

## Manners Matter Registration Closes Today

Manners Matter is an etiquette program for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders taught by the fun and energetic Dee King. During this program students will learn simple etiquette like handshakes, introductions, small talk, table manners, and social media etiquette.

Manners Matter will take place on Thursday evenings beginning January 12 and concluding on February 16 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Cost is \$100 per student. **Registration deadline is January 4<sup>th</sup>**, and you will find the online registration on the First Christian Church website.



## Participate in a Ministry of the Church in 2023!

You make a difference! The gifts you bring, combined with the power of Christ at work within us, enable First Christian Church to accomplish more than we can ask or image (Ephesians 3:20). Therefore, each member of the congregation is encouraged to participate in one or more of the ministries that further the church's mission, both on our front doorsteps and to the ends of the earth.

No prior experience is required. All that is needed is a passionate willingness to further the ministry of the church. Indicate where you would like to serve by checking the box beside one or more of the ministries below.

- ( ) **COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY** –  
- Cindy Hernandez, Chair
- ( ) **EVANGELISM** – Chris Showalter, Chair
- ( ) **FAITH FORMATION** – Ashley Burross, Chair
- ( ) **MEMBERSHIP & FELLOWSHIP** –  
- Susan Buckley, Chair
- ( ) **PROPERTY** – Rick Appling, Chair
- ( ) **STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE**  
- Jerry Johnson & Eddie Tucker, Co-Chairs
- ( ) **WORLD OUTREACH & COMMUNITY SERVICE**  
- Kim Ballard, Chair
- ( ) **WORSHIP & FINE ARTS** – Teresa Archambo, Chair

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

(Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

(Work) \_\_\_\_\_

If you plan to stay on the same Ministry as you served on in 2022, please still fill out this form and return it so that we may also confirm phone numbers and email addresses, otherwise you may be removed from the 2023 Ministry listing. **THANK YOU!!!**

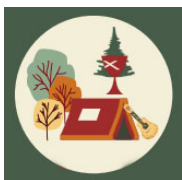
**Don't forget...Church Board Members are expected to serve on a Ministry.**

## Register Now To



Kick off the new year with style - perhaps by putting on a hairnet and joining in the packing of over 20,000 meals for some of the world's most vulnerable. This Saturday, January 7, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, we will be hosting a Rise Against Hunger meal packing experience, and the whole family is invited. There are jobs for people of all ages and abilities, including jobs for those who need/prefer to sit.

Sign up now by going to [firstchristianwf.com/rah](http://firstchristianwf.com/rah).



## Mark your Calendars for 2023 Summer Camps

Summer will be here before you know it and now is the time to block off your calendar for summer camps at Disciples Crossing.

DC Family Camp	May 26-28
DC Grand Camp	June 2-4
DC Youth Camp (6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade)	June 19-24
Imago Dei (6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> grade)	June 25 - July 1
DC Kids Camp 1 (1 <sup>st</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade)	June 26-30
DC Kids Camp 2 (1 <sup>st</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade)	July 31 - August 4

Registration for summer camps open on February 19, 2023. Learn more at [firstchristianwf.com/summercamps](http://firstchristianwf.com/summercamps).

# Make Your Mark

Dr. Mark R. Bender  
Senior Minister



## Making 2023 Successful

Last week, on the week between Christmas and New Year's Day, I sat down one morning and read a book cover-to-cover. The book was John Maxwell's, *3 Things Successful People Do*. This book had been on my shelf for a few years, but with the "flipping-to-a-new-year-on-the-calendar" imminent, I thought this might be a timely read.

While I hate to give away the whole book, here were the three things Maxwell said successful people do:

1. Know your purpose in life
2. Grow to your maximum potential
3. Sow seeds that benefit others

To know your purpose, Maxwell provided exercises for reflecting on your past experiences, your present circumstances and gifts, and your future desires. To grow to your maximum potential, Maxwell talked about being teachable, a continual learner, and one focused on self-development. He also advised having a plan for growth so that maximizing potential wasn't just a wish. And, finally, to sow seeds that benefit others, Maxwell suggested that successful people see and seize opportunities to influence others and add value to their lives.

