



First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
November Newsletter

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**NEWS FROM FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)**  
**November 1, 2022**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

*The family of Glenda Faye McIlwain, Marti Healy, Fran Richards, Arlen Cooper, Jeffrey Scotten & the family of Joann Nelson, Debbie Wood and the family of Tony Hair, Donald Yacovetta, Maxine Pemberton, Donna Shane, Vicki Rishel, Elaine Johnston, Buzzy Cheadle, Pastor Irene, Ed & Joey, the Brown family, Mary Anne Turner, Bryan Malone, Tatyana Yatsenko, Ella Shakibatabar, Chuck Spearman, Austin and Sharon Moede, Karen Porter, the Regional Church and upcoming Annual conference, for the USA, Ukraine and the World.*

**CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR:**

*Paul & Pam Owen, Wanda & Jerry Doleshall, Elsie Smith, Eliza Husser Cave, Millie Clark, Dan McAvoy, Kenneth Chatto, Linda Cheadle, Susan Poster Ullmann, Martha Albritton, Carol Kettel, Connie Moomjy, Robin Brooks, Sabrina, Dr. Walter Allen, Connie Santee, our Regional Church, those in public & military service, for our Country and all victims of natural disasters.*

**Pastor's Note:**

November is here! And so am I! I asked my transplant doctor last week "Am I supposed to feel this good?" She laughed and said "well, we are sure glad that you do feel that good!" Then I pondered a little and added, "I think part of my feeling good is that I am more grateful now than I've ever been in my life." November is a month when we focus each year on being thankful. As I play with the words in my mind, and compare this November to other Novembers in my life, I wonder if there is a difference between thankfulness and gratitude. I invite you this season of Thanksgiving to ponder that for yourself, too – as we share together a sense of grateful living! Thanks be to God for the opportunities of life and of being connected to one another through First Christian Aiken.

## All Saint's Day Remembrance

We will celebrate All Saints Day on the first Sunday of November, November 6<sup>th</sup>, as we remember our church and family members who died during the past year (November 1, 2021 - October 2022). To help with the planning process, please send to the church office the name of any family members or dear friends you would like included. See the list below:

*Jean Arnold, Hal Bass, Melanie Blunk (sister of Elaine Johnson), Sally Ann Clayton, Louie Crouch, Sue Ellis (mother-in-law of Paula Jones), Charles Heath (brother of Shelvia Beard), Pauline Henderson (mother of Donna Shane), Priscilla Kelley (grandmother of Peter Caldwell), Earl Edwards (brother of Ida Bassi), Jessica Maes (niece of Buzzy Cheadle), Glenda Faye Mcllwain (sister of Paulette Haffner), Joann Nelson (mother of Jeffrey Scotten), Zane Spitzer (brother of Janet Morris).*

**Pastor Irene will be preparing the Bulletin for All Saint's day on Wednesday, November 2, if you have any addition to the above list please email or call her by Wednesday.**

### Upcoming Dates:

**November 5<sup>th</sup>** – Disciples Women Fellowship meeting will be in Ridge Spring, meet at 10am in the Church parking lot

**November 6<sup>th</sup>** – All Saints Day Service (see list above)

**November 12<sup>th</sup>** – Disciples Men Fellowship breakfast – 8am – Fellowship Hall

**November 13<sup>th</sup>** – Veteran's Recognition, Special Thanksgiving offering.

**November 13<sup>th</sup>** – Congregational Meeting - immediately after Worship; to vote on nominees to the Board and the Church Budget. (See proposed slate and budget).

**November 19<sup>th</sup>** – Trash and Treasure Sale Disciple Women Fellowship

**November 20<sup>th</sup>** – Thanksgiving theme and Carry-in (Church will furnish turkey & ham), a sign-up sheet will be in the Fellowship Hall for side dishes.

**November 26<sup>th</sup>** – Breakfast for ALL followed by everyone decorating the Church for Christmas

**November 27<sup>th</sup>** – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

## DWF

The proceeds from Trash & Treasure Sale and Dessert Sales will go to:  
October - Samaritan's Purse  
November - St. Jude and World Vision  
December - Tri-Development Christmas Party

## THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING, Disciple Mission Fund, Sunday, November 13, 2022

On November 13<sup>th</sup> you will have the opportunity to participate in our Disciple Mission Fund Thanksgiving Offering. The Thanksgiving Offering supports Disciples colleges, universities and theological institutions. Disciples have a long history of post-secondary and theological education. This offering provides a direct connection to 15 colleges and universities, 7 seminaries and theological programs. Gifts from this offering continue the Disciples tradition of developing leaders for our communities and the Church.

## October Reconciliation Offering

The Reconciliation Offering we collected in October, as a Disciple Mission Fund special offering, yielded \$300.00. Thank you to all who participated in this offering that promotes our Church's Pro-Reconciliation and Anti-Racist identity. Your interest and support are greatly appreciated!



### **Happy Birthday to:**

Paulette Haffner - November 6  
Donna Shane - November 8  
Paul Wilson - November 17  
Jerry Doleshall - November 26  
Susan Poster Ullmann - November 28



**Don't forget to change your clock before bed on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Walking Tall Ministries**

If anyone would like to donate a frozen turkey please bring them to the Church on Sunday or drop them off at the Church office, while Lynn is there (Tuesday and Thursday between 9am and 10am). June will deliver them to Walking Tall.

**OUR ACTS DONATION FOR November:** Canned fruit.

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PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2023

CHAIRMAN – BUZZY CHEADLE  
VICE CHAIRMAN – MIKE WILSON  
SECRETARY – SUSAN POSTER ULLMAN  
ELDERS –

ED ALBRITTON  
SAN RILEY  
IDA BASSI  
BUZZY CHEADLE

DEACONS – LAURA KRAFT  
CAROLINE HALE  
PAULA JONES  
APRIL VIRGE  
ROBIN BROOKS  
JUDEE MITCHELL

TRUSTEES – BUZZY CHEADLE  
DON PRUITT

CHURCH CLERK – IDA BASSI  
TREASURER – MIKE WILSON  
FINANCIAL SECRETARY - CAROLINE HALE  
COMMITTEE CHAIR - MEMBERSHIP – PAUL WILSON  
PUBLICITY – SHELVIA BEARD  
WORSHIP – JUNE WILSON