



NEWS FROM FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)

May 3, 2021

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Pearl Brame, Maxim Patterson, Jarod Long, Nancy Garzina, Jennifer, Christinia, Nancy Green, Evelyn, Jennifer, Louie Crouch, Austin Moede, The Greene Family, The Beveridge Family, Jennifer Dering, Robin King, Joe James, Marilyn Blanchard, Marya, Kendall Karst, Murray and Pitza Stiller, Ida Bassi, Chaplain Sam Boone, Martha Albritton, Carol Kettel, for those in law enforcement, for distribution of the vaccine and for God's peace and healing.

CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR:

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

with water will be located by each

Pastor's Note:

Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed! Easter morning was wonderfully celebrated in our Garden service and in the 11am service. As we continue in Eastertide leading up to Pentecost on May 23, it is wonderful to feel the energy within our congregation. I pray that as each of you continue in your individual prayer and Bible study time, your encounter with the Risen Christ will bless you and empower you for service as we share God's love with others.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Raymond Moton on receiving the first Myrtle Matlock Beard Memorial Scholarship. He is pictured here with Pastor Michael Riddle at Jackson First Christian Church during the presentation..

The scholarship is in memory of Curtis Beard's mother, who worked in education.

BE THE NEW CHURCH

2021 Pentecost Offering
Sunday, May 23, 2021

During the past year, many people have struggled with social isolation. This has resulted in many staying away from their

various places of worship to protect their health and the health of others.

But interestingly, some new church leaders have responded by launching communities of faith in creative and innovative ways. Some examples include Door Dash food deliveries, meeting via Zoom and meeting the spiritual needs of those transitioning out of correctional facilities.

“From hospital and prison chaplains to tri-vocational pastors, courageous new church leaders have answered the call to **be the new church.**”

On Sunday, May 23rd, we will be collecting the Pentecost Offering. Half of the money collected will go to our Region to support local new church development. The other half goes to New Church Ministry and is used to train, equip and assist new church leaders. Your donation will help with the viability, vitality and sustainability of new church plants in our area, other states, provinces and territories far away.

Please give generously. Let's all **be the new church**, together. Thank you.

DWF VIRTUAL WALK A THON

The SC DWF is holding a virtual walk a thon to raise money for mattresses at Camp Christian. Participants will see how many miles they can walk or run in the month of May. Participants will receive a free gift bag. Registrations are on the DWF board in the fellowship hall, the cost to participate is \$20

BBQ PICNIC

There will be a BBQ Picnic on May 21 at 6:00 pm. Please bring something to share. The sign up sheet is in the fellowship hall.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT RECOGNITION -

Frances Finrock was recognized during the worship service on April 18 for her service and ministry as our church secretary. She was publically thanked for her hard work and also received gifts and cards from church members. Thank you, Frances!

ACTS DONATION FOR May IS: Cereal

WORD OF THANKS

Frances, Scott, June and Natalie for the beautiful decorations in the sanctuary for Holy Week and Easter.

Don and Caroline for maintaining the outdoor cross and keeping the draped cloths changed in time for the different services during Holy Week

April and Ed for their faithful service in keeping the worship-connected Deacon duties running smoothly.

Millie for maintaining the car ministry, demonstrating the church's care for birthday's anniversaries, special occasions and life's difficult moments.

Natalie for her consistent service as our music minister

Scott and Lisa for their technical assistance in streaming the worship service each week on Facebook

Ida, Judee and all participants of the DWF Lenten Bible study- for their artwork and completion of the two "Stations of the cross" quilts used for Holy Week

June for the window curtains

Elsie and Don for helping

June for her work in the gardens

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 1	DWF	11:00 am Fellowship
May 8	DMF	8:00 am Fellowship
May 11	Board Meeting	6:00 pm
May 15	Trash and Treasure	9:00 am Classroom 3
May 23	Pentecost	

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