity to love people as well as ourselves.

This school year, we are teaching our WOW youth how to be compassionate in our faith and what it means to show compassion toward other people. Our curriculums from "Illustrated Ministries" and "Global Ministries" will assist with this goal, but in addition, we will also be incorporating service projects for our WOW kids to engage in throughout the year. The first of many will be our Church World Service Relief Bucket drive. We are accepting donations of needed cleaning items that will eventually be delivered to a community in the world that has recently suffered

a national catastrophe. Our WOW kids will assemble the donated items into relief buckets on September 28th. If you are wanting to donate, please check out the sign-up list at the bottom of the article or reach out to Pastor Kevin for more details.

WOW Directors, Andrea Venis and Emily McLaughlin-Jenness, are so excited for our amazing youth to learn more about compassion! And I wish to thank you all for already creating the space and environment of this church that is motivated to serve our neighbors all around us; for supporting our amazing youth as they learn why compassion is important in our faith; and for guiding our youth the importance of caring and loving others, just as God and Jesus invites us to throughout our lives.

Blessings,
Pastor Kevin

To sign up to donate for the buckets, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d45a9ab2cabfec34-cwsbucket>



YOUTH news from Rev. Kevin Toth

Follow us on Instagram
@fccyouthcrawfordsville



WOW has officially begun! We had a great time starting the school year off with much fun and fellowship. If you and/or your children are interested in attending WOW, we would love to have you join us!



Sunday Youth Group for Older Youth!

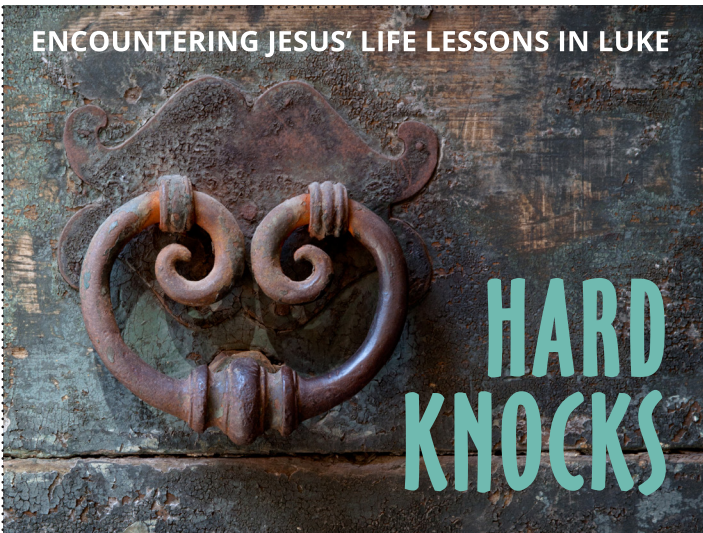
We continue to meet on Sundays at 11:45am-12:45pm. We hope you will join for some relaxed faith discussions and fun with Pastor Kevin!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

Date	Bible Story	Teacher
September 25	Exodus 2:1-10	Kate Lindsay
October 2	Ruth 1:1-19	Sara Nicodemus
October 9	1 Samuel 1:1-28	Diane McLaughlin
October 16	2 Samuel 14:1-21	Kate Lindsay

We love to have your children, ages 4 to 12, join us for fun, fellowship, and great learning!

ENCOUNTERING JESUS' LIFE LESSONS IN LUKE

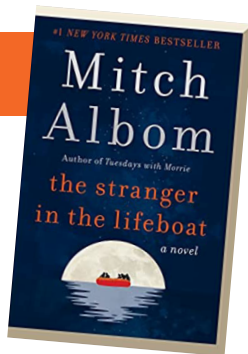


DATE	SCRIPTURE	TITLE & PREACHER
09/25	Luke 12:35-40	With Two Hands Rev. Sarah Reed-Jay
10/02	Luke 14: 7-14	Honor or Disgrace? / World Communion Sunday Rev. Darla Goodrich

FCC BOOK CLUB

Our first meeting was Sept. 6, and we had an excellent turnout and great discussion with Mark Frank about his book.

