

THE CALL FEB. 2020

JANUARY -2020

JAN. 26 - Elser Community Group will meet in Fellowship Hall @ 5:00 p.m. Childcare will be provided.

FEBRUARY - 2020

FEB. 3 - Circle of Caring @ 2:00 p.m. Elders @ 7:00 p.m.

FEB 6. - DWM Board meeting @ 10:00 a.m.; Lunch Bunch Potluck @ 11:30; BSA Committee meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

FEB 10- Stewardship @ 6:30 p.m.; Commissions @ 7:00; Board meeting @ 8:00 p.m.

FEB 12 - Group 2 @ Noon in Fellowship Hall

FEB 13 - Group 1 @ 10:00 in Boardroom; Group 3 @ 11;30 @ Lilacs & Lavender.

FEB 17 - OFFICE CLOSED - President's Day

FEB 24 - Cub Scout Blue & Gold Banquet @ 5:00 - Fellowship Hall

DWM - GROUP 3

Disciples Women's Ministries Group 3 will now be meeting on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 11:30 a.m. at a local restaurant to be determined each month. This month they will meet on February 13th @ 11:30 a.m. at Lilacs & Lavender. All women of the church are invited to attend if you so desire.

Church Staff:

Interim Pastor Rev. Caryn Yoast
Leigh Earle, Bookkeeper
Kathy Winders, Secretary
Annette Crain, Preschool Director
Amber French, Music Director
Cheryl Dionne, Nursery Staff
Ronnie Sanborn, Custodial Contractor
Ministers: Every Member!

Office hours: Mon.-Thurs. 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM Fridays: CLOSED



SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

8:15 Chapel_Worship 9:00 a.m. Adult Class 10:10 Worship & Children's Classes 11:30 Coffee Fellowship

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Preschool hours (Sept-May) Mon.-Fri. 9:00 AM - noon



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED PRESIDENT'S DAY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH.





Here at First Christian Church we have been blessed with two long term pastorates. In the last 35 years we have experienced an Interim Ministry period only once. To have experienced an Interim Ministry only once in three and a half decades is quite remarkable in our churches today. As our culture has become increasingly mobile so have our pastors. Our pastors move more frequently today than in years past due to many factors: a spouse transfer, family, insurance, and so on. First Christian Church of Casper has been an exception. In recent memory the one period of Interim Ministry here was in-between the ministries of Dr. Badger and Rev. McBride.

Interim Ministry was a time once viewed as a "holding pattern"—congregations hired a pastor to preach, to do weddings and funeral and not much more. The briefer the Interim time the better. If interim time got too long congregations panicked and worried about losing members and their identity and financial support. Many congregations worried they would disintegrate and disappear.

However, that is not true.

Now, the time of Interim Ministry, this "in-between time" is viewed as *sacred time* in which there is important **transition** work to be done. To do Interim Ministry with **intention** is to be about the work of **Transition Ministry**.

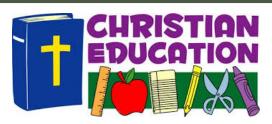
The work of Transition Ministry, especially following long pastorates of 10 years and 25 years is to reflect, to take a deep and honest look at "who we are, who we have been, what we do that works, what we do that doesn't work, how and why and where did our rituals and practices come from? Are they still appropriate and significant for our congregation now? Do our structures, programs, traditions still fit the congregation as we are now? what needs to be laid down, what needs to be further developed?

Transition Ministry opens the congregation up to reflection and discernment. We cannot rely on "we've always done it this way." This is not a time for "my way or the highway." Transition can be a time of change. It is a time of opportunity for growth, new points of view, re-discovery, and for re-imagining the body of Christ in this place.

The work of congregational transition is hard work. As "they" say, it is not for the weak of heart. It is uncomfortable. It is uneasy. It is loud and it requires careful listening, thinking before we speak, patience, grace, and at times forgiveness among us all. It is a time for reflective discernment, as our regional minister Rev. Joan Bell-Haynes reminded us in December.

