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Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany – February 4, 2024

THE GATHERING

Please let us know you're here by texting FCC to 77411.

Chimes

Prelude

Praise the Lord – arr. Hanson

Chancel Ringers

Welcome

Claire Baer

Call to Worship

Claire Baer

Leader: As people, as a group, as a community of faith – we gather in this place.

People: To listen. To speak. To worship. To pray.

Leader: We gather to be with God. Because we know -

People: It is out of God's authority and God's love that we live.

Opening Hymn

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

No. 90

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ we bring: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

praise we with grateful choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!

Christ is our Guide and Friend on whom we can depend;

his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,

singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!

Opening Prayer

Claire Baer

THE PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading

Luke 9:51-62

Claire Baer

Children's Message

Claire Baer

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Dr. Mark Bender

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem

Blessed Assurance – arr. Dobrinski

Chancel Ringers

Sermon

Set His Face

Dr. Mark Bender

THE RESPONSE

Communion Hymn

I Come with Joy – vs. 1, 2 & 3

No. 420

***I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven,
loved and free, the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.***

***I come with Christians far and near to find,
as all are fed, the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread, in Christ's communion bread.***

***As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends. The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.***

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution

Fred Gentry

Prayers for the Bread & Cup

Liz Vernon & Julia Ward

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

All believers are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.

Common Confession

I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

THE OFFERING

Moment for Mission

Dr. Mark Bender

Offertory

As the Deer – arr. Cota

Chancel Ringers

Doxology

No. 46

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below:
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

Offertory Prayer

THE SENDING

Sent from the Table & Invitation to Discipleship

Jeanette Showalter

Closing Hymn

O Jesus, I Have Promised – vs. 1 & 3

No. 612

***O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
be thou forever near me, my master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.
O let me hear thee speaking, in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self will;
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.***

Benediction

Dr. Mark Bender

Postlude

Debbie Watson

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Memorials and Honors

In memory of Lamar Baer (father of Claire Baer) given by Paul & Maggie Goodrich, Craig & Sheila Reynolds.

In memory of Barbara Scales (mother of Ricky Scales) given by Craig & Sheila Reynolds.

Sermon Notes

1. Finally broke down...

2. Facing the real world

3. Mistaken identity

4. Wannabes

5. Becoming vs. Being

Announcements

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CALENDAR

Sunday, February 4		
8:40 am	Worship Service	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday School	
9:30 am	Journey Through Scripture	Parlor
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary/ Livestream
11:45 am	Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary
3:45 pm	Chancel Ringers (High School-Adults)	Stratten Hall
5:00 pm	Young Disciples Choir (Grades K-5)	Stratten Hall
5:00 pm	Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12)	Room 403 / Gym
5:45 pm	Young Disciples (Grades K-5)	Room 402/405
Monday, February 5		
7:30 am-6:00 pm	Children Come First "CCF" (M-F)	
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Young Ages Preschool "YAS" (M-F)	
9:00 am	CCF Chapel	Chapel
5:30 pm	ComTech Ministry Meeting	Room 222
7:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop 15	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, February 6		
9:30 am	FCC Staff Meeting / Worship Planning	Room 310
6:30 pm	Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups Anger Management, Parenting, Rebuilding Your Life	Rooms 304, 306, 308
Wednesday, February 7		
7:00 am	Elders' Breakfast	Room 405
9:00 am	CCF Spanish	Room 300
1:00 pm	Stretch Class	Parlor
5:30 pm	The Neighborhood Brown Bag Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	The Neighborhood Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	First Kidz (Prek-5th Grade)	Room 402
7:00 pm	Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (High School-Adults)	Stratten Hall
Thursday, February 8		
9:00 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
9:00 pm-12:00 pm	Outreach at the Food Bank	1230 Midwestern Pkw
6:30 pm	Manners Matter	Fellowship Hall
Friday, February 9		
7:00 am	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study	Hwy Café 2808 Jacksboro Hwy
9:00 am	CCF Music	Room 300
9:00 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
10:00am-7:00pm	Pictorial Directory Pictures	Parlor/402/405
Saturday, February 10		
10:00am-7:00pm	Pictorial Directory Pictures	Parlor/402/405

Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner

February 13 | 5:00–7:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Ash Wednesday Service

February 14 | 6:00 PM
Fellowship Hall
Livestream on Facebook & YouTube

Pastors Class 2024

Begins February 18 | 12:00 PM
Room 402

Volunteer at the Food Bank

February 8 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
1230 Midwestern Pkw

Wednesday Lenten Series

Begins February 21
Meal: 5:30 PM | Electives: 6:00 PM

- *Jesus Revealed Bible Study*
with Sheri Sutton
- *A Balanced Spirituality* with Mark Bender
 - *The Journey to Easter*
(for our young friends) with Claire Baer

2023 FCC LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT
FOR THE 2024-2026 CHURCH BOARD

TRUSTEE

3 Year Term:

Howard Morris

ELDER

2 Year Terms:

Susan Buckley
Marc Cannedy
Sarah Cook
Kerry Roach
Dwight Ross III
Liz Vernon
Julia Ward
Lois Willis
Andy Wilson

LIFE-TERM ELDER

Ann Hunter
Larry Spradley
Eddie Tucker

DIACONATE

2 Year Terms:

Twila Boydston
Teresa Caves
Abigail Craig
Leann Elder
Michael Elyea Jr.
Jim Goodwin
Kris Gossom
Colleen James
Jaidyn "JJ" Johnson
Doug Kunkle
Vicki Kunkle
Karen LaValley
Raymond McCoy
Carla Moran
Carlos Ramos
Dixie Williams
Russell Wilson
Sally Wilson

1 Year Terms:

Margaret Phillips
Sandra Ross

YOUTH DIACONATE

Ethan Earley
Christopher McKenzie

FCC ENDOWMENT TRUSTEE

Eddie Tucker

OUR ENTRUSTED ASSETS @ 12/31/2023

1/26/2024

SMITH ESTATE	\$ 1,143,886.44
ENDOWMENT FUND	\$ 525,276.79
DESIGNATED FUNDS	\$ 494,936.51
TOTALS	\$ 2,164,099.74

	\$ 982,903.66
	\$ 440,919.42
	\$ 535,830.51
	\$ 1,959,653.59

SMITH ESTATE	\$ 1,118,081.95
ENDOWMENT FUND	\$ 522,367.14
SPECIAL FUNDS	\$ 111,880.49
	\$ 1,752,329.58

2023

2024

INCOME	2021 BUDGET	2021 ACTUAL	% DIF	2022 BUDGET	2022 ACTUAL	% DIF	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL	% DIF	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL
Budget Pledge Receipts	\$ 715,717.00	\$ 705,010.91	-1%	\$ 712,808.00	\$ 717,203.82	1%	\$ 800,046.00	\$ 782,062.85	-2%	\$ 865,237.00	
Donated Pledged Services	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0%	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0%	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	0%	\$ 3,000.00	
Identified Unpledged Gift	\$ 99,192.61	\$ 93,652.22	-6%	\$ 119,440.00	\$ 285,870.90	139%	\$ 96,000.00	\$ 136,002.52	42%	\$ 93,000.00	
Loose Offerings	\$ 4,521.50	\$ 2,060.26	-54%	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,162.11	58%	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,808.05	45%	\$ 5,000.00	
Special Day Offerings	\$ 6,502.00	\$ 7,477.87	15%	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,486.00	6%	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 9,229.19	15%	\$ 8,000.00	
Interest & Dividends	\$ 2,061.01	\$ 9,415.48	357%	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 637.40	-97%	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 9,852.75	885%	\$ 6,500.00	
Special Funds Supplement	\$ 52,124.61	\$ 26,383.78	-49%	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00	0%	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	0%	\$ 30,940.00	
Other Income	\$ 45,757.20	\$ 43,189.69	-6%	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 72,730.57	-3%	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 91,859.60	22%	\$ 76,000.00	
SMITH ESTATE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 90,760.00	\$ 111,682.70	23%	\$ 126,000.00	\$ -		\$ 174,983.84	\$ 116,334.67	-34%	\$ 205,400.49	
PPP PROCEEDS	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Shrinkage @ 2% X BPP	\$ (14,314.34)	\$ -		\$ (14,165.00)	\$ -		\$ (16,000.92)	\$ -		\$ (17,304.74)	
TOTAL	\$ 1,005,321.59	\$ 1,001,872.91	0%	\$ 1,094,083.00	\$ 1,133,090.80	4%	\$ 1,196,028.92	\$ 1,204,149.63	1%	\$ 1,275,772.75	

