

**First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
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Worship Time: 10:30 am
Adult Sunday School: 9:30 am
Youth & Young Adults 10:30 am

www.firstchristianchurchmansfield.com

Check the website any day to look at the Newsletter, the Mid-Week-Updates, the Church Calendar and so much more

June is my favorite month. It is the end of school, my birthday, the height of baseball season where every team might still win the pennant, vacations, graduations, weddings, and so much more! Here are three dates this month to especially celebrate.

June 19 is Juneteenth, a holiday celebrating freedom. On this date in 1865, the Emancipation Proclamation was announced in Texas, ending slavery in the United States. Juneteenth has been recognized in some way since 1866, and in 2021, it became a federal holiday. Give a shout for freedom for all people.



June 20 is the Summer Solstice marking the beginning of summer. In the northern hemisphere, this is our longest day. Sunrise will be 5:58 am and Sunset will be 9:04 pm for just over 15 hours of daylight. What do you do during the longest day of the year?

June 30 our church will celebrate the 191st anniversary of First Christian Church, Mansfield, Ohio! This is a remarkable milestone for any worshipping community. Plus, through all these years, we have always met somewhere in downtown Mansfield. We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ consistently and effectively through every age. The times may change but the love of God is forever.

June is a month of celebration, freedom, light, and more celebration! Together we move forward experiencing and being God's blessing.

This is the second to the last column that I will be writing as your pastor. It has been an amazing pleasure and privilege to serve our congregation in this office, exercising my vocation as a minister of the gospel. I look forward to the next chapter of my life and your life and all that God has planned for each of us.

Daylight blessings

Pastor Greg

Our Beautiful Pentecost Chancel





Preparing Communion

Please see the new sign up sheet posted to sign up to Prepare Communion each Sunday ~ Grapes and crackers are provided ~ Please see **Dominic Morris** for any questions.



Sarah Group Ladies presented “A Spring Pentecost/ Birthday Bash Lunch”, May 19th after church



COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Our Community Breakfast the 3rd Saturday of each month will be **Saturday, June 15th**

Set up & preparation begins at 7 am
Serving will be from **8:30 to 10:00 am** ~
Clean up to follow by 10:30 am.

Menu for June will be:
Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Sausage Pattie, Biscuits and Sausage Gravy, bowl of Grits and choice of a bowl of cereal plus a glass of orange juice and coffee or hot chocolate



Please sign up and come help at this rewarding ministry.

Hygiene Kits ~ We are collecting Hygiene Kits for Church World Service

Beginning in February you may bring in completed kits or the items listed below:

1 hand towel (measuring 15"x28" or 16"x32") (February)

1 washcloth (March)

1 wide-tooth comb (removed from Package) (April)

- ◆ *Must be Sturdy with at least 6 inches of teeth*
- ◆ *No Pocket Combs or Picks*
- ◆ *Rattail & Combs without handles are acceptable*



1 finger nail or toe nail clipper (removed from Package) (May)

1 Bath size bar of soap in original package (June)

1 toothbrush in original packaging (July)

10 standard size Band-Aids (August)

If you make the kits yourself, **DO NOT add toothpaste.** Seal all items in a one-gallon plastic bag with a zipper closure.

Thank you to the 15 households who shopped at Kroger during Feb 1st through April, 2024 earning us a \$75.79 donation.



DIRECTORY UPDATE:

**Kathy Shambre address correction:
1861 Fleming Falls Road
Mansfield OH 44903**

Sunday, June 2, 2024 Worship Zoom Call In Invite Numbers:

312-626-6799 or 929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 281 630 1855 Passcode: 334189

For those wishing to call in Please know that you can dial either of the phone numbers listed above and when prompted, key in the **Meeting ID** and then again when prompted, key in the **Passcode** and then you will be connected.

You may talk and we will hear you; we just won't be able to see your smiling face(s)!!! We are set that the Phone numbers along with the Meeting ID and Passcode remain the same for each invite.

Those who have email, receive email invites each Thursday via Email ~ If you would like to join via email, send your email address to: Mansfield1stcc1833@gmail.com and you will be added!!!!



