



NEWS & EVENTS

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December 5, 2023

Hanging of the Greens, Christmas Cantata and 1st Sunday Luncheon

What a wonderful way to kick off our Advent Season! Special thanks to Jennifer Hibner, Stacey and Jamie Johnston and our Praise Band for the beautiful Cantata. We also appreciate Natalie Hardin, Staci Carey and all of the adults, children and youth who participate in the Hanging of the Greens service. MERRY CHRISTMAS!



1st Sunday Lunch
“Taco Bar” was delicious and a great time of fellowship! Thank you to the Connections Team for organizing this meal!





Kid Min Minute



WHAT KID MIN IS LEARNING IN:



DECEMBER

Grab your sandals, sunblock, and swim gear because it's time for a Christmas Vacation! We'll be making sand angels and roasting chestnuts around an open bonfire on our tropical getaway. You've never experienced Christmas like this! In this five-week series, we'll focus on the birth of Jesus and the way God had been planning things from the very beginning. We'll see how God sent Jesus for a reason, learn to trust God's timing, understand why God gives us what's best, and see how Jesus is why we celebrate because Jesus is God's gift to the world.

To find out more, scan this code!



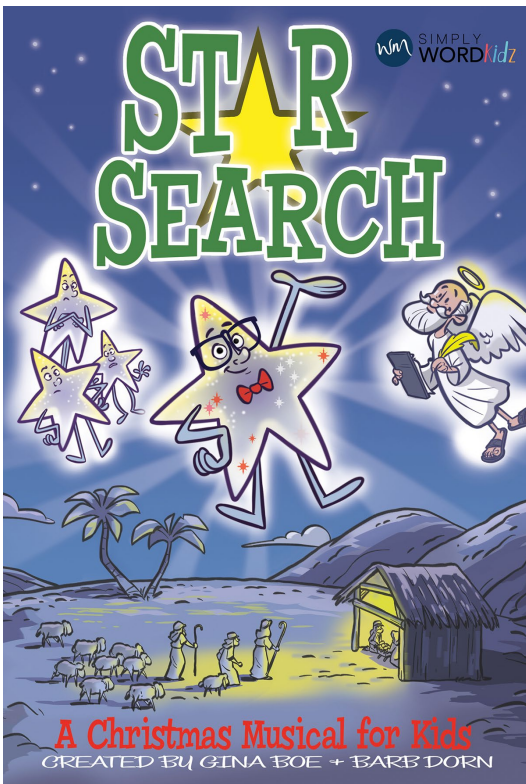
Prayer Requests

We pray for our church family: Debi Shore, Glennette Meredith, Bill Bowles, Keith Young, Gerald Whitfield, Rodney Stewart, Jake Doles, Joan Dreessen, Diana Dewart, Jennifer Bounds, Gene Owen, Denise Shoun, Annette Keller, Lydia Gates, Marie Lynch, Dennis Lynch, Steve Ochs, Carl Biggs

Our church family currently in the assisted living or nursing home: Cynthia Baker, Mickey Eckley, Dorothy Smith, Bonnie Reynolds

We pray for our friends and family members: Rosalee Martin, Barb & Kara Sawyer, Renee Leathers, Crystal Grilley, Don Channel, Mike Brown, John Timmons, Linda Beedle, Charlotte Cascio, Darrald Kizzia, Bradley Butt, Teal Esmeyer, Hendrix Beutler, Tonya Stansbury, Dennis & Norma Kelley, Mike London, Sam Porter, James Stowe, Mike Bell, Jodie Flurry, JD Inda, Woody Green, Gary Kragh, Blake Alaniz, Tonya Dawn McCulloch, David Brown, Susie Ellison, Mary Wheeler, Penelope Ivey, Teresa May, Elsie Steinbeck, Ed & Katherine Walton

And our military all over the world: Sonny Crick, Court Machtolff, Bonnie Epperson, Jonah Friese, Garret Canning, T.J. Wilson, Matt Byce, Braxton Canning, Nate Ames



FCC Annual Children's Christmas Musical

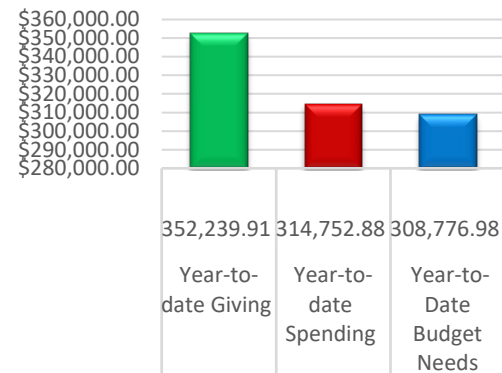
December 10
6:30 p.m.

Holiday Tasting Party to follow! Bring a treat to share and enjoy a wonderful night of fun!

