

The Tower of First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ) — Paducah, Kentucky



Newsletter — March 2017

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Ash Wednesday Service—March 1, - 7:00 p.m.

In Western Christianity, Ash Wednesday marks the first day, or the start of the season of Lent, which begins 40 days prior to Easter (Sundays are not included in the count). Lent is a time when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation and spiritual discipline.

Our Ash Wednesday service will include scripture readings, hymns, a brief message by Rev. Franz, communion and imposition of ashes. **Plan now to attend and invite friends and family to attend also.**

McNabb Spring Break Bags

Spring Break is April 2—8 this year. Many children at McNabb Elementary School in Paducah are from lower income families. Some may have a problem having enough food at home for the Spring Break when they do not receive food assistance at school. Before each break, members and friends at FCC collect food items and money to purchase food for these children. If you would like to help, we will need food or funds to purchase food by **March 19th.**

Needed foods include: Juice boxes, small microwave pasta meals such as ravioli and mac and cheese, peanut butter crackers, single serving sizes of breakfast cereal, and other nutritious snack foods. Wendy Homra is our McNabb Food coordinator. Contact Wendy at wrhomra@gmail.com for more information.

Congregational Code of Ethics

The Minister Search Committee has asked that each member of the congregation review the Congregational Code of Ethics recommended by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). If you missed Rev. Franz sermon on this topic on Feb. 26, and would like to read the “code” please call the church office and we will e-mail you a copy, send it by regular mail, or have it available at the church office to pick up.

Thank you
Sue Fletcher
Chair of Minister Search Committee

Kentucky Disciples Women’s Ministries 2017 Spring Conference

Sinking Fork Christian Church—Cerulean, KY
April 22, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
Registration forms on hall table.

Youth Group News

Our youth have been doing lots of interesting things lately, including helping out at the PCM Pantry and collecting for the Super Bowl of Caring. They have much more planned for the coming weeks.

March 5—No meeting

March 11—Project Hope Animal Shelter

Youth will be playing with the animals and helping where needed. We are also taking needed supplies including kitty litter, *Purina* or *Pedigree* dry cat and dog food, *Lysol* cleaner, and paper towels. **If you would like to donate, please bring your items to the church office by March 10th.**

March 19—Morgan Guess, and her mother Susan, will be here to talk about her experience with bullying. Morgan is in the 9th grade this year. Because of her and her mother’s efforts Gov. Matt Bevin signed Senate Bill 228 last year which decrees that bullying will not be tolerated in our public schools. We will be hosting youth from Grace Episcopal Church, Bethel Christian Church and Washington Street Baptist Church at this event.

March 26—Youth Camp Fundraiser Lunch at FCC. Funds will be used to help our campers go to camp this year. **All youth are asked to help at the luncheon.**

Spring Break—Youth who are not planning to be away for Spring Break can help out at the Community Kitchen on April 4th. See Machel for more information.

Helping at KBY—A youth camp workday is scheduled for Saturday, April 22nd. We are planning to take a group!

Camp Forms—Camp forms are available on the foyer table or we can e-mail them to you.

Thank you to the youth who are helping at FCC by

*Remember to “like” our Facebook page—
First Christian Church Paducah, for more weekly news.*

Worship With Us This Sunday

9:30 A.M.—Sunday School for all ages

10:45 A.M.—Worship in FCC Sanctuary

Follow us on Facebook

[facebook](https://www.facebook.com/fccpaducah)

Check out our website
fccpaducah.org
For more information

E-Mail us:
office@fccpaducah.org

Support the PCM Pantry

We are collecting **Tuna** for the PCM Pantry during March.

Recurring Monthly Fellowship and Outreach Opportunities

- **1st Wednesday, (Mar. 1) - Super Senior Group @ Olive Garden** at 11:30 a.m. *Enjoy food and fellowship with our group.*
- **1st Monday (Mar. 6) Blood Drive from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.** Fellowship Hall (lower level)
- **2nd Saturday, (Mar. 11) - 2nd Saturday Breakfast** from 8 - 10 AM in Fellowship Hall. *Bring your friends and enjoy a great breakfast for a donation of \$6 or more. Proceeds used for community outreach and building repairs*
- **2nd Tuesday, (Mar.. 14) - Community Kitchen Service Day**. *Check the calendar insert for more information and dates.*

