

# News



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September 28, 2011 First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Wilmington, NC

*Italics indicate non-FCC group*

**Sunday, October 2**

**World Communion Sunday**

8:45 am Turning Point

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Discovery Class

11:00 am Traditional Worship

Youth Return from Retreat

**Monday, October 3**

*12 pm Al Anon*

6 pm Jonah Study Group

**Tuesday, October 4**

6 pm Circle Martha

6:30 pm Financial Peace Univ.

6:30 pm Gospel of Mark Grp.

6:30 pm Spiritual Direction Grp.

**Wednesday, October 5**

10 am Bazaar Work Day

10:30 am Circle Mary

6:30 pm Lectio Divina Group

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

**Thursday, October 6**

10:30 am Love Wins Group

1 pm Bazaar Work Day

*1:30 pm Silver Bees*

6 pm Worship Band

**Saturday, October 8**

*7 pm Narcotics Anonymous*

**Sunday, October 9**

8:45 am Turning Point

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Discovery Class

11:00 am Traditional Worship

**2 pm CROP Walk**

**Recent Attendance**

8:45 11:00

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# World Communion Sunday



## October 2, 2011

### Theme: Global Mission Church

## Notices and Reminders

**Worship Focus** for Sunday is *A Global Mission Church*; Isaiah 61:1-4, Luke 4:16-21.



**Lectionary Readings** to use in your daily practice of prayer and scripture.

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19  
Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

### Pray for Our Missionaries

Aaron Wiggins serving in Fiji.



**Rev. González** will be on vacation October 6-9.

### Attention All FCC Ladies

Please come and enjoy the October speakers "3 Peas In A Pod" — three wonderful ladies from Rocky Mount, North Carolina, telling their own personal stories. **The date is Tuesday, October 4, at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.** Bring a small appetizer to share. If you haven't been able to attend one of our DWM/CWF meetings, now is the time to give us a try. See you there.

— Sherry Hickman, CWM President

### FCC's Camp Caroline Retreat

The church retreat for ALL AGES is coming soon and you do not want to miss it. Mark your calendar for October 14-15! You can go and stay the night at Camp Caroline Friday, or go early Saturday morning. The church bus will be going up Saturday morning with room for up to 14, and other carpool arrangements can be made.

Accommodations for Friday night are in the cabins at the camp. The bathrooms are in the cabin, and sleeping in the cabins is on bunk beds. Getting around the camp is convenient thanks to the paved sidewalks throughout. Fill out your registration form today! Contact Joy Roberts or Vanessa King with any questions.

## *A Word from Lance, cont'd*

in material goods" or "an overfilled stomach." What I mean here is "rich" as in filled with meaning and joy, and "full" meaning satisfying and life giving. The late Henri Nouwen noticed how our lives can be "filled and yet unfulfilled." Our lives get "overpacked" like a suitcase because we identify our importance or worth by what we do. Thus when we retire or have nothing to do we feel guilty or wonder who we are without something to occupy our time. And yet we wonder why that even with full schedules, we feel unfulfilled.

Jesus invites us to make the life of God's Spirit our priority for that is where we are fulfilled. Listening to God in the intimacy of perfect love and finding God's will was the example he set for us. Jesus listened when he went aside to pray especially as the world was pressing in on him. Jesus also was engaged in community — he formed a close knit group of disciples, he was connected to his religious community, and he reached out to the sick and outcast. Now Jesus does not ask us to not be busy, but to set our minds on the kingdom of God. And as we go deeper into the spiritual life, like Jesus we are sent out into the world to continue the work that he began.

Where am I going with this? I want to remind us all to listen to God in the midst of the full schedules of our lives and our church ministries. We too can get "overpacked" in our congregational planning. It's helpful to remember that, not everybody can be involved in everything, but everybody can be a part of something. Much prayer and listening has led to the ministries we've planned, and since there are a few hundred of us here there are places where we can all be a part. I hope that in your prayer and communion with God you will find your way to be a part of our community of faith and our ministry together this fall. See you Sunday.

## Who, what, where, when?



### Holiday Bazaar Lots of Help Needed!

Only five weeks left to finish sprucing up items for the Bazaar. We have wreaths, small trees, picture frames and more to decorate. Come when you can. Starting this week we will be working in the Fellowship Hall during these times:

Monday 10 am-2 pm, 5-7 pm  
Tuesday 2-5 pm  
Wednesday 10 am-2 pm, 5-7 pm  
Thursday 2-5 pm  
Friday 10 am-2 pm  
Saturday 10 am-2 pm

We will also need help the day of the Bazaar (Saturday, November 5). Sign up sheets are in the welcome area.