The book for our next meeting, October 4th, is *The Stranger in the Lifeboat* by Mitch Albom—a quick read that should lead to some good discussion. There is a copy available through the church's library (or the public library). Be sure you sign out books if you borrow them from the church.



Questions? Reach out to Kelly Stanley, kellyostanley@me.com, or call or text 765.366.6709. View the year's lineup of books or print and download the flyer at www.fccville.org/fcc-book-club

UPDATES

Please correct the following phone numbers in your copy of the Directory.
Barbara Frye's cell number is 765-376-3667 and home phone is 765 362 4811.
Howard & Darlene Goodrich's new home number is 765-323-3158. Their cell phone, (314) 520-4324, remains the same.



What is FCC doing in Crawfordsville...? BEANS!

That's right. Green beans, black beans, kidney beans, pork 'n beans, beanie weenies. Weekly donations to the FISH Food Pantry. Most needed: soups, peanut butter (plastic jars, please), and spaghetti sauce. Other options are canned fruits and vegetables, canned tuna, salmon, chicken. Boxes of healthy cereals, pasta, cornbread mix. FISH also needs empty 6 and 12 ct egg cartons.

Beginning on Sunday, October 2nd, please bring a food offering to church. Carry it into the sanctuary with you. Before the children leave for Children's Church, they will circulate through the aisles, collect the food, and place it in front of the communion table. This will be a continuing addition to our Sunday Worship services.

Jesus teaches us to be a caring people, reaching out to others who need a helping hand. Speaking of those who follow his teaching, Jesus said, "I was hungry and you gave me food . . ." Matthew 25:35. Bringing beans to church will be a weekly reminder of the needs of families in Montgomery County and our charge to be a servant church.

~Don Lindsay



We are now in the book of Judges! Send us any questions you may have while reading this bible book @ bibleforthepeople@gmail.com. Be sure to check out all our previous episodes covering the Pentateuch and Joshua!

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

The calendar of events and activities is being emailed near the start of each month—but you can also always find an updated schedule online at fccville.org/events



Dinners for Eight

So many people have expressed a desire to spend more time connecting in community with others, so I'm excited to announce that Nate Tompkins has graciously agreed to help get this going again!

He has prepared a Dinners for Eight survey to help with scheduling dinners on Saturday, October 15th. Everyone who is interested in participating should please respond to the survey by September 28th. (It includes an option to indicate that you're interested in attending sometime but not available on that particular day, so please fill it out either way!)

Complete the survey here:
<https://bit.ly/DinnersForEight> or by using the QR code to go to the link.



FROM THE LIBRARY

The book cart will be closing down soon. I have more books stored in the library that need to find another place to be than have been taken from the cart, which tells me that it is time to stop. So please, no more books. The puzzles will still be available for either yourself or for someone you know.

~Barbara Frye

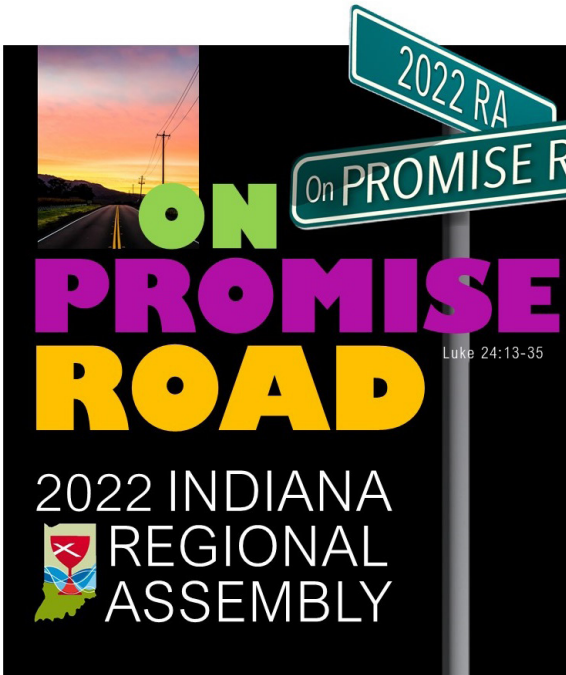
Men's Pool Fellowship

*Oh yes we got trouble, trouble, trouble
With a capital "T"
Gotta rhyme with "P"
And that stands for 'Pandemic' (or 'Pool' ??)
Oh yeah, we got trouble right here in River City.*

First Christian Men's Pool Fellowship has been on hold for nearly 2 ½ years — the pandemic brought its bi-weekly meetings in the church's 'pool hall' to a screeching halt in the early months of 2019, along with the blessings of banter, conversation, competition, and world problem-solving sessions by the men who participated. Sadly the fellowship has lost several of those who originally formed and participated and are looking for those men within the church that would have an interest in playing pool with and learning more about other men of this church. Lack of pool-playing skill does not disqualify.

