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Dear Church,

June was a great month of outdoor worship services behind the church building! It was wonderful to see so many of you again under the tree shade. I've been very encouraged! Thank you to everyone who participated and helped with the setup and tear-down.

The big news this month is that beginning July 5th we will meet inside the church building for worship at 10:30am. Following how we've conducted outdoor worship, our time together will be abbreviated and we will encourage social distancing practices. Practically, this means that we will have fewer songs, we will not have a time for the passing of the peace, and we will not have the children's sermon. Every other pew will be taped off to make sure we physically distance. For the Lord's Supper, we will have individually sealed packs for you to use from your seat. There will also be an offering box to use in place of passing the offering plates. The nursery will not be open and Sunday School classes will not meet at the church building.

If you are sick, please stay home. If you are in the high-risk category for COVID-19, please be careful and take extra precautions.

For those of you who choose not to attend Sunday morning, you can watch or listen to recordings of Sunday morning worship on our website. These recordings will be available Sunday evening, as we transition to sharing videos and audio from Sunday morning worship. Please visit www.fclouisburgks.org and see our "Virtual Church" page.

Grace & Peace,

Please note: If you have an update for prayers and praises, please contact the church office 837-4760 or email: churchoffice@fcclouisburgks.org

Prayer is an important part of our congregational life. We would like to be more intentional about those we place on our "prayers & praises" list by refining the list each month. Beginning each month, we will ask for your feedback if those we are praying for need to be continued. We will add or refresh the list each month. Please use the white Welcome Card in the pew pocket to add names of those you would like included to our prayer & praise list and place the card in the offering plate, or call the church office.

PRAYERS

All those that have lost employment during this time of Covid-19; Healing for those sick from the virus; Growth in our love for God and our neighbors; Wisdom and patience as we adjust to the changes that have been thrust upon us; All those working essential jobs;

PRAYERS Mary Asher had oral surgery June 4; Tom & Linda Reppell as **Tom** is dealing with cancer again; Dave & Joan's friend **Sherman Harlow** in hospice care; Bill & Reno's friend **Jerry Cox** still hospitalized; Jim Ward asked for prayers for **Karie**; Frank's brother in law, **Jim & Debbie Melvin**; **Brian Skinner's** health; for those who are feeling isolated and lonely; Tall Oaks Camps as not opening till August; Betty Brown's brother, **Robert Saunder's** son passed away; Mary Asher's friend **Rachel's** mother Diane Jackson passed away; Linda Cutshaw asked for prayers for her **sister in law** at Louisburg Rehab Center and all the other **residents and staff**; **Nancy Kline** asked prayers for guidance as our world "opens up"; Paul & Brenda's daughter in laws, **Kati** for her depression and **Emily** for her morning sickness; **Beverly Wilson and Jerry Cox** health issues; **Bob King** had a pancreas biopsy; **Pat Miller** is having heart problems; pray for **children and teenagers** as they begin the summer break; **Kevin** tests ok so far but more testing on his liver; **Mary Oxley** prayers for energy and health; **Dale Schwartz** has his right bicep bruised; **Lindsay Schwartz** changed salons; **Minneapolis** protesting, death and grief; Joe Hoffman's friends, **Harry & Pat Miller's** daughter, Christie passed from Covid 19; Dave Maddax's **sister** having heart procedure June 25 and **family** of Sherman Harlow as he passed away; **Mary Asher & Bill Shaffer** healing from dental surgery; **Betty Brown** prayers for civil unrest to be over; Deanna Perdue's brother, **Steve** was admitted to VA hospital in Albuquerque and was transferred to hospice and her **mother** was admitted to ICU in Hutchinson; Linda Cutshaw granddaughter **Kara** traveling in Texas; the **family** of Sandy's friend, Margaret Bayley as she has passed away; Roy requested support for **Isabella Wilkerson on Saturday, June 13** for her to get a new wheel chair and help with medical bills; **Tall Oaks** putting on Virtual Camps in place of canceled programs; Bill & Reno's friend **Jerry Cox** still hospitalized; Nancy Kline's friend **Kat** whose mother passed from Covid 19; healing for Mary Asher from her recent fall; David traveling to Dallas;

PRaises Bible Study and Sunday School on Zoom; **Game nights** together on Monday; all those making masks during the Covid-19 pandemic; **Frank & Sandy** travels home from New Mexico; **Pam Dropkin** finished her treatments and is cancer free; **Paul and Brenda** going to be grandparents again; Dave & Joan's friend **Kathy** doing well after treatments; Bill & Reno's friend **Alan** for his thoughtfulness; Frank & Sandy have two grandchildren graduating, **Josh and Abbey**. Abbey is valedictorian; Mary's granddaughter **Jillian** received an academic award; Schools finished the academic year; we are holding outdoor worship services @ 10:30am behind the church building; **Paul & Brenda's** children from St. Louis came and they got to meet their new grandson; Barb Goldings sister **Kathy** medical results good; **Betty Brown** happy to be back to church; Bill & Reno's friend **Beverly Wilson** back home from the hospital; Julia's friends, missionary family **McKnights** got extra funds to build classrooms and a library for their school; Pam Dropkin thanks everyone for prayers and she visited our outdoor worship on May 31; **Karrie** is responding to treatment for type 1 diabetes; Betty Brown's daughter **Melinda** was in hospital but getting better and back home; Bill & Reno were able to get out and go to Diane's home recently; thankful for break in the weather;

FIGHTING CANCER Janet Whitmer; Ken Asher's colleague at Parsons, **Don Hudson** has colon cancer; Justin's father, Dale requested prayers for **Dennis and Melba Brickner** as Dennis recovers from cancer; **Bob King** diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

CONCERNS Asher family; prayers for church board; Betty Reed; our Nation; our church family; Dixie Forney; Ruthie Bales; all of our missionaries, the Pronins, Barkers & McKnights; John Barker; Bob Jester; Joe Shaffer's daughter, Lesley; Pastor Justin; Youth Ministry; Kyle Allen; all those who are struggling with cancer; residents at Vintage Park and Louisburg Health & Rehab; Marilee Barker and her family also all those who give care!