A heartfelt thank you to all who have been coming and to those who will be coming.

Ann Boston  
Ellie Duckett  
Becky Shipton

### Disciples Disaster Response Domestic Mission Trip Opportunity

The office of Disciples Homeland Missions has begun receiving mission groups in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and will soon begin registering groups to travel to Joplin, Missouri, this summer to help with clean-up and rebuilding following the devastating tornadoes earlier this year. If you are interested in participating in a mission trip to help with disaster response, please contact Ann Boston or Rev. González. No dates have been set at this time. We are waiting to see what dates are best for those who are interested.

### CROP Walk: Sunday, October 9 at Hugh MacRae Park

Registration begins at 1:30 pm and the Walk begins at 2:00.

If you are interested in participating please pick up your donation envelope from the CROP Walk table in the narthex at FCC. You can begin collecting donations a.s.a.p & even join our online team to e-mail others & solicit online donations to our team at [cropwalk.org](http://cropwalk.org).

To donate visit [cropwalk.org](http://cropwalk.org), click on NC, click on Wilmington CROP Walk, and donate to the FCC team. You can donate online with your credit card directly to the FCC team! If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. — Bridgette Johnson



### If You See Any of These Folks, Wish Them A Happy Birthday!

Take a few minutes to share your best wishes with the members of our church family who have birthdays this month.

Jill Archibald      Chris Furr  
Ramona Barr      Krysia González  
Caroline Mills Blanton      Bunny Goodnite  
Stephen Bright      Lou Hargett  
Bonnie Brown      Harvey Jarman  
Daniel Bryant      Vicki Nester  
Stephen Capps      Jeanne Owens  
Matthew Dean      Lance Perry  
Ellie Duckett      Cheryl Snyder-Neff  
Patsy Emmart      Clarke Whitehead  
Patterson Ensign      Erin Whitehead

*If we missed anyone, we are truly sorry. Please let someone on the Membership Team know, and you will be added to the birthday list.*



**FRIDAY NIGHT**

- Check-in from 7:30-8:30 pm
- Games/movie night in Cowell Hall

**SATURDAY**

- Morning watch/scavenger hunt/goofy games/sailing/free time/ afternoon worship
- Program ends at 2 pm; stay as long as you want



**REGISTRATION**

- \_\_\_ \$20/person for Friday night & Saturday 4 years old and under free
- \_\_\_ Includes lodging, breakfast and lunch \$8 for Saturday only — includes lunch

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPT 30**

- Make check payable to First Christian Church and put "retreat" on the memo line.
- Put check and registration form in the offering plate or bring it to the church office.

**TRANSPORTATION**

- \_\_\_ Interested in carpooling? — Friday
- \_\_\_ Interested in carpooling? — Saturday
- \_\_\_ Interested in riding church bus  
Departure at 7 am Saturday, room for 14

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**More who, what, where, when?**

**Disciples Growing in Faith & Ministry**

In 2008 at our Regional Assembly, the Christian Church in North Carolina voted to launch a Capital Campaign to support ministries of our Region. It was launched in 2009, and this year our church Board approved our participation. Of the 1.2 million dollars to be raised almost \$800,000 goes to our beloved Camp Caroline for a multi-purpose building. Other significant dollars of the fund are for New Church Development in North Carolina, Congregational Transformation in North Carolina, Christmount, and Barton College. Some funds also will go to our larger church ministries including overseas ministries.

On Sunday, October 9, we will launch our efforts to invite members and friends of First Christian to participate. This is an invitation to give "over and above" our regular giving to our church ministries and our own building debt retirement. This campaign is also totally voluntary. Although we will distribute and receive pledge cards that only our Financial Secretary will see, your giving will be directly to the Christian Church in North Carolina.

Information will be shared over the next two weeks in the Sunday bulletin, in worship and in our Sunday School classes. Please prayerfully consider your part in this important project.

