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Church
(Disciples of Christ)**

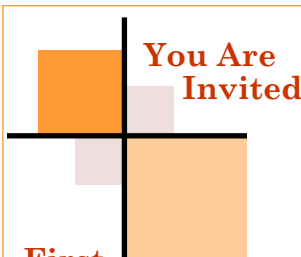


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First Sunday Lunch

September 3
12-2pm

Lunch meat and
drinks will be
provided.

The congregation is
requested to bring
vegetables, salads,
and/or desserts.
Join the fellowship
and bring a friend!

BREAD FOR ALL



To kick off our congregation's theme, Bread for All, several committees (Education, Youth, Evangelism and Outreach) have worked to put together a special event.

On September 17 at 5 pm, the congregation is invited to bring a friend and join us in Fellowship Hall for a letter offering and simple pot luck supper. We will have a short presentation with special guests on tax reform and the effects of certain changes on the people in our community followed by an opportunity to write letters to petition our state leaders to consider issues that affect the poor when drafting tax reform legislation.

We will follow our letter offering with a sandwich supper. Our youth are providing the sandwiches and attendees are invited to bring chips, fruit or cookies. Drinks will be provided.

September is World Hunger Month and the 17th is Constitution Day. What a perfect time to make your voice heard!

Susan Thomas, Outreach Committee, Co-Chair

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Book Study
Mondays, at 6:30—
except Sept. 25 at 5pm
***The Book of Joy:
Lasting Happiness in
a Changing World*** by His
Holiness the Dalai Lama,
Archbishop Desmond Tutu.
Join us and bring a friend!
Week 3 of 6 is on September
4 (yes! Labor Day).

NEW

Adult Sunday School

Sundays— 9:45am— 3rd floor

We are starting a new DVD lecture series entitled "Luther, Law, and the Reformation" by Luther scholar Dr. Philip Carey, which focuses on Luther due to the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, traditionally said to begin on October 31st, 1517. We watch the lecture (about 20 minutes) then discuss it. This series will last 12 weeks. Hope you can join us!

THE PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

Bread – the truth and Euphemism for so much more

It can mean exactly what western culture has associated with it for decades ~ that glorious stuff made with flour and yeast and more which we slice and make sandwiches with, or toast and put butter on. And the varieties of this kind of bread! We have white, and wheat, and rye, and pumpernickel and, and, and! We can also include muffins, and biscuits in this category, for leavening includes baking powder.

And yet, in addition to the yeast loaves, we have discovered so many varieties of what we may refer to as bread. Unleavened bread is what was made famous by the exodus – bread one can make quickly for emergency travels, not requiring a starter or yeast – just oil and flour and water and go! And this bread also comes in a variety of shapes and sizes ~ like Matza, Pita, Naan, Tortilla, Rotli! Each culture seems to have their own contribution to feed their people, and we have shared these discoveries often with each other.

Bread comes in all shapes and tastes and the variety is just such a joy and a blessing for us all! It also unites us in wonder filled ways. Who recalls their first experience of eating a bread from another culture? Wasn't it exotic? I recall my first experience with Naan – that bread from Indian, which when fried, fluffs up like a balloon! And when I tore it open the steam wafted out of it visually and the smell was amazing! It was as if part of India had been transported into my present moment far from the continent from whence it derived! Our fiscal year theme at FCC is "Bread for All." And this means so much more than making sure everyone has food, but that is an important part of it. Bread for all means appreciating the breads and the peoples which have been brought to this world – and even celebrating the variety of life this world has brought with it. But none of us can overlook or underestimate the comparison to the Lord's Table, where Jesus shared with us that he is the "Bread of the World, in mercy broken." Bread for all is Christ for all, a missionary message. Christ for all means mercy and love and grace for all, where nothing can separate us from the power that is our one God, creator of heaven and earth. And we are called to provide bread, and grace, and love and mercy and hope for all, without stopping to ask if the other person is worthy. We are God's leaven in this world, and leaven does not chose where it will grow, it grows where it is celebrated. And this is our goal for FCC Morehead, that we be and do and give and grow in Christ's name. **Bread for all! In Joy, Rev. Lisa**



Rev. Lisa Kay
C. Smith

Hurricane Harvey

"Please consider donating to Week of Compassion to support these communities that have been impacted by Hurricane Harvey. 100% of your gifts designated for Hurricane Harvey will provide immediate relief and long-term rebuilding in the days, weeks, and years ahead. Thank you."