Remember our shut-in friends: Winona Hornbuckle; Myrtle Lee Reed; Anna McConnell; Peg Irwin and Bill & Reno Shaffer.

Serving In July
Elders

Offering

8:30 am— Ken Asher

10:30am— Raymond McLanahan

Communion

10:30am—Christa McLanahan

**2020 Tall Oaks Virtual
Camp Dates**

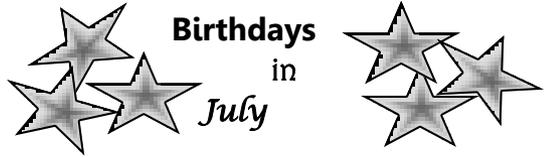
Day Camp	(K-1)	July 18
Primary Camp	(Grades 2-3)	July 13-15
Junior Camp	(Grades 4-5)	July 7-10
Chi Rho Camp	(Grades 6-7)	July 20-25
Eighters' Camp	(Grade 8)	July 6-10
Grand Camp		August 3-5
(Grandparents and children grades K-6)		



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www.fcclouisburgks.org/index.php/newsletter

You can read it on your device or print it at home. If you have questions, contact the church office.



Birthdays
in
July

If your birthday does not appear on our list and you would like it to, please send your birth date, **only day and month**, to Jean at the church office, or call 837-4760. Also, please let us know if we have made an error in recording your birthday.

- 1—Kiersten Allen
- 2—Ruthie Boles
- 2—Conor Kline
- 3—Kevin Allen
- 5—Wanda Copeland
- 6—Mark Seely
- 9—Kate Stecklein
- 10—Grace Upton
- 12—Susan Ewing
- 12—John Mowen
- 13—Paige McKiernan
- 14—Brock Landis
- 16—Gary Brown
- 18—Abigail Schwartz
- 19—Becky Halligan
- 20—Pauline Hintz
Leia Ward
- 25—James Ward Sr.
Delaney Nelsen
- 27—Heather Eslinger
- 28—Madison
McKinley
- 29—Doris Ellison
Art Beasley
- 31—Linda Stuart



The red can collection for **July**
will go to

Ministerial Alliance



If you would like to give to the red can collection from home, you may send a check and specify on the memo line.

To learn more about this mission visit their website: cityunionmission.org

July Worship

www.fcclouisburgks.org

- Recorded Sunday Worship Services and inside sanctuary worship at 10:30am
- Live Sunday School @ 9:00am on Zoom
- Live Thursday Fellowship at 9:30am Bible Study @ 10:00am and on Zoom

Biogas Stoves for a Village

Donations to the **Heifer Project** allowed the purchase a biogas stove for one of their project families. First Christian Church gave a \$1,000 donation to purchase one biogas stove.

Worship Attendance
10:30a.m.

May 31	55 outside/ 15 online
June 7	52 outside/ 31 online
June 14	58 outside/ 24 online
June 21	56 outside/ 13 online
June 28	(See August Newsletter)

Financials

Balance on hand—	May 21	\$77,291.93
Receipts (budget & non-budget)		\$15,143.68
Expenditures (budget & non-budget)		\$13,211.78
Net Change in Encumbered Funds		0.00
Balance on Hand—	June 18	\$79,223.83

We are collecting:

- Best Choice UPC Labels, Auburn Pharmacy caps, pop tabs, educational box tops and quarters for Heifer International.

Thank you to the many folks from FCC for the birthday greetings. I enjoyed every one. Love to all
.....Zilpah Carter



Due to Covid-19 our Summer VBS Program in July has been cancelled.

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

Our next
newsletter

will be published

the week of **July 26.**

Please have items into the church office
no later than **Friday, July 17.**

The **Church Board** meets on the
3rd Thursday of each
month at 7 p.m.

The next **Board Meeting** will be
Thursday, July 16 — 7 p.m.



Weekly Bible Study
Thursday mornings on Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/808946274>
Meeting ID: 808 946 274

9:30am Fellowship
10:00am Bible Study

Pastor Justin Schwartz

pastor@fcclouisburgks.org

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Church Office: 913-837-4760

We Are Seeking a Youth & Family Director

First Christian Church is seeking an individual who feels called to the work of ministry to join us in serving the youth of our congregation and local community as our new Youth and Family Director.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in joining us in this ministry, please contact the church office by phone (837-4760) or email (churchoffice@fcclouisburgks.org).

To view the job description and compensation, please visit www.kcdisciples.org/ministry-opportunities.html

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Outreach for City Union Mission

Serving Lunch in KC

The **Outreach Committee** is scheduled to serve lunch at the City Union Mission in We will need volunteers to prepare and bring food to church and volunteers to take food up to the mission and serve.

