

The Pittsfield Christian



First Christian Church of Pittsfield, Illinois

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We will celebrate Mother's Day on May 9th! The Sunday School children grades Pre-K thru 2nd will be doing a special celebration at 10:30 service.

The end of the school year is drawing near and soon we will honor our 8th grade, high school and college graduates. **Let us know if you will have a graduate in your family.**

Huge shout out to everyone that donated all of the wonderful and unique items to the indoor sale. Kudos to our volunteer workers all week, and a special thank you to the clean-up crew. We cleared over \$2,200! Proceeds go to the church. We were thankful to be able to welcome the community back to Crossroads!

Thank You!

Circle V
Thursday, May 6
2:00
Crossroads Center

Circle IV
Thursday, May 13
9:30
Cardinal Inn

American Red Cross Blood Drive
Tues, May 11
1-6:00
Crossroads Center
Contact Barbara Fosco for more info.



American Red Cross
BLOOD
DRIVE

The **Church Board** will meet **Tues, May 11, 6:00**.
Packets will be in the Long Room on Sunday.


meeting

Youth Group
Thursdays
6:00

The **Thursday noon study** will begin the book, "*You Are Never Alone.*"
Contact Jenny Tate or Helen Earls for more info.

Church League Softball will be played at Pittsfield Lake starting in late May or early June for ages high school and up. League concludes in late June or early July depending on the number of teams. Contact Matt Sealock if you would like to play on team FCC!!!

Mississippi Valley Christian Service Camp

Sat 5/15, 7am-?, Camp Clean Up Volunteer Day

Sun 5/16, Noon-?, Family Fun Day. Free! Children under 14 must be accompanied by adult. Carry in lunch at 1:00.

Sat 6/5, Day Camp. 9am-3pm. Grades K-2nd (or age equivalent). \$30.

Sun 6/6 3pm - Fri 6/11 3pm, High School. Grades 9th-12th (or age equivalent). \$135.

Sun 6/13 3pm - Fri 6/18 3pm, Jr. High. Grades 7th-8th (or age equivalent). \$135.

Sun 6/20 3pm - Thurs 6/24 3pm, Jr Week. Grades 5th-6th (or age equivalent). \$120.

Fri 6/25 3pm - Sun 6/27 12pm, Outdoor Sportsman's Camp. 13 y/o and up. \$120.

Sun 6/27 3pm - Tues 6/29 3pm, Christian Climbers Camp. Grades 3rd-4th. \$60.

Wed 6/30 3pm - Thurs 7/1 3pm, First Chance Camp. Grades 1st-2nd. \$45.

Mon 7/12 - Fri 7/16, Wilderness Camp. Offsite. 13 y/o and up. \$350

TBD, Mission Trip. 13 y/o and up.

July, Taco Salad Fundraiser.

TBD, Young Adults. 2021 graduates and up.

Fri 9/10 - Sun 9/12, Family Camp. All ages. Minors must be accompanied by parent or guardian. \$20 per person.

Anyone who is interested in camp this year needs to sign up ASAP. There is limited availability and registration is online.

First Christian Church's time at camp this year is June 11, 18, 25 and July 2. The camp would like to have at least 2 people to help with lunch to help with serving drinks, help the kids clean up, passing out desserts and anything else that needs to be done.

Bring a dessert that can be made at the camp or a prepackage item. Contact Jim Dain to see how many campers 1-573.324.4676.

FCC's responsibility this year is to keep the girls dorm clean. Cleaning can begin anytime after 3pm Fridays.

If you have questions or if you are available to help please call Rhodora Pursley 217.257.6004.

Mississippi Valley Christian Service Camp will be having a fish fry on Sunday, May 16 at 1pm at the camp. Anyone wanting to attend can bring a covered dish.

Looking for life guards for MVCSC. Call Jim Dain if you have any questions or are interested.

Dear Church Family,

We had been putting off this day for a while. It is funny how some of those tasks that we know can be bearish have a tendency to make their way to the very bottom of our daily to-do lists. This task was definitely one of them. It was a long run of conduit at the new administration building that needed an additional wire installed. The task had been staring at us for nearly a week, but the time had finally come that it had to be completed.

With hopeful countenance, we began to run the snake on its long journey. The first three-quarters of the journey gave us reason for optimism, and then it all came to a stop. We hit a snag.

