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First Christian Church
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Worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Youth Chapel

Sunday, September 4 at 9:30 a.m.

Choir Picnic

Sunday, September 4 at 1:00 p.m.
at Fred & Pat Dorisse's home

Youth Group

Sunday, September 4 at 3:00 p.m.

Church Office Closed

Labor Day Monday, September 5

Staff Meeting

Tuesday, September 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study

Wednesday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m.

Building Blocks Food Delivery

Thursday, September 8 at noon

Kids for Christ

Thursday, September 8 at 5:30 p.m.

Family Fun Picnic

Sunday, September 11 following worship

Girl Scouts - FH

Monday, September 12 at 3:45 p.m.

Rebekah Circle

Tuesday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m.

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FAMILY FUN PICNIC

Our picnic follows worship on Sunday, September 11!
Fried Chicken, sides and drinks will be provided. A free will offering will be accepted to help cover expenses.

We are asking for volunteers to make desserts. If you would like to provide a dessert, please stop by the Information Center and sign up.

Sign up this Sunday at the Information Center to play softball and to volunteer to help with the picnic.

There will also be corn toss games and a Bounce House for the children. Plan to stay, play, watch and enjoy!



Softball game
Oldsters –vs–Youngsters



Bounce House
for the Children

MEETINGS ON SEPTEMBER 12

CWF Birthday Dinner Planning – 6:00 p.m.

Church Board – 7:00 p.m.



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Sunday Services:

Worship: 9:30 a.m. Fellowship: 10:45 a.m. Sunday school: 11:00 a.m.

WILL WRITES

It has been a wild ride these past few days. For most of us, the storms and tornadoes of last week were minor inconveniences, resulting a few hours of lost power or some branches broken from trees. For others, the damage ranged from broken windows to the complete loss of homes. We are all thankful that there were few injuries and no deaths resulting from the tornadoes.

So, now what?

Many of you have been helping neighbors and friends clear debris. If you would like to extend your efforts further, you can sign up as a volunteer through the United Way. Volunteers should register at <http://unitedwayhoco.org/community/volunteer-kokomostrong> or call 2-1-1. More than 3,000 volunteers have been out this past weekend. Our community will be moving from the emergency response phase to long term recovery soon. We will try to keep you up to date about the volunteer opportunities before us. The Tornado Relief Warehouse is now operational. If you would like to donate, you can take donations to 2161 E Boulevard (General Motors TTC Building), Monday – Friday, 12pm – 6pm and Saturday, 10am – 2pm. I have not seen a list of needed items yet, but do know that clothing is not needed or desired.

We have sent \$500 from our outreach fund as an initial donation to Kokomo Urban Outreach. We will be channeling some other funds coming from area congregations and Week of Compassion as we find needs arising.

The long term recovery needs include housing for about 250 families who have lost their homes, especially the Park Place apartments and some of the Garden Square residents. While this is beyond the scope of a congregation, we can all be aware of the need around us and offer both prayers and helping hands to our neighbors. We will know more about this in the coming days.

While none of us expected, or enjoyed, being affected by tornadoes this past week, we can celebrate the growing sense of community that is emerging around us. We can be thankful that God is with us in the midst of ministering to our neighbors. Our assurance comes in knowing that we are never alone.

Blessings,

Will



Congratulations to Pastor Will & Marcia Jewsbury on the birth of their grandson, Easton Korroch Jewsbury on Thursday, August 25. Easton weighed 6lbs., 10 oz., and is doing well.

SERVING THIS WEEK (9-4-16)

Elders:	Jason & Karen Sallee	
Diaconate:	Lester Hutchison (PBC) Madisyn Connolly, Hallie Diaz, Brett Ellison, Nancy McFadyen, Molly Sallee	
Acolytes:	Caeleb and Ethan Logsdon	
Bible Trek:	Opening: Jan Koloszar	Nursery:
	Explorers: Susan Luttrell	Driver: Jan Koloszar
	Voyagers: Erica Schieffer	Projection: David Arslain
	Adventurers: Jan Koloszar	
Pathways:	Steve Larson	
Sunday school:	Erica Schieffer	



SAMARITAN CAREGIVERS FALL BANQUET

We have the pleasure to sponsor and host the Fall Banquet for Samaritan Caregivers. The banquet will be Tuesday, September 27th. We need volunteers starting around 4:00, until clean-up which is usually completed around 8:30 or so. Please consider signing up to assist, even if you can only spare an hour or so. Youth are more than welcome to participate, as well. This banquet is to honor all of the volunteers that provide many hours of service to this wonderful agency and their clients. Please stop by the Information Center and sign-up today. Any questions, please contact Lesley Connolly.