If you are interested, please let Rex Henthorn (rexh@sbcglobal.net or 362-5557) know of your willingness to join in the fellowship. If you have questions, Rex, Ron Yund, Gerry Coats, Brad Plank, or Rick Stout and many others are willing to share their stories. A schedule of meetings will be published to the 'regulars' and the 'substitutes' mid-October. This schedule will include setting dates for those wanting to participate during the next few months, grouping the 6 'regulars' to meet, greet, and compete on the 2nd and 4th weeks each month through fall, winter and spring.

Oh yes, we got trouble!



2022 Indiana Regional Assembly

Saturday, November 5, 2022

Geist Christian Church | Promise Road Campus

12756 Promise Road, | Fishers, Indiana

Gathering & Exhibits: 9:00 am | Plenary: 10:00 am

Worship Service: 2:30 pm | Assembly will conclude at 4:00 pm

Mark your calendars and register! Come and join Disciples from across the state of Indiana after a two year pandemic to reconnect and celebrate our life together in the Indiana Region! Rev. Darla Goodrich is the Chair of the Regional Assembly Planning Team. The theme for the Assembly will be "On Promise Road." We are delighted that Disciples author and minister **Rev. Sandhya Rani Jha** will be our keynote speaker and **Rev. Janae Pitts-Murdock**, senior pastor at Light of the World Christian Church (Indianapolis) will be our worship preacher. Both speakers will help us unpack the Emmaus text: Luke 24:13-35. The Regional Assembly will be a "hybrid" event, meaning that you may register to attend in person for \$45 (which includes a box lunch), or you can register to attend on-line for \$25. You can register here: https://wmt.suran.com/tool/event_registration_v2/attendees?guid=be1f58b2-a637-11ec-9f8a-a2186f91aabb

The Reconciliation special offering of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will be received on **Sundays, September 25 and October 2**. For more than 40 years, Disciples have had a visible ministry to address racism in society. Gifts to Reconciliation Ministry, through its Offering or throughout the year, support programs, ministries and initiatives aimed at dismantling racism through education, conferences and intentional storytelling and healing conversations. Reconciliation Ministry is not supported by Disciples Mission Fund. You can give online at: <https://reconciliationministry.org/give/#page-part>

We give thanks for your advocacy and support of this special ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)!



Scouts Update

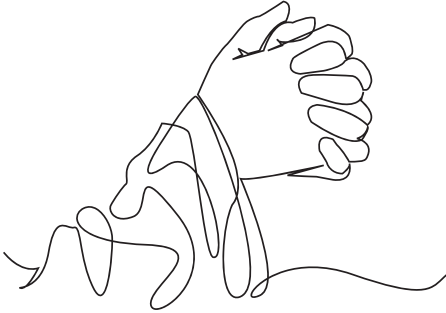
Troops 247/365 had a very successful car show at the Waynetown Fish Fry this past Saturday. The scouts were able to lead the parade as well.

Next: Feast of the Hunter's Moon on Oct 1st-2nd. We will have a food booth serving Voyageur Stew, biscuits & gravy, parched corn and a few other things. We would love to have you stop by if you are planning to attend.

Thank you all for your support.

Our new email address is: troop247.365.acct@gmail.com

prayer concerns



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.

Thank you!

Dear First Christian Church Family: Thank you for all the cards and well wishes after my cochlear implant surgery. After a few rough days, I am back to my normal self. I am excited to begin the next steps towards hearing better.
Sincerely,
Emerie Venis

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.