Follow the link:

<http://www.weekofcompassion.org/our-impact/2017/8/29/a-cataclysm-then-a-rainbow-on-the-other-side-of-this-storm>

For
Those
Interested
In Joining Our
Church



If you would like to know a little more about our church, before you decide to join our church, please contact Pastor Lisa. cell (240) 529-8004

Disciples Men
Fellowship (DMF)

Saturday
September 23, 2017

9am-Fellowship Hall
Sumptuous breakfast served. All men of our church are invited. Please bring a friend!
RSVP (for food prep)

Pastor's Class
for Youth

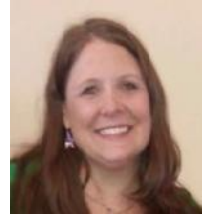


Third Sundays of the Month after Worship
Oct.15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17, Jan. 21, Feb. 18, Mar. 18
Paster Lisa
cell (240) 529-8004

YOUTH GROUP



Chris Prichard



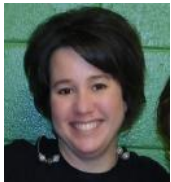
Mary Claire Williams

The Youth had a wonderful time at the back to school swim and pizza party. We would like to give a very special thanks to Phillip and Carmen Swim for sponsoring the party. Everyone had a great time! The September Youth Meeting will take place on Sunday, September 17th immediately after the service until 7:00 p.m. We will be partnering with the Outreach Committee to host a community letter writing campaign. Thank you to Mark and Brain for teaching Children's Church in August. We appreciate Charlene Bradford teaching in September. If you would like to help teach Children's Church, you can sign up on the bulletin board. The months of October through May are open. Peace and Blessings, Mary Claire Williams and Chris Prichard, Co-Chairs

New Bell Choir Rehearsals

Elem/Middle School
Sunday 9:45am

Youth High School
Wednesday 5pm



Genny Jenkins

CHOIR and BELLS

MSU choir interns take a break from practice. Left to right, Andrew Hall, Reagan Stamper, Ashlynn Denney, and Charlie Day.

Genny Jenkins directs the choir on August 22, 2017. Members include MSU choir interns, Jiyeon McGillicuddy, pianist, and Jeff Brown & Alicia Carter (far right), bells, who accompany the choir rehearsal.



~Thank You~

~To the Church: I want to thank you as a group for the wonderful way you honored my parents at the August lunch. It was perfect for them and something I also enjoyed being able to be a part of. Many times we as individuals and as a church family forget to thank the people who have mentored us in our faith until it is too late. In the memories of Dad and Mom that you shared with me and them, I was reminded of many things I had forgotten. Afterwards when they were talking Mom said to Dad, "Did you ever think we were so important?" and Dad said "No, we just did what was right." It's how I remember them, they did what needed to be done without expectations of recognition. Thank you for taking the time to publicly recognize them. It has given me something to think about. Blessings to all, Anita (Johnston)

~To Connie Kibbey, who has been a sanctuary elf, replacing prayer and attendance slips, checking on communion table and acolyte candle wicks, candy dish, etc. We are so grateful. FCC

We have been issued a \$6.91 donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of AmazonSmile program activity between April 1 and June 30, 2017. To use AmazonSmile, here is the link to sign up First Christian as your charity. Please bookmark



<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/61-0865444>
so all your eligible shopping will benefit First Christian Church. Thank you!

Tuesday Lord's Prayer Lunches



September 12, 19, 26
12-1pm



Sustenance for the Body and Soul
Soup and Bread will be Provided.

Yard Sale September 16 9-1pm

During the Arts N Eats Festival
Please bring items on Sept 13 & 14th, 8:30-1pm

Reconciliation Offering

Sept. 24-Oct. 1

Our Reconciliation Offering is used to fund our church's imperative mission to become a pro-reconciling and anti-racist church, utilizing experiential education, inclusive worship and intentional dialogue. Our efforts to promote healing, relationship and restoration in the whole family of God are enlivened by funds from this offering. Through it we are able to provide programs for leadership development, curriculum for dialogue and learning and partnerships within the church and our communities.

