



NEWS FROM FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)

August 1, 2019

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Family of Ken Webb, Family of Ray Chapman, Family of Chad Steller, Fon Ullman, Melissa Teligades, Kathy Morin, Ed Byrd, Earnestine Goggans, Mr. Moore's Grandson, Denise Peters, Karen Disendorff, Sue Wisz, Jerry Smith, Robin Brooks, Barbara Wecker, Pastor Sierven, Tony Medina, Susan Poster Ullmann, and those affected by violence, and natural disasters.

CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR:

Linda Cheadel, Selma Devich, Millie Clarke, Chuck & Ida Bassi, Roy Walden, Wanda Doleshall, Connie Moomjy, Clara Benfield, Jewel Jones, Dan McElvoy, Sally Clayton, Hal Guyon, Pastor Juan Rodriquez, our Regional Church, Francisco Catlan, Eliza Husser Cave, Dr. Walter Allen, Neal Mitchell, Pam Owen, Connie Santee, Kenneth & Joanna Chatto, Sabrina, those in public service, military service and for our Country.

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR IRENE

Back to school time is one of my favorite times of the year – and not just because I have a school aged child. “Back-to-school” represents opportunities for new beginnings and new learning! We are created to be life-long learners. Being at the General Assembly was a great learning opportunity as I learned more about the many wonderful divisions and ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). We are a part of something beautiful – here at 900 Kerr Drive SW in Aiken, in the South Carolina Regional Church and the larger Disciples church. Come, be your part and invite someone you know! And make plans now to attend at least part of the South Carolina Regional conference the first weekend in October.

CRAFTING IS BACK!

After an unscheduled break in June, and the scheduled break in July, it is time to get back to making cards. The class will restart on Monday August 5, at 12:30 in the library. Here is just one of the many cards we have made over the last two years.



NO CARRYIN FOR CATS

If anyone has been feeding feral cats at the church please do not do so from Monday through Thursday until further notice. Public safety and animal services are currently trapping near the church on public property.

The program is currently trying to catch a female who has recently given birth in order to treat her. The cats need to be hungry for the process to work.

“Community” and feral cats are not suitable for adoption. This is part of a national model for dealing with them. Feral cats are trapped, treated for medical issues including fleas, spayed or neutered and then returned. This gives the animals their best chance at a meaningful life, while reducing the overall number of feral and unwanted cats. Cats that are part of the program have a small tip cut off the left ear. That may help you identify a feral cat from an escaped pet. When the current source of group has been caught and treated the program will let us and the neighbors know. A flyer with more details is in the Fellowship hall.

DISCIPLES CLASS – REVISITED

The book study on the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will start soon (really!!). We are trying to pick a time that will be welcoming to as many as possible, including people who work during the day as well as people who don't feel safe driving after dark. Please be patient as we figure this out – and also plan to join us for the study.

TOBACCO AND SMOKE FREE

The board recently voted to make First Christian Church a smoke free campus. The cigarette containers by the Fellowship Hall door, and by the Disciple House will be removed as they will no longer be needed. May we all breath better as a result.

FAMILY PROMISE OF AIKEN COUNTY

The next Family Promise community meeting is Tuesday, Sept 3 at the Mormon Church on Pine Log, 6:30 for newcomers and 7pm for everyone. The 6:30-7:00 time is spent explaining the program and how it works for those who are new to the process. The goals at this time are forming a 501(c)3 and locating the first host congregations.

OPEN REGIONAL BOARD MEETING

On August 10th beginning at 10am at New Galilee Christian Church 1563 Coach Rd. in Holly Hill, the Regional Church Board will meet. Anyone is invited to attend. In addition to other business they will be discussion the report ***“Push-To-Purpose Transformation Work Guide”***. This report is available on request from the church office and should be read in advance by those attending.

SAVE THE DATE!

The South Carolina Disciples Regional Conference will be held at New Galilee Christian Church, Holly Hill on Friday and Saturday, October 4th & 5th. We would like to have a good representation from First Christian Aiken at this meeting. Please consider attending! A registration form is attached.

SEPTEMBER 21 TRASH AND TREASURE

The DWF will be renting tables at the September Trash and Treasure Sales, \$10 for members \$20 for non-members.

ACTS DONATIONS for the month of August is peanut butter.
Please leave your donations in the Church Office. Thank you for your support!

THIS MONTH IN SERVICE

Our Deacon this month is Millie Clarke
Our Elders are Jim Mitchell and Lisa Wahlmeirer

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 1 DWF 10:00am, Fellowship Hall
August 10 DMF 8:00 am, Fellowship Hall
August 11 Carry-In, following Worship Service, Fellowship Hall
August 13 Elders Meeting 4:45pm, Church Office
Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
August 17 Trash & Treasures Sale, 9:00 am Classroom 3

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday	Crafting	12:30 pm in the Library
Thursday:	Choir Practice	4:00 pm in the Sanctuary
Sunday:	Sunday School	9:30 in the Fellowship Hall
	Worship Service:	11:00 in the Sanctuary

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**The Sixteenth South Carolina Regional Conference of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) New Galilee Christian Church, Holly Hill, SC, October 4th -October 6th, 2019
Theme: "ONE THING I DO...Reach for What Lies Ahead"! "PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14"!**

REGISTRATION FORM

Title Preference (Mr. /Mrs. / Ms. / Rev. / Dr. /Bro. / Sis)

First Name Last Name

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number () _____ E-mail _____

Congregation _____

General Church Ministry or Organization _____

REGISTRATION FEES

(Early Due Date: Registration postmarked by Tuesday, August 20, 2019)

		Total
Church "Seed Money" Donation	\$100.00	_____
Pastor Registration	\$100.00	_____
Adult Registration*	Cost Number	
Adult Early Registration	\$50.00 x _____ (Postmark by August 20th)	_____
Adult Late Registration	\$60.00 x _____ (Postmark received after August 20th)	_____
Senior Citizens (65 & Older)	\$40.00	_____

Registration Children/Youth 17 years and less (\$10.00)

* Please indicate the number attending by age!

6 to 12 years # attending _____

13 to 17 years # attending _____

I cannot attend but want to donate to help the Youth and Conference Program! _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

(Note: Churches submitting multiple registrations please attach a list of all the names of those persons covered by the registration fee on an attached list!)

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Christian Church in SC or CCSC and mail to:
P O Box 80536
Charleston, SC 29416-2064
Email: roccsc@aol.com Fax: 843.852.4538**

You may also submit payment via credit card online at www.scdisciples.org at the "Make a Contribution" link and send a copy of the payment confirmation to the Regional Church Office.