The family of **ROBERT (BOB) MASON**, who passed away peacefully on Tuesday

Kevin Toth's sister **RACHEL** and brother-in-law **KERRY JACKSON**, on the birth of their baby, **NOAH WYATT JACKSON**, this week

CHRIS MICHAL (Judy's son)—having surgery Thursday

SHARI LOVOLD'S 17-YEAR-OLD GRANDDAUGHTER has been having massive migraines for a week, but they determined that she did have a stroke. She is currently stable but still in need of prayer.

JOHN HUSTED—Unexpected life changes & moving into Whitlock Place

DALLAS AND KAREN MCDONALD—Karen's health has declined leading to her being placed in hospice care and Dallas is being treated for cancer

EMERIE VENIS—recovering from cochlear implant surgery

SANDY RUBY AND FAMILY on the loss of her husband, Russell Ruby

WARREN HARTMAN—recovering from aortic valve replacement surgery

GINA TURNER (Gerry Turner's daughter-in-law)—recovering from heart attack and heart surgery

MAXINE WILLIAMSON—recovering from a stroke

ALLEN GOFF (friend of the Keedys)—cancer

BOB AND BETTYE HUDSON—cancer

JACK WYATT—ongoing health concerns

BEN McCORMICK—ongoing health concerns

DEBBIE (REBECCA LANG'S SISTER)—treatment for lung cancer

SANDY & KEN BROWN—ongoing health concerns

JERRI STEWART—breast cancer

CATHY MOFFETT (Marilyn Moffett's daughter-in-law)—chemo for breast cancer

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

ALEX (and his parents, Beth & Chris, friends of Sarah Jay)—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

GARY MEEK—ongoing health concerns

CHURCH STAFF, MINISTERS, AND LEADERSHIP

Pray for our Shut-ins

Our shut-ins would enjoy visits.

WHITLOCK: **CAROLYN SIMPSON** (#151)

WELLBROOKE: **NANCY ROGERS**

HOME: **DALLAS & KAREN MCDONALD**

ST. ANTHONY'S, LAFAYETTE: **MARILYN MOFFETT**

THE LANE HOUSE: **BETTY CEDARS**

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday 10-1
Wednesday 10-1
Thursday 10-1

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 volunteers or staff will be delighted to "buzz" you in!

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
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
katoth112792@gmail.com

Those who are fully vaccinated and not at risk of severe Covid or influenza are welcome to show their smiles. **Masks are optional for all church activities!**



We encourage those who are not fully vaccinated, who might have been exposed to someone who is ill, or who simply feel more comfortable wearing a mask, to continue to do so. Disposable masks are freely available in the Narthex in both adult and child sizes. Thank you for your continued care and concern for the health of our community!

Need Covid tests? Mark Allen, through his volunteer work with the Health Department, obtained some free Covid test kits for the church. They're simple to do at home—just follow the written instructions. If you need tests to keep at home, stop by the church office during office hours, call 765-362-4812, or email 211fccville@gmail.com and we'll set them aside with your name on them.



Find us on **Facebook (First Christian Church Crawfordsville)** for updates, news, and pictures of all of our happenings along with LIVE worship on Sundays. Also check out our website at www.fccville.org

Vacations

Pastor Darla will be away as follows:

Sept. 20 – 25 Continuing Education
Oct. 17 – 22 Vacation
Nov. 07 – 13 Vacation

Pastor Kevin will be away as follows:

October 3-11 Bethany Fellows Retreat and Vacation



HOW CAN WE HELP?

OFFICE	765.362.4812 (voice mail checked on weekdays). Email: 211fccville@gmail.com
GRIEF AND LOSS	Jai Miranda , Dusk to Dawn Bereavement Services Cell phone: 765.720.2829 (call or text) Email: jmiranda@coachj.com
FINANCIAL QUESTIONS & CONCERNS	Andrew Nicodemus , FCC Financial Administrator 765.362.4812 (leave a message) fccvillefinance@gmail.com
HAND IN HAND CREATIVE LEARNING	Chantel Allen , HHCL Director 765.367.1727 (leave a message) Email: hhcldirector@gmail.com
COMMUNICATIONS (including newsletter)	Kelly Stanley , Communications Administrator Cell phone: 765.366.6709 Email: fcc.comm211@gmail.com
OTHER LEADERS OR MINISTRIES	<i>For a full list of our leaders, go to www.fccville.org/our-lay-leaders</i>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct.



