



# First Christian Church of Effingham

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*Under His Wings*

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## **Mark Your Calendar**

**Sunday, August 20th** Bakeless Bake Sale for Heartland Christian Village. Donations will be received in the foyer. Write checks to Heartland Christian Village Activity Director.

**Sunday, August 20th** Bill & Daisy Fry's 60th Anniversary from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, August 22nd** Young @ Heart will meet @ 9:00 a.m. for coffee/tea, fellowship and prayer

**Wednesday, August 23rd** The youth and Junior High (6th grade to 12th grade) will meet @ 5:30 p.m. for supper and bible study.

**Sunday, September 3rd** Canned Vegetables or Cereals are due in Beebe Hall for Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

**Tuesday, September 5th** Young @ Heart will meet @ 9:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, September 5th** Elders' meet @ 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday, September 9th** Ice Cream Social & opening of time capsule begins @ 6:00 p.m.

**Sunday, September 10th** 150th Anniversary Celebration luncheon directly after worship service

## **Ponderings of the Preacher . . .**

Yesterday, Delaine Donaldson in his presentation of history at the time of the establishment of First Christian Church in 1867 up to the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century mentioned President James A. Garfield. He was a member of the Christian Church/Church of Christ and was asked many questions about the group of believers with whom he worshiped. In response to those questions he wrote the following:

1. We call ourselves Christians or Disciples of Christ.
2. We believe in God the Father.
3. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and our Savior. We regard the divinity of Christ as the fundamental truth of the Christian system.
4. We believe in the Holy Spirit, both as to His agency in conversion as indwelling in the heart of the Christian.
5. We accept both the Old and the New Testament Scriptures as the inspired Word of God.
6. We believe in the future punishment of the wicked and the future reward of the righteous.
7. We believe that the Deity is a prayer hearing and a prayer answering God.
8. We observe the institution of the Lord's Supper on the Lord's day. To this table we neither invite nor debar; we say it is the Lord's Supper for all of the Lord's children.
9. We plead for the union of God's people on the Bible and the Bible alone.
10. The Christ is our only creed.
11. We maintain that all the ordinances should be observed as they were in the days of the apostles.

I hope to see each of you this coming Lord's Day morning. Let's all do our best to be here next Sunday!

C U N Church,  
David



<b>Serving In August</b> <b>Elder:</b> Dennis Bushue & Jon Zerkel alternating <b>Deacons:</b> Tom Shouse, Martin Zubiata, George Shouse, Toby Wolke <b>Deaconesses:</b> April Moeller, Sandi Donaldson	
<b>8-6-17 Attendance &amp; Giving</b> <b>Total: \$ 2,742.00 includes Faith Promise Offering</b>	<b>8-13-17 Attendance &amp; Giving</b> <b>Total: \$3,685.31 includes Faith Promise</b>
Worship: 72                      Sunday School:15	Worship:89                      Sunday School:15
<b>Faith Promise Missions: \$845.00</b>	<b>Faith Promise Offering:\$195.00</b> Cook Book Fee:\$10.00
Appliance Rebate \$75.00    Building:\$40.00	Building:\$40.00 Oil Belt Christian Service Camp Fees: \$84.00
Sunday School:\$9.00	Sunday School:\$12.31

August 20th Greeters: Chris & Sheila Hutcheson August 20th Home Communion: Larry Thomason & George Shouse  
August 27th Greeters: Barb Morrison & June Ashley August 27th Home Communion: Larry Maxwell & Kelvin Williams



## Bakeless Bake Sale

### Sunday, August 20th

Donations will be accepted in the foyer before and after worship service for Heartland Christian Village. The proceeds will go toward the purchase of a "Vein Finder", New Table Cloths and New Dining Chair Cushions