Recent events have reignited the conversation about human brokenness evidenced in the sin of racism and perpetuated in our institutional structures and systems. Your generous giving through the Reconciliation Offering is transforming lives and strengthening Christ's witness in the world, showing that we love one another, even as Christ continues to love us!



Save the date!

Church Women's Tea Party

September 24—3pm
Fellowship Hall



We will be serving varieties of tea and fruit water. Please bring tea size crustless sandwiches or bite size small desserts/tea cakes/petit fours to share with everyone.

September Gateway Home Basket

Items are due by Sunday, September 3.

The items are for those transitioning from Gateway Homeless Shelter to new home.

Thank you. Picture on page 6.



Sunday Worship Service
is now on Facebook

10:50am

DVDs are available also.

Link: <http://www.facebook.com/fccmorehead>.

Jean Hill Contact Info

SEM Haven Care Center
225 Cleveland Avenue, Milford, OH 45150
PH: (513) 271-7437

September Birthdays

5- Doug Hoff	13- Diana Knoll
6- Lisa Smith	14- Bessie Pernell
9- Connie Kibbey	23- Anne Buckner
11- Jack Whidden	25- Chase Barnett
12- Rebekah McAuliffe	27- Brian Carter



Treasurer's Report

Our income for August was unusually low and our expenses were unusually high. Last month we were nearly \$2,000 ahead.

Income for August \$7,646.72
Expenses for August \$14,974.65

September Deacons

Brenda Combs, Jim Gross, Leeann Akers, Kathryn Rogers, Jon Stigall, Alicia Carter

September Elders

Sept 3—Susan Thomas and Betty Hall
Sept 10—Susan Thomas and Betty Hall
Sept 17—Carmen Swim and Paul Semisch
Sept 24—Larry Fannin and Paul Semisch



Don and Alta Blair
Photo by Sarah Chaney

Pictorial Directory Update

Please see a member from the Evangelism Committee to update your information and picture.

Evangelism Committee Members

Sarah Chaney, Leeann Akers Co-Chairs
Roger Fischer, Jon Stigall, Jennifer Arrowwood,
Mark Etherton, Alicia Carter, Kaitlyn Paschall

Joy

Meghan Hammond participated in one of 30 Family and Consumer Science related FCCLA National Leadership Conference competitive events offered during July 2-6. Hammond earned Gold in Sports Nutrition.

COMING UP IN 2017

Yoga T&Th 5:30-7pm; Youth High School Bells Wed 5pm;
Bells/Choir Wednesdays 5:30/7pm;
Elem/Middle Bells Sun 9:45am

Saturday, September 3. 12-2pm. First Sunday Lunch. The church is providing lunch meat and drinks. The congregation is requested to bring vegetables, salads, and/or desserts.

September 4. Labor Day Holiday. Office closed.

Tuesday, September 12. 12-1pm Lord's Prayer Lunch. *Sustenance for the Body and Soul*. Soup and bread provided.

Saturday, September 16. 9-1pm Yard Sale. Please bring your new/gently items Wednesday & Thursday (Sept. 13 & 14) Contact: Joe Barrett (606) 875-9412.

Sunday, September 17. 5pm Bread For All Kick Off. 12-7pm Youth Constitution Day.

Tuesday, September 19. 12-1pm Lord's Prayer Lunch. *Sustenance for the Body and Soul*. Soup and bread provided.

Saturday, September 23. 9am Disciples Men Fellowship Organizational Meeting. Fellowship Hall. Breakfast served. See page 4.

Saturday, September 23 12pm-all afternoon: Fellowship Hall reserved. See page 4.

Sunday, September 24 3pm Church Women's Tea Party. See page 4.

Monday, September 25. 5pm. Book Club. 6:15/7pm Executive/Full Board Meetings.

Tuesday, September 26. 12-1pm Lord's Prayer Lunch. *Sustenance for the Body and Soul*. Soup and bread provided.

Detention Center Donation

In August, FCC collected coloring books and crayons for families experiencing a family member in the Rowan County Detention Center while they are waiting. Thank you to all who donated.
Sarah Chaney.



