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THE CALL



2009

Here are our First Christian students who went to Church Camp this summer at La Foret.

Discovery - June 5-7

Brady Hover

CYF - June 7-13

Briana Black

Brad Black

Jessica Heck

Kim Haug

Alexis La Vallee

Hanna Slominski

Chi-Rho - June 14-20

Jared Black

Joshua Black

Trent Hover

Katie McGlade

Lacey Slominski

Kasey Stewart

Val Williams

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Cynthia McBride

Lead Pastor

Lois Koch

Business Manager

Veronica Mason

Church Secretary

Betty Walts

Organist

Amber French

Director of Music

Melissa Heck /

Tammy Heck

Custodians

Month/Day	Offering/ Gen. Fund	Budget Needed	Special Offerings	Amount
05/03/09	7,917.58	5,932.67	Pentecost	58.00
05/10/09	4,174.39	5,932.67	Pentecost	20.00
05/17/09	2,506.85	5,932.37	Pentecost	61.00
05/24/09	3,179.23	5,932.37		
05/31/09	3,520.35	5,932.37	Pentecost	272.00
TOTAL	21,298.40	29,663.35	Pentecost	411.00



A Life-long Journey, Learning to be Faithful...

“Goodbyes” and HELLO!

Pastor’s Log: June 23, 2009

It’s my first official day as the lead pastor of FCC, Casper, Wyoming. The morning begins with words of greeting from Paul Hallock and Ted Grooms, friendly faces I’ve come to know from the search committee. My desk is brightly decorated with fresh flowers, a sign of welcome from

caring parishioners. A stack of mail awaits my attention, including farewell cards from friends in central Illinois.

What a whirlwind of time the last few months seem... April 5 (Palm Sunday) this congregation voted to call me as lead pastor. May 5, Charles and I were in town for a house-hunting trip and heard Mike Ward, chair of elders, in the pulpit. May 31 (Pentecost) was my last Sunday at FCC, Bloomington. Worship included pictures of life here at FCC Casper, as a sign of being ONE in God’s Spirit. (Sunday morning, we’ll see photos that FCC Bloomington sent in return.) Tears flowed as we departed our church family of ten years. We took some much needed time to visit family in Arizona and New Mexico. Now, we move from goodbyes to the excitement of this new beginning!

There are boxes to unpack, both here at the office and at home. New routines to learn, and many relationships yet to be formed. I appreciate the warm welcome of both the congregation and the community. I sat in on a study of Hebrew Scriptures today at Grace Lutheran Church, at the invitation of Rev. Lynn Williams (pastor of Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church). Henry (our dog) is already daily greeting the neighborhood canines. Every day Charles and I look at Casper Mountain and sigh the contentment of souls at peace. In many ways, this already feels like *home*.

Thank you God for calling me to this place, to serve Christ alongside these caring people. Thank you for the journey behind me – for the call to ministry and my ordination, for opportunities to serve your people in Kentucky and Arizona and the past decade in Illinois. Thank you for the journey ahead! Amen.

Rev. Cynthia McBride

Worship Assistants July 2009

Elder Presiding:

Deb King & Shirley Downs

Bread Elder:

Suzy Stewart

Cup Elder:

Jack Walts

Diaconate:

See June Schedule Below

Greeters:

8:00 a.m.

Keith & Harriett Ames

10:45 a.m.

Don & Donna Klinker



Poplar Living Center

June Forgey

Ethel Dunn

Life Care Center

Donna Ward

Arylne Dunmire

Jack Riley

Meadow Wind

Joe Dunmire

Margot Atwood

Shepherd of the Valley

Margaret Shriver

Joan Linenberger

Garden Square

Wilma Dee Forester

Betty Snyder

Park Place

Hospice

Primrose

Catharine Kingsolver

Maurice Griffith Manor

Location	Elders
Poplar Living Center Life Care Center	Mike Ward, Jack Walts, Deb King
At Home	Nancy Vreeland, Carol Jo Vlastos, Bob Glasspoole
Shepherd of the Valley Maurice Griffith Manor	Suzy Stewart, Shirley Downs, Floyd Field
Garden Square Primrose Place	Kelli Slominski, Lani McBee, Russ Black
Meadow Wind Park Place	Melanie Dowler, Roger Miller, Sandy Bentley
Hospice	All Elders