In honor of Father's Day, we will be collecting funds for Tools and Seeds for Church World Service. You will have a flier and envelope in your bulletins June 16th and June 23rd. **All Checks for Tools and Seeds donations should be made payable to First Christian Church & indicate Tools/Seeds in your Memo line!!**

The Tools & seeds go very well with the CWS Hygiene Kits!



Disciple Men's Fellowship

We met Tuesday, May 21st. We voted to pay for the Mother's Day flowers as we have done in the past. We will continue to meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Noon for lunch at the Amvets on 4th St. near Trimble Road. We meet for an hour, have lunch, some devotions and lots of conversation. All men are invited to join us.

Garden items planted are: Green Onions, Cucumbers, Zucchini in the long garden bed.

Middle bed will have 6 Green Cabbage, 3 Red Cabbage, 2 Tomato Plants, 1 Sweet Pepper, 2 Green Peppers.

Front bed will have Tomato, Bell Peppers,

Cucumbers, etc.



Also, does any one have a recipe or willing to teach me (Teresa Lupton) how to can or make pickles?

Your Summer Gardener, Teresa

Congratulation, 2024 Graduates

Noelle Morris-Dudgeon graduated from Mt. Vernon Nazarene College, May 4, 2024 with honors & will be a teacher of 2nd graders in the fall.



Channon Cundiff graduated May 26th from Shelby High School & will plan to attend college in Tennessee in the fall on a scholarship.

Stephen Stout (grandson of Jane Stout) graduated Friday, May 24th from Greenwood Christian Academy in Franklin Indiana. He plans to attend Ivy Tech in fall for Culinary & Business.

Calendar Reminders

All Church Activities/Meetings & Worship happening will continue via Zoom or Church Worship in Person in the Sanctuary

Each Worship Service Zoom invite will be mailed in the mid-week or the next month Quest Newsletter for those calling in on the phone lines & emailed on Thursday for those connecting via Computer

Church is open for worshipping Sunday mornings, using the Front Door
Zoom meeting/worship invites will be emailed prior to the meeting

The Elder's will be having a Worship Service at **Wedgewood on Wednesday, June 5th, 2 pm** with music, worship and prayer.
And **The Waterford on Sunday, June 16th, 3 pm**

Chat & Chew Quilt Club

Will meet this month:

Monday, June 10th, 11:00 am to finalize plans for Juneteenth. Bring your money & raffle tickets. Also bring your fabric strip so we can complete our project. It's been a busy year & we have Christmas projects next to complete!!!

Men's Disciple Fellowship!

The Men's Fellowship next meeting will be **Tuesday, June 18th, 12 Noon** at the Amvets on Fourth Street ~ All men are welcome to join us!!!

EUCHRE PLAYERS:

Euchre Card Parties **FRIDAY, June 21st**

See Dominic Morris to sign up to be a Deacon &/or Deaconess to Prepare Communion and the Pass the Offering Trays each Month Sign Up Sheet is posted in the hallway at the Front Door

Sarah Group Sarah Group will meeting on **Tuesday, June 4th, 10:30 am** Our Study Leader will be Karyl Eckenwiler; Bring your Blessing Box monies and Lunch will be at the Amvets on West Fourth Street! We will have announcements, our study, and lots of fellowship!!!!!!

Worship & Music Committee

June 30th will be the birthday of our church (First Christian Church). We will celebrate with cake and ice cream after the service in the lounge. We hope everyone will come back and share the celebration!!!!

June 16th is Father's Day and we will honor all men on that day.

Elder's Meeting

The Elder's will meet **Tuesday, June 4th, 7 pm** via Zoom.

Church Board meeting will be held Wednesday, June 12th., via Zoom, 7 pm



- 1st Barbara "Babs" Troupe
Barbara Kirkpatrick
- 2nd Darren Tuel
- 7th Ervin (Erv) Sweat
- 8th Nancy Grogg
Nina Holmes
- 10th Sally Rogers
- 11th Carrie Dyson-Blanco
- 15th Theresa Hilbert
- 17th Becky Hoffmann
- 28th Barbara "Barb" Rettig
- 29th Pastor Greg Bibler
Channon Cundiff