FCC Attendance

December 3 – 215
Average Nov. Attendance – 157

FCC Financial Update



SUPER COOL POOL PARTY

Who:
**3rd-6th graders
& Youth**

When:
Dec 19th 6-9 pm

What: Join us for a nice, relaxing, beautiful evening at the pool! Ok, not so much on the actual pool part but this Super Cool Pool Party is going to be the perfect way to have some summertime fun - even if we are in the middle of winter! While we can't provide sunshine or warm weather, this super cool pool party is going to be just as much fun -- just without the water!

Cost is \$5 and friends are welcome! RSVP to let us know your coming and give us your shirt size. Payment and RSVPs are due by Dec 14th so we can get all of pool party supplies ordered in time! We will be playing games, trying out a cool twist on tie-dying t-shirts and eating pizza for dinner! We will not be ordering extra shirts so make sure to sign up and pay your \$5 to attend!

December

@ FCC



- Dec. 9 - Christmas in the Country (event is full)
- Dec. 10 - "Christmas at the Movies" begins
- Dec. 10 - Children's Christmas Program 6:30 p.m. followed by Holiday Tasting Party
- Dec. 13 - Youth Live Nativity 6 - 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 13 - Elders Meeting 6 p.m.
- Dec. 16 - Connecting Point Party 7 p.m.
- Dec. 17 - Donut Sunday
- Dec. 17 - Congregational Meeting
- Dec. 17 - Worship Team Meeting
- Dec. 17 - Cookies & Caroling @ 1:30 p.m.
- Dec. 19 - 3rd-12th Grader Party 6 - 9 p.m.
- Dec. 21 - Blue Christmas Service 6 p.m.
- Dec. 24 - Loose Change Offering
- Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Service 5 p.m.
- Dec. 25 - Dec. 29 - Church Office Closed
- Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Breakfast 9:30 a.m.

Sunday morning Worship
10:30 a.m. every Sunday

Merry Christmas!



The Cookie Ministry is growing and is planning a special event for December. We will do **"Cookies and Caroling"** on Dec. 17 at 1:30 p.m. We have several opportunities for you to be a part of this. We need cookie bakers, cookie packagers, and those who want to carol and deliver! If you are interested in baking cookies we need 8 bakers to do two dozen each. The home-baked cookies (no nuts) would need to be brought to the church by 11:45 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 17. Immediately following worship, we will have a group who will package the cookies for delivery. Lunch will be provided for the group packaging cookies.

At 1:30 p.m. we would love to have anyone (all ages) come deliver the cookies to various homebound individuals and those just needing their spirits lifted during the Christmas season. Children are invited to come but must be accompanied by an adult. We will also need people who are willing to help drive and carpool people around town as we sing and deliver. If you are interested in helping in any or all of the areas, please call the church office or text Karen Allen at 405-615-2240.

You're invited to join the Online Bible Study on Monday at 7 p.m. for a special Christmas Party! This will be an online party with games and prizes. The link for the party will be posted on our Facebook page on Monday morning and we would love to have you join us.

First Christian Church

PRESENTS

CHRISTMAS AT THE

MOVIES



Morning worship begins at 10:30 a.m.
Christmas Eve Service at 5 p.m.

Starting Dec. 10, we're excited to present "**Christmas at the Movies**," a one-of-a-kind sermon series. Each Sunday, we'll explore themes of faith, hope, and love through the lens of classic Christmas movies.

There might even be some surprises along the way! This series is perfect for families, movie enthusiasts, and anyone looking to rediscover the joy of the holiday season.

Join us Thurs., Dec. 21 at 6 p.m. for our "**Blue Christmas**" worship, a service tailored for those who find the holidays challenging. Whether you're coping with loss, loneliness, or simply seeking peace, this service offers a comforting blend of hymns, prayers, and messages of hope. It's a time to find solace and companionship in the warmth of our church family.

Blue Christmas

SERVICE

A Service for those who are not feeling particularly merry & bright during the holidays

December 21 6 p.m.

FCC "30-50 SOMETHINGS"

CONNECTING POINT CHRISTMAS PARTY

DEC 16TH | **THE FILLING STATION**
124 N WENTZ, GUTHRIE
7 P.M.

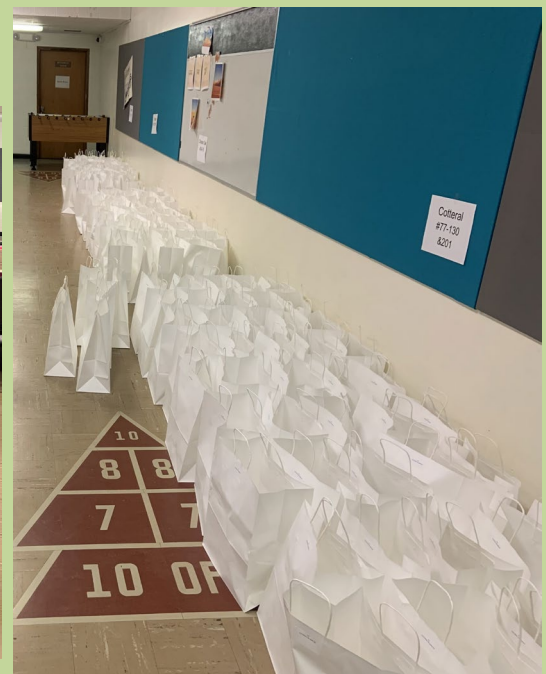
BRING A \$20 GIFT IF YOU'D LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GIFT EXCHANGE
BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND LAWN CHAIR, SNACKS PROVIDED

Invite a friend and join us for a casual evening of fun and fellowship!

