

The Pittsfield Christian



First Christian Church of Pittsfield, Illinois

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UPDATE! FCC Church Family, we have been made aware of another member contracting COVID. To our knowledge, there was no contact exposure during any church services or events. The person is mildly symptomatic and recovering at home. (Please keep them in your prayers!) We have also seen a rise in cases in the county recently. We would like to remind anyone who has been exposed to someone with COVID, is not feeling well, or in a high-risk category, to worship from home via the stream. We encourage families to consider using the live stream while COVID case numbers are up. Sunday School classes for all ages will continue to meet this week for those who choose to participate. Those are smaller gatherings. The IDPH guidelines are posted in all of our worship venues. Let's show our Christian Love to one another by acting responsibly to protect the most vulnerable.

The fall wiener roast and Vesper Service will be held at the Hamer & Jenny Tate farm on Sunday, Oct. 11. Like a family meal, all food will be provided with donations in the box to help offset expenses. All you need to bring is your cooking fork if you have one and your lawn chair. The fire should be ready for roasting by 4:30. If you want to fish, paddle boat, play, or just have some relaxing time, feel free to come on down any time after 3:00.



Choir is currently divided into small groups, to be able to social distance and stay safe while worshipping in song! If you are interested in being part of a small group in our unusual "virtual cantata", please contact Kayla Boren at kayla.boren88@gmail.com.



Circle 4 will meet at the Cardinal Inn on Thurs, **Oct 8, 9:30.**
Contact Joyce Lemons for more info. 285.4862.

Church Board will meet Tues, **Oct 13, 6pm.**
Packets will be in the Long Room on Sunday, Oct 11.



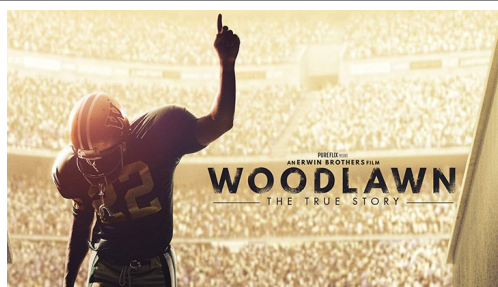
On Sunday, November 1st, we will be having roll-back hymn-sing Sunday morning services. We will be singing some good old-fashioned hymns with our fabulous pianist, Becky Irwin and organist, Charlotte Dunham! We hope you will join us for a great Sunday and congregational meeting directly after the second service!



Youth Group is meeting on **Sunday's** at the Crossroads.
Middle School from 5:00-6:30 and High School from 6:00-7:30.



Are you missing Friday night football games? **Take your family to the Detroit Christian Church on Friday, October 9th.** DCC is hosting a free outdoor movie night at 7:00ish (sunset). The movie is "Woodlawn," a true story of how a Spiritual awakening captured the hearts of nearly every player on the Woodlawn HS football team in Birmingham, AL during civil unrest in 1973. The grace and love of God filled the school, overcoming racism and hate and lead to the largest high school football game ever played. Bring your family and lawn chairs. Grilled pork chops, chips and drinks will be available for purchase. All proceeds go to the Mississippi Valley Christian Service Camp. Come join a family evening out.



Pastor Michael is leading Coffee Talk is on Tuesdays at 10:30 on Facebook and YouTube.



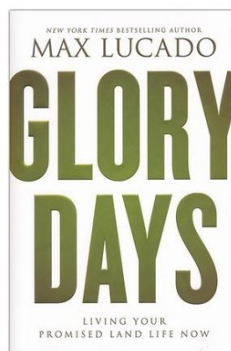
American Red Cross Blood Drive

Hosted by CWF
 Crossroads Center
Monday, Oct 19
 11:00-4:00
 Contact Barbara Fosco if you would like to help!

Copies of the Church Directory are at the office or in the sanctuary near the coffee table. Everyone who had their picture taken receives a copy. Please let us know if you have a correction so we can update our records.



The **Thursday noon study** has resumed at the Church Long Room. The ladies are reading the book "Glory Days". Call the office if you want to attend but need a book.



October Birthday & Anniversaries **1** Jane Calaway, C.J. Hayes, J.P. Richmiller; **2** Cindi Schoenherr, Alyssa & Brandi Cothren, Tracey Reel; **3** Ann Ferguson, Caleb & Hayley Wombles; **4** Larry Howard, Linda Decker, Wayne & Cindy Chamberlain; **5** Mattie Bishop; **6** Jenny Tate, Preston & Bethany Dunham; **7** Michael & Julie Boren, Cindy Chamberlain, Ed & Rosi Picone; **8** Bill Grimsley; **9** Korey & Lisa Wombles; **10** Gary & Deana Jones, J.P. & Cassie Richmiller; **11** Robert Crowder, Don Houchins; **12** Chuck Barber, Cathy Lacey, Steve & Betty Hayden; **13** Terra Schoenherr; **14** Deloras Martin, Ashley Ferguson, Hudson Moss; **15** Helen Earls; **16** Karl Benjamin, Buddy & Chris Crowder, Cade Tomhave; **17** Gary & Christie Mendenhall; **20** Larry & Sandy Wigington, Steve & Kathy Lehr, Jaunae Bacon, Arden Masiulis; **22** Mary Gates, **24** Dave & Gena Londrie; **26** Elaine Hoaglin, McKenzie Tomhave, Brian & Hannah Roig; **27** Scott Palmer; **28** Tammi Koltveit, Brianna Sealock; **29** Linda Belford, Judy Sweeting, Aidan Poor, Bill & Eleanor Jenkins; **30** Becky Irwin, Roger & Dorothy Yaeger, Austin Wintjen; **31** Sarah Tharp, Craig Gengler.

