



First Christian Church of Effingham

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Peace Like A River

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Mark Your Calendar

Thursday, October 4th Mission
Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 7th Pizza Crust,
Pizza Sauce or your choice items are
due in Beebe Hall for Calvary Baptist
Food Pantry

Tuesday, October 9th Young @
Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m. for coffee/
snack, prayer and fellowship

Tuesday, October 9th Women's Min-
istry meets @ 6:30 p.m. in Beebe
Hall

Wednesday, October 10th All ages
invited to attend W.O.W. Supper at
5:30 p.m. and worship/Bible study to
follow

Sunday, October 14th Faith Promise,
"Make A Difference" pledge cards
will be passed out. Andrew Bloemker
& Lynn Cazier will speak during
worship service.

Saturday, October 20th Children's
Event; Meet @ Evergreen to play
Bingo with the residents

Faith Promise Schedule for the week
see page 5 of this issue.

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; ***make the most of every opportunity***. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." Colossians 4:2-6 (bold print and italics are mine)

When it comes to opportunities to share the message of Christ with our family, friends and neighbors, we need to make the most of every opportunity. I want to remind you of some of those opportunities that are approaching.

Don't forget the Faith Promise Rally in October when we will have the opportunity to learn how we can partner with our missionaries in sharing the gospel of Christ with others. Remember, you can make a difference!

We need your help in our community outreach at Treat Town on October 31. We will have the opportunity to interact with dozens of children and their families. May we use that opportunity to share Jesus' love with them!

Operation Christmas Child is coming up in November. We will have the opportunity to share the message of God's love with children from around the world. Plan to be a part of that.

Salvation Army will be looking for volunteers to help with its bell ringing campaign on the weekends between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Sign up to help with that program that helps administer God's love to those in need in our community.

The Christmas season provides a good opportunity to invite others to come to our church services. Christmas is one of those seasons when people are more receptive to an invitation to come to church than at any other time. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to come for our children's program, the adult Christmas play, and Christmas Eve candlelight service.

The next three months are packed with opportunities for us to influence others for Jesus. Pray that God will use our efforts to reach out to others.

C U N Church,
David



Serving In October

Elder: Delaine Donaldson, Don Thoele & Dennis Bushue alternating

Deacons: Chris Hutcheson, Kelvin Williams, Jeff Akeman, Chris Denoyer

Deaconesses: Heather Wolke & Chelsey Beavers

<i>9/23/18 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$4,557.06 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>	<i>9/30/18 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$3,217.00 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>
Worship: 101 Sunday School: 33	Worship: 106 Sunday School: 30
<i>Faith Promise Missions: \$555.00</i>	<i>Faith Promise Offering: \$340.00</i>
Building: \$40.00	Building: \$40.00
Sunday School: \$23.00	Sunday School: \$15.00

October 7th Greeters: Elaine Griffin & Sonya Davis ***October 7th Home Communion:*** Chris Denoyer & George Shouse

October 14th Greeters: Roger & Kay Wyckoff & Rosie Parkhurst ***October 14th Home Communion:*** John Donathan & Martin Zubiate

Missions Meeting

Thursday, October 4th

Last Meeting before the Faith Promise Rally, "Make A Difference". Meet @ 6:30 p.m.



Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

Sunday, October 7th

Pizza Crust, Pizza Sauce
or your choice are due in Beebe Hall



Treat Town October 31st

Candy Box In Foyer

If you would like to donate candy to be passed out at treat town on October 31st, please bring it and put the donation in the box in the foyer.

Decorate Room Or Pass Out Candy

If you would like to decorate a room for Treat Town and not give out candy; or if you would like to give out candy and not decorate a room let the office or either Pastor know. We can match people up who wish to do one but not the other.





Prayer List



Homebound and Nursing Home: Marie Waddell, Bonnie Koester, Wanda Morgan, Holly Arney, Marie Fulk, Don VanDeveer, Elinor Wolford, Darlene Zimdars, Dorothy Locke, Bonnie Thomas

Cancer: Laura Knierim, Sharon Douglas, Shirley Strickland, Ron Anderson, Tatum, Ashley Judd, Paul Dempsey, Barb Eaton, Patty Willis, Alayna Plank, Renae Metke, Andy, Mike Page, 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, Misty Ulmer, Lanny Grove, Joshua McConnell, Rosemary Niemerg, Ruth, Barb Gaddis, Elizabeth Weidner, Wyatt Smith, Dallas Parkhurst, Ray Bushue, Bill Dentln, Jane Ann's Friend, Joy Gamber, Gene Moeller, Arlene Mullen, Joe Stoops, Jill Fiddler, Scott Chalcant, Dallas Hurst, Caleb, Sandy Brockett, Travis Stine, Diane Slone, Ken Roley, Lois Bartels, Cindy Meitzner, Mat Reed, Adam Stoops, Allen Griffin, Joyce Jordon Griggs, Mitchell Coffin, Steve Sabens, Reenie's Cousin Teri, A.J.'s Grandmother, Hanna Henning, Marissa (Walton) Banovz, Ashley (friend to Mary Muntean), Bob Pike, Bill LeCrone, Janet (Dennis Young's Friend), Doris Percival, Malcolm Jollivay & Family, Sandra Helmink