But Maxwell also offered a caution. He noted that the majority of people equate success with some sort of achievement or the attainment of some goal (wealth, power, title, etc.). Instead, Maxwell suggested that success is not a destination, but a journey. He wrote:

*No matter how long you live or what you decide to do in life, you will never exhaust your capacity to grow toward your potential or run out of opportunities to help others. When you see success as a journey, you'll never have the problem of trying to "arrive" at an elusive final destination. And you'll never find yourself in a position where you have accomplished some final goal, only to discover that you're still unfulfilled and searching for something else to do.*

I think Maxwell is right. But what struck me when I read this last week was how true these principles were for us as a church and for us as individual disciples (followers) of Christ.

As a church (and as the individuals who compose the church), our purpose is clear. It was given to us by Jesus. We are to *love God with all our heart, soul, and mind, and to love our neighbor as ourselves* (Matthew 22:34-40). And, we are to *make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything Jesus commanded* (Matthew 28:16-20). These purpose statements, known as the Great Commandment and the Great Commission, are non-negotiable. These are mandates Jesus gave to us and to the church. This is the purpose we've been called to realize at First Christian Church...just as it is the purpose for our neighbors at First Presbyterian Church, University United Methodist Church, City Hope, and any other Christian church in Wichita Falls.

But as a congregation, we've clarified just how that purpose is uniquely lived out through First Christian Church. It's reflected in our mission of *shepherding every person to encounter the abundant peace of Christ*. Shepherding is a way of expressing our love for neighbor, helping them (and us) grow in our discipleship, and to know the peace that

comes with loving God above all else (with all our heart, soul, and mind). This unique mission was identified by reflecting on our past experiences as a church, by considering our present circumstances, gifts, and passions, and by prayerfully considering where God wanted us to go in the future.

As a congregation, we have also identified a plan for how to grow to our maximum potential as disciples of Jesus Christ. We call them our *Life Measures* - five questions that prompt us to consider how we live out that mission (purpose):

- Am I **growing** my faith through daily spiritual practices?
- Am I **strengthening** my faith through weekly church involvement?
- Am I **modeling** my faith through joyful service and generosity?
- Am I **sharing** my faith through intentional investment in others?
- Am I **living** my faith through the consistent pursuit of peace?

When we spend time each day doing things like reading the Bible, praying, and journaling, when we participate in worship and community each week, when we regularly give of our time and resources to others, when we give of ourselves to others, and when we seek to make Christ the center of each moment of our lives, we are demonstrating that our faith matters. Intentionally choosing to grow our capacity in these five areas helps us know the fulfillment that comes from making Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Maxwell's third thing that successful people do is also true for successful churches and growing disciples: sowing seeds that benefit others. It's reflected in the fourth life measure - an intentional investment in others. The Christian faith is not something lived in isolation, but in community. And, Hebrews 10 that tells us that one of the things that happens in the community of the faithful is that we "stir-up" or "prod" one another "to love and good works" (10:24). Together, we respond to the cries of human hurt and hope in the world around us by doing things that benefit others. We "sow seeds" when we volunteer with those who are in the early stages of faith formation - our children, youth, and college students. We "sow seeds" when we serve in the church's shepherding ministry, intentionally ensuring there is connection and community with each person in our congregation. We "sow seeds" when we lead a Bible Study, volunteer at VBS, or serve within the church. And we "sow seeds" when we serve others outside the church through things like Rise Against Hunger, mission trips, volunteering at Interfaith Outreach, welcoming International Students at MSU, and more. These are ways we can touch the lives of others in response to the way we've been impacted by Jesus Christ.

So, as a new year unfolds in front of us, let's give time and energy and passion to carrying out the mission that's been given to us. Let's maximize our potential as a congregation by growing as individual disciples. And let's impact others by intentionally investing in them. And when you and I do this, we will see the success that comes with being on-mission with God.



Mark

# FCC MINISTRY NEWS AND CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

The **Challenger** is biweekly, with the next publication on Jan. 18! FCC Ministry News is sent by email every Tuesday.

**New Testament in a Year:** Our final gathering to discuss the makeup of the New Testament and what we've been reading will take place this Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm, in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom.

**Men's Breakfast & Bible Study!** Bring a friend and attend the FCC Men's Breakfast & Bible Study on Friday morning, January 13<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00-8:00 am, at the Hwy Café, 2808 Jacksboro Hwy.

**Christian Women's Fellowship**  
**Group 1** will meet on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm at Cindy Collins' home, 4821 Dickens. **Group 2** will meet on Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 noon in Room 405.

**College Bible Study – Thursday Evenings:** Join Brooke and fellow students on Thursday evenings for fellowship and Bible Study beginning Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, in our new college classroom, Room 305, at 6:00 pm. For more information follow the **FCC Wichita Falls College Ministry** on Instagram (@fccwf\_college).