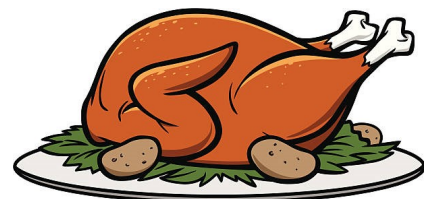
We would like to offer our annual all church turkey dinner this year even though we are still in the midst of uncertainty due to the Covid 19 restrictions. After much thought, discussion, and prayer, we have decided to try it in a different way.

First change is to move it to a Sunday instead of Wednesday evening. Second change is to have two seating times and to require reservations for each of the times as we will be limited to 50 in the dining room and 50 in the gym at either time. We will do carry outs that can be picked up at the alley door behind the kitchen (water tower door) at two different times also. So here is what it will look like:

On Sunday, November 15:

Carry outs available from 10:15-10:30 a.m. in the alley.

First seating for dinner from 10:45 – 11 a.m.



Carry outs available from 11:30 – 11:45 a.m. in the alley.

Second seating for dine in at 11:45 – 12 noon.

The deadline for reservations is Monday, November 9 by noon. All reservations should be either called in or emailed to the church office. The cost of the meal is by donation only. We don't want anyone who can't afford it not to eat. No one will be checking off who pays and who doesn't. But for those of you who can donate, please be mindful of the fact that we lost all our income this spring and summer for Crossroads that helps keep our kitchen operating so please be generous if you are able.

Please know that this information could change if the Covid situation in the county or the state changes. If the situation dictates, we will go to carry out only or cancel it completely but we are praying that we can do some in person seating because we know we are all missing being together with our church family.

And finally, please know that all our cooks and volunteers will be in masks and gloves and everything will be sanitized. They will take every effort to keep us all safe while we strive to regain some sense of normalcy.

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Staff:

Michael Ten Eyck, Pastor
 Helen Earls, Programs & Christian Ed
 Kayla Boren, Music
 Kacie Lipcaman, Christian Ed
 Rebecca Rhodes, Administrative Secretary
 Gina Bryant, Custodian
 Bob Clark, Audio/Video

Office Hours: M 8:00am–4:00pm; T, W, TH 8-12**Worship Times:** Every Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

Prayer Concerns: Chip Barber, Barb Bradburn, Dora Lee Claus, Keith Elledge, Joyce Harrison, Stacey Helms, Wanda Mendenhall, Matt Sealock
 Samantha Clostermery (Friend of Karl Benjamin)
 Michael Guillory (Carolyn Barber's nephew)
 Opal Kallal (Jim Kallal's mother)
 Kay Matthews (Jean Sanderson's sister)
 Mark Reeves (Ashli Freesmeyer's father)
 Peter Roccaforte (Chuck Barber's nephew)
 Susan Saxe (Matt Saxe's mother)
 Julie Talley (Judy Ferguson's sister-in-law)

Ways To Watch/Listen

fccpittsfield.org - Ministries, Live Stream or Resources, Sermons.
YouTube - Search First Christian Church of Pittsfield and subscribe.
Facebook - Search First Christian Church of Pittsfield.
WBBA 97.5, Sundays, 10:30 a.m., Sermon only.
90.9 FM while parked next to the church building.

Stewardship (Offering Only)	<u>9/14-20</u>	<u>9/21-27</u>
Operational	\$8,103.66	\$7,248.43
Property Improvement	13.00	3.00
Outreach-Missionaries	270.00	70.00
DHF	25.00	25.00
Children First	20.00	393.00
Unmet Needs	0.00	503.00
Construction/Renovation	0.00	124.00
Outreach-General	<u>43.00</u>	<u>47.00</u>
Total	\$8,474.66	\$8,413.43

Operating Receipts (Offering, Rentals, etc.)

Received Last 7 Days \$8,103.66 \$7,248.43
 Estimate Needed Each Week to Meet Budget \$9,494

Bulletin announcements are posted to our website each week. Go to Resources, Bulletin Announcements.

Lectionary

10/4: Exodus 20:1-20; Isa 5:1-7; Phil 3:4-14; Matt 21:33-46
 10/5: Ps 119:49-56; Deut 5:1-21; 1 Peter 2:4-10
 10/6: Ps 119:49-56; Deut 5:22-6:3; 2 Cor 5:17-21
 10/7: Ps 119:49-56; Deut 6:10-25; John 11:45-57
 10/8: Ps 106:1-23; Exodus 24:1-8; 1 Peter 5:1-14
 10/9: Ps 106:1-23; Exodus 24:9-11; James 4:4-10
 10/10: Ps 106:1-23; Exodus 24:12-18; Mark 2:18-22
 10/11: Exodus 32:1-14; Isa 25:1-9; Phil 4:1-9; Matt 22:1-14
 10/12: Ps 97; Exodus 32:15-35; Jude 17-25
 10/13: Ps 97; Exodus 33:1-6; Phil 3:13-4:1
 10/14: Ps 97; 2 Kings 17:7-20; John 6:25-35
 10/15: Ps 99; Exodus 33:7-11; 3 John 9-12
 10/16: Ps 99; Exodus 31:1-11; 1 Peter 5:1-5
 10/17: Ps 99; Exodus 39:32-43; Matt 14:1-12

Ways to Give

- Mail: PO Box 306, Pittsfield, IL 62363
 - Online: Website fccpittsfield.org then Resources
 - At the Office: 201 N. Mississippi Street
- We still have expenses even with adjusted operations. Thank you for your continued prayers and support during this unprecedented time. Black metal offering boxes are secured on the sanctuary mantels, gym and fellowship hall for your convenience.

Wishes & Wants

For Sale: Heavy duty full view storm door. Excellent condition. Brown. All you need is about 16 wood screws. Will deliver. \$50. Wayne Baughman 285.2948.