First Christian Church of Effingham

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Mark Your Calendar

<u>Tuesday, January 11th</u> Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.

<u>Tuesdays Online Prayer Time</u> Starts (a) noon on the First Christian Church Effingham Facebook https:// www.facebook.com/FCCEffingham and You Tube <u>First Christian Church</u> of Effingham - YouTube

Wednesday, January 12th W.O.W. Will meet @ 5:30 p.m. for light supper. Then, Bible studies will follow for all ages

Saturday, January 15th Men's Gathering Breakfast begins @ 8:00 a.m.

<u>Saturday, January 29th</u> Women's & Girls Tea & Conversation meets from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

<u>Sunday, February 6th</u> Calvary Baptist Food Pantry items of Canned fruit, Jell-O, Pudding, Cereal or your choice are due in the Fellowship Hall



Ponderings of the Preacher ...

For those of you who are always looking for a new recipe to try, how about trying this one?

Recipe for a Great "2022"

Take 12 full-grown months

See that they are thoroughly free from all old memories of bitterness, hate, and jealousy. Cleanse them completely from every bad feeling. Pick off all specks of pettiness

See that these months are freed from all the past. Have them as fresh and clean as when they came from the great storehouse of time.

Cut each month into 30 or 31 equal parts (Remember – Do not attempt to make up the whole batch at one time but prepare one day at a time)

Into each day put Faith, Courage, Work, Hope, Faithfulness, Generosity, Kindness, Rest, Prayer, Meditation and Bible Reading

Into each day add a sprinkling of good humor

Pour into the whole batch love without measure and mix them vigorously

Cook thoroughly in a fervent heat

Garnish with smiles of thankfulness and springs of joy Serve with Quietness, Unselfishness, and Cheerfulness Enjoy a Happy New Year!

Irma and I would like to thank everyone for the Christmas cards we received, the gifts shared and the bonus the church shared with us. We wish all of you a very happy and blessed New Year. We have a lot of folks in our congregation who are sick. Let's pray for them and look forward to having our whole church family back together again in worship.

C U N Church, David



Serving In January Communion Table : January 9th —John Zerkel ; January 16th—Dennis Bushue

12/19/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$4,909.00 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving

Attendance: Sunday-68 Property Ministry (Building) \$40.00

Faith Promise 2021/2022: \$1,436.00

12/26/2021 Attendance & Giving Total: \$1,971.00 includes Faith Promise & Online Giving

Attendance: Sunday: 50 Property Ministry (Building): \$40.00

Faith Promise 2021/2022: \$161.00 *Quilt Guild Donation:* \$100.00

1/2/2022 Attendance & Giving Total:\$5,686.00 Includes faith Promise & Online Giving

Attendance: Sunday: 47 Property Ministry (Building): \$40.00

Faith Promise 2021/2022: \$1,321.00

Children's Church

Sunday, January 9th

Children's Church will meet during worship service. The lesson is Wise Men Visited Jesus from Matthew 2:1-21



Young @ Heart

Tuesday, January 11th

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







Cancer: John Lee (Cancer & Dialysis), Jerry & Cindy (Jerry/ Surgery)

Special Needs: Bill Fry (CHF & pneumonia), June McConnell (pneumonia), Diane Haney (Kidney failure), Delaine Donaldson (Covid 19), Pat Larsen (Covid 19 & Blood Clot), Marsha Bloemker

All are

(Meniere's disease), Connie Loy (Covid 19), Cathy Harrison (Virus)

Missions: Faith Promise 2021/2022, Project Bible Runners, St. Louis Christian College

Pray For These Families: Rosalee Waller Family, Betty Richman Family. Shawn Winter Family, Cedric Wright Family

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



Wednesday, January 12th

W.O.W. Meets @ 5:30 p.m. with a light supper. Then, Bible study begins @ 6:00 p.m. for Youth & Young Adults & Children. The

Youth & Young Adults are studying the basics of Christianity.

The **Children** are viewing the *What's In the Bible with Buck Denver* video series.

The **Adult** Bible Study begins @ 6:30 p.m. They are studying the Bible book of Romans



Men's Gatheríng

Saturday, January 15th

All men and boys are invited to have breakfast and fellowship together @ 8:00 a.m.





Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

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Sunday, February 6th

Bring to the Fellowship Hall One or more of the following items to donate to the food pantry.

Canned Fruit, Jell-O, Pudding, Cereal or your choice.





Women's/ Gírl's Gatheríng

Saturday, January 29th

All women and girls are welcome to come to tea and conversation @ 10:00 a.m. This month we will talk about how new starts at different times in our lives have affected our lives.

Tea & Conversation

Del Monte

Peach Halves

Del Monte

Fruit Cock

All ladies and girls! Come Saturday, January 29th @ 10:00 a.m.

Come and Visit, share In prayer & discuss New Starts



Martin & Astrid Zubiate

Pastor Martin's Step Dad & Mom are moving to 301 E. Grove, Effingham, IL 62401.



It would be great if the church family could send a congratulations on a new home card to them at their new address.



2021/2022 Giving

Promises: \$42,662.00 <u>Theme:</u> Take God At His Word <u>Bible Verse:</u> "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matthew 6:33 **Giving so Far:** \$10,156.00





J.T. & Cheryl Bloemker



Come and celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on **February 6th** from **1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** in the **Fellowship Hall**. Please, no gifts, your presence is presents enough.







901 N. Henrietta St. Effingham, IL 62401

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

<u>Tuesday Morning</u> 9:00 a.m. Young @ Heart Coffee & Prayer Time

Wednesday Evening 5:30 p.m. Bible Study & Worship Time