

November 18, 2018



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.....Kirsten Hyde
 Red Book Pickup Emily Auten / Peggy Brannen
 Deacons Coordinator.....Darby Standefer
 Ushers..... Emily Auten, Angie Cass,
 David Cass, Kate Wallace
 ServersTricia Dyer, Gail Rich
 Elders at the Table
 Pulpit Side (Prayer of Consecration) Don Reynolds
 Pulpit Side (Pastoral Listener) Barbara Voss
 Lectern Side (Prayer of Thanksgiving).....Jean Blackburn
 Lectern Side (Pastoral Listener)Jennifer Atchley
 Scripture.....TBA
 ProclamationCatherine DeMoss

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Special Dates to Remember

Chattanooga Public Library:

Nov. 17 - Chattanooga Moms Demand Action, 3-5 pm. Join Chattanooga Moms to learn more about talking to friends and family about gun safety during the holidays.



Nov. 18 - From 3-5 pm at Pilgrim Congregational Church - United Church of Christ, 400 Glenwood Dr, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37404



The fourth-quarter meeting of the First Christian Church Board of Directors will be **Sunday, Dec. 9, 2018**, as soon as possible after the conclusion of that morning's worship service. Please make every attempt to make this meeting, as the 2019 budget proposal is due to come before the board.



Scot Crosslin's mother; Chuck Martin; Abi Atkins; Bert Blackburn (sister of Bea Lyons); Bryce Wynn; Dick Sharpe; Jim Henry; Dave Fleury; Journey Manis (Barbara Kirby's daughter-in-law's niece); Bill Dowell; Doug Ford; Jack Barker; Janice Hayes (friend of Beth Harris); Jim & Barbara Northcut; Catherine Shuttters; Dennis Daniel (Uncle of Angie Cass); Missy McKenna; Amanda Mealer-McArtor & Sophie McArtor; Steven Lyle; Cheryl Bingham; Bill Allen; Mai "Mike" Nary; Angelita Sedigo; Shawn Baldwin; Dewayne & Sue Renfro; Lyndsay Wells (Bill Allen's Step-Sister); Rona Gary; Mary Gifford (Mary Davis' sister-in-law); Paul Shoun; Gary Wilkes; Jill McPhail DeVore (Kate Gilliland's mother); Erick Griggs; Daniel Tomanelli; Gary Goforth; Howard VanZant; Judy Fitzgerald; Edward Everett (Gayle Mingleldorff'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.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, November 18

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Cov. Group 5 (Standefer)
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
Soles4Souls Shoe Donation in the Parlor
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 5

Monday, November 19

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting; Conference Room
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, November 20

- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 pm House Worship in the Hub

Wednesday, November 21

No Activities Scheduled

Thursday, November 22

Church Office Closed



Friday, November 23

- 3:00 pm Community Kitchen Volu
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Saturday, November 24

No Activities Scheduled

Sunday, November 25

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Cov. Group 5 (Standefer)
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary
State of the Congregation Address
- 12:00 pm Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 5
- 12:30 pm Sanctuary Decorating - all may help!



California Wildfires

If you'd like to help support efforts to respond to the wildfires impacting Northern California, consider donating to Week of Compassion, the Disciples Disaster Response and

Sustainable Development fund.

Feel free to send a check to the church with "Week of Compassion-Wildfire" in the subject line. You can also give to WoC directly. Information for doing so is at www.weekofcompassion.org.

In Exum Gallery at St. Paul's Episcopal Church:

Thru Nov. 25 - Mtn. Arts Guild features Moggie Henry & Barbara Voss. Opening Nov. 30 - Artist's reception, 5-7 pm, features Julie Turner. Show runs thru Jan. 17

FROM THE TABLE

Odds and Ends:

It's good to be back in the States, and it's great to be back in Chattanooga!

I'm so grateful for all of the work that our staff, officers, and volunteers did while I was on vacation. As all of you know, it takes a lot of care, energy, and attention to detail to keep a church going, and it's worth celebrating the contributions of so many of you. Whether I'm in the office or on vacation, please know that your faithful contributions to the ministry we do as a congregation do not go unnoticed! Thank you for being the Body of Christ.



This Sunday, we welcome Catherine DeMoss, our intern from Vanderbilt Divinity School, back to the pulpit! Catherine will be finishing her internship with us in December, so this will be your last time to hear her preach in this capacity. Make sure you don't miss out the good word she has to share with us.

We're just a few weeks out from the completion of our stewardship campaign, and I am also quite grateful for the generosity of this congregation! We've received 58 pledges for \$286,510.00, which is about 66% of what we will need for next year. If you haven't had an opportunity to make a pledge, you are welcome to do so any time. Pledge cards are available on Sundays or can be picked up in the office during the week. Thanks, in advance, for all you do to support the ministry of First Christian Church.

Finally, on November 25th, in lieu of a sermon, I'll be sharing some continued thoughts on my hopes for First Christian Church in a State of the Congregation Address. Though you'll be full of turkey and dressing, I hope you'll join us for the address, entitled, "Gargoyles Under Repair," as it is part of our shared visioning for the future of First Christian Church.

I am, as always, grateful for you all. I'm glad to be in ministry with you.

Rev. Brandon



The slate of 2019 candidates was elected by the congregation on Sunday, Nov. 11. Congratulations to President-elect Jan Webster, Vice President-elect Katie Wylie, Treasurer Alan Voss, Assistant Treasurer-elect Marcus Raifee, Secretary-elect Angie Cass, Assistant secretary-elect Kyle Cutsinger, Elders-elect Hank Bramblet, Alan Cates, Betty Floyd, Bea Lyons, Connie Smithson and Lonna Williams; Deacons-elect Zack Atchley, Sherry Baldwin, Tina Chadwick, Judy Duncan, Vicki Hill, Patti Obert, Jill Raifee, Susan Spurgeon and Bill Spurgeon; and at-large Board of Directors-elect Betty Floyd and Tom Henderson.

Thanks to each of you for volunteering to serve your church home and family.

Bob Gary, President



CWF ladies Nancy Dobbs, Debby Demos, Judy Duncan, Tina Chadwick, Carolyn Hickerson, Sandy Reynolds, Mary Davis & Bea Lyons filled stockings for senior ladies for the Salvation Army during their meeting on Nov. 12.

A Very Happy Birthday to...



NOVEMBER

- 17 Erick Griggs
- 18 Gigi Bluford
- 19 Monica DeFriese, Jim Fletcher
- 24 Renée King
- 26 Will Wandell
- 27 Jaxson Hyde, Bill Obert
- 28 Evans Jarnefeldt
- 29 Otis Flynn
- 30 Elizabeth Hamilton

DECEMBER

- 2 Scott Fulgham
- 4 Linda Hershey, Sharon Narey
- 6 Howard VanZant
- 7 Jean Blackburn
- 8 Carl Standefer
- 11 Rosemary Standefer



Advent Celebration Dates

The season of Advent is close at hand and FCC has scheduled its calendar of events:

- Nov. 25 Help decorate the Sanctuary after worship
- Dec. 2 Moravian Love Feast at 6 pm, preceded by the UTK Trombone Choir at 5:30 pm
- Dec. 9 Annual Children's Nativity Play during worship
- Dec. 16 Christmas Cantata; Lessons & Carols during worship
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Services, 5 pm and 9 pm



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