Campaign Committee  
Pete Magelli  
Ned Lavengood  
Kathy Jordan

**Bring macaroni & cheese boxed mix in October for the Food Pantry.**



**Put it in the Little Red Wagon.**

*Please do not bring items that have expired or are close to their expiration date. Thank you.*

## Prayer Concerns

### **Long Term Health Care Concerns**

Helen Dunn, Rosa Gaylord, Foye Marshburn, Betty Nash, Dick Oosterwyk, Betty Snook, Jeanette Wolfe

### **Our Sympathy To**

- Barbara Swan and family upon the death last week of her father, Ray Block

### **In the Hospital**

- Doris Eakes, NHRMC, treatment for infection and further tests
- Ned Lavengood, NHRMC, infected blood clot in his leg

### **Church Family**

- Sara Brown, tests for numbness in hands and legs
- Ellie Duckett, continuing chemotherapy treatment
- Haven Harrell, going to Duke on Oct. 12, tests on her leg
- Allan Huband, recovering from effects of radiation treatments
- Jim Lee, undergoing treatment and tests
- Kathy Viveona, facing procedure to insert stent in leg, and undergoing tests on heart blockage
- Diana Wierse, continuing physical therapy on her knee

### **Friends and Family**

- Barbara Ables, Roy Archibald's sister, lung cancer
- Daniel Boyd, Tena Perry's nephew, deploying to Afghanistan on October 1
- Marie Everett, tumor removed in jawbone from ongoing cancer
- Kevin Frawley, friend of Bill & Ann Boston, diagnosed with lung cancer
- Luis Guardiola, Rev. González' cousin, deployed to Afghanistan
- Mildred Hickman, Sherry Hickman's mother-in-law, continued difficulty adjusting to living at Champions
- Daniel Kennedy, Greg Kennedy's father, dementia has progressed causing additional issues and concerns
- Aaron Martin, friend of Bill & Ann Boston, diagnosed with liver cancer
- Joe Martin, friend of Bruce & Sherry Johnson, throat cancer
- John Rhodus, Jeannie May's brother-in-law, prostate cancer
- Pat Perry, Dr. Perry's aunt, in Hospice care in Georgia
- Peggy Pridgen, friend of Bruce & Sherry Johnson, stage 4 lung cancer
- Elsie Stocks, Dava Bright's mother, continuing health problems
- Callie Watkins, Mable Cooke's sister, recovering at home from a stroke
- Community of Puente Azul, El Salvador
- Natural disaster victims around the world

## Serving October 2

### **11:00 Communion Table Prayers**

Kenny Morris Jr., Mike Morris

### **Home-Bound Communion:** Charles

Vaughan, Jerry Roberts, Millie Griffin

### **Deacons**

Linda Reinger (captain), Brad Dean, Zach Dean, Nicole Holliday, Ellen Shepard, Marion Vernon

### **Communion Prep**

Brad Dean, Zach Dean, Nicole Holliday

### **Children Worship & Wonder**

Oct 2 Bridgette Johnson & Sue Morris

Oct 9 Tena Perry & Bonnie Brown

### **Turning Point Kids**

Oct 2 Steve & Pat Brooks

Oct 9 Jane Coleman & Sam Rose

### **Minister On-Call Schedule**

Sep 30-Oct 1 Dr. Perry

Oct 7-8 Dr. Perry

### **Greeters**

8:45 Oct 2 Ralph G., Ron G., David Sharratt

Oct 9 John & Jeannie May

11:00 Oct 2 Shirley West

Oct 9 Ellie Duckett

### **Lay Reader**

Oct 2 Jill Howell

Oct 9 Fern Huband

### **Sunday Door Lock-up**

Oct 2 Harry & Millie Griffin

Oct 9 Chris & Jamie Wrede

### **Budget Update**

Budget through 9/25/11 \$89,073.27

Income 83,876.34

Income Short of Budget \$5,196.93

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## *A Word From Lance*

As October approaches, our congregational mission and ministry continues to be very rich and full. There are mission opportunities such as walking for CROP Walk or sponsoring someone who walks. All through the month craft helpers are needed for our Holiday Bazaar. Mid-month we have our first annual All Church Camp Caroline retreat. And the last weekend in October we will reach out into our community with our Fall Festival – a great opportunity to meet people in our community and share God’s love. By the way, we also have two of our young members, Will Hodges and Tricia Britt getting married in October – congratulations to them and their families!

Rich and full. Both of these words carry with them a sense of abundance such as “rich in love” or “a full life.” They can also carry a sense of excess and discomfort such as “rich

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