- July 2, 1988**
Brian & Jenny Black
- July 14, 1990**
Rick & Teri Black
- July 15, 1972**
Mike & Carol Braley
- July 20, 1996**
Scott & Jennifer Hawley
- July 24, 1954**
Bill & Dona Ryan
- July 28, 2001**
Tim & Katy Havasi
- July 28, 2000**
Rob & Kelsey Hester

Sunday School Classes for Adults T.H.E. and N.E.W. Sunday School Classes will be meeting through the summer. We will begin a new curriculum called "Drawing Near" by John Bevere with study and videos. We invite all families who would like to attend Sunday School to join us for the summer session. The "Drawing Near" series, a 12-week curriculum, will begin July 5th in the Inner Room.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!
Women's Renewal
September 11-13, 2009
Estes Park

Please remember to bring your nonperishable items to the church on the first Sunday of each month. These will be delivered to Joshua's storehouse. These items are especially needed at this time of year.

SUGGESTIONS:

1. Canned Goods 2. Packaged Foods 3. Toilet Paper 4. Diapers 5. Soaps

Perishable items such as Turkeys, milk, etc. can be delivered in person to Joshua's at 334 S. Wolcott.



THANK YOU...to the following parents who helped drive our church campers to LaForet in Colorado Springs, Co this summer! We couldn't do it without you! Kelli Hover, Mike Slominski, Tammy Heck, Mark and Lynda Williams, Brian and Jenny Black. A special Thank You to FCC Cheyenne for all their help with transportation as well. What a Blessing!

Children's Sunday School classes and Children's Church will take a summer break. Our Nursery will be available for infants - preschoolers every Sunday for both services.



Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wallace would like to invite you to a wedding reception. It will be held on July 12, 2009 for Kendra Terpening and Christian Koivumaa immediately following the late service. No gifts please. They will be unable to take them on the plane.



Dear Friends,

God is good! He has blessed us with so many good church friends. Thank you "Pastor Chuck" for your many visits and prayers. Thanks for the beautiful rose and many thanks for all the cards, calls, prayers, and Love given to us.

God Bless You All!
Bob and Laura Glasspoole

GAME SCHEDULE



Monday	7/6/09	8:30 PM	North Casper #3
Monday	7/13/09	6:00 PM	North Casper #3
Thursday	7/16/09	8:30 PM	North Casper #3
Tournaments will be posted when they come out.			

**Diaconates Schedule
July 2009**

July 5, 2009

LEADER: *Dave Jerde*
Verla Jerde
Sara Brown
Amy Black
Julie Black
Marj Haass

July 12, 2009

LEADER: *Brenda Lloyd*
Dave Jerde
Verla Jerde
Jo Cox
Lyle Cox
Del Lloyd

July 19, 2009

LEADER: *Jo Cox*
Lyle Cox
George Marble
Jennifer Marble
Del Lloyd

July 26, 2009

LEADER:
George Marble
Jennifer Marble

FCC FAMILY DAY will be held Sunday, August 2, 2009 at Edness Kimball Wilkins State Park. The Park is located 5 miles East of Casper/Evansville on the old Glenrock Highway. **Worship service is at 11:00 a.m. and lunch at 12:30 p.m.** Worship, Education and Membership will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, bratswursts, soda, water and....S'mores!! Please bring a side-dish to share. Activities available include swimming, fishing, bird-watching, volleyball, horseshoes, and a variety of lawn games. Carpooling is encouraged and transportation via the Church van is available. The Daily Use Fee of \$4.00/car will be paid by the hosting commissions and payment vouchers will be available upon registration for families to present at the entrance to the Park. Sign-up sheets will be in the narthex on Sundays, the Church office, or call Lynda Williams @ 234-9693. Come relax and join the fun!