**Pantry Sunday for Interfaith Outreach Services:** The **January** items are canned fruit and canned meat (Vienna sausage, spam, chili, tuna, but NO chicken, please).

**Interfaith is in need of regular size paper grocery sacks.** If you have any to spare, please drop them off in the large box on the porch by the Chapel entrance.

You can continue to help keep the pantry shelves filled by: Donating the monthly items or any type of food items directly anytime into the large box on the porch by the Chapel entrance. To support Interfaith with a financial gift, you may mail your donation to Interfaith (1101 11<sup>th</sup> St., Wichita Falls, TX 76301), or donate on their website.

## Member News:

♥**Hospitalized:** at Advanced Rehab is Harvey "Bud" Love; at Senior Care Rehab is Patt Giddings. Released and back home are Sutton Durham, Vince Machado, and Abby Smith.

♥Our sympathies are extended to Karen Watson & Family on learning of the death of her mother, Lita Watson, on December 20<sup>th</sup>. Services will be Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

♥Our condolences are extended to Ann Kable & Family on learning of the death of her mother, Carol Allred, on December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

♥We extend our sympathies to Jennifer Tucker Rodgers, Eddie Tucker and Sherry Tucker & Families on learning of the death of Jennifer's husband and Eddie & Sherry's son-in-law, Christopher Rodgers, on December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

♥We extend our condolences to Dwight Ross III & Family on learning of the death of his aunt, Susan Ross Black, on December 26<sup>th</sup>.

♥Congratulations to Sara & Lance Harland on the birth of their son, Jack Overton Harland, on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Proud grandparents are Jane & Randy Long and great-grandmothers, Sara Anderson & Donna Long.

Sundays at  
8:40 am | Chapel  
10:45 am | Sanctuary



Wednesdays at  
*The Neighborhood*  
6:00 pm | Fellowship Hall

## 2023 Stewardship Update

Already, numerous families have resolved to support our church in 2023, captured by the opportunity to give in response to a God who has richly blessed us, and by the desire to fuel the momentum God is enabling. To date, we have received 109 estimates-of-giving for the 2023 general budget totaling \$794,801.00.

There is much excitement for what lies ahead for 2023! If you'd like to be part of that, we hope you will consider by contributing though your time, talent, treasure and legacy.

## Young Ages Preschool

Young Ages Preschool continues enrolling students for our Young 3's class. This class is specifically designed for those children who turned three years old between September 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>. If you know of anyone looking for a morning preschool program for their 3 year old in a loving, Christian environment, please tell them about our school. The first day of class is January 5, 2023. For more information, please contact Alisa Gardner at 692-3640 or [youngageschool@yahoo.com](mailto:youngageschool@yahoo.com).

## January Scripture Readings

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|----|------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1  | Ecclesiastes 3:1-11    | 17 | Luke 24:13-35        |
| 2  | Psalms 34:1-7          | 18 | Psalms 145:9-20      |
| 3  | 1 John 3:11-16         | 19 | Matthew 23:1-12      |
| 4  | James 2:14-26          | 20 | Luke 18:15=17        |
| 5  | Exodus 34:28-32        | 21 | Psalms 18:25-36      |
| 6  | 1 Kings 19:11-18       | 22 | Mark 2:1-5           |
| 7  | 1 Corinthians 12;12-26 | 23 | 1 John 5:1-5         |
| 8  | Romans 5:1-5           | 24 | Deuteronomy 17:14-20 |
| 9  | Joshua 1:3-9           | 25 | 2 Corinthians 5:1-7  |
| 10 | Leviticus 19:1-15      | 26 | Matthew 28:16-20     |
| 11 | 1 Corinthians 10:31-33 | 27 | Psalms 96:1-3        |
| 12 | Luke 1:26-45           | 28 | Philippians 4:4-9    |
| 13 | John 11:17-27          | 29 | Matthew 19:23-30     |
| 14 | Psalms 13:1-6          | 30 | John 8:31-32         |
| 15 | Ephesians 5:1-2        | 31 | Matthew 4:18-22      |
| 16 | Matthew 7:7-12         |    |                      |

# FCC MINISTRY NEWS AND CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS



## Sanctuary Flowers

There are open dates for Sanctuary flower donations! If you would like flowers displayed in the Sanctuary worship service in honor or in memory of a loved one or group, please contact Sherry Tucker at 940-696-2490.

