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Anniversaries:

5 – Dick & Donna Welty
6 – Greg and Martha-Jean Fitch
12 – Richard & Donna Reno
24 – J.B. & Ruthann Smith
30 – Michael & Sharon Johnson,
Jamie & Michele Kelley

Birthdays:

1 – Bev Norton, Hailey Sedgwick
2 – Betty King, Jan Luallen
7 – Diane Pyle
8 – Abraham Esters
9 – Susanne Roberts
14 – Larry Thurman
15 – Kathy VanVelsor
16 – Chris Wood
19 – Lynda White
20 – Brenda Fell
23 – Raye Beasley, Johnny Hagan,
Chelsea Mowrer
24 – Donna Flicek
25 – Olivia Admire
28 – Lennie Unger

... for the **family of Joyce Aldridge** who went to her Heavenly home on July 21. Visitation will be **noon to 1:30pm on Wednesday, July 26** at Hinchliff-Pearson-West Galesburg Chapel. A funeral service will be held directly after visitation at 1:30pm in the chapel. Memorials may be made to Fish Food Pantry in Galesburg.

... for **Marnie Herring** who is recovering from recent surgery.

... for **Mary Davis** who is recovering from recent shoulder surgery.

... for health and well-being of **Raye Beasley**.

... for health and well-being of **Don Mundy**.

... for **Mary Gehring, Jimmy Ellis and Pam Whittom** in their cancer treatments.

... for students and teachers as they prepare to return to school in August.

... for New City Church, Mbandaka, Congo.



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July 30, 2023

Message by Pastor Forrest Krummel

“Kingdom Parables”

Scripture: Matthew 13:31-33 and 44-52

August 6, 2023

Message by Misty Stecher

“Choices”

Scripture: Joshua 1:1-9

Worshiping on the lawn at 10am.

Bring a lawn chair to sit outside or sit in your car and listen to the service on FM 88.1.

Worship will be in-person and on Facebook Live at 10am



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS – AUG 6th

During Coffee Fellowship on **August 6**, we will celebrate August birthdays. If you have a birthday in August, you are invited to bring treats to share.

BOOK CLUB

The July book is a member's choice: *"To Kill a Mockingbird,"* by Harper Lee. We will discuss this book on **July 31 at 11am** at Hardees on Main Street.



Dear Church Family –

Thank you so much for all the get-well cards and prayers. I really appreciate all your kindness and support. – Raye Beasley



Outdoor
Worship
Service

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

On **Sunday, August 6th at 10am**, join us for an outdoor service on the lawn led by Misty Stecher. Join us for songs, a message "Choices" based on Joshua 1:1-9, and activity – creating teacher survival kits for the Galesburg Jr/Sr High teachers. Bring a lawn chair to sit outside or sit in your car and listen to the service on FM 88.1. In case of inclement weather or air quality, we will meet in the large hall.

Mark your calendar for the other outdoor service to be held **September 3rd**. On **September 24**, we will meet at Lake Storey and have an outdoor worship service, followed by our All Church Picnic.

WORSHIP SERVING SCHEDULE

July 30 – Diaconate Serving: Marge Patterson and Sharon Carnes

Lead in Communion: Carolyn Spratt

Offering Message: Chris Mowrer

Prayers: Pastor Greg

Greeters: Marge Patterson and Sharon Carnes at North St.; Kaleb Brown at Broad St.; Raeleen Brown at canopy door

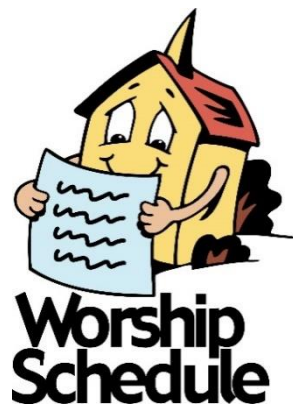
Aug 6 – Diaconate Serving: None (Outdoor Worship)

Lead in Communion: Chris Mowrer

Offering Message: Pastor Greg

Prayers: Jan Luallen

Elders Serving Out: Neill Unger and Steve Jackson



SUPPORT THE BLESSING BOX

Thank you for all the food, toiletries, cleaning supplies, and monetary donations for the Blessing Box. We can always use more of these supplies whenever you can contribute: toiletries, toilet paper, Kleenex, cleaning supplies, and non-perishable food items including on-the-go items such as packets of tuna, nuts, granola bars, crackers, fruit cups and the like.

Thanks again for your continued support of this ministry.



WOMEN'S PREGNANCY CENTER COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER

The Women's Pregnancy Center Community Baby Shower will be from **10am to 1pm on Saturday, August 5th** at 1252 E. Fremont Street. Needs of the Center:

- Activity walkers, swings, strollers, and baby gates
- Baby shampoo and lotion (no bedtime scents)
- Diapers (sizes 4, 5 and 6)
- Wipes
- **NEW** cribs, car seats, and high chairs (unable to accept used furniture)

The public is invited to attend and enjoy fun games and activities. Parking is available at New Life Baptist Church.

Thank you for your support helping our mothers with their many needs.



AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 1:30pm – Caring Ministers	2	3 9am – Staff meeting	4	5
6 8:45am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School in library 9:30am – Coffee Fellowship – August birthdays 10am – Outdoor Worship 11:30am – Disciples Sun. School	7 5pm – Narcotics Anonymous <i>Newsletter week</i>	8	9	10 	11	12
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Christian Community for Helping Neighbors (CCHN)

Purpose: To provide a central location in Galesburg Illinois where local churches and other agencies can refer individuals that have come to their church or facility asking for financial assistance. We coordinate local monetary resources to meet the emergency financial needs of the people of Galesburg. A Christian Community for Helping

Neighbors is an ecumenical group comprised of people of faith committed to making the creative and persuasive power of God's love real through acts of compassion. The program began in January of 2006.

Volunteers help clients fill out applications by calling 309-351-8693 and then schedule a phone interview time on Tuesdays of each week. Assistance is given with Ameren power bills, Galesburg City water bills, and with rental/mortgage payments. Initial assistance is \$200 maximum per household, with requests less than \$200 at least 6 months apart.

First Christian has been a part of CCHN since its inception. Currently Lynda White serves as a volunteer.

How can you help?

- **Pray for CCHN:** its volunteers, its mission and those seeking assistance
- **Support CCHN:** Monetary gifts can be mailed directly to CCHN at 325 Division St in Galesburg or sent to the church with the memo CCHN
- **Volunteer:** Talk to Lynda if you would like to get involved
- **Refer those in need:** Spread the word to those in need. Funds are available regardless of income. Begin the application process by calling 309-351-8693. Applications and interviews are done by phone at this time.

NEW FELLOWSHIP ROOM UPDATE

Progress is being made on the transformation of the church office to a coffee fellowship room. Projects that have been completed include new paint on the walls, installation of a new ceiling fan, moving the television from the hallway into the room, painting of the cabinet, and the floor installation. Projects to be completed include installation of the cabinet with countertop, installation of a new sink and counter in kitchenette area, and purchase of an apartment-size refrigerator for kitchenette area. Here are a few pictures of the room with the new flooring. Watch for future articles and pictures as the work progresses.

