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Rev. Ed Varnum, Minister

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& 1 pm 4:30pm

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Our mission at Fulton First Christian Church is to personally grow as disciples and to go into the world, making disciples for Jesus Christ (John 15:8, Matthew 28:19). Please read on for some very special ways in the coming months to live into that mission.

- **Lent begins on February 22 with Ash Wednesday.** I will be leading a special Ash Wednesday service that night in Evans Hall from 6 to 7 p.m. during Kingdom Living. You are encouraged to attend even if you have not been part of our weekly studies.
- **Lenten Lunches will be held in Evans Hall each Friday in Lent.** A meal will be served and pastors from six Fulton congregations will be sharing meditations based on the devotional book *Living with the Mind of Christ*, by James A. Harnish. My sermons each Sunday during Lent will also grow out of this book.
- **Prayer in the Style of Taizé will be offered Wednesday evenings, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., on March 21, 28 and April 4.** These beautiful candlelit services in song, scripture and silence will be held in the sanctuary and are a wonderful way to center our lives in preparation for Easter.

Remember that Easter morning is the perfect day to bring a guest to worship. And the following Sunday we will begin an exciting journey through the Bible using *The Story: The Bible as One Continuing Story of God and His People* (Zondervan Publishers). You'll be hearing much more about this in the month ahead!

Let us take every opportunity to grow and reach out as followers and learners of Jesus Christ!

Grace and peace,

Pastor Ed

God Bless America



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Prayer Concerns

Please remember these members of the church family and friends in your prayers and with cards of remembrance.

American Troops

David Benton	Chris Carpenter
Derek Farr	Diem "Angel" Carpenter
Keith Frevert	Evan Gohring
Joshua Kelley	Russell Law
William Law	Taylor Woodall

Church Family and Friends

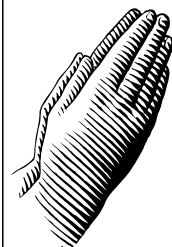
Prayer Concerns:

Mikayah wittmer,
Robin Helmka,
Eldon Hauser,
Marilyn Dunham,
Wendy Wenniker,
Tom Herndon,
Elsie Carrington,
Donna Lenger,
Joann Klund,
Bill Bishop,
Virginia Martin,
John Schultz,
Matthew Hoffman,
Gerri Suttentfield,
Joe Allen,
Lisa Reed,
Paul Frevert,
Betty Keeney,
Fay Vargas,
Remington,
Jacob Heithold,
Charla Street,
Tyler Huffman,
Scott Michaels,

Duane Rothove,
Ralph Martin,
David Diekamp,
Thelma Breid,
Rita Hauser ,
Denny Lavy,
Dale Weir,
Phillip Fisher,
Virginia Cooper,
Bob Morris,
Aline Taylor,
Hailey Knecht,

Please pray for one another and for unnamed prayer concerns that we all hold in our hearts and minds. Please continue to remember those with long-term illnesses, in need of home care, in nursing homes, recovering from hospital care, and our **military personnel**.

Please update the church office of any changes for this list. This will be most helpful.



**Thank
you.**

SERVING IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH

Receipts Pick-Up:

February Susan Krumm
March Annie Frevert

Communion Preparation:

February Lori Twillman & Susie Bruemmer
March John & Mary Lou Atkinson

Communion to Shut-Ins

February 19 Lori Twillman
March 18 Eric Holmes

Fellowship Dinner Sponsors

February 12 Growth Ministry
March 11 Building and Grounds Committee

Children's Message

February 5 Debbie Small
Feb 12 Susie Johnston
Feb 19 Ruth Ann Dodd
Feb 26 Susan Krumm
March 4 Bruce Carpenter
March 11 Glenda Fitch
March 18 Ruth Ann Dodd
March 25 Susie Johnston

Elders:

Feb. 5 Mike Lee & Marilee McCallister
Feb. 12 Henry Niles & Mike Lee
Feb. 19 Gene West & Ruth Ann Dodd
Feb. 26 Robert Chiles & Noel Beatty
March 4 Dale Dodd & Mike Lee
March 11 Marilee McCallister & Gene West
March 18 Noel Beatty & Henry Niles
March 25 Ruth Ann Dodd & Robert Chiles