116 EGGS = \$865,237 & \$7459 AVG

\$52,783 - 2023 I/UMADE 2024 COMMITS

LESS MONEY TO EARN % ON

50% OF SPECIAL FUNDS = MAX

DISBURSEMENTS	2021 BUDGET	2021 ACTUAL	% DIF	2022 BUDGET	2022 ACTUAL	% DIF	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL	% DIF	2024 BUDGET	2024 ACTUAL
FAITH FORMATION (C/E)	\$ 15,270.00	\$ 17,030.07	12%	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 18,463.58	9%	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 25,472.00	38%	\$ 22,135.00	
Membership Development	\$ 3,385.00	\$ 2,914.47	-14%	\$ 3,385.00	\$ 3,414.03	1%	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,577.89	2%	\$ 3,700.00	
Evangelism	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,209.49	-4%	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 9,123.13	22%	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 6,820.33	-20%	\$ 9,500.00	
COMM/TECH	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 6,925.69	-8%	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 4,949.97	-34%	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 9,290.08	24%	\$ 5,500.00	
Workshop	\$ 12,950.00	\$ 10,892.58	-16%	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 15,524.04	19%	\$ 17,580.00	\$ 17,714.58	1%	\$ 18,190.00	
Property	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 219,809.14	-4%	\$ 245,000.00	\$ 226,545.42	-8%	\$ 259,250.00	\$ 245,957.04	-5%	\$ 272,250.00	
World Outreach	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,176.70	0%	\$ 67,630.00	\$ 67,455.69	0%	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 68,805.92	-2%	\$ 71,500.00	
Stewardship & Finance	\$ 41,625.00	\$ 48,230.37	16%	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 54,899.65	10%	\$ 56,500.00	\$ 54,877.18	-3%	\$ 56,500.00	
Personnel	\$ 627,091.59	\$ 628,684.40	0%	\$ 683,058.00	\$ 705,569.01	3%	\$ 754,698.92	\$ 771,634.61	2%	\$ 816,497.75	
TOTAL	\$ 1,005,321.59	\$ 1,001,872.91	0%	\$ 1,094,083.00	\$ 1,105,944.52	1%	\$ 1,196,028.92	\$ 1,204,149.63	1%	\$ 1,275,772.75	

STAFF RAISES & COMM INTERN

6% BUDGET INCREASE

UTILITIES & INSURANCE INCREASE

5%

MORE ADVERTISING PLANNED

2%

MORE KIDS - BIGGER BUDGET

38%

INTERN SALARY IN PERSONNEL

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NET TO SPECIAL FUNDS	UNDER/OVER PREVIOUS BAL	\$ (26,383.78)	\$ 111,117.99
	2022 BEG BAL	\$ 84,734.21	

	UNDER/OVER PREVIOUS BAL	\$ 27,146.28	\$ 84,734.21
	2023 BEG BAL	\$ 111,880.49	

	UNDER/OVER PREVIOUS BAL	\$ (50,000.00)	\$ 111,880.49
	2024 BEG BAL	\$ 61,880.49	

PROPERTY + PERSONNEL	\$ 848,493.54	85%
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	\$ 932,114.43	84%
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	\$ 1,017,591.65	85%
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	\$ 1,086,747.75	85%
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SMITH ESTATE CASH	\$87,827.17
PRINCIPAL F/G SALE	\$17,595.72
CROWN CASTLE SALE	\$16,817.74
TOTAL FUNDS	\$122,240.63
EXCESS TO SPECIAL FUNDS	\$5,905.96