## Sunday Worship Is Available On The Church Website!

Our Sunday Morning Worship Service is available directly on our church website at:  
[www.firstchristianwf.com](http://www.firstchristianwf.com)

LISTEN TO SERMONS  
**ONLINE**



Audio for all sermons can be found on our website, [www.firstchristianwf.com](http://www.firstchristianwf.com)! Just click on the "Resources" tab in the top right and click on the "Sermons" option.

## ONLINE GIVING—A SIMPLE SOLUTION

A quick trip to the church website reveals an "online giving" button at the top of the home page. This convenient form of stewardship allows our members to give automatically (you choose the interval) using a credit card or a bank draft. Some of our members like using credit cards because they are earning points toward travel. If you prefer to avoid credit cards, the bank draft option ensures that your gift arrives regularly to support ministry at FCC. The benefit for our members in online giving is avoiding the stress of "catching up" each fall when there are other demands on the family budget. Please visit the church website at [www.firstchristianwf.com](http://www.firstchristianwf.com) and see for yourself how simple online giving can be.

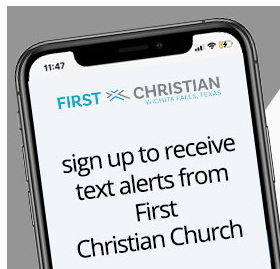


There is simply no substitute for a warm, personal invitation to join you at church. But when you "like and share" a video or post from our church, you are extending an invitation to hundreds in your circle. It's this simple...when you see a post or video

from First Christian on Facebook or YouTube, share it. It's this crucial step that enables us to increase our circle... to widen our scope. Thank you for helping us spread the joy and love of Christ we have found here.



**Stretch Class**  
 Wednesdays | 1:00 pm | Parlor  
 with Cindy Hernandez  
 There is no charge for this class.



**TEXT  
 ALERTS**

## Sign up to receive text alerts to your phone.

Want to keep updated on what is happening at First Christian Church? Receive important reminders? Text **ALERTS** to 940-310-5673.

Opt in to receive text updates such as weather closures, upcoming special events, registrations, and more. You can opt out at any time, Simply reply STOP.

*Standard text messaging charges may apply based on your provider service plan or contract.*

## First Christian Church Swag Shop

Get outfitted with the latest FCC Swag! We've got t-shirts, polo shirts, denim shirts, button downs, and vests, with more on the way in the coming months.

Not only will you look good in this gear, it may provide an opportunity for you to share about First Christian Church in the community. You never know who will see your gear and ask about it!

Choose your style and order your swag today!

### Items In Stock:



50/50 Cotton/Poly T-Shirt  
 Sizes S-5X  
 \$7.50



100% Poly T-shirt  
 Sizes S-4X  
 \$10.00

### Items Available for Order:



Long Sleeve Poplin Twill Shirt  
 Sizes S-4X  
 \$30.00



Long Sleeve Denim Shirt  
 Sizes S-4X  
 \$30.00



Short Sleeve 100% Poly Polo  
 Sizes S-4X  
 \$25.00



Sleeveless Soft Shell Vest  
 Sizes S-4X  
 \$45.00

For proper fitting, some sample sizes are available in the church office. Come try one on and order today!



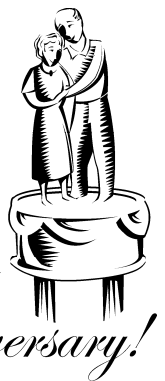
Wish These Friends a  
"Happy Birthday!"

# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

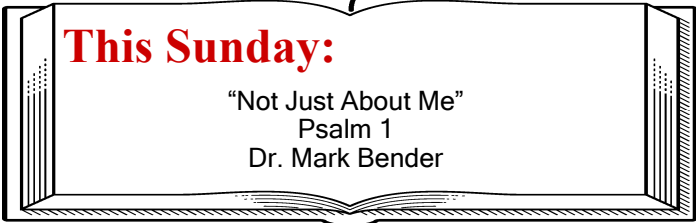
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| 1 Kerry Roach  | 12 Beverly Bumgarner<br>Mac Cannedy Jr.<br>Delane Gibson<br>Lauren Loskot | 24 Robinsue Miller<br>Luke Ward<br>Vickie Young      |
| 2 John Buckley<br>Hannah Earley<br>Jack Murdock                    | 13 Allie Stewart  | 26 Alice Gordon<br>Joy Robbins                       |
| 4 Don Milligan<br>Sal Ramirez<br>Chris Showalter<br>Sharon Winn    | 15 June Jennings  | 27 Phil Hollabaugh<br>Kaitlin Raber                  |
| 5 Linda Tole   | 16 Abigail Thompson   | 29 Sarah Tonemah Lester                              |
| 6 Addi Cobb  | 17 Rene Brock<br>Julie Day  | 30 Alisa Ratzlaff                                    |
| 8 Cherry Medina  | 18 Diane Spiller  | 31 Jody Brannon<br>Abigail Clements<br>Gayle Salazar |
| 9 Zoey Brunson<br>Curtis Dolberry<br>Grayson Freeman<br>Ruth Terry | 19 Barry Williamson   |  |
| 10 Dan Davis<br>Garrett James<br>Frank Tate                        | 20 Jude Gentry  |  |
|  | 22 Sherry Tucker<br>Liam Warton   |  |
|  | 23 Isabell Murphey  |  |

# & ANNIVERSARIES

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2 Debbie & Dennis Carlton    | 12 Paige & Blaine Schroeder |
| 3 Vickie & Doug Kunkle       | 14 Dana & Shane Givins      |
| 4 Jeanette & Chris Showalter | 31 Kristin & H.P. Schuele   |



If we are missing your birthday or anniversary, please help us complete our records by calling the church office, 692-2282. We want to include all our members on this list!



# This Sunday:

“Not Just About Me”  
Psalm 1  
Dr. Mark Bender

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Sunday, January 8, 2023

8:40 Worship (Chapel)  
9:30 Sunday School / Journey Through Scripture (Parlor)  
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary or Join the Livestream on YouTube or Facebook.com/FCCWF)

3:45 Chancel Ringers (High School-Adults) (Stratten Hall)  
5:00 Young Disciples Choir (Grades K-5) (Stratten Hall)  
5:00 Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)  
6:00 Young Disciples (Grades K-5) (Rm 402/405)  
6:00 New Testament Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & Zoom)

### Monday, January 9, 2023

7:30-6:00 Children Come First “CCF” (M-F)  
9:00-12:00 Young Ages Preschool “YAS” (M-F)  
9:00 CCF Chapel (Chapel)  
5:30 ComTech Ministry Meeting (Rm 310)  
7:30 Boy Scouts Troop 15 (Fellowship Hall)

### Tuesday, January 10, 2023

9:30 FCC Staff Meeting / Worship Planning (Rm 310)  
10:00 YAS Music (Rm 300)  
6:00 Membership Ministry Meeting (Rm 222)  
6:00 Property Ministry Meeting (Rm 310)  
6:00 Outreach Ministry Meeting (Rm 305)  
6:30 Common Ground Recovery Ministries “CGRM” Support Groups  
7:00 Worship Ministry Meeting (Rm 200)

### Wednesday, January 11, 2023

7:00 Elders’ Breakfast (Rm 405)  
9:00 CCF Spanish (Rm 300)  
10:00 YAS Music (Rm 300)  
1:00 Stretch Class (Parlor)  
5:30 Brown Bag Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 Neighborhood Worship Service (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 First Kidz (PreK-5th Grade) (Rm 402/405)  
7:00 Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)  
7:00 Chancel Choir (Grades 9-Adults) (Stratten Hall)

### Thursday, January 12, 2023

6:30-8:00 Manners Matter (Fellowship Hall)

### Friday, January 13, 2023

7:00 Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study (Hwy Café, 2808 Jacksboro Hwy)  
9:00 CCF Music (Rm 300)

### Sunday, January 15, 2023

8:40 Worship (Chapel)  
9:30 Sunday School / Journey Through Scripture (Parlor)  
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary or Join the Livestream on YouTube or Facebook.com/FCCWF)

3:45 Chancel Ringers (High School-Adults) (Stratten Hall)  
5:00 Young Disciples Choir (Grades K-5) (Stratten Hall)  
5:00 Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)  
6:00 Young Disciples (Grades K-5) (Rm 402/405)

### Monday, January 16, 2023

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY  
CCF & YAS Closed  
CCF Staff Training Day  
1:00 CWF Group 1 Meeting (Cindy Collins’ home, 4821 Dickens)  
7:30 Boy Scouts Troop 15 (Fellowship Hall)