Together, with reverence, passion and respect for each other and commitment to our congregation as a whole, God is leading us through this sacred time of transition as we discern God's new vision for First Christian Church of Casper.

Blessings, Mike Ward, President of the Board & Dr. Caryn Yoast, Pastor



ALL YOUTH GRADES 6-12 will meet on Sunday, February 9th after the 10:10 service for lunch and final two sessions of the Tim Tebow Devotional "Live Extraordinary, not Ordinary" and "Make it Count".

Kylee Stupak, Emma Lackey. Jadalyn & Emillia Wardell will be attending Mid-Winter Retreat at LaForet on February 14-17th. Erika Stupak is attending as the sponsor. Upcoming Summer Camps 2020 are:

Discovery (completed grades 1-3 - June 18-20

Junior (completed grades 3-5) - June 7-13th

Chi-Rho (completed grades 6-8) - June 14-20th

CYF (completed grades 9-12) - June 7-13th

Schedule your physicals now! Register <u>online</u> at <u>crmrdoc.org</u>. then turn in completed signature & health pages to your church. Both online and printed portion of registration is due in the church office no later than April 8th.

The Youth will be putting on the Souper Bowl of Caring on **Sunday**, **February 2nd**. There will be a decorated table with the two teams playing in the Super Bowl and members are encouraged to bring canned food items and place them in the end zone of their favorite teams or in the middle of the field if you are neutral. Monetary donations will also be accepted.

KIDS KORNER

CALLING all kids as we continue the journey back in time during Jesus' Life in Judea.

- --Baptism by John the Baptist--Why did Jesus have to be baptized?
- --Calling of the Disciples--what's it like to have Jesus say, "Come and follow me?"
- --Sermon on the Mount--what's with all those "Blessed are..." stuff.
- --Fishes & Loaves -- Miracles abound!

COME AND HELP US CELEBRATE JESUS & HIS EARLY MINISTRY.

NOTE: If any members of the congregation wish to help Jennifer Grooms & Joan McNamara facilitate any of the lessons pick your week and text or see Joan (307) 203-8070. Lesson plans are available and we would love to have your help.

CALLING ALL 4TH GRADERS AND UP!!

PUPPETEER TRAINING BEGINS!!
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH - FEB 16 & 23 - 9:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM
ADULTS ARE WELCOME TOO!!

FEBRUARY DIACONATE

Martha Wallace, Steve Huckfeldt, Pat Buck, Elaine Singleton

COMMUNION PREP Chapel: TBD 10:10 Service -Martha Wallace

FEBRUARY GREETER

David & Martha Wallace

To volunteer as a Sunday greeter call Pat Buck @ 234-1829

FEBRUARY Offertory Steward Paul Hallock





Thank you to everyone that provided Larry and I with "Christmas" goodies. They were delicious and appreciated. Also thank you to DWM for the gift card to Wind City Books. It is fun to shop local for our books. **Blessings to all ...Kathy Winders**



DESSERT AT THE MCNAMARA'S THURSDAY JAN. 23 6:30 P.M. = 8:00 P.M. Discussion on the book "Holy Envy"

books in church office - \$16.50

FEBRUARY

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Judy Potter	Feb 5	Michelle Elser	Feb. 16
Connor Goodman	Feb 6	Melanie Dowler	Feb. 17
Jo Cox	Feb. 7	Payton Brown	Feb. 20
Carson Johnson	Feb. 7	Ben Ambrosino	Feb. 21
Marie Robertson	Feb. 7	Mark Foster	Feb. 22
Jared Baker	Feb. 9	Stevey Kingsolver	Feb. 24
Betty Blain	Feb. 12	Jackie Tighe	Feb. 25
Pat Buck	Feb. 12	-	



Larry & Kathy Winders February 22, 1969

2020 CHURCH DIRECTORY

The 2020 Church Directory is getting ready to be printed. If you have any changes to your info i.e. name, address, phone, email and do not come to church, please contact the church office so the directory can be updated

REMINDER FOR THE NEW YEAR!!

