



THE SOMERSET CHRISTIAN

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POINTS OF INTEREST

Message from Doug
Announcements/Events
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July Calendar
Building Fund Report

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School

6/14—95

6/21—91

Worship

6/14—201

6/21—217

OFFERING

WORSHIP

June 14th \$4,651.00

June 21st 4,082.00

Worship Total — \$8,733.00

DESIGNATED

Family Night \$ 53.00

Missions 60.00

Prayer Garden Bricks 150.00

Doug Couch 475.00

VBS T-shirt 300.00

Youth Camp 5,000.00

Cane Ridge 400.00

Wedding Deposit 100.00

VBS—St Patrick's 300.00

VBS Supplies 18.00

Youth Program 1,000.00

Total Designated — \$7,856.00

(Monthly Financial Report available
at the church during office hours.)

While some churches may deal with what they claim are the "inevitable" drops in attendance, activities, and spiritual emphasis during the summer months, perhaps God is saying something differently to us here at First Christian. Sunday's service was exhibit number one. What a special blessing God provided! There is a special sense of expectation on the part of our church. People are coming to worship anticipating a word from God, a movement of His Spirit, and God is not disappointing. I am so thankful for Jim Ashbrook and our worship team. I am so grateful for your prayers and support, and to allow me to come share with you during a difficult time in the life of your church with Pastor Joe's illness.

During the coming weeks, your worship team is planning services that will glorify God and move us even closer toward Him. I have seen some of the work Jim has prepared for our July 5th Patriotic service. You will be awestruck and inspired.

On July 12, we will devote a good portion of our 10:45 service to allow testimonies and reporting from our Slidell, LA mission team. PLEASE plan on being present that Sunday to support your fellow members as they share of God's work in and through them in Louisiana.

Our sermon theme for July will be "How to..." and will be geared toward offering practical Biblical help on areas of spiritual life we all can relate to.

God does not disappoint. He fulfills His promises. Take Him at His Word.

Sermons and Scripture for July

July 5: "How to Love A Country" — 2 Chronicles 7:14

July 12: "How to Have Meaningful Church Membership"

Philippians 1:3-11

July 19: "How to Move Forward" — Philippians 3:12-16

July 26: "How NOT to Worry" — Philippians 4:6-7

Blessings,
Doug

Thank you

Thank all of you for the cards, visits, flowers and prayers during my recent hospital stay and illness. God answered the prayers and I am on the mend.

I treasure each of your friendship.

There is not a more caring church than First Christian and I am glad to be a part of it.

In Christian Love,

Margaret White

Office closed

The church office will be closed on Friday, July 3rd for the July 4th holiday.

parenting Class

Our next Parenting Class will be Friday, July 10th @ 7:00 PM. Please join us as Doug Couch leads our study on —"Parenting--The Early Years" by Drs. Les and Leslie Parrot.

Disciples Women's Ministry

'Brown Bag' lunch

Our next Disciples Women's Mission 'Brown Bag' lunch will be @ NOON on Saturday, July 11th.

We would like to invite all women in the church to join us for a time of fun and fellowship.

Disciples Women's Ministry

Greeting card Project

We have extended our *Greeting Card Project* through July. Thanks to all of you who have been participating! We have had a lot of cards donated so far.

Disciples Women's Ministries will be collecting these to send to St. Jude, and they will recycle them. These can be old / new cards of any kind: birthday, Christmas, thank you, etc. We just need the front part of these cards.

We have a box in the Fellowship Hall that you can drop your cards in.

Board Meeting



We would like to extend our heartfelt prayers and sympathy to the Barnett Family due to the recent passing of Eugene Barnett's brother

Bill Barnett

The next Board Meeting will be on Monday, July 20th @ 7:00 PM in the Community Room.

First Christian Church

Annual Fish Fry

The First Christian Church's annual Fish Fry will be on *Saturday, July 18th*.

We will be serving fish from 5:30 PM—7:00 PM.

The cost is:

\$7.00 for adults

\$3.50 for children 10 and under

The menu:

Fish

French Fries

Hush Puppies

Coleslaw

Desserts

(Hot Dogs with chips or fries

will be available for children)

Advance tickets will be sold so we can get a better idea of how many people to prepare for.


Tickets should be purchased by Monday, July 13th.

You can purchase your tickets from *Diana Buis* or *Emma Lois Hutcheson* after church on Sundays or on Wednesday evening. Tickets will also be on sale in the church office during regular office hours.

We hope you make plans now to join us!

Membership Committee

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES—MEETINGS

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| <u>Every Tuesday</u> | 6:30 PM | Music Practice | Church Sanctuary |
| July 3rd | <i>Office Closed today</i> | | |
| July 4th |  | | |
| July 10th | 7:00 PM | Parenting Class | Fellowship Hall |
| July 11th | NOON | DWM 'Brown Bag' Lunch | Fellowship Hall |
| | <i>Conspiracy of Kindness</i> | | |
| July 12th | 2:00 PM | Membership Committee Meeting | Fellowship Hall\ |
| | <i>God's Food Pantry</i> | | |
| July 13th—19th | — <i>Ralph Arms, church custodian, will be on vacation</i> — | | |
| July 18th | First Christian Church Annual <i>Fish Fry</i> | | |
| July 20th | 7:00 PM | July Board Meeting | Community Room |
| July 20th—24th | — <i>Linda Keeney, church secretary, will be on vacation</i> — | | |
| July 25th | <i>Conspiracy of Kindness</i> | | |
| July 26th | 5:00 PM | Youth Committee Meeting | |
| | <i>Bassinet Sunday</i> | | |
| July 27th | 4:00 PM | Lake Cumberland Weavers | Fellowship Hall |
| | 7:00 PM | Outreach Meeting | |

July 8th & 22nd Family Night Meal will be POTLUCK



Hospital:

Margie Whitaker (Tan Bark/Lexington)
Virgie Fuller (LCRH)

Members:

Joelyn Prather Bill Campbell, Doug Couch's father, Margaret White, Ron Ford, Carol Norton, Jean Barnett, Joe Altman, Nancy Phillips, Alex Hunley, Christine Hughes, Charles Meece, Linda Ford, Hazel Spears, Sharon Walker, Loretta Canada, Charlie Bell, Faye Lawson, Virginia Murrell, Karen Jackson, Mona Mitchell, Vida 'Pudd' Hudson

Friends:

Cliff Childers, Chuck Shirley (*Cynthia Mullin's brother*), Raymond Hardwick, Gary Hundley, Rick Smith (*friend of the Altman's*), Jane Marquiss (*Doris Fite's cousin*), Joyce Buis, Leona McBeath (*Emma Hutcheson's sister*), Charles Farris, Jeanne Speckhals, Tom Crockett, Jean McCowan, Louise Conley, Bobby Gould, Doug Lee, Sylvia Rice, Bob Silvers, Ada Sue Diamond, Jamie & Tracy Flowers, Jennifer Morgan, Mark Sype, Mike Clark, Eric Conrad, Ada Bordes, Bill Kincaid, Frank Hughes Jr., Phyllis Lamkin, Sylvia Gibson, Hubert Hall, Robert Beane, Clarence Girdler, Blane Bardin, Sue Stevens

* Please keep the office updated on these and any other prayer needs. *

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| | Office Hours (Monday-Friday) 8:30am—4:30pm* | ✕ Office Volunteers: Betty Godby Margie Whitaker & Beth Duncan |
| | *Closed for lunch—12:00pm-1:00pm | |

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