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The Way, The Truth & The Life

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Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, September 26th Children's Church will meet after communion with Gospel Project curriculum

Tuesday, September 28th 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, September 29th W.O.W. will meet at 6:00 p.m. for all ages

Saturday, September 25th Women's and girls Tea & Conversation meets @ 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 3rd Calvary Baptist Food Pantry Items due. Bring Pizza Crust, Pizza Sauce, Cereal or your choice

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

We are watching the first season of "The Chosen" at WOW. In that first episode we are introduced to several people about whom we read in the New Testament. We know their names even as their peers knew their names. However their peers not only knew their actual names but they also attached other forms of identification to them. For example: Mary Magdalene known by most as Lily (in the film) was a demon possessed woman; Matthew was known as Tax Man hated by his peers; Nicodemus a Jewish leader was known as Teacher, Man of God; Simon was known as fighter and gambler. Regardless of their identity with their peers, God knew them in a different fashion. "But now, this is what the Lord says – he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name, you are mine.'" (Isaiah 43:1)

You and I are also known by our peers. They see our lives. They know our name but they also know our character. Hopefully the qualities connected with our names are good, but thankfully our identity is not dependent on what we think or others think about us. God also knows each of us individually and personally. He has given each of us new names. No, we have not lost our personal identity but we have a new identity in Christ. As we consider that first episode, "I Have Called You By Name," I want to remind you of the other names by which God has called us. Some of those that we will examine this coming Wednesday night are

1. Christian
2. Child
3. Disciple
4. Saint
5. Priest
6. Brother.

How rich and wonderful these names are! How great is God's love for us!

I invite you to come to WOW. Even if you have already watched "The Chosen," we will be exploring additional truths and concepts to help you grow in your faith.

C U N Church,
David



<i>Serving In September/October</i> Communion Table : September 26th —Jon Zerkel; October 3rd—Dennis Bushue	
9/12/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$4,501.00 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving	9/19/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$3,106.00 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving
Attendance: 54 Property Ministry (Building) \$40.00	Attendance: 54 Property Ministry (Building):\$40.00
Faith Promise: \$741.00 Ruby Tabor Memorial:\$435.00	Faith Promise \$261.00

Tea & Conversation

Saturday, September 25th

Who: All women and girls invited to attend our gatherings

When: the fourth Saturday morning of each month

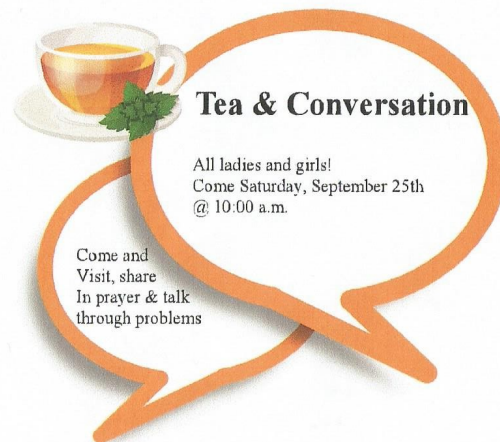
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Come, get to know each other.

A snack is planned to add to the tea and conversation.

Bring your prayer requests and what testimonies you are interested in hearing about.

After requests for testimonies are talked about, once a month a testimony will be given on the subjects most want to hear about. Many have dealt with grief, wayward children, new beginnings, etc. Come and hear their stories.

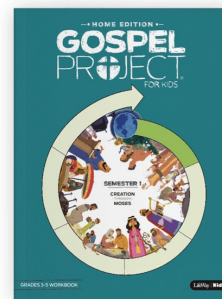


Children's Church

Sunday, September 26th

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.



Prayer List



Cancer: Steve Logsdon (stomach ca), Rebecca Edwards, Diane Slone, Pam Carl (mass on kidney-cancer suspected)

Special Needs: Caleb Martin (Cut his arm at work), Hugh James Yoeman (newborn with seizures), Kenny Martin (house burned), Gary Elliott (surgery 9/28/2021), David Westphal (rehab), Amanda Hoelscher (lost baby), Cheyenne (back surgery (9/7/2021), Kenny Gale Thomason (Covid), Caitlin Thomason (Covid), Rae Ann (Covid), Zelma Thomason (infection in wound), Robert Thomason (infection in hand), Judy Tapp (Covid & Pneumonia), Owen Karnes Sr. (home but not well), Betty Lou Hall (Stroke), Megan McCarty (pregnant with pre-Eclampsia), Hayden Larson (infection in foot), Tom Clark (brain bleed), Karen Hakman (needs heart surgery), Gen Byers (hip surgery), Ruth Lowrance (pacemaker surgery), Rowdy Mussen (RSV & pneumonia), Sharon Shamhart (surgery 11/23/2021), Bernie Sabens (hospice care)