*Parlor is being renovated, so activities normally in the Parlor may be relocated to Fellowship Hall or the chapel. Thanks for being flexible and watching for signs directing you to new location.

Pastor Kevin is on his Bethany Fellows Retreat and vacation from October 3-11.

Pastor Darla is on vacation October 17-22.

- Sun. 10/2 **The Wired Word***—9 am
Worship (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Darla Goodrich—
 10:15 am | *Reconciliation Special Offering; Food offering*
Youth Gathering with Rev. Kevin Toth*—11:45-12:30
- Mon. 10/3 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 10/4 **Cruisers** (Pizza Hut)—11:30 am
FCC Book Club*—6-7:30 pm
- Wed. 10/5 **WOW**—4:30-7 pm
- Thur. 10/6 New Pathfinder newsletter
Men's Coffee*—9-10 am
Creativity Circle*—1-2 pm
- Sun. 10/9 **The Wired Word***—9 am
Worship (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Darla Goodrich—
 10:15 am | *Food offering*
- Mon. 10/10 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 10/11 **Ladies Lunch**—1 pm at Emporium 109, Ladoga. Please send
 reservation to bonyund@hotmail.com. All FCC Gals invited!!
Elders Meeting*—7 pm
- Wed. 10/12 **WOW**—4:30-7 pm
- Thur. 10/13 **Men's Coffee***—9-10 am
Creativity Circle*—1-2 pm
- Fri. 10/14 Second Baptist Church 150th Anniversary Celebration
- Sat. 10/15 Second Baptist Church 150th Anniversary Celebration
Dinners for Eight (details TBA)
- Sun. 10/16 **The Wired Word***—9 am
Worship (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Darla Goodrich—
 10:15 am | *Food offering*
Youth Gathering with Rev. Kevin Toth*—11:45-12:30
- Mon. 10/17 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 10/18 **Euchre***—1:00-2:00 pm
Coordinating Council*—7 pm
Governing Board Meeting*—8 pm
- Wed. 10/19 **PEO***—1-3 pm
- Thurs. 10/20 New Pathfinder newsletter
Men's Coffee*—9-10 am
Creativity Circle*—1-2 pm
- Sun. 10/23 **Comparative Religions DVD and Discussion***—9 am
Worship (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Kevin Toth—
 10:15 am | *Food offering*
Youth Gathering with Rev. Kevin Toth*—11:45-12:30
- Mon. 10/24 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 10/25 **Sabbatical Team Meeting**—6:30 pm
HHCL Board Meeting—7:30 pm
- Wed. 10/26 **WOW**—4:30-7 pm
- Thurs. 10/27 **Men's Coffee***—9-10 am
Creativity Circle*—1-2 pm
- Sun. 10/30 **Comparative Religions DVD and Discussion***—9 am
Worship (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Darla Goodrich—
 10:15 am | *Food offering*
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To add something to the schedule,
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CELEBRATIONS

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Oct. 2 Hannah Scott
 Nora Carlson
- Oct. 4 Jerri Stewart
- Oct. 5 Nina Kyger
- Oct. 10 Marian Cass (89)
- Oct. 12 Andrew Plunkett
- Oct. 16 Gerry Hargrove (81)
 Brad Carlson
- Oct. 17 Rex Henthorn (85)
 Ron Yund (80)
 Jeff Stewart
- Oct. 21 Nora Carlson
- Oct. 22 Carrie Siddons
 Grace Suitors
- Oct. 23 Vic Lindsay
- Oct. 24 Maxine Williamson (85)
- Oct. 25 Jaci Wollenberg
- Oct. 26 Abigail Nunan
 26 Chuck Ranspach
- Oct. 27 Karen McDonald (83)
- Oct. 28 Randall Garrett (88)
- Oct. 29 Ben McCormick

OCT. ANNIVERSARIES

- Oct. 7
 Larry and Mary Ellen Fields
- Oct. 13
 Bob and Bettye Hudson (60 years)
- Oct. 26
 Chuck and Kaylynn Ranspach



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