### Tuesday, January 17, 2023

9:30 FCC Staff Meeting / Worship Planning (Rm 310)  
10:00 YAS Music (Rm 300)  
6:00 Faith Formation Ministry Meeting (Parlor)  
6:00 Stewardship Ministry Meeting (Rm 310)  
6:30 Common Ground Recovery Ministries “CGRM” Support Groups

### Wednesday, January 18, 2023

7:00 Elders’ Breakfast (Rm 405)  
9:00 CCF Spanish (Rm 300)  
10:00 YAS Music (Rm 300)  
12:00 CWF Group 2 Meeting (Rm 405)  
1:00 Stretch Class (Parlor)  
5:30 Brown Bag Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 Neighborhood Worship Service (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 First Kidz (PreK-5th Grade) (Rm 402/405)  
7:00 Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)  
7:00 Chancel Choir (Grades 9-Adults) (Stratten Hall)

### Thursday, January 19, 2023

12:00-2:00 YAS Staff Meeting (Rm 405)  
6:00 College Bible Study (Rm 305)  
6:30-8:00 Manners Matter (Fellowship Hall)

### Friday, January 20, 2023

9:00 CCF Music (Rm 300)

## SERVING SUNDAY ELDERS

1/8: Harry Tonemah, Polly Tonemah; David Collins, Presiding  
1/15: Rick Appling, Kathleen Lauck; Kim Ballard, Presiding

### JANUARY DIACONATE SERVERS

Debi & Larry Ballard, Lee Bybee, Sarah Cook, Bob Hayes, LyDora Martin, Caitlin Barker, Charles & Jeanna Berry, Davidson Cook, Debbie & Mark Turnbow, Ethan Earley.

### DIACONATE SCHEDULED FOR COMMUNION PREPARATION

1/8: LyDora Martin & Caitlin Barker 1/15: Charles & Jeanna Berry

### DIACONATE SCHEDULED FOR COMMUNION VISITATION

1/8: Caitlin Barker, Sarah Cook, Bob Hayes  
1/15: Charles Berry, Jeanna Berry, Davidson Cook

## THE CHURCH STAFF . . .

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Tim Williamson, Director of Digital Media			

## FOR THE RECORD . . .

CGRM: (Tues., Dec. 27) . . . . .	Did not meet
Neighborhood (Wed., Dec. 28) . . . . .	Did not meet
Sunday School (Sun. Jan. 1) . . . . .	23
Worship (Jan. 1): 8:40am Worship Service . . . . .	Did not meet
10:45am Worship Service . . . . .	200
Total Worship . . . . .	200
Sunday Receipts Needed Per Week	\$21,040.06
Sunday Receipts for 12/25/22	\$18,890.00
Through Dec.. 31: Income \$1,162,790.76	Expenses \$1,090,562.16

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# January 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																																																	
<p><b>New Year's Day</b> 1</p> <p><b>Pantry Sunday</b></p> <p>NO Chapel Service</p> <p>9:30am Sunday School</p> <p>10:45am Worship (Sanctuary/Livestream)</p> <p>NO Sunday Evening Activities</p> <p><i>Ecclesiastes 3:1-11</i></p>	<p>2</p> <p><b>Church Building, Offices &amp; All Programs Closed</b></p> <p><i>Psalms 34:1-7</i></p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:30am FCC Staff Mtg/Worship Planning (310)</p> <p>YAS Teacher In-Service</p> <p>6:30pm CGRM Groups (Rms 304-308)</p> <p><i>1 John 3:11-16</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>7:00am Elders' Breakfast (405)</p> <p>9:00am CCF Spanish (300)</p> <p>1:00pm Stretch Class (Parlor)</p> <p>5:30-7:00pm Neighborhood Meal &amp; Worship (FH)</p> <p>6:00-7:00pm First Kidz (PreK-5th) (402)</p> <p>7:00pm Youth Activities (403/Gym)</p> <p>7:00pm Chancel Choir (Stratten Hall)</p> <p><i>James 2:14-26</i></p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:00am-12:00pm YAS Classes Resume</p> <p>10:00am YAS Chapel (Chapel)</p> <p><i>Exodus 34:28-32</i></p>	<p>6</p> <p><b>Epiphany</b></p> <p>9:00am CCF Music (300)</p> <p>10:00am YAS Chapel (Chapel)</p> <p><i>1 Kings 19:11-18</i></p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:00am Rise Against Hunger (FH)</p> <p><i>1 Corinthians 12:12-26</i></p>																																																	
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