The Outreach Committee is happy to Wish each of You a very Happy Birthday **and to say "Thank You" for your contribution to the Birthday Fund which helps with the cost of our monthly Community Breakfast. We truly appreciate your support.**

Early July Birthdays:
5th Leslie "Les" Jones
9th Hal Johnson

June Anniversaries

- 06/07 Eric & Megan Reining will celebrate their 16th Anniversary**
- 06/09 Erv & Melanie Sweat will celebrate their 51st Anniversary**
- 06/10 Jim & Jackie Steele will celebrate their 25th Anniversary**
- 06/24 Joe & Stephanie Rice will celebrate their 52nd Anniversary**
- 06/30 Greg & Sally Rogers will celebrate their 46th Anniversary**
- 06/30 First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will celebrate their 191st Birthday Celebration**

June Elders:

- 06/02 Jill Danison
- 06/09 Joe Rice
- 06/16 Stacia Scott (Waterford 3 pm)
- 06/23 Missy Parish
- 06/30 Scott Danison (Wedgewood 2 pm 7/3)

Lay Leaders

- Jane Mellick
- Stana Shogren
- Beth Armstrong
- Jane Mellick
- Sandy Woosley

Greeters:

- June Front Door: Sandy Stout**
- July, 2024 Front Door: Joyce Beam**

From Your Church Secretary, Sandy

Hello June, 2024!!!



- ◇ *Teresa has been busy planting plants and seeds in our garden spaces. Soon we will have lots of good fresh vegetables !!!*
- ◇ *The Search and Call Committee will make an announcement on June 9th as to whom our Interim Minister will be following Pastor Greg's retirement, July 31st!!!*
- ◇ *Remember to check the various Sign Up Sheets posted in the foyer at the front door!!! Lay Leaders for July, Deacon and Deaconess for July !!*
- ◇ *Also, this is the month to bring in Bath Size Soap (In original packaging) for the Hygiene Kits for Church World Service or bring in completed kits!!!*

The **July, 2024 Quest deadline** will be: **Tuesday, June 25th** for Committee meetings, Notices, Photos, Articles, etc ~ Quest will be emailed & mailed **Thursday, June 27th!!!!**

*Always be a first-rate version of yourself,
Instead of a second-rate version of somebody else.*

Judy Garland



April Numbers

			YTD
7th	49	Income: \$	\$ 12,088
14th	55	Expenses: \$	<u>9,221</u>
21st	47	Difference: \$	2,867
28th	<u>59</u>		\$ 14,899

210 (includes visitors & Children)
Via Zoom, Sanctuary attendees
& Facebook Viewers

Sermons & Scriptures– June, 2024

June 2nd	“A Day Off”	Deuteronomy 5:12-15 Mark 2:23—3:6
June 9th	“Family Relations”	1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16:20 Mark 3:31-34
June 16th	“Mighty Oak” Father’s Day	Psalm 92:12-15 Mark 4:26-34
June 23rd	“Turbulence”	2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4:35-41
June 30th	“This is a Good Morning” 191st Anniversary	2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43



Please remember our Prayer Concerns

Frank Daniell is currently at OhioHealth Mansfield with health concerns;

Mike Gibson is also currently at Ohio Health Mansfield **NO VISITORS**;

Christa Storch (daughter-in-law of Sandy Stout) scheduled for Cancer Brain surgery Wednesday, May 29th in Albuquerque NM;

Baby Garrett Egler (friend of Laurie Parish) is now 6 months old & weighs 11 lbs.; however, he is still in the hospital as he has had to have 2 surgeries and went down hill, but has rebounded. Continued Prayers for Baby Garrett and the family;

Remember those who have ongoing health concerns: Darrell Glenn, Theresa Hilbert, Jean McVicar, Nancy Grogg, Carl Weber, Carol McFarland, Lisa Stout, London & Carley Hamilton, Pat Gulley, Bea Nedrow (Jackie Steels Mother) is back at Mansfield Place on Middle-Bellville Road, Jenny Rolf (Stacia Scott’s Niece), JoAnn Barlow, Carolyn Hootman, Joe Schultz, John Rine



Those serving in the Armed Services: Nick Bowman, Army; All current military serving here and/or abroad

Please forward prayer concerns & updates to Pastor Greg &/or Sandy