



THE CHRISTIAN ECHO



August

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Goodland, Kansas

2024

Hope - Holding On (with) Patient Expectation

Romans 5: 1-5 reads: Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

Have you ever noticed how it takes sooooo many words to explain what ONE word means? It is also amazing how words can build us up or tear us down. A 'word' can represent a collection of words (Bible), be a title for a specific message to be delivered, or, with a capital W, be representative of Jesus.

Just like the complexity of 'word', the meaning of 'hope' can send us in many directions when contemplated and explored. Because we use it in multiple ways, sometimes we forget that it can be much more than simply wishing.

What do you hope for as an individual or family? These are things we dream about or wish for, according to our specific desires. We know these things may or may not materialize, but we still have a desire to see them come about.

In another way, we hear the word 'hope' used as more of an assurance or something to be held as a promise. This type of hope is not just wishing. It is trusting that God is Who He is, and that He has done, is doing, & will do just as He says – no doubt about it! Hope is not only for tomorrow, but also for today!

Eternal hope is a confidence that no matter what we are experiencing, what comes afterwards is a product of Jesus' sacrificial love. We can and do have hope in a heavenly home with our Savior which we as believers are promised. Waiting is a part of it. Do we wait with confidence and assurance, knowing we are loved with an everlasting love?

What are we as a church hoping for? Are we trusting in God's divine plan? Let's be sure to join our wills & desires with God's will, so that what is carried out can be to God's glory. That is, and will be, the best – always!! Believe, Pray, Hope, & Trust.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION!

Extended Prayerful Considerations:

Please include in your ongoing prayers the following:

Roger Collins	Galen Cooper
Lois Cossman	Glenda Hamilton
Marie Marsh	Lonnie Kerr
Braxton Meier & family	Janet Schreiber
Bob & Mary Smith	Shawn Ryan
Don Warren family	



Please pray for our Active Military:

Tyson Reed, Chris Elliott, Nathan Craig, D J Glassman

Happy Birthday

8/1	Dave Hageman
8/2	Dwight Briney
8/3	Kenton Keith
8/4	Jo Simmons Tyler Jones
8/5	Frank Windle
8/6	Mark Luckert
8/9	Laney Von Lintel Chalee Luther
8/19	Braxton Taylor
8/21	Josh Vignery
8/22	Hunter Jenner Brodi Meier
8/24	Savanna Brown
8/27	Michelle Kibel
8/29	Amanda Jolly-Sisson
8/31	Kyla Ontiveroz Dominick John Guyer

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Date	Amt Needed	Offering	Over/Short	In-Person
7/7	\$2452.77	1600.10	-852.67	64
7/14	\$2452.77	2490.20	+37.43	43
7/21	\$2452.77	1173.00	-1279.77	34
7/28	\$2452.77	3267.54	+814.77	34

Happy Anniversary

8/1	Terry & Kara Smith
8/2	Jason & Erin Biernacki
8/3	Jed & Tranda Strnad
8/21	Jay & Carol Jolly



~Nursery Volunteers Wanted~

We are looking for additional volunteers to take an occasional Sunday in the nursery to watch the children Kindergarten and younger. If this is something that God has placed in your heart, please contact Debbie Martin 785-899-6937 or the church office for more information.

Many hands make for a lighter load!

Snippets from the last Board Meeting



1. The date of the Elderado Shootout has been set for Sept. 15th @ 5:00 pm .
2. There is a newly modified version of the Third Sunday service.
3. The pulpit will be covered by various others to include the elders until a seated minister is on board.
4. Ron continues to faithfully do our sign and it's much appreciated.
5. We finished up our sandwich making program for this year on July 24.
6. K Grieve put a new part in so now the security cameras are working properly.

USDA Commodities Distribution



The next distribution will be:

September 23, 2024 @ 1:30 PM

2024 Schedule
November 25

If you would like to help, please let the church office know. Please & Thanks for any & all help!

Note

A big "Thank You" to all how have helped with the cleaning project thus far!
In anticipation of the work not being completed, please look over the list (at the church) and see if you can volunteer some time. We would like to get these projects done before a new pastor comes.

Thank You,
Connie

Nifty Needlers

Every Tuesday @ 2 p.m. in the Church's Sewing Room .
Here are few pictures highlighting some fun moments.



Who Am I?