For those who enjoy reading the sermon Bible passages for the month, they are as follows:

Sept 3—Romans 12:9-21
Sept 10—Romans 13:8-14
Sept 17—Matt 18:21-35
Sept 24—Matt 20:1-16

The August Gateway Home Basket was picked up by Anthony Criswell, Gateway Homeless Shelter. He said, "A family just moved out nearby, so I am just taking the items down the street."

Photo by Barbara Marsh.



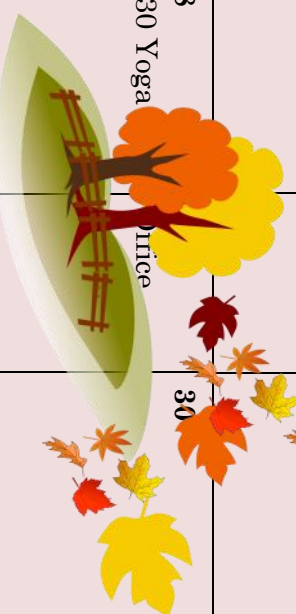
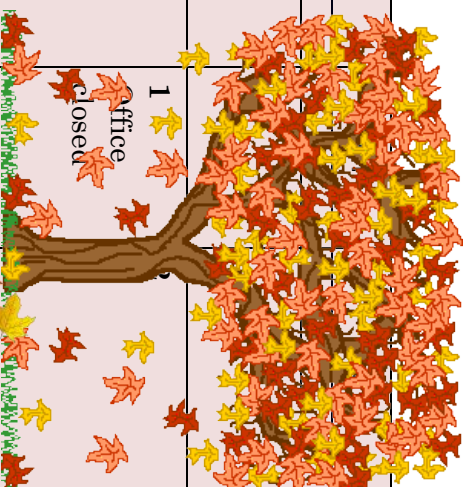
Eva and Glenn Johnston were honored at First Sunday Lunch on August 6. Their daughters, Alicia and Anita were both able to attend. A thank you note from Anita is on page 4. Photos by Sarah Chaney



In & Around FCC

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
Office Hours 8:30-1:00pm Monday-Thursday				
3 9:45 Elem/Middle Bells 9:45 Adult Sunday School 10:45 Worship Service 12-2:00 First Sunday Lunch Gateway Home Basket items due today.	4 Labor Day Holiday. Office closed. 6:30 Book Study Pastor on	5 5:30 Yoga Pastor on vacation	6 5:00 H.S. Bells 5:30 Bells 7:00 Choir Pastor on vacation	7 5:30 Yoga Pastor on vacation
10 Roger Fischer, Minister 9:45 Elem/Middle Bells 9:45 Adult Sunday School 10:45 Worship Service Pastor on vacation	11 6:30 Book Study	12 12-1:00 Lord's Prayer Lunch 5:30 Yoga	13 8:30-1:00 Bring yard sale items. 5:00 H.S. Bells 5:30 Bells 7:00 Choir	14 8:30-1:00 Bring items for yard sale. 5:30 Yoga
17 9:45 Elem/Middle Bells 9:45 Adult Sunday School 10:45 Worship Service 12-7pm Youth Const. Day 5:00 Bread for All Kick-Off	18 6:30 Book Study. <i>The Book of Joy</i>	19 12-1:00 Lord's Prayer Lunch 5:30 Yoga	20 5:00 H.S. Bells 5:30 Bells 7:00 Choir	21 5:30 Yoga
24 9:45 Elem/Middle Bells 9:45 Adult Sunday School 10:45 Worship Service 12-3:00 Youth Meeting	25 5:00 Book Study 6:15/7pm Executive/Full Board Meetings	26 Lord's Prayer Lunch 5:30 Yoga	27 5:00 H. S. Bells 5:30 Bells 7:00 Choir	28 5:30 Yoga
				1 Office closed
				8 Office closed
				15 Office closed.
				16 9-1:00 Yard Sale
				22 Office closed
				23
				29
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Mary Claire Williams and
Chris Prichard, Youth
Barbara Marsh, Secretary
Sarah Chaney, Bell Choir
Kaitlyn Rhoden, Nursery
Darrin Roe, Custodian

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The View Outside

Faith Garden
Redesign
by Yvonne
Baldwin

Photos by Rev.
Lisa Smith