Lead Deacons

February: Matt Dodd/ Allison Carpenter
March: Frances Benton

Deacons: February

Ron Baldwin
Doris Baldwin
Eric Holmes
Susie Bruemmer
Matt Dodd
Lori Twillman
Katie Rhoades
Marylin Fisher
Lemoine Tisch

Deacons: March

Frances Benton
Susie Bruemmer
Marylin Fisher
Glenn Heald
Peg Heald
Ron McDaniel
Katie Rhoades
Lori Twillman
Lloyd Fitch

THE DOME

The DOME will be published at the 1st of the month.

Dome Articles are due Feb 27 for the March 2012 issue.

Thank You's

Thank you for supporting the Festival of Sharing. This gift continues the growing, sharing and celebration of God's abundance and will change the life of someone around the world that will be forever grateful.

Festival of Sharing Coordinator
Terri Williams

Thank you for the opportunity to attend the United States Postal Service and the Central Missouri Postal Customer Council educational seminar for 2012. Ron Baldwin manned the phones in the office while I was at the seminar.



We spent time learning about a new program called Every Door Direct Mail. The church has the capability to send every household a flyer for as low as \$.145. I have information in the office if the church, or a committee should be interested in mailing information to all addresses in a specific area.

I learned about the New Standards for Folded Self Mailers like our newsletter The "DOME". We are in compliance with the new standards.

The good news is our bulk mail rate has decreased and the USPS has waved the annual bulk mail fee for non profits such as First Christian Church.

Thank you allowing me to attend the seminar. Thank you, Ron Baldwin for answer-

ing phones in the office.

Sincerely,
Marta Carpenter

To: Christian Women's Fellowship

Dear Friends in Christ,

I appreciate your generous gift of hats, gloves, and socks for the Wiley House guests. Many blessings to you.

Sincerely,
Brad Sheppard

First Christian Church, including "Jr. High Class" and "Knit 1 Pray 2"

On behalf of SERVE, Inc. Board Members, directors, and Staff, thank you for your recent donations of 139.4 pounds of food and \$1,550.00, which has been designated for the following programs and adoption of several individuals!

- 139.4 pounds and \$50.00 Food Pantry.
- \$1,500.00 Emergency assistance
- Adopt a Family (The complete letter is posted on the bulletin Board)

Sincerely,
Steve Mallinckrodt
Executive Director

Julie Roark
Callaway Action Network

Mary Gordon
Team RSVP Director

Nursing Home residents

Bridgeway (formerly Jefferson Lodge)

Linda O'Leary

Fulton Manor Care Center

Helen Orchard
Mary Lou Roberts
Virginia Cooper
Thelma Breid

Fulton Nursing Rehab

Mary Hetherington

Presbyterian Manor

Janette Clark

Churchill Terrace

Shirley Drinkard
Edith Reese
Marie Sheets

Gerald Nursing & Rehab, Gerald, MO

Gerrie Sutfenfield

Sermons and Scriptures for February- Sermons & Scriptures for February 2012

February 5 Just As I Am,

Daniel 4

February 12 The Handwriting on the Wall,

Daniel 5

February 19 From the Power of the Lions,

Daniel 6

February 26 Love: The Power to Change

Your Mind, Philippians 2:5

Note: Sermons beginning February 26 will be based on *Living with the Mind of Christ*, by James A Harnish (Abingdon Press).

This book is presently out of print, but is available used from amazon.com and eBay. Growth groups will not need the book for their meetings, as there will be study questions with each Sunday's message. – Ed

Check out our pastor's sermon blog!

Read Ed's Sunday messages and, if you wish, share in conversation online about the text, message, applications, etc. Just type in:

www.edvarnumsermons.blogspot.com

Stephens Ministry

Call on someone who cares – Stephen Ministry at First Christian Church

In Galatians 6, Paul tells us to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." At First Christian Church, our Stephen Ministers have been trained and organized to do just that. They provide one-to-one care, prayer, and support to those who are going through a difficult time. If you would like more information on Stephen Ministry, brochures are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary, or contact Rev. Varnum if you know someone who could benefit from this caring ministry. Your Stephen Minister's are: Marta Carpenter, Frances Benton, Susan Krumm, Charlotte Rosenstengel, Mary Helen Carroll, Peggy Heald, Ruth Ann Dodd, and Dale Dodd.



