



THE CHRISTIAN MESSENGER



First Christian Church, Maryville, MO

fccmaryvillemo.com

March 28, 2024

start your journey with us

Easter Sunday Mar 31

10:30 am

Come early and enjoy a finger-food breakfast, then stay to welcome the Risen Christ with us in a blended service of music and praise.



Sunday Mornings

**Last Supper Leftovers
Sunday School Class
9 a.m. Room 106**

**Children's Sunday School
(K-4th Grade)
Youth Sunday School
(5th - 12th)
9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Downstairs**

**10:30 a.m.
Service in the Sanctuary**

Monthly Worship Attendance

March 3.....76	March 17.....43
March 10.....64	March 24.....60

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Keeping in touch with our church families

Congratulations...

Parents Derek & Rachel DeMott on the birth of Wells Matthew.

Our Community Prayer List...


John Praiswater	Waylon DeFreece
Pastor Terry Robinson	Shelly Green
Karla Parman	Troy Green
Emily McLain	Kay Thomson
Kay Davison	Dave Win
Bob Colville	

In Sympathy...

Mary Walkup and family on passing of her sister
The family of Lisa Smeltzer

Active Duty...

Josh Carpenter	Sam Ferguson
Kevin Schluter	Craig O'Brien
Jimmy Costello	



2024 Dates and Hostesses

**Circle of Joy, our Women's Fellowship group,
Meets on the first Monday of the month
At 1:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
unless otherwise noted
Please contact hostesses to RSVP**

April 8	Sue Schenkel @ Oak Pointe
May 6	Betty Praiswater, Linda Davison
June 3	Joann Espey
July 1	Restaurant

Our Staff

Gina Johnson Senior Pastor	Anita Dew Organist
Virginia Ripple Office Administrator	Pat Immel Technical Director
Deena Poynter Music Director	Peggy Dowis Custodian



April



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 Easter Sunday 8:00 AM–9:00 AM Sanctuary Open 9:00 AM–10:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM–11:30 AM AM Worship	1 Office closed Easter Monday 7:00 PM–9:00 PM Nodaway Chorale	2 Election Day 5:30 PM–6:30 PM Youth Chorus of NW MO 6:00 PM–7:00 PM Maryville Garden Club	3 4:30 PM–7:00 PM Praise Team rehearsal	4 5:30 PM–8:00 PM Optimist	5 10:00 AM–12:00 PM PM Roger Totten Vistation & Funeral	6
7 8:00 AM–9:00 AM Sanctuary Open 9:00 AM–10:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM–11:30 AM AM Worship 11:30 AM–12:30 PM PM Elders' Meeting	8 1:00 PM–2:00 PM Circle of Joy 6:00 PM–7:00 PM Team Planning Meeting 7:00 PM–8:00 PM Board meeting 7:00 PM–9:00 PM Nodaway Chorale	9 5:30 PM–6:30 PM Youth Chorus of NW MO	10 10:00 AM–12:30 PM Nodaway County Services 4:30 PM–7:00 PM Praise Team rehearsal	11 6:00 PM–7:00 PM Troop 2942	12	13
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28 Praise Team Sunday 8:00 AM–9:00 AM Sanctuary Open 9:00 AM–10:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM–11:30 AM AM Praise Team Sunday	29 7:00 PM–9:00 PM Nodaway Chorale	30 5:30 PM–6:30 PM Youth Chorus of NW MO	1 First Day of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month 4:30 PM–7:00 PM Praise Team rehearsal	2 5:30 PM–8:00 PM Optimist	3	4 5:00 AM–1:00 PM Girl Scout Service Unit 805 Garage Sale



Elders' Meeting

Sunday,
April 7

11:30 a.m.

Apr 8



Team Planning

6 pm

Board Meeting

7 pm



Team Meeting

April 16
5:30 pm



Is your info up-to-date?

It's easy and only takes a few minutes. You can call or email to update your information or you can update it in the member app or on the member website.

Need some help figuring it out? Go to <https://help.instantchurchdirectory.com/article/1295-how-members-submit-updates-to-their-information> for more information or contact Virginia in the office at 660-214-3414.

Let's Learn Together

Do you have a heart for children? Do you love to learn about God's word? Well you're just who we're looking for.

We need caring, curious leaders who want to learn alongside our young people in Sunday School and in the nursery during worship time. If you feel Spirit-led and creative,



feel free to design your own lesson plan. If you'd like some help or have no clue where to begin, check in with Pastor Gina and she can give you some ideas.

Come join the team and lead the way by contacting the church office by phone or email today!

Seeing Our Stewardship

March 2024

General Fund

Beginning Balance	\$	4,820.07
Income*	\$	36,311.54
Expenses	\$	23,589.61
Ending Balance	\$	17,542.00

Missions

Beginning Balance	\$	8,599.20
Income	\$	1,428.06
Expenses	\$	1,416.36
Ending Balance	\$	8,610.90

*Includes \$20,000 transfer from Future Ministries

Pastor's Pen

A message from my heart to yours



Easter is a beautiful celebration of our Resurrected Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I hope you all enjoy a blessed and joyful experience with your friends and family. Perhaps you will take a moment and remember the start of your journey. Was it a baptism, a message on Sunday morning, a revival or youth camp? When did you decide to begin your journey to overcome the cross? Individuals have chosen to walk forward in their journey following the Way Shower and are continually seeking by asking the question, "what's next?" That's a great question! What is next? Easter is a celebration of Jesus' resurrection. What does that mean to you? How can you embody the truth of the resurrection? How are you living out the invitation to accept your own resurrection?

Romans 6:4 says, "Therefore we have been buried with him through baptism into death, in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too may live a new life."

"We too may live a new life." In anticipation of Easter are you living a new life as a divine being of resurrection and remembrance? If not, ask yourself why and what is next so I can truly understand the significance of the resurrected Christ for my journey.

Here's my word of caution: don't let the message of Easter be just another message that is done and put away. We are made new and have abundant life. Whether you were baptized or not, you are a new creation and have been shown the doorway of remembrance. Let's live into our abundant life and pursue our mission of serving others with passion and love. We are one and we've been called to remember, remind, and reclaim the truth of who we are! Let this Easter be the fuel you need to ignite your fire!

Because He lives,

Gina ❤️



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Are you ready to join the team?

We're looking for people who are ready to make connections and lead with the Spirit to join our team.

Use your voice to bring the Call to Worship alive and raise a prayer to bring us into readiness for worship.

Tell your story of how God has worked in your life at the communion table.

Put your interpersonal gifts to work alongside our staff to smooth relations as a part of Personnel.

Learn and love with kids of all ages as we discover Jesus' teachings in Christian Education.

At FCC you can find a place to belong where ministry and mission go hand-



Office will be closed
April 1
For Easter