



NEWS FROM FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)

August 1, 2020

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Family of Selma Devich, the Erica Anthony Family, Pat and Paul Owen, Caroline Hale, Patricia Lary, Rosa Berry, Dr. Endoylan Harrison, Marnie, Marcia Jones, Emma Grace, Richard Barnes, Karen Porter, Martha Albritton, Susan Kantor, Cindy Whaley Kathy Campbell, Ernie and Allison Sizemore, Carol Kettel, We lift prayer to understand our needs and differences and strength to get through challenges.

CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR:

Millie Clarke, Eliza Husser Cave, Chuck & Ida Bassi, Wanda Doleshall, Joann Caldwell, Sally Clayton, Dan McAvoy, Connie Moomjy Susan Poster Ullmann, Linda Cheadle, Robin Brooks, our Regional Church, Dr. Walter Allen, Pam Owen, Connie Santee, Kenneth & Joanna Chatto, Sabrina, those in public service, military service and for our Country and all victims of the corona virus.

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR IRENE

Pastor's note: July was a month with a lot of loss in various forms – Jim and Selma's deaths and Earnestine moving to Alabama. Times of loss remind me of the importance of staying connected. With the Covid continuing to limit our 'normal' activities, I have been thinking of how to add more opportunities for connection. So, my "Pastor's Note" this month is more in the form of an Inquiry: Would you like to Zoom? Weekly worship seems to be going well, and I am thankful for the opportunities on Facebook and via the teleconference service! However, I miss our interactions and conversations, too. And I miss seeing your face! I am excited about the outdoor Vesper service each month – it adds a safer 'in-person' option for worship and gathering. I am looking at starting something with Zoom once or twice a month. It could be a book study, a Bible study, or as simple and enjoyable as unstructured "how are you doing?" time with whoever can join in on a certain day / time. All you would need to join in is an internet connection – there would be no cost to you for participating in the Zoom video conference call. (There is also a telephone option for those of you without internet – you could call in and have the audio portion only.) The group meetings would last about 40-45 minutes. Please let me know if you are interested in any of those options and if so, if you prefer a day time Zoom meeting or an evening time one. Once I hear from several of you, I'll get the first one scheduled and we will see how it goes!



IN LOVING MEMORY: JAMES ALAN MITCHELL

March 23, 1945 - July 14, 2020

A Celebration of Life Service remembering Jim will be held on Saturday, August 22nd at 1:00 pm at First Christian. The service will also be shown on Facebook live.

IN LOVING MEMORY: SELMA "SAM" DEVICH

July 29, 1942 – July 25, 2020

Sister and best friend of Millie Clarke.

Back to School: Please pray for our FCCA students as they go back to school – especially as they also deal with all the changes the pandemic brings:

Joey Albritton - Albritton Academy Homeschool

Melissa Cheadle – USC Aiken

Troy Cheadle – North Augusta High School

Emma Grace Maroni - Aiken High School

CarlieBeth Wilson – Lander University

And for our teachers including Bryan Riley, Ph.D.

WORD OF THANKS

April Virge, Ed Albritton, Buzzy Cheadle and Lisa Wahlmeier– for serving as our Deacons & Elders each week since we reopened in-church worship
Paul and Pat Wilson – for assisting in the set up and coordination of the “thank you” drive by for Jim Mitchell
Buzzy Cheadle, Frances Finfrock and Ed Albritton – for setting up at the July Vesper service (and for taking down in a hurry for the rain that never came!)
Natalie Lawrence, San Cave-Riley, Frances Finfrock and Lisa Wahlmeier– for providing the special music for our Sunday worship services in Jun & July.
Lisa Wahlmeier – for monitoring Facebook live broadcast each Sunday
Ed Albritton, Laura Kraft, Caroline Hale and San Cave-Riley for reading the Scripture in the 11am worship service.
Eliza Husser Cave for serving as the Elder on the teleconference worship service
Scott Finfrock – for keeping us in sound for the 11am service each week
Frances Finfrock – for everything she does to keep us operating!

ACTS DONATION for the month of August is Mac and Cheese.

CANCELLATIONS:

Until further notice the following are canceled:
Monday Crafting
Thursday Choir
Carry In

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 1	11:00 DWF Fellowship Hall
August 11	Board Meeting 6:00 pm phone conference
August 15	Trash & Treasures Sale 9:00 am Room 3
August 22	Celebration of Life for Jim Mitchell 1:00 Facebook/Sanctuary
August 27	Vesper Service 6:00 PM Garden/Facebook

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