



First Christian Church of Effingham

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Under His Wings

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Mark Your Calendar

Friday, February 9th Oil Belt Men's
Night at Flora. Starts at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 13th Young @
Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, February 13th Women's
Meeting meets @ 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 14th W.O.W.
meets @ 5:30 p.m. for supper then
Bible study to follow

Saturday, February 17th Children's
Event 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Party
Theme is God is Love

Wednesday, February 21st WOW
Adults start new series by Delaine
Donaldson, "Recovering America's
Religious Heritage"

Friday, February 23rd Youth &
Young Adults Movie Event (Black
Panther)

Sunday, March 4th Peanut Butter,
Jelly, Cereal or your choice due in
Beebe Hall for Calvary Baptist Food
Pantry

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

What a glory Hallelujah day yesterday was at First Christian Church! We were able to witness the baptism into Christ of two people. Klent Scoggins was baptized by his brother-in-law Troy Bloemker, and then Klent baptized his daughter, Kacey. Kacey had asked her dad to baptize her and this prompted Klent to stop and consider where he was at in his relationship with the Lord. God has really been at work with this family.

There were several tears of joy shed yesterday in our service. Praise the Lord for His wonderful blessings!

There are several men who are going to Men's Night at Oil Belt Christian Service Camp this coming Friday night. If you would like to go, please let the office know. There is still time to sign up. You will enjoy a pork chop supper followed by an inspirational service of praise and worship.

Elsewhere in the newsletter you will find the announcement about the study that Delaine Donaldson will be leading. This will be a six weeks series of lessons on how our Christian faith has influenced the founding of our country. Our history books have not shared the full story of the role that God played in the lives of our founding fathers. Plan to be a part of these lessons!

We still have two weeks left in our current Bible study, "You'll Get Through This." This study is based on the life of Joseph in the book of Genesis. Even if you have missed the first four lessons, I would encourage you to come and take in the last two.

I hope to see each of you this coming Lord's Day morning and be able to greet each of you personally. Invite a friend to come with you!

C U N Church,
David





Serving In February

Elder: Dennis Bushue & Jon Zerkel alternating

Deacons: Greg Spillman, Chris Denoyer, Jeff Akeman, Terry Harper

Deaconesses: Cleone Bloemker & Vicky Maxwell

<i>1-21-18 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$3,267.01 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>		<i>1-28-18 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$3,520.73 includes Faith Promise</i>	
<i>Worship: 94</i> <i>Sunday School: 27</i>		<i>Worship: 92</i> <i>Sunday School: 21</i>	
<i>Faith Promise Missions: \$230.00</i>		<i>Faith Promise Offering: \$302.00</i> <i>Oil Belt Men's Day: \$20.00</i>	
<i>Building: \$40.00</i>		<i>Building: \$40.00</i> <i>Winter Jam: \$160.00</i>	
<i>Sunday School: \$21.75</i>		<i>Sunday School: \$15.00</i> <i>Oil Belt Donation: \$25.00</i>	
<i>2-4-18 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: 5,727.95 includes Faith promise Offering</i>			
<i>Worship: 119</i>		<i>Sunday School: 26</i>	
<i>Faith Promise Missions: \$925.00</i>		<i>Oil Belt Men's Night: \$40.00</i>	
<i>Building: \$40.00</i>		<i>Upward Soccer: \$140.00</i>	
<i>Sunday School: 15.50</i>		<i>Countrysmark Refining: \$37.45</i>	

February 11th Greeters: Linda Packer & Elsie Palmer ***February 11th Home Communion:*** David McConnell

February 18th Greeters: Jeff & Laurie Akeman ***February 18th Home Communion:*** Larry Thomason & Tom Waldhoff

Young @ Heart

Tuesday, February 13th

Come @ 9:00 a.m. to share in coffee/tea,
fellowship and prayer in Beebe Hall
All 50 and over are invited to come and be with us on Tuesday mornings





Baptisms & New Members



February Book of the Month

I John, II John, III John

A study guide is available on the foyer table.

Pastor David will be preaching from I, II and III John during the month of February.

Goals:

Greater knowledge of the Bible

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.



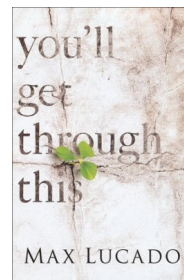
W.O.W. Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, February 14th



W.O.W. begins @ 5:30 p.m. with supper, then worship in song and Bible study to follow.

Adults last session of "You'll Get Through This" based on title of book written by Max Lucado.



Children's Event

Saturday, February 17th

Children's event, (5th grade and under) "God's Love" party.
Meet in Beebe hall from 10:00 a.m. to noon



Faith Promise

2017-2018 Faith Promise Giving

Promised

\$30,220.00

Given

\$11,537.00



St. Louis Christian College Men's Day

Saturday, March 3rd

Theme: "Coming Home" by Terry Stine, President of St. Louis Christian College

Prizes: Given to multiple generations in attendance

Registration: by February 24th

Time: 10:00 a.m. to Noon followed by a Barbecue lunch

Cost: Free



 SAINT LOUIS
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

Sunday, March 4th

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal or your choice are due in Beebe Hall



Oil Belt Coming Events

Saturday, March 17th Ladies' Day 2018

Theme: "For Such A Time As This"

Time: Doors open @ 8:15 a.m.; Program Begins @ 9:00 a.m.;

Dismissal @ 2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$20.00

Registration: By March 9th



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SERVICE REQUESTED

Special study at WOW beginning on February 21.

Delaine Donaldson will be sharing a series of **six lessons on “Recovering America’s Religious Heritage.”** In these sessions Delaine will be teaching about the role of the Christian faith in the establishment of our nation. In recent years our history books have omitted many of these important facts.

The following is an **overview of what he will be presenting:**



February 21 The struggle between the secular and religious worldviews found in the United States today

February 28 America’s religious heritage during the Age of Exploration

March 4 The Colonial experience

March 11 The role of religion in shaping the Declaration of Independence and the American Revolution

March 18 - Pre-Constitutional period of time

March 25 - Religion’s role in shaping the Constitution and Early America

These sessions will **begin at 6:30 p.m. and be one hour in length.** Everyone is invited to attend and encouraged to bring a friend or neighbor to participate in this unique opportunity.

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