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4/3 Nemola Stark
4/8 Steve Eckler
4/10 Lucy Gabbert
4/13 Josh Gabbert
4/15 Eli Shewmake
4/15 Zachary Wilcox
4/17 Marlessa Stark
4/17 Shane Breeden
4/17 Greg Catlett
4/18 Haley Harned
4/21 Lea Shewmaker
4/22 Calvin Gabbert
4/28 Emily Cammack
4/30 Steve Lyvers
4/30 Jeff Castleman



4/9/2016 Chris & Meagan Wilcox
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Weekly events

Monday -Rock Steady Boxing 1:00pm
Monday - CCF – 3:30-5:00pm
Wednesday– Rock Steady Boxing - 1:00pm
Wednesday - Handbells - 6:00pm
Wednesday - Chancel Choir - 6:45pm
Thursday- PAL -6:30pm

Monthly events

4/7 Monday - 6:00pm Elders Meeting
4/9 Wednesday - 5:00pm Worship Meeting
4/10 Thursday - 6:00pm Seasonal Meeting
4/21 Monday - 11:30am Decaf
4/21Monday - 5:00pm Stewardship
4/21Monday - 6:00pm Board Meeting



First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

April 2025 Newsletter

WORSHIP

8:30am Service
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Service
Nursery Available

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**Through God's
invitation, we
WELCOME ALL
to worship.
In gathering at the
Table, we share praise
and
thanksgiving,
enhancing our
relationships with God
and one another in
becoming the Body of
Christ.**

*Happy
Easter*

HOLY WEEK

April 13 - is Palm Sunday and we will celebrate with Palm branches at both services and remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem

April 17 - Maundy Thursday worship at 7pm . This will be a service of foot or hand washing, music, scriptures and communion. If you would like to help with this service, please talk with Jackie

April 18 - Good Friday worship at 7pm. This is a Tenebra (service of darkness) worship at 7pm. We will read the scriptures of Jesus 7 last words from the cross and remember his death for us.

April 19 - Easter Saturday - Children's party - Pancake breakfast starting at 9:30 - children and families are welcome to join us with crafts, Easter story and egg hunt to follow. Please bring a basket or something to hold your eggs. (Volunteers to help are needed, plus candy/toys for filling eggs)

April 20 - EASTER SUNDAY - Worship at 8:30 and 10:30 - find the one that best fits your Sunday plans and join us in celebrating the Risen Christ.



Community Good Friday Cross Processional

April 18 starting at 10 am, meeting uptown at the old court house.

FOOD DONATIONS

Food Total for MONTH

Pantry 25

Blessing Box 6



HVAC UNITS

We currently have 13 HVAC units around the church, most of them are 20-30 years old. A few have been replaced or repaired. Currently, four of them are for the sanctuary and two are not working. The Property Team and Board are working with bids to replace the four. The best bid is around \$25,000 for the four units. We are looking at ways to finance this and want to be transparent and have good communication about the work we are doing. If you have questions, please talk with John Harned or Gary Barr for more information.

ROOM IN THE INN

Our winter season for Thursday night meals and hosting has closed in March. We will still offer our church for sleeping and showers on Sunday nights as there are not enough churches to help in the summer months. Thank you to everyone who has helped with Thursday night meals or Friday morning breakfast and snacks. The people who stay in our church have been very appreciative of the hospitality.

A LITTLE NOTE OF THANKS

To Our Church Family,

Thank you all so much for the messages, cards, prayers and love over the last two weeks. Having a church family that loves us like you do means so much.

Much Love and Appreciation

Karen, Greg and Family

ACTIVITY AT THE CHURCH

Are you noticing more activity around the church? There are many good things going on. We host Rock Steady Boxing two afternoons each week, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, PAL and other non profit groups. The Spanish speaking service meets at our church on Saturday nights for worship and Tuesday nights for Bible study. We also have several rental groups for sports teams, parties, showers, dances and more. We have two counseling centers who are also renting space in the church. Please be aware of their need for privacy and if they are in session, do not enter their space. One is in the basement and the other center is using two rooms on either side of the nursery. How wonderful it is to have such a large and welcoming space which we can use to help our community. If you know of someone needing a space to rent for an event, please have them contact Sabrina in the church office. Thank you to John for helping us grow a variety of ministries.



Watch for an announcement about a special Mission/Volunteer opportunity in early April during Spring break

Meeting Sunday afternoons

April 5 - Game day and lunch - 11:45 - 1pm

April 13 - Palm Sunday, filling eggs for the children's party, plus lunch Noon - 2 pm

April 20 - No meeting - EASTER

April; 27 - meeting from noon - 1 pm



Thank you for the generous donation to Project Graduation. The Class of 2025 appreciates your support. With graduation just a few months away we look forward to celebrating a fun night together. Thank You!

Sincerely,

Lucas Mudd,

Senior at Bardstown High School

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

We are gathering at 9:30 am on Sundays, April 6 and 13 to study what it means to be Christians, to live out our faith as we follow Jesus and decide about baptism.

Ronnie Boone (1950-2025)

Memorial Service at First Christian Church (DOC) on Saturday, April 26 at 1 pm

Visitation before the service from 11am - 1pm

Meal at church following the service

SABBATICAL RENEWAL July 7 - October 4, 2025

In July, our church will start a time of sabbatical renewal together. While our pastors will be gone, we as a congregation will also seek renewal in mind, body and spirit. Our society is very driven by an idolatry of work and going until we drop. That is not what God intends for us. Our pastors will take some time to relax and to intentionally focus on renewal. During the sabbatical renewal time, the congregation will work in small groups and as a whole to find ways to renew ourselves individually and as a congregation. Ask yourself and your church friends, "What can we do to help our congregation thrive and what makes our hearts sing?" There will be some fun things and growing times to help us such as hiking, meditation, stewardship of body, mind and spirit. How will you grow individually and as a church?

FUTURE PROJECTS

Besides the HVAC units, there are a number of small and large projects we will be working on in the next year to spruce up the church. We are working with the Boy Scouts and an Eagle project to help with new flooring in the hallway leading to the kitchen. Our back parking lot needs work due to small ponds when it rains and other wear and tear. We will also be installing a small sidewalk leading to the back door of the Round Table Room to help with better privacy for that Counseling Center. We will be getting rid of the shed where we used to take donations of aluminum and tin cans. The Go Center will now accept aluminum and we are directing donations to go to them. If you are interested in buying and moving the shed, please talk with Gary Barr. Do you see some small projects that need to be done? How about a work morning or afternoon to get some more projects done? Would you give a little time to help out? Let's all work together.



Rev. Sarah Renfro

The Keynote speaker at the KY Disciples Women Spring Conference



Several members in Louisville for worship with Nadia Bolz Weber



Communion Shared



Youth provided a meal for Room In the Inn



Fun and Games

