

# The Pittsfield Christian

First Christian Church of Pittsfield, Illinois

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Gary and Carol Sherwin placed their membership with FCC on July 4. Then, on July 11, Dan and Lexie Williams placed their membership with FCC. We welcome them all to the church family!

**FCC Young Adult Summer Schedule**  
**College Age thru Age 25**  
5:30-7:30 @ Kayla Boren's Home  
**July 15, July 22**  
Dinner provided

**Youth Group Summer Tour**  
**Fri, July 16, 6-8:00**  
Worship & Dinner @ Crossroads  
Swim at King Pool 8-10:00 weather permitting



**Elder Meeting**  
**Tues, July 27**  
6:00

The Outreach Ministry will be hosting a cornhole booth on the square for Picture Pittsfield's "Christmas in July" event on Saturday, July 24. We need your help: if you have a cornhole set you would be willing to lend us for the afternoon of July 24, please contact Zack or Libby Boren. Volunteers are also needed to staff a welcome table and help distribute prizes for hour-long shifts from 3 to 6 pm. This will be a fun, low-key way to be a light in our community, and an easy way for YOU to get involved! See Zack or Libby to sign up or for more info! (Libby cell: 217-491-8909)



**Coffee Talk**  
First Tuesday of the month - **Aug 3**  
10:00 @ Annex.  
Stop by for coffee and conversation with Pastor Michael.

The **Thursday noon Bible Study** will resume **Sept 9** in Chapter 5 of Max Lucado's book "You Are Never Alone".

*Thank you for the prayers and concerns during my recent recovery. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. -Jane Calaway.*

The Trustees will award the Carol V. Claus Baughman Scholarship to the student pursuing a degree in the education field or in religious studies. **Contact the church office by July 23 for an application or for more info.**



**Church League Softball**  
**UPDATE**  
**July 19, 8:00**  
**July 26 Tournament**

Coming this fall!!!! FCC will present a **Pike County Community K-8th Kids' Musical** all about the armor of God! The show is titled, "God Squad!" Auditions are Aug 11 & 12. Performance is Wed, Nov 17, 6pm. Practices will be on Wednesdays 4-5:30 at Crossroads. Contact Kayla Boren for more info.

Our custodian will be on vacation July 18-31. Contact the office if you would like to be on the cleaning crew during that time which will include VBS.

Contact the office if you would like to help prepare and serve communion. The 10:30 service could use more volunteers.

# Vacation Bible School

We hope the whole church will join us for lunch, waterslides and snow cones for “Mission Press Play” VBS kickoff on Sunday, July 18 after church! Bring your lawn chair!

Drop in anytime to help **carry / set up** for VBS kickoff on Sunday between 8-10am.

**VBS - July 19-21 - 5:30-8:00.** We will not have Family Meal as in prior years. Instead, the VBS attendees & helpers will be served a kid friendly meal during VBS.

VBS attendees will provide special music at the 10:30 service on Sunday, July 25.

Swim Party - King Pool, Sunday, July 25, 5-7:00

**Mission Backpack** will be the VBS outreach project this year. Offering collected will go towards backpacks filled with school supplies and distributed at our local schools. If you would also like to contribute, mark your offering “backpack” and funds will be directed accordingly to purchase supplies.



## Elder Corner

My Church Family,

On my bedside table, I have a few of my most loved books. Books I find uplifting and calming.

After Pastor Michael's sermon on "Grace, Mercy, and Peace" (and remembering all the many blessings I have received, and probably didn't deserve), I found myself drawn back to my book stash, just flipping through well-worn pages of enlightenment. I came across a prayer by Marjorie Holmes, "Just for Today". Needless to say, there have been many times when this was my "daily prayer".

Oh, God, give me grace for this day.

Not for a lifetime, nor for next week, nor for tomorrow, just for this day.

Direct my thoughts and bless them,

Direct my work and bless it.

Direct the things I say and give them blessing, too.

Direct and bless everything that I think and speak and do.

So that for this one day, Just this one day,

I have the gift of grace that comes from your presence..... AMEN !!

*Ephesians 2:8 I mean that you have been saved by grace through believing. You did not save yourselves; it was a gift from God.*

Love to you!!