(Last month's "Who am I?" was Syd Keith)

1. Where is your favorite vacation spot? **Branson, Missouri**
2. What do you look most forward to as fall nears? **All things fall-cooler weather, fall colors, soup weather.**
3. What would we be surprised to know about you? **I am terrified to fly!**
4. What is the best ice cream flavor? **Vanilla with strawberry or hot fudge topping.**
5. Where were you born/raised? **Born in Scott City, KS and raised in Leoti.**
6. What aspect of you do you hope your family inherits? Doesn't inherit? **My loving, giving, caring heart. I let everything bother me.**
7. How long have you attended First Christian Church? **6 months**
8. Your favorite aspects of this church? **It feels like home. It's the first church that I've been in for a long time that makes you feel welcome.**

CWF News

CWF will meet at 2:00 pm on August 14th to start planning our year.

This time will remain the same unless otherwise posted.



THE INCOGNITO GROUP

**AA Meetings held in
The First Christian Church
711 Arcade St., Goodland, Ks
Northwest gravel parking lot door
(off of Arcade street).**

**Sunday—6 pm
(Open Meeting)**

**For more info, contact:
Dave—785-821-5390
Craig—785-772-1883
Brad—785-821-5329**



**New Elder-
Andrew Luna
doing communion**

**New Elder-
Frank Windle
delivering Sun-
day sermon**



Our Weekly Church Sign



(wisdom that blesses our community weekly)

- When Life Knocks You On Your Knees, Pray There!
- Let Prayer Be The Glue That Holds Your Life Together!
- Wanted: Imperfect People!
- Avoiding a decision is a decision!!!!
- Life is a puzzle; look here for the missing peace!

<<Game Day Group>>

Ever wanted to get together with others and play different (and familiar) card games, dominos, or any other type of game?? Well, this is your day, because that is what this group is doing!

Please come join in whenever you can.



Every Friday @ 1:00
p.m.
Church Parlor

Church Happenings

Fellowship dinner and Thank You to
Pastor Don and Harriet Warren.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Look Here!

**Has God placed a ministry on your heart?
Have you felt the desire to lead or start a
class or outing? Please pray about it and
let's talk!**

HELP!!!!

We are needing volunteers to make or purchase treats for Sunday morning Fellowship Time. Please contact Jo Simmons if you can help! All help is appreciated.

NEEDS FOR THE CHURCH

**Toilet bowl cleaner
Plastic Forks for Kitchen**

A big THANK YOU to those who so generously give.

Have any to spare?

The kitchen ladies are asking for plastic containers with lids to use for leftovers. Soooo, bring those butter, cottage cheese, sour cream, etc. containers right on in and we will put them to good use!!

Photos From Toppide and Wheat Ridge Services





August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7:00pm Praise Team Practice	2 9:00am Exercise 1:00pm Game Day Group	3
4 10:00am Fellowship Time 10:30am Worship Service	5 9:00am Exercise	6 2:00pm Nifty Needlers	7 9:00am Exercise	8 7:00pm Praise Team Practice	9 9:00am Exercise 1:00pm Game Day Group	10 Regional Assembly
11 7:30am Board Meeting 10:00am Fellowship Time 10:30am Worship Service	12 9:00 am Exercise	13 2:00pm Nifty Needlers	14 9:00am Exercise 2:00 pm CWF Planning Mtg.	15 7:00pm Praise Team Practice	16 9:00am Exercise 1:00pm Game Day Group	17
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 Pastor's Cell
 Church E-mail: fccdoc@st-tel.net

Fellowship Time 10:00 a.m. (Refreshments served)
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Vision Statement

To be a faithful, growing church,
 that demonstrates true community,
 deep Christian Spirituality,
 and a passion for justice.
 (Micah 6:8)

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Mission Statement

To be and to share the Good News
 of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving,
 and serving from our doorsteps
 "to the ends of the earth."
 (Acts 1:8)



	4	11	18	25
Elders	Dick Hayden Off Tim Armknecht, Com	Kenny Griffith, Off Frank Windle, Com	Terry Smith, Off Andrew Luna, Com	Debbie G, Off Debbie M, Com
Worship Leader	Joy Hayden	Jo Simmons	Contemporary Service	Birkley Barnes
Greeter(s):	Darlene Windle	Lois Cossman		Joy Hayden
A/V Tech-Closer	Kenny Griffith	Andrew Luna	Terry Smith	Terry Smith
Nursery	Kara Smith	Betty Hageman	Tehnee Hageman	Kay Carri