Prayer Concerns

Active Military: Bradley Duncan

Church Family: Spencer McDaniel, Fred Dorisse, Jim Hurst, Michelle Ramer, Shirley Osborne, Cameron Diaz

Loved Ones / Friends: Diana Culbertson, Gene Uttinger, Marjorie Roush, Clark Bordner, Connie Agnew-Schenck, Ron Powell, Arlen Riggs, Scotty Teal, Dale Shelly, Barb Sain, Paul Butler, J.D. Wybrew, Haley Evans, Cheryl Landrum, Jerry Harrison, Michelle Foust, Suzanne Toms, Carol Meyer

Homebound: Mary Angle, Ferne Baird, Phyllis Blakeslee, Cliff Bliss, Jim Briscoe, Helen Greene, Linda Hunt, Julia McHale, Maxine Soblotne



Rebekah Circle Meeting

Rebekah Circle will meet Tuesday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m.

Mary Martha Circle Brunch & Boating

Saturday, September 17 at 11:00 a.m. at Ann Funk's.

Sarah Circle Meeting - Monday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Judy Ingle's.



The CWF sponsored project for **September is Kokomo Urban Outreach**. They are in need of "socks" of all sizes. Please place donations in the wooden bin.



CWF FALL RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE ~ OCTOBER 4 & 5

It's time to clean out your closets and donate all your unwanted treasures to the church for the upcoming rummage sale. Volunteers are needed to help with set up on Sunday, October 2 at 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on Monday, October 3. A sign-up sheet will be available soon at the Information Center.

PLEASE NO TV'S



There will be a bake sale during the Rummage Sale. We will need cookies and brownies (individually packaged) and other baked goods such as cakes, pies, breads, etc. Any questions, please contact Cindy Hutchison or Nancy Hargrave.



Save the Date!

87th Annual Birthday Dinner will be Sunday, October 9th



The "YES, We can!" youth food drive is Sunday September 18. The pantries of Kokomo Rescue Mission once again need restocked. As a congregation we can help reach that goal by bringing in canned goods now thru Sunday, September 18.

“The Darkness of Depression: Understanding the Illness & How You Can Help”

On Thursday, September 8, at 6:30 p.m., the St. Patrick's Parish Nursing ministry is hosting a presentation by Dr. Timothy Heck from Family Life Counseling Services, Carmel Indiana.

The topic affects someone we all know..... a family member or close friend. Come learn with us as Dr. Heck enlightens with the latest research & treatment, and inspires & helps us to know.... what we can do, ...what we can say, ...and how to help.

You will enjoy his very stimulating presentation! Everyone is welcome. More information contact Karen Lopke at 453-1675.



The Howard County **Salvation Army Community Food Pantry** has been chosen by the **Kokomo Meijer Store** for their 2016 Fall “**Simply Give**” campaign to replenish the shelves of our local food pantry.

From now until September 24th a “Simply Give” card can be purchased at the Kokomo Meijer Store. Any amount can be donated on one card starting with a minimum of \$10.00.

Double Match Days will be September 1st – 3rd when Meijer will donate \$20 for each \$10 donation given. No purchase is necessary to donate.

Please support your local Salvation Army Food Pantry by purchasing a “Simply Give” donation card at the Kokomo Meijer Store. Thank you.

Thank you

Dear FCC family,



I am overwhelmed by the many ways the church and the loving family within have been there for us in these weeks. Every group had a hand in something; a beautiful celebration of Gary’s life, a lovely meal, gifts to the church in Gary’s memory, many offers of help, and the many prayers, thoughts and cards. So overwhelming, but greatly appreciated. We’ve loved this church and all of you for many years and always consider it home and family.

In fear of having overlooked someone, I just want to extend my heartfelt THANK YOU to the whole church. The choir, CWF, Mary Martha Circle, the Thursday night bible study group and the Elders are special to me.

Because of the love through Jesus Christ, I know your many prayers have been the key to the peace I have felt. He has given me great comfort every day.

Love, Cathy, Adam & Mariah and David Ramer

SEPTEMBER 2016

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11 CELEBRATION SUNDAY & FAMILY FUN PICNIC 9:30 AM Worship	12 3:45 PM Girl Scouts 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 6:00 PM CWF 7:00 PM Boy Scouts - FH 7:00 PM Church Board meeting	13 6:00 PM Rebekah Circle	14 10:00 AM Bible Study	15 7:30 AM Samaritan Caregivers Board meeting 5:30 PM KFC	16	17 11:00 AM Mary Martha Circle at Ann Funk's 1:00 PM Fellowship Hall in use
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25 Nathan out 8:00 AM Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Fellowship 11:00 AM Sunday school 12:00 PM Elder's meeting 3:00 PM Youth Group	26 Nathan out Will out 3:45 PM Girl Scouts 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Boy Scouts - FH	27 Will out 6:00 PM Samaritan Caregivers Fall Banquet	28 Will out 10:00 AM Bible Study	29 Will out 5:30 PM KFC	30 Will out	1 Nathan out Will out