## 60th Wedding Anniversary

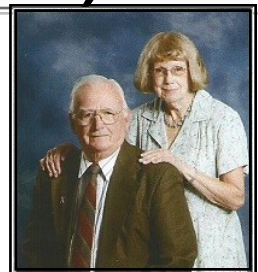
### Sunday, August 20th

Come and celebrate with Bill & Daisy Fry

**Where:** First Christian Church Fellowship Hall

**Time:** 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Cards are welcome, but please no gifts



## Young @ Heart

### Tuesday, August 22nd

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





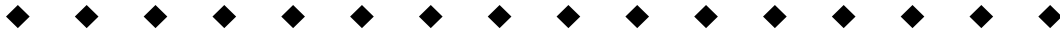
# Prayer Requests



**Homebound and Nursing Home:** Marie Waddell, Bonnie Koester, Wanda Morgan, Holly Arney, Cecil "Paul" Richey, Wilma Sherrick, Marie Fulk, Harry Johnson, Don VanDeveer, Lulubelle Winn, Oneida Lewis, Elinor Wolford, Elfrieda Zerkel, Eldon Ooton, Darlene Zimdars, Agnes Simpson



**Cancer:** Laura Knierim, Sharon Douglas, Shirley Strickland, Ron Anderson, Tatum, Ashley Judd, Linda Smith, Paul Dempsey, Barb Eaton, Patty Willis, Alayna Plank, Renae Metke, Andy, Mike Page, Tom Koester, Brett Walker, Gary Lewis, Brandy Harper, Tiffany Dunaway, Brad Arney's Great Grandson Parker Burns, Susie Mast, Nancy Koester, Patrice Runyon, John Arnold, Carley Tull, Robert Barkauska, Jessica Baker, Nikki Szyonik, Katie Krueger, Misty Ulmer, Lanny Grove, Joshua McConnell, Rosemary Niemerg, Paula Jones, Mike Altgilbers, Ruth, Barb Gaddis, Elizabeth Weidner, Trish Couch, Wyatt Smith, Dallas Parkhurst, Ray Bushue, Bill Dentln, Jane Ann's Friend, Joy Gamber, Gene Moeller, Angie Thomason, Cindy Thomason, Ellen Walk, Sue Heth, Ken Gilbert, Arlene Mullen, Donna Pollock, Cheryl Woodard, Joe Stoops, Roland O'Leary, Jill Fiddler, Scott Chalvant, Dallas Hurst, Caleb, Tammy Zuber, Mary Vail, Sandy Brockett, Travis Stine, Linda Packer, Diane Slone, Jim Coatney, Elizabeth-7year old, Candy Walden, Ken Roley, Lois Bartels, Aretha Young & her husband



**Special Needs:** Darlene & Gary Elliott, Elaine Griffin, Mary Muntean, Russ Mitchell, Rodney Raber, LeAnn Spruell, David Shouse, Brad Donaldson, Yin Ying Zhang, Callista Denoyer, Sarah Gremo & Cal, John Weiffenbach, Cathy, Marvin Book, Ron Thomason, Lolita, Tracey Scoggins, Paul & Linda Richey, Venezuela, Lydie Anderson, Glen Anderson, Kristen Fernandez, Lulubell Winn

(These names will remain on the prayer list for one month. Then, we need an update to put their names back on this Special Needs list.)



**Missions:** Faith Promise Rally October 15th through October 22nd



**Military:** J.R. Trueblood, Troops in harms way, Tyler Cross in the Air Force



**Grieving Families:** Richard Tucker Family, Bill Ramsey Family, Darrell Raymond Family



## Junior High & Youth W.O.W.

### Wednesday, August 23rd

Junior High, (6th, 7th, 8th graders), and Youth, (9th through 12th graders) will begin W.O.W. for the season at 5:30 p.m. with supper and Bible study to follow.



