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The Way, The Truth & The Life

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Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, July 4th Please, bring Pancake Mixes, Oatmeal, Cereal or your choice to Beebe Hall for the Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

Tuesday, June 8th 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](#)

Sunday, June 13th Children's Church will meet after communion with Gospel Project curriculum

Sunday, June 27th Congregational meeting directly after the worship service, Voting on budget and a few changes to the constitution

Monday, June 28th FCCE Soccer 8 day camp begins. It is from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday for two weeks

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

In my last "Ponderings", I shared with you the announcement that I had made concerning my retirement. In this column, I would like to share with you an important prayer request. Please be praying for our congregation as preparations will be made to call a new senior minister to this field of service. This is not a minor undertaking. The task that God has assigned our congregation to accomplish is large, difficult and of utmost importance. The new senior minister will be leading you and working with you to accomplish that mission.

The one prayer request that I mentioned actually is composed of many parts. The following list is certainly not all inclusive but hopefully it will help you be more specific in your prayers.

1. Pray that our congregation will remain united and continue to demonstrate love for God, each other and our community.

2. Pray that God would open our eyes to the work that He would want our congregation to be doing here within this community. Pray that God would help us see how we might be able to reach our community for Christ.

3. Pray that God would show us through His Word the general character that a man of God is to possess and demonstrate. Pray that we would also be able to understand what the Scriptural duties and responsibilities of a senior minister are.

4. Pray for the leaders of our congregation as they lead you in the search and selection of the new senior minister. Pray that they will be able to be of one mind and submissive to the leading of the Holy Spirit in this process.

5. Be praying for the next senior minister whoever he might be that God would begin preparing him for leading our congregation. Also be praying for his family (if applicable) that they would be supportive of him and able to become a part of this church family.

There are many other requests that can be made but these are some basic ones.

I hope to see you on Sunday and be able to greet each of you personally.

C U N Church,
David



Serving In June Communion Table : June 6th—Dennis Bushue; June 13th—Troy Bloemker	
5/23/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$2,951.00 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving	5/30/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$2916.51 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving
Attendance: 58	Attendance: 59 Property Ministry (Building): \$40.00
Faith Promise: \$261.00 Soccer Fees: \$90.00	Faith Promise \$411.00 Soccer Fees: \$60.00

Children's Church

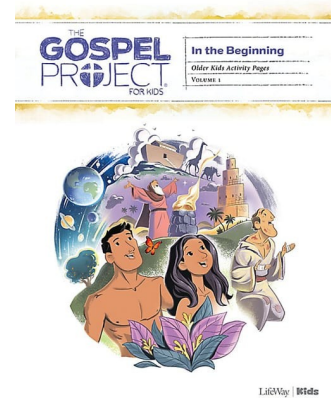
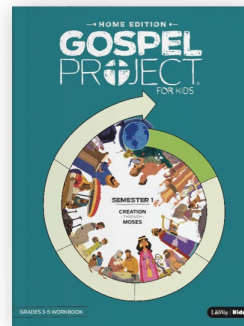
Sunday, June 13th

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, June 8th

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



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Take A Break Till June 16th

We will not meet the first or second Wednesday in June.

We will begin meeting again on Wednesday, June 16th at 6:00 p.m.



Prayer List



Cancer: Journey Campton (tumors removed), Rosie Parkhurst (lung cancer)

Special Needs: Charlotte Wright (Broken ankle bone & heart monitor), Ashley Goldstein (bulged disk), Ken Thomason (Lung problems), David Reyes (Dog bite), Vicki Maxwell (Cataract surgery), Gary Elliot (Springfield blood clots in lungs),

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

Pray For These Families: Nancy Miller Family, Vernon Jamison, family, Doris Johnson Family, Richard Cameron family, Wayne Vonderheide family and Sybil Etcheson family

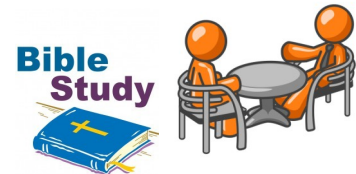


Resuming

Changes Taking Place on June 13

Sunday School will resume

We will again start Sunday School @ **9:00 a.m.** on Sunday Mornings



Fellowship time will resume

We will welcome you all to come and have a short fellowship time before worship service begins. The time is from **9:40 a.m. to 9:55 a.m.**



Pew restrictions

We will remove the ribbons from the pews and all can sit where they are comfortable.

Picnic

July 4th – Picnic in the Park.

Time & Place: Meet @ the pavilion at 6:00 p.m.

Church Providing: Hamburgers and hotdogs

Please Bring: Your favorite picnic dishes to share with others in attendance.

Lawn Chairs along with your favorite yard game.

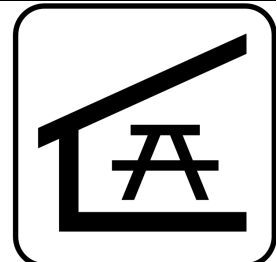


Devotional: We will have a devotional time at 8 p.m.

Watch: Everyone is invited to watch the fireworks together at 9 p.m.

Make plans to **join your church family** for this holiday event.

Invite your family and friends to attend.



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, July 4th

Please bring Pancake Mixes, Oatmeal, Cereal or your choice for the Calvary Baptist Food Pantry.



FCCE Soccer

Monday, June 28th

Soccer is for all kids **going into kindergarten to kids going into 7th grade.**

Fee: \$30 .00 for 8 day camp and one game day

Dates: Monday, June 28th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, June 29th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Thursday, July 1st from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Friday, July 2nd from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Monday, July 5th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, July 6th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Thursday, July 8th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 Friday, July 9th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Game Day: Saturday, July 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

It will be held on church grounds by the pavilion

Bring your own water bottle.

No soccer ball or t-shirts given out this year.

Each child's parent fills out an application and a waiver.



8-DAY CAMP

06/28&29, 07/01&02
 07/05&06, 07/08&09
 FROM 5:00PM TO 7:30PM

SOCCER CAMP AT



First Christian Church
of Effingham

No t-shirt, ball, or water bottle will be provided. Limit of 80 Campers

Book Of The Month

Bible Reading

Study Guide for 1 Chronicles 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!



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

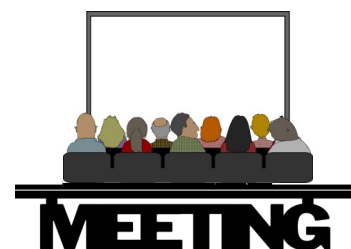
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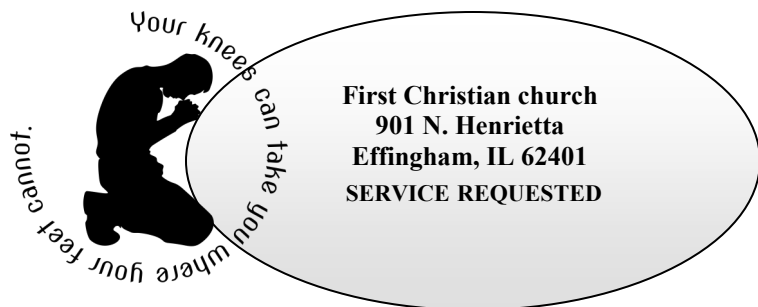


Congregational Meeting

Sunday, June 27th

Following morning worship service a congregational meeting will convene. The New budget will be voted on along with some changes to the Constitution.





Worship Service

10:00 A.M.

The 10:00 a.m. service will be streamed to
You Tube [First Christian Church of Effingham - YouTube](#)

For technical difficulties call or text Pastor
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