Judy Ferguson

Elder

**First Christian Church of Pittsfield, Illinois**

Church Building: 225 N. Memorial Street  
 Crossroads Center: 125 W. Jefferson Street  
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**Staff:**

Michael Ten Eyck, Pastor  
 Kayla Boren, Music Coordinator  
 Kacie Lipcaman, Christian Education  
 Rebecca Rhodes, Administrative Secretary  
 Gina Bryant, Custodian  
 Bob Clark, Audio/Video/Maintenance  
 Shari Clark, Event Coordinator  
 Rodney Gordley, Assistant Event/Student Ministry Coord

**Office Hours: M-TH 8:00am-3:30pm; F 8:00am-Noon****Worship Times: Every Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am**

**Prayer Concerns:** Chip Barber, Wayne Baughman, Jane Calaway, Dora Lee Claus, Brian Douglas, Gary Jones, Evan Lipcaman, Wanda Mendenhall, Sandra Reel, Cindi Schoenherr, Marcia Stark Michael Benad (Brenda Kramer's brother-in-law) Kent Carnes (Leecia Carnes' father) Ezra Collver (Craig & Carrie Collver's grandson) Michael Guillory (Carolyn Barber's nephew) Kay Matthews (Jean Sanderson's sister) Karen Schieffer (Mary Pfyl's sister) John Sheppard (Sandy Wigington's father) Linda Payne Sheppard (Judy Dunham & Carole Elledge's niece) Beverly Talley (Judy Ferguson's aunt) Julie Talley (Judy Ferguson's sister-in-law)

*We express our sympathy to Alexis Williams and family with the passing of her mother, Meleah Flynn. We also express sympathy to Brienne Sealock and family with the passing of her grandfather, Harry Gerecke Sr.*

<b>Stewardship (Offering Only)</b>	<u>6/28-7/4</u>	<u>7/5-11</u>
Operational	\$9,320.22	\$9,211.75
Property Improvement	110.00	10.00
Outreach-Missionaries	130.00	40.00
DHF	30.00	30.00
Construction/Renovation	54.00	75.00
Unmet Needs	503.00	3.00
Church Roof	50.00	0.00
VBS Project Backpack	0.00	56.00
Annex Remodel	3,300.00	0.00
Outreach-General	<u>48.00</u>	<u>8.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,545.22</b>	<b>\$9,433.75</b>

**Operating Receipts (Offering, Rentals, etc.)**

Received Last 7 Days \$9,320.22 \$9,211.75  
 Estimate Needed Each Week to Meet Budget \$9,175

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

**Lectionary**

**7/18:** 2 Sam 7:1-14; Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-56  
**7/19:** Psalm 61; 2 Samuel 7:18-29; Hebrews 13:17-25  
**7/20:** Psalm 61; 2 Samuel 8:1-18; Acts 20:17-38  
**7/21:** Psalm 61; 2 Samuel 9:1-13; Luke 15:1-7  
**7/22:** Psalm 14; 2 Samuel 10:1-5; Colossians 1:9-14  
**7/23:** Psalm 14; 2 Samuel 10:6-12; Colossians 3:12-17  
**7/24:** Psalm 14; 2 Samuel 10:13-19; John 4:31-38  
**7/25:** 2 Sam 11:1-15; 2 Kings 4:42-44; Eph 3:14-21; John 6:1-21  
**7/26:** Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Samuel 11:14-21; Philippians 4:10-20  
**7/27:** Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Samuel 11:22-27; Romans 15:22-33  
**7/28:** Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Chronicles 9:29-31; Mark 6:35-44  
**7/29:** Psalm 51:1-12; Exodus 32:19-26a; 1 Corinthians 11:17-22  
**7/30:** Psalm 51:1-12; Joshua 23:1-16; 1 Corinthians 11:27-34  
**7/31:** Psalm 51:1-12; Judges 6:1-10; Matthew 16:5-12

**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: 115 W. Jefferson Street
- Black metal offering boxes are secured on the sanctuary mantels, gym and fellowship hall for your convenience.

**Wishes & Wants**

Are you going to be out of town and need someone to care for your pet? Contact Lia Picone who can help! Ed 636.290.4528 or Rosie 217.440.0046

	<u>7/4</u>	<u>7/11</u>
<b>Worship Service</b>		
8:00	94	84
10:30	<u>107</u>	<u>118</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>202</b>
<b>Christian Education</b>		
Age 3-PK	8	6
K-2nd	12	7
3rd-4th	0	0
5th-6th	0	0
Jr/Sr High	6	9
Disciples	16	17
Sermon Study	14	5
C.O.F.F.E.E.	8	10
Women's Group	2	2
Select to Connect	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>56</b>