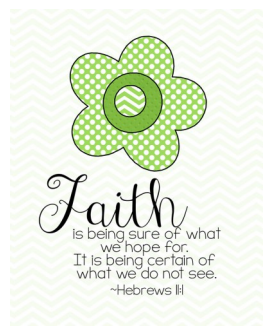


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March 2017 Serving Schedule

Elders	Bread	Wine
5	Betty Sanders	Sue Fletcher
12	Marj Heyduck	Julie Price
19	Bea Anderson	Larry Anderson
26	Ann Denton	Susie Foreman
Servers		
5	Jennifer Palmer, Jack Bell, Bill & Neva Allen	
12	Malou Barnes, Chloe Deweese, Hugo & Jeanie Ramirez	
19	Jennifer Palmer, Jack Bell, Jimmy Allen, Tanner Hagood	
26	Whitney Caywood, Allison Clark, Vicki Cooper, Judy Davenport	
Liturgist		
5	Betty Sanders	
12	Sue Fletcher	
19	Denise Romanak	
26	Chloe Deweese	
Time for Children		
5	Ann Denton	
12	Linda Creason	
19	Bea Anderson	
26	volunteer needed	
Ushers & Communion Clean-Up		
5	Kenny Boaz & Nancy Huffstutter	
12	Bill & Neva Allen	
19	Nettie Bingham & Helen Morris	
26	Larry & Bea Anderson	
Greeters & Pew Pad Pick-Up		
5	Jennifer Palmer & Jack Bell	
12	Larry & Bea Anderson	
19	Chloe Deweese & Malou Barnes	
26	Allison Clark & Judy Davenport	
Communion for Shut-Ins		
5	Betty & WR Sanders	
12	Marj Heyduck	
19	Larry & Bea Anderson	
26	Ann Denton	
Elder on Call		
5	Ann Denton	
12	Sue Fletcher	
19	Larry Anderson	
26	Beverly Craig	



Prayer Concerns

Tim Davenport, 565 Eleanor Dr., 42003
 Mary Lee Nuckols, 6441 Stinespring 42001
 Vicki White, 35 Owens St., Gilbertsville 42044
 Ray Sanders, brother of WR Sanders

Friends In Nursing Homes & Assisted Living

Mary Nell Mathues, Superior Care Home
 Judith O'Donley, Brookdale Senior Living
 Jo James, Gaither Suites, 4960 Village Sq.

Friends At Home

Ed & Joy Silvey, 303 Marsha Dr. Ledbetter, 42058
 Fred & Norma Hartle, 2942 Georgia St., 42003
 June Lankton, 272 Old Orchard Rd., 42001
 Lucinda Rudd, 230 Valley Rd., 42001
 Imogene Williams, 521 Holly Dr., 42001
 Alice Bradford, 2839 Turner St., 42003
 Dottie Stivers, 2500 Marshall Ct., 42003

Cards and letters are always appreciated!

March Celebrations

Birthdays

- 7 **Glenda Montgomery**, 255 Colonial Dr., 42001
- 8 **Isaiah Barnett**, 330 W. Jefferson, 42001
- 8 **Joe Wallace**, 47 Rosebower Ln., Gilbertsville 42044
- 14 **Erin Gottman**, 216 Canterbury Cove, 42001
- 16 **Nathan Bronaugh**, 252 Navaho Dr., 42001
- 17 **Ed Silvey**, 303 Marsha Dr., Ledbetter 42058
- 20 **Jason Clark**, 2875 Geibe Rd., 42003
- 20 **Susie Foreman**, 7050 Shawn Ln., 42001
- 21 **Neva Allen**, 6438 Benton Rd., 42003
- 21 **Jennifer Palmer**, 486 Nanny Rd., Mayfield 42066
- 31 **Vivian McLaughlin**, 125 Springwell Ln., 42001

Anniversaries

- 6 **Scott & Julie McKeel**, 3340 Buckner Ln., 42001
- 24 **Bill & Pam Wells**, 701 Fairway Dr., 42003

Memorial Gifts

*In memory of Mary Faith Gooch
 In memory of Willadene Myers
 In memory of George Lankton
 From Dottie Stivers*

*In memory of Jim Mitchell
 Betty & WR Sanders*

*In memory of Glenda Distler
 Brenda & Michael Murphy, Stephanie Copeland*

The FCC Preschool and its children were very important to Glenda. For that reason, our preschool is starting a scholarship fund in Glenda's name. This fund will help a disadvantaged child attend our preschool. If you wish to contribute, please make your check to FCC with "Preschool" on the memo line.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 11:30 a.m. Super Seniors At Bob Evans 6 p.m. Elder's Meeting 7 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service	2 5:30 p.m. Caring & Nurturing Team Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous	3 Preschool Reading Night Program Fellowship Hall	4
5 9:30 a.m. Inter-generational Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship	6 10:00 a.m. Pray & Ponder 11:30 a.m. Blood Drive 5:30 p.m. Finance Team	7 5:15 p.m. Choir Practice	8 7:00 p.m. Minister Search Committee Mtg.	9 6 p.m. PCM Annual Mtg. At BUMC 7:00 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous	10	11 8:00 a.m. Community Breakfast
12 Daylight Time Begins 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship 12:00 a.m. CWF Gen. Mtg.	13	14 8:30 a.m. Community Kitchen Day 4:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 5:15 p.m. Choir Practice	15 9:30 a.m. WKCTC Seniors FCC Library 6:00 p.m. Administrative Team Mtg.	16 3:30 p.m. McCracken Co. Ret. Teachers Mtg. Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous	17	18
19 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship 4:30 p.m.—Youth meeting with Morgan Guess	20 10:00 a.m. Pray & Ponder	21 5:15 p.m. Choir Practice	22 5:00 p.m. Elder's Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Minister Search Committee Mtg.	23 7:00 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous	24	25
26 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship 12:00 p.m. Youth Camp Fund- raiser Lunch	27	28 4:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 5:15 p.m. Choir Practice	29	30 7:00 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous	31	

**January 2017
Financial Statistics**

Income	\$18,658
Expense	\$18,689
Difference	-\$31.00

Attendance

01/29	126
02/05	127
02/12	93
02/19	105