



First Christian Church of Effingham

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Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, November 12th Young @
Heart Meets @ 9:00 a.m. for coffee/
tea, fellowship and prayer

Tuesday, November 12th Women's
Meeting meets @ 6:30 p.m. at the
church for snack, fellowship and
prayer

Wednesday, November 13th W.O.W.
meets @ 5:30 p.m. for supper and
Bible study follows

Saturday, November 23rd Children's
Thanksgiving lunch will be from
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 23rd Men's
Gathering Thanksgiving Supper will
be from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 1st Calvary Bap-
tist Food Pantry items flour, sugar or
your choice are due in Beebe Hall

Thursday, December 5th Ladies
morning meeting will meet @
Cracker Barrel at 10:00 a.m.

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

To me, it seems incredible that our Faith Promise Week was only a week ago. There has been so much going on in my own family that it seems like a long time since we were listening to reports from our missionaries. Before any more time goes by, I thought that it would be good to share some reflections on the events of Faith Promise Week.

God is certainly at work in the lives of our missionaries throughout our world. We heard evidence of that from Kenya to Costa Rica, from Russia to the Dominican Republic, from Ob-long to Flora, from Neoga to St. Louis, and from Effingham to Charleston. The missionaries whom we support are being careful stewards of the money we send to them. People are hearing about Jesus, workers are being trained to share the Gospel, and physical needs are being met in the name of Christ.

We certainly did eat a lot during that week's period of time. But I have to say that not only was my body fed, but my spirit was fed as well. I was encouraged by the accomplishments for God's Kingdom. I was challenged in my commitment to participate in the great task of spreading the good news of Jesus to people around the world.

I was overwhelmed by the response of our congregation on Promise Sunday. Harvey Waddelow was used by God to speak to our hearts. So far, the total amount promised for the cause of world-wide missions is \$53,492. God was certainly at work in our hearts. May we continue to pray that God will provide the money that we have promised so that others may know Jesus and be helped in His name! During the next several months, you may want to share with others in the congregation how God has provided the promise you made. That will be a blessing for the congregation to hear those testimonies.

I look forward to seeing each of you this coming Lord's Day morning. Let's all plan on being present as His church gathers for worship and fellowship.

C U N Church,
David



Serving In November

Elder: November 10th Troy Bloemker

Deacons: J. P. Smith, Martin Zubiate, John Donathan, Larry Thomason

Deaconesses: Sandy Grimsley & Linda Packer

<i>10/20/19 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$ 3,002.75 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>		<i>10/27/19 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$ 5,017.00 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>	
<i>Worship: 88</i> <i>Sunday School:22</i>		<i>Worship:92</i> <i>Sunday School:23</i>	
<i>Faith Promise Missions: \$200.00</i>		<i>Faith Promise: \$321.00</i>	
<i>Building:\$40.00</i>		<i>Building:\$40.00</i>	
<i>Sunday School:\$11.75</i>		<i>Sunday School:\$4.00</i>	
<i>11/3/19 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$ 7,217.77 include Faith Promise Offering</i>			
<i>Worship :86</i>		<i>Sunday School:21</i>	
<i>Faith Promise Missions: \$2,841.00</i> <i>Cookbook Fee: \$10.00</i>		<i>Building: \$40.00</i> <i>Use of Fellowship Room:\$75.00</i>	
<i>Sunday School \$15.00</i> <i>Faith Promise 2018/2019:\$150.00</i>		<i>Hotel for Faith Promise Speaker:\$147.77</i>	
<i>Greeters for November 10th: Roger & Kaye Wyckoff</i>		<i>Home Communion for November 10th: Delaine Donaldson</i>	
<i>Greeters for November 17th: Reenie Miller & Elsie Palmer</i>		<i>Home Communion for November 17th: Martin Reyes</i>	

Young @ Heart

Tuesday, November 12th

All 50 and over meet @ 9:00 a.m. for coffee/tea, fellowship and prayer.



Women's Meeting

Tuesday, November 12th

Come and help plan the Christmas Party for women of the church
Meet @ 6:30 p.m. in Beebe Hall for fun, food and fellowship





Prayer List

Cancer: Marsha Meinhart (lung cancer), Kelly Tucker (throat cancer), Cindy Will (Cancer again)

Special Needs: Jason Burner (kidney problem), Jim Palmer (Heart Bypass Surgery), Alexis Smith (heart oblation Nov. 8th),



Missions: Operation Christmas Child & The Salvation Army

Grieving Families: Heather Began Family, Kent Farley Family, Bill Robey Family, Mildred Renken Family, Eugene Bounds Family, Hazel Percival Family, Arlene Fleener Family, Rick Champ Family

Thank You

Thanks To Everyone

It was great to see all of you who came to the open house for Dennis and me. We also appreciated the well wishes and lovely cards for our 50th wedding anniversary. You're a wonderful church family.

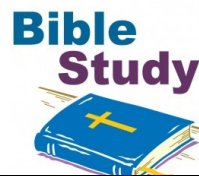
Bless You,
Dennis & Mimi Bushue



W.O.W.

Wednesday, November 13th

Come and have supper @ 5:30 p.m.; then, Bible study follows for all ages



Men's Gathering

Saturday, November 23rd

All boys and men are invited to join us for supper from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This will be the Thanksgiving Supper for you all.





November Book of the Month

A **study guide** is available on the foyer table for Psalms 51-100.

Pastor David will be preaching from **the book of Psalms** during the month of November

Goals:

Greater knowledge of the Bible

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.

Faith Promise 2018/2019

Faith Promises Received

Our goal for the year 2018/2019 is \$36,570.00 .

Final Total: \$36,133.10

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



Food Pantry Items

Sunday, December 1st

Please bring Flour, Sugar or your choice for the Calvary Baptist Food Pantry.



Sound Room Volunteers

Help Needed

It takes a lot of people to help a church function properly. Sometimes we do not realize just how much help is needed because so much of the work is done behind the scenes.

We do appreciate those people who operate our sound and video systems each Sunday. We are in **need of more volunteers** to help with this important ministry.

If you think this might be an area in which you can serve, please let Jon Zerkel or the office know. You can be trained to operate these systems.



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Faith Promise Rally 2019/2020

Promises Made

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

Total Promises \$53,492.00 for 2019/2020

Thank you all for the generous response to support our missions this year. Sunday Offering November 3rd received \$2,841.00



Take God At His Word

Ladies Morning Group

Thursday, December 5th

Come and join us at Cracker Barrel @ 10:00 a.m. for fellowship, food, prayer and devotional.



Old Country Store



Women's Christmas Party

December 9th or the 10th—Save the Date

Supper will begin @ 6:00 p.m.
Secret Sisters will be revealed
Ornament exchange
Devotional and fellowship times

Note: Secret Sisters remember to make a contact once a month (card, note, etc.)

Note2: The final date for the Christmas Party will be determined at the women's meeting on November 12th.





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SERVICE REQUESTED

Children's Thanksgiving Lunch

Saturday, November 23rd

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

All children 6th grade and under are invited to join us for a Thanksgiving lunch in Beebe Hall.

