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Serving Schedule

for September 27, 2015

Worship Leader

LaVerne Matthews

Children's Moment

Bill Clanahan

Communion Prayer

George McCall

Offertory Prayer

Gail Doss

Van Driver

George McCall/Mark Richardson

Communion Preparation

Betty Jackson

Diaconate

Marion Parks, Stan Pinkston,
Linda Casey, Trenton Vincent,
Jana McCall, Megan Richardson

Church Directory

UPDATE

Please Add: Kim Wagganer
P.O. Box 1072
Poplar Bluff, MO 63902

First Sunday Brunch

Sunday, October 4

Following Worship

Hosted by: Worship
Ministry Team

Come enjoy this time of
fellowship. Please
bring a dish to share.

Southeast Gateway Area 2015 Prayer Calendar

September 27-October 3

First Christian Church,
Doniphan, MO

October 4 - October 10

First Christian Church,
Centerville, IL

Serving Schedule

for October 4, 2015

Worship Leader

Kathy Richardson

Children's Moment

Jan Duffy

Communion Prayer

Bobby Brannum

Offertory Prayer

Anne Roberts

Van Driver

George McCall/Mark Richardson

Communion Preparation

Stanley & Carol Pinkston

Homebound Communion

Gene & Anne Roberts/Jack Childress

Diaconate

Rob Blackwell, Zach Vincent,
Carlos Hicks, LuWanna Forister,
Jim Hillis

PASTOR FRANK'S INFO.

Rev. Frank Chlastak
573-609-2183 Home
580-228-5089 Cell



2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
LOOK WHO WAS BORN THIS MONTH 	 PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH			1	2	3
4 First Sunday Brunch 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	5	6 BCC Deadline 12 Noon  Betty Threlkeld	7 3 pm Youth	8 BCC Mailing 6:30 pm Worship Mtg. 7 pm Board Mtg	9	10
11 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	12 6 pm Elders' Mtg.	13 5:30 pm Day Care Board Mtg.	14 3 pm Youth	15	16	17
18 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	19	20 BCC Deadline 12 Noon 11:30 am Senior Fellowship	21 3 pm Youth	22 BCC Mailing 6 pm Thursday Women Applebee's 6 pm Men's Fellowship Los Margaritas	23	24  Trenton Vincent
25 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	26	27	28 3 pm Youth  Laverne Matthews	29	30	31 Halloween 

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ATTENDANCE and
OFFERING REPORTS
September 13, 2015

ATTENDANCE:
Worship46
Children’s Church4
TOTAL WORSHIP46
SUNDAY SCHOOL:
Elementary A/B4
Homebuilders8
Men’s Class7
Total.....19
OFFERING:
Operating Fund:
Envelope Giving.....\$3,170.00
Loose Offering44.00
Sunday School67.00
Memorials105.00
Total.....\$3386.00
Needed Weekly.....\$3,702.65

ATTENDANCE and
OFFERING REPORTS
September 20, 2015

ATTENDANCE:
Worship47
Children’s Church4
TOTAL WORSHIP51
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Elementary A/B0
Homebuilders7
Men’s Class6
Total13
OFFERING:
Operating Fund:
Envelope Giving\$1,780.00
Loose Offering23.00
Sunday School28.00
CCCC Rent & Trash1,570.89
Memorials145.00
Misc. Income.....25.00
Total\$3,571.89
Needed Weekly\$3,702.65

There are times when I look at my calendar and experience momentary panic. I am sure you have experienced something similar. There are many worthwhile things in which we long to participate.

Today several more invitations came in the mail urging me to attend a work shop, hear a lecture or participate in a meaningful mission. It made me stop and think about how I prioritize the activities in my life. Please allow me to share my priorities with you.

Among all the activities I am asked to participate in, worship at First Christian Church is my first priority. Beyond the planning and preparation for worship, actually being present in the sanctuary with our church family each Sunday morning is very important to me.

The experience of worshipping together as brothers and sisters in Christ deepens our spiritual roots and enriches our relationships.

Of course, all of us must miss a worship service once in a while due to travel or illness, but nothing can replace the experience of being in God’s presence with people we love and who love us. I hope you will consider making regular worship attendance a high priority as well.

Participating in a small group for prayer, study, and spiritual development is also a high priority for me. One of my goals for the coming year is to develop at least one new small group in our congregation so that more people will have the opportunity to deepen their discipleship. Of course the trick to this is as always is finding a reasonable time for such a group to meet. I also feel that one of our strengths as Disciples of Christ has always been our historic commitment to be a part of the community in which we live.

Therefore, I enjoy being a part of the community events, the various community projects, and the ecumenical services that call upon us to witness our faith through getting dirty for Jesus. I also enjoy watching a good sporting event or a concert. I feel that one of my priorities is to be a part of the community events and the lives of the people.

Of course as I list my priorities, I hope you understand that YOU are my priority. I am never too busy to hear from you. If I am not in my office at home, just leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible. My cell phone at times still does not work as good as I like so I am sure that I miss calls. I want to stay in touch with the important events, good or bad, that affect you.

Together we are building a significant ministry in our community. I think the future is bright. Blessings as you work and play. Hope to see you Sunday if not sooner.

Glad to be your Pastor,
Frank



We welcome Carol Swafford to
our church family. Carol received
the sacrament of Baptism on
August 30th.

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Bryce Hinkson, Verna Hudson,
Dana Swiney

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Anne Lux (Mark Twain)
Lorene Myers
(Mt. View Healthcare)
C.M. Wilson (Oakdale)

Cedargate Assisted Living
Pauline Hearne (Phase 2, #9)

Oakdale Assisted Living
Wilma Burwell,
Mary Fears (#411)
Betty Linn

Westwood Hills Healthcare
Floy Blackwell

[Names will remain on our
Prayer Concern list until the
Church Office is notified to
remove them.]



The Elder Meeting for October has
been changed to 2nd Monday (Oct.
12th) at 6:00 p.m. due to schedule
conflict.

Thanks,
Steve Fowler