



First Christian Church of Effingham

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The Way, The Truth & The Life

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Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, August 8th Children's Church will meet after communion with Gospel Project curriculum

Tuesday, August 10th Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.

Tuesdays Online Prayer Time Starts @ noon on the First Christian Church Effingham Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FCCEffingham> and You Tube [First Christian Church of Effingham - YouTube](#)

Wednesday, August 11th W.O.W. will meet at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 15th End of Summer all Church picnic starts @ 5:00 p.m. at Lake Sara on the point

Saturday, August 28th Salvation Army is sponsoring Back 2 School haircuts/showers

Janitor Opening As of mid August

Sunday, September 5th Calvary Baptist Food Pantry Items due. Bring Canned vegetables, Cereal or your choice

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

Yesterday in my sermon, I was talking about how Elijah was an ambassador for God. We too are commissioned to be ambassadors for Christ to our world. "We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us." (2 Corinthians 5:20). What an amazing privilege to serve our Lord in this fashion! What an awesome responsibility!

One of Illinois's most famous sons was Adlai Stevenson II. He was raised in Bloomington and served as Governor of the state from 1949 to 1953. He was the Democratic nominee for President of the United States in both 1952 and 1956. Although he did not declare his candidacy in 1960 for President, he still hoped that his party would ask him to be their candidate for the highest office in the land. John Kennedy received the nomination and the rest is history. Forgotten by many was the fact that Stevenson served as Ambassador to the United Nations from 1961 to 1965. That was a far cry from serving in the Oval Office. During that period he may best be known for his confrontation with the Soviet Union's ambassador concerning the placement of nuclear warheads in Cuba. Take a look on the internet to see the details of that confrontation. Suffice it to say that Mr. Stevenson represented the United States well at that point in time.

Stevenson for a while was the acknowledged leader of the Democratic Party but later served as an ambassador for the Commander in Chief and the nation. He humbly accepted that lower position and carried out his responsibility well.

Let each of us remember that we are serving Christ and we are not the leader. He is. When we became a Christian, we put Him in charge of our life and pledged to represent Him to the best of our ability. We are Christ's ambassadors to a lost and dying world. Let us continue to share the message of salvation to our world, our nation, and our community!

I hope to see each of you this coming Sunday!

C U N Church,
David



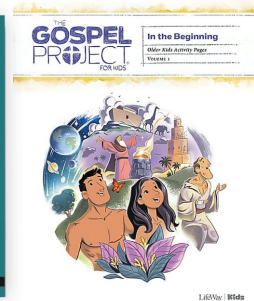
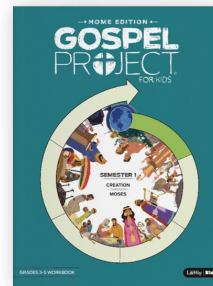
<i>Serving In August</i> Communion Table : August 8th—Troy Bloemker; August 15th—Delaine Donaldson	
7/25/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$2,960.00 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving	8/1/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$4,260.17 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving
Attendance: 62 Property Ministry (Building) \$40.00	Attendance: 58 Property Ministry (Building): \$40.00
Faith Promise: \$311.00 Quilt Guild Donation: \$106.00	Faith Promise \$1,521.00 Arney Memorial Bench: \$750.00

Children's Church

Sunday, August 8th

Children's church will meet in Beebe Hall directly after communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Children 5th grade and under are invited to attend. Gospel Project curriculum will be used for these classes.

There is also a home edition parents can buy.



Young @ Heart

Tuesday, August 10th

All over 50 meet @ 9:00 a.m. Coffee will be available along with a snack cake. Come for the conversation and prayer time.



W.O.W.

Wednesday, August 18th

The Fall W.O.W. begins again on August 18th and starts at 6:00 p.m. for worship, prayer and continuing with *The Chosen* video series.



Prayer List



Special Needs: Elsie Palmer (surgery), DaOna Poe (pressure sore), Hayden Larson (broken foot and toes), Randal Poe (Lakeland Rehab), Taryn (seizures), Christy Carrizosa (Carpal Tunnel), Ruth Lowrance, Sheila Hutcheson (radiation procedure), Tonya (health concerns) & Josie (covid 19)

Missions: Faith Promise 2020/2021, Voice of the Martyrs, IDES, Bible Runners

Pray For These Families: Steve Pederson Family

NEW: Prayer Bulletin Board: Anyone can add anonymous prayers to the board. Note paper

Tuesday, Prayer Time

Every Tuesday @ Noon

Join us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FCCEffingham> to share in the prayer time with Pastor David & Pastor Martin. The prayer time can be viewed at your convenience because it is streamed and saved.



Food Pantry Items

Sunday, September 5th

Please bring Vegetables, Cereal or your choice for the Calvary Baptist Food Pantry.





Bible Runners V.B.S. Mission

Jess & Owen Sweitzer are Bible Runners who bring Bibles and Sunday School Materials to Kenya where Bibles are not affordable in their economy.

Acceptable Materials:

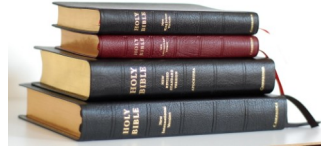
Bibles—All Bibles, New Testaments & Bible portions (new & used)

Books, Paperbacks & Tracts—All Christian Books, paperbacks & tracks

Magazines—examples: Discipleship Journal, Decision, Bible Study Magazine, etc.
(cannot accept Guideposts)

Misc.—All daily devotionals, reference books & commentaries

Sunday School Supplies—All adult & Children Sunday School materials from reputable publishers, they prefer you have a leaders guide & at least 8 student manuals. Please no handiwork, crafts or busy papers.



End of Summer All Church Picnic

Sunday, August 15th

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Where: At Lake Sara at the point by the dam

Come and join us for food, prayer & worship together



Back 2 School Free Haircuts/Showers

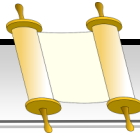
Saturday, August 28th

Salvation Army is sponsoring Free Haircuts at First Christian Church.



They are also sponsoring free showers for use at Days Inn @ 1205 N. Keller Dr., Effingham, IL





Book Of The Month



Bible Reading

Study Guide for Jeremiah & Lamentations is on the foyer table

Goals:

Greater knowledge of the Bible

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.



Oil Belt Christian Service Camp

75 Year Anniversary

Join with us the celebrate Oil Belt Christian Service Camp's 75th year!

Below are a few of the activities and plans we have.

Oil Belt Recipe & History Book is currently being created. To purchase yours, more information is forthcoming.

Attend Family Camp 2021 for a special service on Sunday, September 5, 2021.

- Mail / Email your pictures, videos and stories to the camp office!
- Stay Tuned! We have more planned!



Janitor

Beginning Mid August

Callista Denoyer, our present janitor, will be going to school full time, and she will not be able to continue in this job.

Therefore, if you are interested in applying for this job, please, send a letter of application to First Christian Church, 901 N. Henrietta St. Effingham, IL



Faith Promise 2020

Promises Made

\$36,117.00 for 2020/2021

Theme: Take God At His Word

Bible Verse: "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matthew 6:33

Received—\$32,918.00



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So Good**

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Sunday Times

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:40 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. Fellowship Time

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Tuesday Morning

9:00 a.m. Young @ Heart Coffee & Prayer Time

Wednesday Evening

6:00 p.m. Bible Study & Worship Time