Checks are written and signed on the 10th & 25th of each month. **COMPLETED** check request forms must be turned into Leigh by 9:00 a.m. on the 8th and 23rd of each month. If check requests are turned in past the deadlines, they will fall to the next signing cycle. Please remember that the church office is closed on Fridays.

When signing dates fall on holidays or weekends checks will be signed on the 8th & 23rd of the month. Check request forms are available in the copy room. Any questions, contact Judy Baker, Stewardship Chair

JOB OPENINGS @ FIRST CHRISTIAN

Leigh has submitted her resignation as the church bookkeeper effective April 1st. The Personnel Committee will be meeting to create a job description. Watch for further information on this position.

We are also looking for an organist or pianist to play on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. If you are interested or know of someone that might be interested, contact Amber French.

Life is a kitchen!! Put on your prettiest apron and whip up something incredible!!

2020 Pastor's Class

Our 2020 Pastor's class will be led by Caryn Yoast during the season of Lent. The class is designed to teach our children 5th grade and up (youth and adults are welcome as well) who we are as followers of Christ. We will discuss communion, baptism, church membership, the bible, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

We will meet Sundays February 23, March 1, 15, 22 after church. Classes will b approximately 2 hours long each week. Students are asked to bring a bag lunch.

MEMBERS CLASS
FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH

For questions and to enroll your child, please contact

MISSION COMMISSION UPDATE

The Mission Commission will have a planning meeting Saturday, February 1st at 1:00 p.m. to plan our local and global mission outreach activities for the year. Everyone who is interested in reaching out to the community and the world is invited. If you have any ideas or want to help but can't make it to the meeting, contact Terri Morrison, Keith or Pam Rouse and Debbie Mestas.

The Youth group will be doing the Souper Bowl of Caring on Sunday, February 2nd so please bring soup or other non-perishable foods the next 2 Sundays. The food will be given to an organization in Casper that feeds those in need.

The Sandwich Ministry would like to encourage you to come help make and distribute sack lunches any Saturday. We make the lunches in Fellowship Hall starting at 8:15 a.m. and are done before 9:00. The lunches are taken to King's Corner to be given out from 10-noon. You get to know other volunteers from the community and those in need. Sovereign Grace provides the lunches once every 8 weeks. Upcoming dates are Feb. 8th, April 11th, & June 13th. We do not make sandwiches on those days but we distribute them at King's Corner.

We continue to make **blankets** on the 3rd Saturday of the month. We will celebrate our 4th anniversary on Jan. 30th. To date we have made 1171 blankets. Everyone is welcome to come help. Donations of fleece or money to purchase fleece is always welcome.

The CROP Hunger Walk will be Saturday April 26th from 12:30 - 3:00 p.m. We are hoping to have 100 walkers/runners this year and our goal this year is \$4000. If anyone is interested in helping, contact Terri, Keith, Pam or Debbie. Watch for more information coming soon.

Thank you for all your support of the Mission Commission.



There are lots of Sundays that are open for bringing goodies for the Fellowship Hour. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board if you are willing to provide snacks following the 8:15 & 10:10 worship services.



CORRAL UPDATES

This month we will be learning about letters J, P, Z, and G. Letter J was celebrated with Jello Jigglers, Letter P we got to "Pig Out" on all the snacks that we had that began with "P"; We went to Old Chicago and made pizzas and wore our Pajamas on PJ day and ate Pink and Purple Polka Dotted pancakes. During "G" week the young kids will be visiting Albertsons and Pre-K will have a treasure hunt to look for Gold.

Preschool registration has started next fall. It's hard to believe that we are already thinking about another school year. We have had several tours for prospective preschoolers and their parents. If you

know of any families that would be interested in attending preschool have them contact Teacher Annette @ 472-0649.

Our annual fundraiser will be in March. If you would like to donate new items for our silent auction please bring them to the preschool office. We are also asking for donations towards new flooring in the education wing. The current tile in the classrooms needs to be replaced. Ronnie has done her best to clean and restore them but they are showing their age. The preschool has already set aside \$1800 towards the purchase of flooring but that isn't enough.