For nearly an hour we attempted all the tricks that the three of us knew to fish the tool to its destination. We were a mere two feet from completion when it seemed that we simply were going to have to find an alternative plan. I felt an urging to exhort the team not to give up, that we were just about there.

We all took a breath, shook ourselves (and the conduit) and made another attempt. The wire fish found its way past the snag and we were able to finish the task.

Had we not encouraged ourselves and been willing to receive encouragement, we would not have been successful.

Galatians 6:9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

ESV

2 Chronicles 15:7 But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded.

ESV

We are in a time when we must strive to not only encourage those around us, but also be willing to be encouraged. I pray that we will all take some time to consider those around us and how we may be instruments of encouragement. May we also work diligently to be open to the encouragement of others around us.

Loving you all,
Michael

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

Prayer Concerns: Chip Barber, Dora Lee Claus, Brian Douglas, Billy Fitzmaurice, Edith Gant, Joyce Harrison, Wanda Mendenhall, Ralph Piper, Sandra Reel, Jean Sanderson, Cindi Schoenherr, Ezra Collver (Craig & Carrie Collver's grandson) John Grohovac (Dave & Gina Bryant's grandson) Michael Guillory (Carolyn Barber's nephew) Kay Matthews (Jean Sanderson's sister) Lori Brokaw Muzquis (Brokaw/Wigington family) Peter Roccaforte (Chuck Barber's nephew) Julie Talley (Judy Ferguson's sister-in-law) Ricky Williams (Charles Owens' cousin)

We express our sympathy to the family and friends of the following who recently passed away:

Jim Phipps - Ron Phipps' brother

Lucille Helm - Stacey Helms' grandmother

Chuck Flamini - Tonya Douglas' father

Stewardship (Offering Only)	<u>4/19-25</u>	<u>4/26-5/2</u>
Operational	\$6,171.20	\$10,844.25
Property Improvement	150.00	50.00
Outreach-Missionaries	40.00	100.00
DHF	30.00	30.00
Construction/Renovation	257.00	150.00
Unmet Needs	3.00	53.00
Church Roof	50.00	0.00
Outreach-General	<u>108.00</u>	<u>108.00</u>
Total	\$6,809.20	\$11,335.25

Operating Receipts (Offering, Rentals, etc.)

Received Last 7 Days \$6,593.95 \$10,644.25
 Estimate Needed Each Week to Meet Budget \$9,175

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

Lectionary

5/9: Acts 10:44-48; Ps 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17
5/10: Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 7:1-11; 1 Timothy 6:11-12
5/11: Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 11:1-17; 1 Timothy 6:13-16
5/12: Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 11:18-21; Mark 16:19-20
5/13: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53
5/14: Psalm 47; Exodus 24:15-18; Revelation 1:9-18
5/15: Psalm 47; Deuteronomy 34:1-7; John 16:4-11
5/16: Acts 1:15-26; Ps 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19
5/17: Psalm 115; Exodus 28:29-38; Philippians 1:3-11
5/18: Psalm 115; Numbers 8:5-22; Titus 1:1-9
5/19: Psalm 115; Ezra 9:5-15; John 16:16-24
5/20: Psalm 33:12-22; Genesis 2:4b-7; 1 Corinthians 15:42b-49
5/21: Psalm 33:12-22; Job 37:1-13; 1 Corinthians 15:50-57
5/22: Psalm 33:12-22; Exodus 15:6-11; John 7:37-39

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.

Ways to Give

- Mail: PO Box 306, Pittsfield, IL 62363
 - Online: Website fccpittsfield.org then Resources
 - At the Office: 125 W. Jefferson Street
- Black metal offering boxes are secured on the sanctuary mantels, gym and fellowship hall for your convenience.

Wishes & Wants

None at this time.

	<u>4/25</u>	<u>5/2</u>
Worship Service		
8:00	83	87
10:30	<u>141</u>	<u>101</u>
Total	224	188
Christian Education		
Age 3-PK	8	6
K-2nd	10	9
3rd-4th	9	10
5th-6th	15	15
Jr/Sr High	8	5
Disciples	15	16
Sermon Study	12	9
C.O.F.F.E.E.	15	13
Women's Group	3	3
Select to Connect	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>
Total	102	95