



First Christian Church

Location: 650 McCallie Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37403

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am-2 pm | Phone: 423.267.4506

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Christian Education for all ages: 9:30 am | Coffee & Conversation: 10:30 am | Worship: 11 am

A CHURCH OF SERVICE, WORKING FOR WHOLENESS IN A BROKEN WORLD.

SERVANTS IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader..... Rona Gary
 Red Book Pickup Debby Demos / Bryce Wynn
 Deacons Coordinator..... Kimberly Wynn
 Ushers..... Hank Bramblet, Shawn Fulgham,
 Kirsten Hyde, Tricia Dyer
 Servers..... Debra Branson, Debby Demos
 Elders at the Table
 Pulpit Side (Prayer of Consecration) Bob Sauser
 Pulpit Side (Pastoral Listener) Jennifer Atchley
 Lectern Side (Prayer of Thanksgiving)... Phil Summerlin
 Lectern Side (Pastoral Listener) Alan Voss
 Scripture..... 1 Samuel 8:4-11
 Proclamation Rev. Brandon
 "Just Like the Other Kids: Wish List"

CONTACT INFORMATION

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

Kids are welcome at the Ashland Terrace The **Cookie Ministry** that supplies dessert to people who eat supper at the Community Kitchen on Fridays always needs bakers to supply cookies. See the sign up sheet on the table outside the Sanctuary. Cookies need to be brought to the church by Friday morning. **Coordinate with Lorraine Hipp or call the church office at 267-4506 for info.**

Christian Church **Vacation Bible School** **scheduled for July 11-15.** Contact the church office for more information at 267-4506.

July 15: **FCC Communications committee meeting** follows worship in the conference room.

Special Sunday School Event: Brandon booked one of his students, Matthew Groves, from his Vanderbilt Field Ed Cohort to teach a Sunday School class on "Science and Faith" on July 22. Read more about him here: <https://www.npr.org/2018/04/29/592590119/in-this-bible-study-science-and-faith-dont-have-to-compete>



Skip Brannen; Janice Hayes (friend of Beth Harris); Jim & Barbara Northcut; Caroline Moore; Catherine Shuttlers; Mary & Jack Barker; Dennis Daniel (Uncle of Angie Cass); Missy McKenna; Amanda Mealer-McArtor & Sophie McArtor; Steven Lyle; Francis Nevels; Cheryl Bingham; Bill Allen; Dave Fleury; Mai "Mike" Nary; Angelita Sedigo; Shawn Baldwin; Scottie, Jake & Jack Summerlin; Dewayne & Sue Renfro; Lyndsay Wells (Bill Allen's Step-Sister); Rona Gary; Chuck Martin; Mary Gifford (Mary Davis' sister-in-law); Paul Shoun; Gary Wilkes; Jill McPhail DeVore (Kate Gilliland's mother); Erick Griggs; Daniel Tomanelli; Gary Goforth; Nick Dobbs; Howard VanZant; Judy Fitzgerald; Edward Everett (Gayle Mingleddorf's cousin) John Black (Barbara Voss's brother); Leroy Lewis (Bob Lewis' brother).

Contact the church office to add or remove someone on the prayer list, 267-4506.

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP @ BETHANY HILLS

July 1-7: Eighters (completed grades) 8

Directors: Rev. Hope Hodnett & Kalie Rhodes

July 8-12: Junior (completed grades) 4-5

Directors: Megan Stanford & Elizabeth Brown

July 15-20: Chi Rho (completed grades) 6-7

Directors: Nicole Martin & Virginia Beasley

July 16-20: Adventure (completed grades 9-12)

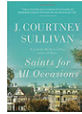
Rev. Dee Wells & Rev. Jonathan Hyde

Scholarships available, see Brandon or Jonathan!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, June 10

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Covenant Group 6
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice; Sanctuary
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm Congregational Meeting follows Worship
Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 6
- 4:00 pm Literary Krewe meets at Starbucks on Gunbarrel. We will discuss *Saints for All Occasions* by J. Courtney Sullivan. Everyone is welcome. Buy the book, read it, and let's talk. Contact: Betty Floyd.