Special Dates

July 4th - Independence Day
July 6-10 - Veronica Vacation
July 13-16 -VBS
July 29-August 2 - General Assembly



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Sam Kingsolver	02
Marian Smith	02
Margot Atwood	03
Fred Hudson	03
Ally Sellers	03
All McKenzie	07
Shirley Hudson	08
Melinda Kessner	08
Matthew Padilla	08
Keith Ames	09
Chuck Wilcox	11
Ruth Jones	12
Wanda Hall	13
Ed Strube	13
Lacey Slominski	15

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Larry Taylor	15
Bob Riley	16
Robert Burkhart	17
Lois Koch	20
Diane Martin	21
Jake Mongan	21
Sandy Bentley	24
Wanda Leeling	24
Judy Price	25
Kathy Meloy	26
Marj Haass	27
Shirley Volker	28
Rick Black	31
Heather Street	31



JOIN THE BAYOU ADVENTURE at CROCODILE DOCK!

100 kids = OUTREACH2

Our VBS will be held July 13 - 17 (M-F) at First Christian Church from 9 am - 12 noon. We want 100 kids to help our church ROCK THE DOCK! that week. Register your children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends NOW! We still need a few adult volunteers for the daily activities and older youth can sign up to be Crew Leaders. Sign-ups for all are available in the narthax on Sundays, the Church office or register online at <https://www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/fcccasper2009>

DONATIONS of the following items(will be returned unless consumable) would be GREATLY APPRECIATED:

- *Skittles candy
- *squirt bottles
- *life savers
- *pool noodles
- *old clean bed sheets
- *back packs
- *plastic lawn bags
- *inflatable life rings
- *cheesecloth - lots of it!
- *white twinkle lights

Cash donations are also being accepted and can be placed in the Crocodile Dock can outside the narthyx on Sundays.

Please call Lynda Williams or Daria Dundas with any concerns or ideas.



Bob and Cindy Selvey have moved back to Casper! They are looking forward to joining you in worship again. Their new address is 6 Yucca Circle, Casper, Wyoming 82604. They still have a Missouri cell phone 417-255-3578. Bob is still a contract mechanic for Oftedal and Cindy is starting her Mary Kay business again. If anyone would like a facial or to see some of the new Mary Kay products, she would love to hear from you!

Reverend Cynthia and Charles McBride have made it to Casper. Their address is 433 W. 17th St. Casper, WY 82601. Their phone number is their cell number, which will be long distance to call them. The phone number is 309-706-1193.



When you see Anne Klocksiem, make sure you tell her Thank you for cleaning out the Rose bushes in front of the Church. She did a wonderful job

Beautiful Banners!!

Hey, did anyone else notice the two new, beautiful red and white banners that were on display at the June 7, 2009 Worship Service. Seems like Peg Jackson has been a busy bee working on these banners in her spare time and readied them just in time for us to enjoy as we prepare to welcome Reverend Cyndy McBride and her husband Charles to FCC. They will be a perfect back drop to the installation service on June 28. In case you are wondering where Peg got the inspiration for the 40 symbols that are displayed on the banners, just check out the outside front of our own church for a clue. We are so fortunate to have talented and gifted members like Peg that are so willing to give of their time and talents to our church. Next time you see Peg, please remember to tell her thanks for the hard work and the beautiful banners!

Bob Dundas
Congregation President

Reverend Chucks Going Away Celebration

FCC Casper, once again you stepped up to the plate and hit a home run as we thanked Reverend Chuck Shannon for his service as interim minister the past year and gave him a grand send off. The worship commission led by Tammy Heck executed a flawless light lunch and cake reception following Chuck's last worship service on June 7. Several gifts were presented to Reverend Chuck including a new red Union suit and a beautiful inspirational print of the Tetons (Thanks Tammy, Deb and Randisue for organizing). I am sure the unique gifts will forever remind Chuck of his stay at FCC Casper and the many friends and memories that he will leave behind as he exits the Cowboy State! I would also be remiss if I didn't say a special thanks to the FCC Barbershop Quartet comprised of Chuck, Gene, Mike and Amber that provided an especially meaningful and harmonically gifted benediction - WOW! I would also like to say thanks to all of the other helpers that lent a hand in making this a special celebration for Reverend Shannon.

Happy trails Reverend Shannon to wherever God's hands lead you.

Bob Dundas
Congregation President