Missions: Faith Promise 2021/2022, Voice of the Martyrs, IDES, Bible Runners

Pray For These Families: Bruce Brackney Family, Karen Waldhoff Family, Chris Chrispen Family, Aaron Landers Family, Bret Kull Family, Pat O'Leary Family, Ruby Tabor Family, Jim Percival Family, Debbie Burke Family, David Spain Family, The Ribas Family, Harold Cain Family, J. C. Marshal Family, Ron & Sally Kyle Family

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

Young @ Heart

Tuesday, September 28th

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, September 29th

W.O.W. All ages are invited to come 6:00 p.m. for worship, prayer and continuing with *The Chosen* video series.

Children: "What's In The Bible" series

Youth & Young Adults: "The Chosen Season 2"

Adults "The Chosen Season 1"



October 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
No training seems pleasant at the time. In fact, it seems painful. But later on it produces a harvest of godliness and peace. It does this for those who have been trained by it. Hebrews 12:11 (NirV)					1	2
3 Food Pantry Items Pizza Crust, Pizza Sauce, Cereal or your choice	4	5 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	6 W.O.W. Meets @ 6:00 p.m.	7	8	9
10	11	12 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	13 W.O.W. Meets @ 6:00 p.m.	14	15	16 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast 10:00 a.m. children's Event 6:00 p.m. Youth & Young Adults
17 Faith Promise Rally begins	18	19 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	20 W.O.W. Meets @ 6:00 p.m. Faith Promise Rally Supper & Speakers	21	22	23 Women's Tea & Conversation 10:00 a.m.
24 Faith Promise Rally ends	25	26 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	27 W.O.W. Meets @ 6:00 p.m.	28	29	30
31 Treat Town 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	"And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'" Luke 22:19					

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

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2-Dennis Young
 3-Barb Jamison
 4-Dennis & Mimi Bushue-WA
 4-Delaine Donaldson-BD
 4-Sue Thomason-BD
 5-Regina Curry-BD
 15-Cleone Bloemker-BD
 18-Gary & Darlene Elliott-WA
 19-Judy Gregory-BD
 24-Darlene Reynolds-BD
 25-Chris Denoyer-BD



Take God At His Word Faith Promise Rally

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

Speakers For Sunday, October 17, 2021 10:00 a.m. service

Oblong Children's Christian Home--Arvin Moden
Christian Missionary Fellowship--Lynn & Dori Cazier
FISH--Sandy Croft, Board Director

Oil Belt Christian Service Camp--Tyler Mulvaney--Main Speaker

Speakers for Wednesday, October 20, 2021 6:00 p.m. Service

Christian Campus House--Dana Hines
Youth With A Mission-- Rodney & Rhodes Gephart
Salvation Army

Speakers for Sunday, October 24, 2021 10:00 a.m. service

Missions Alive--Harry Waddelow
IDES--Jeff Green

St. Louis Christian College--Steve Naglak, V.P. of Student life
H.I.S. K.I.D.S., Inc.--Connie Miles

Come and join us to hear what the missions we support have accomplished and what their plans are for the future.

We will continue with the theme *"Take God At His Word"* and the Bible verse from Matthew 6:33 (NIV).



Children's Event

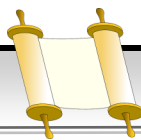
The children will meet on Saturday, October 16th @ 10:00 a.m. to do a mission project during this Faith Promise Rally week.



Youth & Young Adults

Saturday, October 16th @ 6:00 p.m. the Youth & Young Adults will be making tie blankets for the Cancer Center during this Faith Promise Rally week.





Book Of The Month



Bible Reading

Study Guide for Revelation is on the foyer table

Goals:

Greater knowledge of the Bible

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.



Thanks For The Help

Volunteers Appreciated

Thank you to all who brought desserts and helped with the funeral dinner for Ruby Tabor.

Thank you to Nancy Harper & Cheryl Bloemker for the decorating for the fall in the church and the fellowship hall

Thank You

Food Pantry Items

Sunday, October 3rd

Please bring Pizza Crust, Pizza Sauce, Cereal or your choice for the Calvary Baptist Food Pantry.



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—\$35, 229.00



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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