Special Needs: Darlene & Gary Elliott, Mary Muntean, LeAnn Spruell, Callista Denoyer, Sarah Gremo, Craig Lattig, Phyllis Mitchell, Jody Scribner, Nadine Bair, Zoe Sanchez-Grubb, Diane Donaldson, Sandy Grimsley, Bobbie Raymond, Chris Hutcheson's nephew, Reenie's nephew A.J., Michele Vonderheide, Melissa Ross, Vicky Stout, Alistair Tittsworth, Brad Arney, Danny Vasquez, Gary Elliott's Sister-Evelyn, Alline Lewis, Lucien Grey Valdez(6 week old), Sarah (Alex's friend), Debbie Apke, J.C. Packer, Reyes' house to sell, Roger Friese, Pat Clark, Lois Ooton, Mildred Rankin, Cathy Weiffenbach, Sharon Gallup, Morgan Turner, Dennis Reynolds, Gary Carr, Linda Shaw, John Donathan's uncle, Bill Fry, Phyllis (Bev Thoele's Sister), Ken & Velma Thomason, Bob Pike, Rhodes Gephart, Cleo McManaway, Dennis Stuckey, Terry & Ashley Ralston & Baby—Amzie, Gary Banks & family, Elfrieda Zerkel, Marsha Smith, Roberta Washer, Brad Hockman & family, Wesley Hall and students @ Methodist University in Fayetteville, NC; Peggy Phelan, Larry Cline, Sharon Caylor, Bobby Spracklen, Roger Wyckoff, Debbie Frenchter, Emily Griffin, Nelda Birch, Shirley Barry, two ladies at Burton Devore

(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: Operation Christmas Child, The Salvation Army



Military: Troops in Harms Way; Tyler Cross in the Air Force, Zach Apke

Grieving Families: Oneida Lewis Family, Bob Grubb Family, Christen Papa Family, Lyndle Golden Family, Russ Mitchell Family, Clara Jo McKinley Family, Taylor Charles Family, Cecil "Paul" Richey, Rod Raber Family, Dr. Eugene Dust Family, Ron Thomason Family

Young @ Heart

Tuesday, October 9th

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





Women's Ministry

Tuesday, October 9th

Meeting starts @ 6:30 p.m.

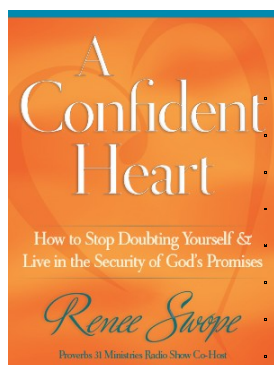
All ladies invited to join us

Come for fellowship, prayer and Bible study.

First Session of "A Confident Heart" study.

Mission Statement:

"For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing."



SESSIONS

1. Introduction & Invitation
2. Don't Throw Away Your ...
3. Letting God Fill My Empty ...
4. Discovering the Plans God Has ...
5. Turning In to God's Thoughts ...
6. The Woman God Created You to Be
7. Sometimes Worry Makes Me Wonder
8. Looking through the Lens of ...

FEATURING

TIME

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| Renee Swope | 3 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 5 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 7 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 6 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 5 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 6 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 4 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 6 MINS |

Worship On Wednesday

Wednesday, October 10th

All ages meet for Worship On Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. for supper then Worship & Bible study till 7:30 p.m. Menu: Italian Night



October Book of the Month

Job

A **study guide** is available on the foyer table.

Pastor David will be preaching from **Job** during the month of October

Goals: Greater knowledge of the Bible &

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.





Faith Promise

2017-2018 Faith Promise Giving

Promised

\$30,220.00



Given

\$29,232.00

Faith Promise 2018/2019

Sunday, October 14th to Sunday, October 21st

Sunday, October 14th Faith Promise Pledge Cards passed out

Speakers: Lynn & Dori Cazier from Christian Missionary Fellowship (CMF); Andrew Bloemker main speaker during worship service



Tuesday, October 16th luncheon hosted by Young @ Heart @ 11:30 a.m.

Speakers: Lynn & Dori Cazier-CMF and Heartland Christian Village. Possibly FISH

Wednesday, October 17th Foreign Cuisine Supper @ 5:30 p.m.—Bring your favorite dish

Speakers: Lynn & Dori Cazier-CMF; Amy Kemp-Oblong Children's Christian Home; Oil Belt Christian Service Camp and 2 speakers from Christian Campus House EIU

Sunday, October 21st—Collect the Faith Promise Pledge Cards & a pot luck lunch after worship service with meat provided by the church

Speakers: Rick Champ, Vice President of St. Louis Christian College; Jim Miles of H.I.S. K.I.D.S., Inc. and possibly Salvation Army and Youth With A Mission

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."
1 Peter 4:10

Children's Event



Saturday, October 20th

We will meet at Evergreen Nursing Home at 10:00 a.m. to play Bingo with the residents. All children and parents are invited.





**First Christian church
901 N. Henrietta
Effingham, IL 62401
SERVICE REQUESTED**

**Treat Town
First Christian Church
901 N. Henrietta St.
Effingham, IL**

Wednesday, October 31st

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Food In Fellowship Hall: Hot dogs, hot chocolate, apple cider and popcorn will be served in Fellowship hall at the end of treat town.

Sign Up: Pick a room on the map in the foyer, sign your name to the room and decorate it as a store in the hall leading up to Fellowship Hall.

Pass out treats from the room you decorate. Around 200 children are expected to pass through treat town between the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.