

**NEWS FROM FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)**  
**NOVEMBER 1, 2018**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Judee Mitchell, David T., Emma Grace Maroni, Murray Family, Arun & Desh Bucem, Denise & Bob, Buzzy Cheadle, Charlotte Chatto, Elsie Smith and those affected by natural disasters, and encouragement for those in need.

**CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR:** Selma Devich, Roger Ozmet, Dr. Walter Allen, Jewel Jones, Neal Mitchell, Wanda Doleshall, Kenneth & Joanna Chatto, Millie Clarke, Connie Santee, Eliza Husser Cave, Bill Carroll, Chuck & Ida Bassi, Connie Moomjy, Clara Benfield, Sally Clayton, Pastor Keith Weekley, Pam Owen, Ryan O'Rourke, Sabrina, Anna Weekley, Ray Cook, those seeking employment, our public safety services, military services, our country's leaders, and those who are traveling.

**NEWS FROM PASTOR IRENE**

November is a great time for being thankful, and for taking time each day to remember the words of the Psalmist "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad (thankful) in it!". Even though the Thanksgiving holiday seems more and more overshadowed each year by an earlier arrival of Christmas shopping ads, we do have a designated holiday coming to help us as individuals and as a nation give thanks for our many blessings. One of the things we have to be thankful for is living in a free country where we have both the right and responsibility to vote. Please remember to vote on November 6th! One of the things I am most thankful for this year is the privilege of serving as your interim pastor. Thank you, and thank God! I pray that each of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving this year.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
**Sunday, November 4, 2018**

There will be a short Congregational Meeting, following the Worship Service, on Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on the proposed slate of officers and the proposed budget for 2019. All are welcome to attend but please note that you must be a member of First Christian Church in order to vote. If you have any questions, please call Buzzy Cheadle.

**NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2019**

Board Chairperson	Buzzy Cheadle (current, no nominations)
Board Vice Chairperson	Robin Brooks (nominated)
Secretary	Susan Poster Ullmann (current, no nominations)
Treasurer	Jim Mitchell (current, no nominations)
Church Clerk	Frances Finfrock (current, no nominations)
Financial Secretary	Caroline Hale (current, no nominations)
Trustees	Buzzy Cheadle and Don Pruett (current) Susan Poster Ullmann (nominated)
Deacons	Millie Clarke, Frances Finfrock, Scott Finfrock and Robin Brooks (current) Paula Jones, Paul Owen, Earnestine Goggans and Shan Ochrenyk (nominated)
Elders	Ida Bassi, Buzzy Cheadle, Jim Mitchell and Don Pruett (current) Lisa Wahlmeier (nominated)

**THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING**  
**Sunday November 18, 2018**

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has honored its' commitment to founding and supporting institutions of higher education since the denominations' beginning. Currently there are fourteen Disciples related colleges, universities and seven seminaries and divinity houses. More than 50,000 students attend these facilities and in the past 12 months, more than 12,000 students have graduated.

On Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, you will have the opportunity to give an offering to support this higher learning initiative of our denomination. Your offering can make a difference. Thank you for your consideration.

**NOVEMBER CARRY IN MEAL**  
**Sunday, November 18, 2018**

Our Carry In for November is being moved to Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> (third Sunday instead of our usual second Sunday). The Church will provide the turkey, gravy and ham. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall during November, where we would like for you to designate what side items you would like to bring for our Thanksgiving Carry In. This is helpful so we don't end up with many dishes of the same item. Usually this is the first Thanksgiving meal of the year for most of us and it really taste good.

**NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY**

Frances and Caroline want to thank all of you who had your pictures taken, for the Church Directory, on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. We hope you were happy with the photos which resulted from your participation. We still have some work to do but overall this project has moved along smoothly thanks to your help.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

DWF Meeting, Thursday, November 1st, 2018 at 10 am in Fellowship Hall  
Congregational Meeting, Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> after worship service  
DMF Meeting, Saturday November 10<sup>th</sup> at 8am in Fellowship Hall  
Elders Meeting, Tuesday November 13<sup>th</sup>, at 5pm (subject to change)  
Board Meeting, Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in Fellowship Hall (subject to change)  
Trash & Treasures, Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 9-2  
Thanksgiving Carry-In, Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> following Worship Service  
Crafting Group Mondays 12:30pm in classroom 3  
Choir Practice, Thursdays at 4 pm in the Sanctuary  
Tai Chi, Thursdays, beginners class 3pm and advanced class 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall

ACTS donation for the month of October is beef stew and complete meals.  
Please leave your donations in the Church Office. Thank you for your support!