Monday, June 11

- 10:30 am CWF Monday Circle; Fellowship Hall; *Please bring your lunch today*
- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting; Conference Room
- 5:30 pm Elders Meeting; Conference Room
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, June 12

- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 13

- 10:00 am Turning the Pages Support Group; Faith Collective Room

Thursday, June 14

- 7:00 am Men's Group; Bluegrass Grill

Friday, June 15

- 10:30 am Community Kitchen Volunteering
- 3:00 pm Community Kitchen Volunteering
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Saturday, June 16

No Scheduled Activities

Sunday, June 17

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Covenant Group 6
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice; Sanctuary
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 6

FROM THE TABLE

A friend of mine, a scholar of the early church founders, recently shared this quote:

"When someone steals another's clothes, we call them a thief. Should we not give the same name to one who could clothe the naked and does not? The bread in your cupboard belongs to the hungry; the coat unused in your closet belongs to the one who needs it; the shoes rotting in your closet belong to the one who has no shoes; the money which you hoard up belongs to the poor."

–Basil the Great, bishop of Caesarea Mazaca in Cappadocia, Asia Minor

It got me to thinking. Although the early church had, according to Acts, pooled their resources to share with one another as there was need, our history has shown us that doing so is not an easy thing to maintain. We lose trust in one another. We desire everything from the things our resources can provide to our control over them, and as Basil the Great seems to remind us, we struggle with what is at the heart of the spiritual act of giving—do I do what I think is responsible—plan for my own family's future, save for my retirement, insure my own security? Or do I participate in "a world turned upside down" (Acts 17), and as Bishop Basil seems to be suggesting, live not out of sense of benevolence to those who do not have what I have, but re-assess my very sense of fairness and ownership.

My uneaten bread.
Perhaps that's easy.



My untouched 401K?
Not so much.

The wisdom of our forbears of the faith is not always easy to accept. Shoot, it's hard to call it wisdom, and easy to dismiss as hyperbole.

But the next time you look through your pantry or closet, I hope you pause for at least a second to consider who your abundance belongs to.

I certainly will.

*Grateful to be in ministry with you,
Rev. B.*

On June 10th, we will hold a congregational meeting to vote on our new governance structure. In preparation for that meeting, I invite you to review several documents, available by clicking https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_CBEQPBeG8RmPT_vpPAIVBjjvOueLa5

The file you'll be able to access includes the following documents:

1. A Proposed Amended Constitution
2. A Proposed Amended Set of ByLaws
3. A Proposed Amended Permanent Fund Policy
4. Summaries of Each of these proposals, including explanatory charts.

Please take some time to review these documents before the June 10 meeting. Please print them out or download them to your mobile device if you wish to have a copy during the meeting. There will be a few copies available for people without access to email, but in order for us to be better stewards of our resources and the environment, there will be no printed copies available on the 10th.

Please be in contact with Bob Gary, Larry Kirby or me should you have any questions.

Happy reading, friends!

Peace, Rev. Brandon

A Very Happy Birthday to...



JUNE

- 10 Tanya Fleury, Fran Petree
- 12 Brooks McKenna
- 13 Nathan Fletcher, Kate Wallace
- 14 Bill Allen
- 18 Kirsten Hyde
- 19 John Holcombe, Konnie Smithers
- 20 Scot Crosslin, Judy Duncan,
Bitse Griggs
- 22 Tony Adkins
- 23 Lillian Fulgham
- 24 Peggy Brannen, Lesley Morgan
- 28 Moggie Henry, Barbara
Northcut
- 29 Bell King, John Hewitt King,
Alice Pearce



Congratulations to Abi Adkins, Lookout Valley High School class of 2018, who will attend UTC this fall majoring in Art Education.



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