# September 2017

Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Galatians 6:9 (NIV)					1	2
3 Canned Vegetables or Cereal due for Baptist Calvary <b>Food Pantry</b>	4 “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you <b>rest</b> .” Matthew 11:28	5 <b>Young @ Heart Meets @ 9:00 a.m. Elders’ Meeting meets @ 6:30 p.m.</b>	6	7	8	9 Ice Cream Social Celebration Begins @ 6:00 p.m.
10 <b>Celebration luncheon</b> directly after worship service	11 	12 <b>Young @ Heart Meets @ 9:00 a.m. Women’s Ministry meets @ 6:30 p.m.</b>	13 <b>W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m.</b>	14	15	16 Children’s’ Event from 10:00 a.m. to Noon
17 <b>Dallas &amp; Hazel Kingery’s 60th Wedding Anniversary Open House</b>	18	19 <b>Young @ Heart Meets @ 9:00 a.m.</b>	20 <b>W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m.</b>	21	22 Fall Begins 	23
24 	25	26 <b>Young @ Heart Meets @ 9:00 a.m.</b>	27 <b>W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m.</b>	28	29	30



## *September Birthday & Anniversaries*

3 Astrid Zubiante-BD  
4-Analise Brown-BD  
5-Dorothy Locke-BD  
5-Maci Renee Lewis-BD  
7-John & Lisa Guthrie-WA  
7-Charolette Bushue-BD  
7-Jaunita Lindsay-BD  
10-Oneida Lewis-BD  
13-Emily Griffin-BD  
16-Sandi Donaldson-BD  
18-Elaine Griffin-BD  
18-Mary Muntean-BD  
19-Agnes Simpson-BD  
20-Wilma Sherrick-BD  
21-Dallas & Hazel Kingery-WA

22-Hazel Kingery-BD  
22-J.T. Bloemker-BD  
22-Sheryl Rincker-BD  
22-Claudine Rush-BD  
29-Chris & Sheila Hutcheson-WA  
30-Gabe Waldhoff-BD



## *Make A Difference*

### **Faith Promise Rally**

**When:** Sunday, October 15th through Sunday, October 22nd

- ♦ **Sunday, October 15th**—Terry Stine, the new president, of St. Louis Christian College will be the speaker. (The Faith promise Cards will be passed out)
- ♦ **Tuesday, October 17th**—have coffee, tea and donuts. Heartland Christian Village and FISH have been invited to speak on this day 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ **Wednesday, October 18th**—6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Representatives from Christian Campus House EIU and Oil Belt Christian Service Camp have been invited to speak.
- ♦ **Sunday, October 22nd**—during worship service the following have been invited to speak: Christian Missionary Fellowship, Feed the Crave, Youth With A Mission, Salvation Army and H.I.S. K.I.D.S.

**Lunch:** Church Family invited to stay for pot luck lunch after worship service on Sunday, October 22nd in Beebe Hall.



“God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.”

1 Peter 4:10 (NLT)





## *Elder's Meeting*



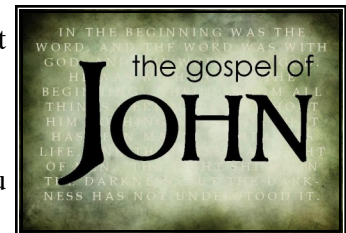
**Tuesday, September 5th**

The elders' will meet at 6:30 p.m.

## *August Challenge*

### **Eliminating Biblical Illiteracy**

Biblical illiteracy has increased dramatically in recent years. People including Christians know less and less about the Bible. If we claim to be a people of the Book, we should have a working knowledge of the Bible. During the next several months, we as a congregation will be working toward eliminating Biblical illiteracy by increasing our knowledge and understanding of the Bible. Each month we will be focusing on a different part of the Bible and attempting to increase our knowledge of that part of Scripture. **In August, our challenge is to memorize the seven "I Am" statements that Jesus made in the Gospel of John.** This ought to be an easier task than many of the others we have been working on. Won't you join us in this worthwhile endeavor? Be sure to pick up your Bible question calendar for August



## *Immeasurable Harvest*

**2016-2017 Faith Promise Giving**

**Promised**

**\$38,790**

**Given**

**\$28,963**



## *Oil Belt Senior Adult Day*

**Thursday, September 7th**

**When:** Registration Begins: 8:30 a.m. Program: 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Speaker:** Doyle Roth

**Singing:** John & Judy Roberts

**Laugh:** Darryl Bolen

**Concert:** *For Heaven's Sake*

**Lunch Included**

**Early Bird Registration:** September 1st