Historical Corner

On Sunday, March 11, 2012 we will be celebrating the 100th birthday of the First Christian Church building !! It was on Sunday, March 10, 1912 that the keys were finally turned over to the congregation by the builder, Mr. W.R. Odor. The keys were accepted by Mr. J.H. Atkinson, secretary of the building committee and grandfather of John Atkinson, Linda Atkinson Dennis and Pat Atkinson.

The day was filled with three services. T.E. Winter was the pastor of the church in 1912. The building committee was made up of D.P. Bartley, Chairman, J.H. Atkinson, Secretary and E.W. Herndon, Member. Chairman Bartley had charge of the work of accepting plans and superintending the construction of the building. J.H. Atkinson attended to the business of dealing with the contractor and seeing that the work was being done according to contract. He spent a great deal of time and attention to the work and had every right to feel special pride in the structure.

At 11:00 a.m. the dedication service was held. Following that service, a luncheon was prepared by the ladies of the church and all were invited to our Fisher Hall for the meal. At 3:00 p.m. there was a Fellowship Service with addresses and letters from former pastors of the church. Then, at 7:30 p.m. Dr. H.O. Breeden of San Francisco, California began a series of Evangelistic Meetings with the topic, "The Deity of Jesus."

Mark your calendar for Sunday, March 11, 2012 when we will rededicate our beautiful church and celebrate with a Fellowship luncheon where we will all be guests of the church.

Sally Williams, Church Historian

WALK TO PREVENT SUICIDE

The first annual



Will be held on October 14th, 2012,
on the Fulton State Hospital grounds located at
600 E. 5th St, Fulton, MO 65251.

We would like to invite you, your family
and friends to participate as a team to help
raise awareness for suicide prevention.

This is a **5K** walk that will take place
on the Stinson Creek Trail.

This is a fund raising event. Proceeds go to the
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
for research and community projects.

Anyone wishing to form a team please contact
Judy Stiefvater at 573-592-2037 or
e-mail at judy.stiefvater@dmh.mo.gov.

You can also register on line at
WWW.OUTOFTHE DARKNESS.ORG
after February 10th, 2012.

Anyone wishing to volunteer can contact
Jennifer Drinkard at 573-220-0267 or
e-mail at jennifer77.jd@gmail.com.




Winterizing your car checklist

For more steps to prepare for winter, go to: health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/hypothermia/index.php and click on checklists.

Windshield scraper	Chains or rope	Cell phone; portable charger and extra batteries
Water	Tire chains	Flashlight (and extra batteries)
Snack food	Paper towels	Battery-powered radio (and extra batteries)
Extra hats, coats, mittens	Road salt and sand	Booster cable
Blankets	Emergency flares	Waterproof matches and a can (to melt snow for water)
First aid kit	Road maps	Bright colored flag; help signs
Tool kit	Compass	Canned compressed air with sealant (tire repair)

Dear Susan, Carol, Terri, & Allison,
 Then you so much for the delicious meal you prepared and delivered to our home. Your generous and thoughtful hospitality is very much appreciated. What a wonderful welcome!
 The Backers
 Dwayne, Darla, & Landen



Tri Annual Rummage Sale
(Every three years)

The rummage sale is scheduled for Sat. Feb. 25 and Sat. March 10. Bring your used items into the church starting Feb 5. Put them in Fisher Hall. Don't forget to clean your stuff out this year because it will be three years until we do it again. Thanks in advance for all of your generous donations and assistance.
 Bruce Carpenter

HYMNS BY OCCUPATION

When you go to church this Sunday be sure to smile as you go through your Hymnals