Calling all 30-50 year olds! Our 2nd annual FCC **Connecting Point Christmas Party** will be held Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. at "The Filling Station." Bring a \$20 gift for the gift exchange, your own beverages and lawn chair! Invite a friend and join us for a great night of fellowship and fun!



Christmas Stockings & Angel Tree Shopping!



DIG IN to the Word...Bible Study with us!



We have an ongoing group of people who do Bible studies together on the YouVersion Bible app. If you want to join the group and discussion, download the app, send a friend request to Karen Allen and she will invite you to each study.



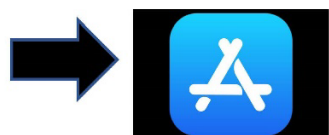
Join us on the You Version Bible App!

YouVersion Reading Plan - November and December					
Date	YouVersion Plan	Length of Plan	Date	YouVersion Plan	Length of Plan
1-Nov	Giftng and Growth	3 Days	3-Dec	Rediscovering Christmas in the Chaos	4 Days
2-Nov	Giftng and Growth	3 Days	4-Dec	Rediscovering Christmas in the Chaos	4 Days
3-Nov	Giftng and Growth	3 Days	5-Dec	Discovering Hope Through Joseph	5 Days
4-Nov	Stop, Drop and Worship	6 Days	6-Dec	Discovering Hope Through Joseph	5 Days
5-Nov	Stop, Drop and Worship	6 Days	7-Dec	Discovering Hope Through Joseph	5 Days
6-Nov	Stop, Drop and Worship	6 Days	8-Dec	Discovering Hope Through Joseph	5 Days
7-Nov	Stop, Drop and Worship	6 Days	9-Dec	Discovering Hope Through Joseph	5 Days
8-Nov	Stop, Drop and Worship	6 Days	10-Dec	We need Christmas	3 Days
9-Nov	Stop, Drop and Worship	6 Days	11-Dec	We need Christmas	3 Days
10-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	12-Dec	We need Christmas	3 Days
11-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	13-Dec	Christmas Prayers for your Heart	5 Days
12-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	14-Dec	Christmas Prayers for your Heart	5 Days
13-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	15-Dec	Christmas Prayers for your Heart	5 Days
14-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	16-Dec	Christmas Prayers for your Heart	5 Days
15-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	17-Dec	Christmas Prayers for your Heart	5 Days
16-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	18-Dec	Christmas Vocations	4 Days
17-Nov	The Five P's of Evangelism	8 Days	19-Dec	Christmas Vocations	4 Days
18-Nov	A Three Step Guide to Generosity	5 Days	20-Dec	Christmas Vocations	4 Days
19-Nov	A Three Step Guide to Generosity	5 Days	21-Dec	Christmas Vocations	4 Days
20-Nov	A Three Step Guide to Generosity	5 Days	22-Dec	Wonders of His Love	4 Days
21-Nov	A Three Step Guide to Generosity	5 Days	23-Dec	Wonders of His Love	4 Days
22-Nov	A Three Step Guide to Generosity	5 Days	24-Dec	Wonders of His Love	4 Days
23-Nov	5 Prayers of Gratitude	5 Days	25-Dec	Wonders of His Love	4 Days
24-Nov	5 Prayers of Gratitude	5 Days	26-Dec	Jesus the Creator, Carpenter, Gardner & King	4 Days
25-Nov	5 Prayers of Gratitude	5 Days	27-Dec	Jesus the Creator, Carpenter, Gardner & King	4 Days
26-Nov	5 Prayers of Gratitude	5 Days	28-Dec	Jesus the Creator, Carpenter, Gardner & King	4 Days
27-Nov	5 Prayers of Gratitude	5 Days	29-Dec	Jesus the Creator, Carpenter, Gardner & King	4 Days
28-Nov	Divine Demolition	3 Days	30-Dec	Living Changed: In the New Year	4 Days
29-Nov	Divine Demolition	3 Days	31-Dec	Living Changed: In the New Year	4 Days
30-Nov	Divine Demolition	3 Days	1-Jan	Living Changed: In the New Year	4 Days
1-Dec	Rediscovering Christmas in the Chaos	4 Days	2-Jan	Living Changed: In the New Year	4 Days
2-Dec	Rediscovering Christmas in the Chaos	4 Days			

Download the Version Bible Apple on your Smart Device or go to

<https://www.youversion.com/>

If you have an iPhone



App Store

If you have an Android
(all other phones)



Play Store

1. Once you download the app, create a user profile
2. Send a "friend request" to Karen Allen
3. Karen will accept it and begin sending you invites to each study. You can choose to join a study or wait for the next invite.