Here are some interesting facts about the preschool that you might not be aware of.

- We have 61 students enrolled in the preschool program. 25 in Pre K, 19 in the 3-4 class, 10 in Young 3's and 7 in the intro class.
- There are 7 staff members
- 5 students receive some financial support from the church
- · Pastor Caryn, Joan & Bob McNamara teach chapel every Friday morning and 54 students attend chapel
- 75% of our students attend church in the Casper Community, 1 student comes from Douglas, 1 student comes from Glenrock
- 4 students attend FCC
- 85% of our teachers were parents at our preschool first and loved it so much that they couldn't leave.
- We have a facebook page with over 300 followers and 33 five star reviews.
- 100% of our staff loves their job. Our teachers have a combined total of 38 years teaching at FCC Preschool.



BEGINNING PIECING/QUILTING CLASS

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING TO QUILT???

Several people from the church have expressed an interest in learning to quilt, so Cindy Huckfeldt is combining a class for the church with one for Kalico Kat Quilt Shop. The class will meet April 11 to June 6th from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. April 11 and May 30 will be at the quilt shop at 1239 S. Elk and the rest of the classes will be here at the

church. When class is finished, you will have made a $56'' \times 70''$ quilt, just the right size to cuddle up with on a cold afternoon. You will also have learned all the common techniques to complete most quilts.

The normal cost for this class is \$200. However the cost for members of FCC is \$100. Registration for the class and tuition payments must be completed with Sandie at Kalico Kat Quilt Shop. Tuition may be payed in installments. Enrollment is limited to 8 students. When registering be sure to tell Sandie that you belong to FCC so you get your FCC tuition discount. A supply list is available at registration. You will need to provide your own sewing machine, sewing tools and fabric. I will supply the quilt pattern and instructions. Any questions, contact Cindy Huckfeldt @ 251-2955.

March 2020

SMTWTFS

January 2020 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4

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Friday	31 OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED Valentine's Day	OFFICE CLOSED	28 OFFICE CLOSED
Thursday	3 II:30 AM Youth for Christ	10:00 AM DWM Board meeting 11:30 AM Youth for Christ 11:30 AM Lunch Burch Potluck 6:30 PM SSA Committee Mrg	= 10:00 AM DWM Group 1 = 11:30 AM Youth for Christ = 11:30 AM Youth for Christ	20 = 9:30 AM CALL FOLDERS = 11:30 AM Youth for Christ	27 = 11:30 AM Youth for Christ
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Monday	6:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	3 2:00 PM Circle of Caring 6:00 PM Circle of Caring 6:00 PM Cub Souts 7:00 PM Elders 7:00 PM Boy Souts	10 6:30 PM STEWARDSHIP 7:300 PM Boy Souts 7:00 PM Commissions 8:30 PM Board Meeting	OPFICE CLOSED President's Day 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	24 - 7:00 PM Boy Scouts BLUE & GOLD
Sunday	26 = 0.15 AM Early Service = 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	Groundhog Day 8.15 AM Chapel 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	9 8:15 AM Chapel 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	8:15 AM Chapel 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	23 — 8:15 AM Chapel — 10:10 AM Worship — 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

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CASPER WY PERMIT NO. 129



Ash Wednesday is February 26th and will start the season of Lent. There will be an ASH Wednesday service that evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Dr. Yoast will lead the service. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for anyone interested in providing soup, crackers or dessert. Soup Suppers will be at 6:30 p.m. There are usually two soups (to serve 30 people each) provided. If you have any questions regarding the soup suppers contact Dennis Baker, Vice Chair of the Elders.



The Wednesday evening service will begin at 6:00 p.m. with soup supper following in Fellowship Hall @ 6:30 p.m. The elders will lead the Lenten Services. There will be **NO** soup supper or Lenten Service on Wednesday, March April 8 but there will be a Maundy Thursday Service on April 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. If you have any questions regarding the Lenten Services contact Cindy Huckfeldt.