The Realtor's Hymn:	I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop"
The Massage Therapist's Hymn	He Touched Me
The Doctor's Hymn	The Great Physician
The Weatherman,s Hymn	"There shall be Showers of Blessing
The Tailor's Hymn	"Holy, Holy, Holy"
The Politician's Hymn	"Standing on the Promises"
The IRS agent's Hymn	"I Surrender All
The Electrician's Hymn	"Send the Light"
The Shopper's Hymn	"Sweet Buy and Buy"
The Skirt Hymn	"Love Lifted Me"
Golfer's Hymn ..	"There is a Green Hill Far Away"
Dentist's Hymn	"Crown Him with Many Crowns"



Upcoming Events

Raffle Basket

Feb 12 raffle basket will be provided by Mary Jane and John Schultz



DIVE INTO DATA ON HOSPITAL QUALITY

Missourians now can access information about how the state's hospitals are performing on nationally recognized quality of care metrics and patient satisfaction. [See how your community hospital fares in treating heart attacks, heart failure, pneumonia and surgical care \(http://www.missourihealthmatters.com/2012-01/content/consumers-health-care-quality-community-health/\).](http://www.missourihealthmatters.com/2012-01/content/consumers-health-care-quality-community-health/)

Recycling

The office is participating in an ink and toner recycling program. Bring in your used ink and toner cartridges. We will return them and receive money that can be used for office supplies.



GROWTH COMMITTEE MEETING

We will have a short meeting following Church Sunday, February 5, 2012 in sanctuary. I appreciate your assistance.
 Ruth Ann Dodd

As a parent of a senior, I am responsible for selling tickets to the \$100 dinner, which funds the Senior All Night Party. The tickets are obviously \$100 and include dinner for two and chances on various prizes—you don't have to be present to win the prizes. The event is February 18, 2012 at 6:00pm at the Fulton High School. Please let me know if you are interested in purchasing a ticket. However, as always, don't feel that you have to purchase one if you are not interested.

Thanks,
 Peggy Reed-Lohmeyer

DSDS Receives Grant to Assist Seniors With Legal Issues

The Division of Senior and Disability Services was awarded a grant to implement a new statewide toll free phone line to assist seniors with legal issues and services. The project is funded through the administration on Aging Model Approaches to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems.

Legal services can be crucial for many seniors. Older Missourians may face the loss of their homes through foreclosure, the destruction of their nest eggs through consumer scams or financial exploitation, and often face challenges in accessing public benefits like Social Security and Medicaid. But, seniors may not know where to turn for help and may be fearful of the expense.

The goal of the Missouri Seniors' Legal HelpLine is to increase awareness of senior legal issues and services and to integrate existing and additional services, resulting in better informed legal decisions for Missouri seniors. Specifically trained Area Agency on Aging information & assistance specialists receive calls, accept basic information to identify legal issues and provide legal information or a referral to an appropriate legal entity as needed. General legal information and self-help materials are more readily available to seniors, their families and caregivers through the online helpline. The online system also allows for the recruitment of attorneys to provide pro bono advice or representation on senior legal issues and support in providing these services.

The phone helpline at 800-235-5503 is answered during business hours. The online helpline at www.moaging.com/LegalHelp is available anytime from anywhere and so can be more accessible for working seniors or long distance caregivers.

Legal information is available free to any senior. Legal advice and assistance is for Missourians over 60 in economic or social need, and is limited to civil legal issues (no criminal or traffic violations). The HelpLine is under the direction of the state legal assistance developer, Marta Fontaine. For further information, please contact Marta at: marta.fontaine@health.mo.gov or 573-526-3246.

February Birthday's

4 Bill Hardin
9 Martha Hogan
10 Matthew Dodd
10 Katelyn Heimericks
10 Kendra Woodall
12 Kristen Fisher
17 Dane Huffman
17 Kathy Wright
19 Annalee Bowen
22 Tia Neal
27 Janette Clark
29 Tyler Huffman



February Anniversaries



10 Kathleen & Jim Sprague
14 Jan & Ed Varnum

New Member

Welcome Rebecca Baker.



Thank-You!

Thank-you-so-much-for-supporting-our-efforts-to-raise-money-for-United-Way-Callaway-County. Together we raised \$128.15! Thanks also goes to Carolyn Jennings and John Atkinson for making sure the money was counted and a check issued to United Way-Callaway-County. ~~~~~ The Girls Club!