

# THE CALL NOV.



# All church TRUNK OR TREAT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31st 5:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

Sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Everyone invited to decorate their car trunk, pickup beds or other mode of transportation and hand out candy.

# **UPCOMING IMPORTANT EVENTS!**

# NOVEMBER 4, 2021 @ 10:00 A.M.

Disciples Women's Ministry (DWM) important meeting to discuss the future of DWM at First Christian Church.

# NOVEMBER 8, 2021

Pledge cards due to the church.

NOVEMBER 13, 2021 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Elders Retreat - Fellowship Hall** 

#### **NOVEMBER 21, 2021**

Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon after 10:10 service. Look for sign up sheets the first Sunday in November.

Decorating the church for the holiday season after the lunch.

**NOVEMBER 28, 2021** 

First Sunday of Advent

# **Church Staff:**

**Bryan Elliott: Lead Pastor** 

Lisa Walker, Bookkeeper

Kathy Winders, Secretary

Annette Crain, Preschool Director

Cheryl Dionne, Nursery Staff

Ministers: Every Member!

Office hours:

Mon.-Thurs.

10:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Fridays: CLOSED



## **SUNDAY SCHEDULE:**

8:15 Worship Service 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:10 - Worship Service

(307) 234-8964

www.fcccasper.org fcccasper@gmail.com

Preschool - M-F 9:00 - Noon Preschool Phone - 472-0649



TIME CHANGE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7TH remember to FALL back



Dear Church Family,

Thank you all for getting the word out and showing up for our First ever Trunk or Treat and the new addition that was our Donut and Hot cider Fellowship Time. As we all know this has been a year of change, change and more change. We never truly know what will happen from one day to the next as it pertains to a "normal" routine. But thankfully, God is good and is with us as a church family. He gathers us together in spirit as well as in physical space to reach us where we

are. I know that these are uncertain times, but it is important to know and remember that Jesus is still in charge and that his love permeates this world. His peace surpasses all our understanding and that is sufficient for us for this moment in time. I am thankful to all of you for coming to our services in both the Chapel Service and our Traditional 10:10 AM service. I have heard from many people that they enjoy the Children's Moment in the 10:10 service (I think that's how we all get something out of the sermon!) and we are looking at starting up choir as well as look into starting a Bell Choir. I gave a list of things I would like to accomplish in the coming months and so far we have done: Trunk or Treat; Bible Study started (Sermon in the Round which meets on Tuesdays, in the Board Room at 11 AM); Our Elder's Retreat is scheduled to happen on Saturday, November 13th; and I would like to start a Faith Promise as a New Years Resolution - more on that later, with all proceeds going to mission giving; Things are moving forward!

This month worship services starts with our Service of Remembrance on Sunday, November 7 at 10:10 AM is a time in our service to remember our friends and family who have received their heavenly reward.

As we are moving into another year of Financial Stewardship, I want to also thank you for your sacrifice of time, talent and treasure as you have prayerfully considered your giving to our church. This is not just a "charitable gift" but is a Kingdom building offering that we as the people of God share love as we give to God's work in this world and the world to come. Thank you again for not just your financial giving as well as the many hours of sharing your gifts and talents among the church body and beyond. Together we touch so many lives with the love of Jesus. I know it is not easy to balance family, work, school, and the stress of new ways of doing our daily routines as we continue to have this virus wreaking havoc on our lives and it upsetting our activities on a daily basis. Thank you for making Sunday's important in your families schedule. Your hours of service blesses so many and helps others to be introduced to Christ. This month we will gather with friends and family to enjoy the richness of fellowship around the Thanksgiving Table as we celebrate an All Church Thanksgiving meal on Sunday, November 21st after our 10:10 Worship service. My hope and prayer in this time of thankfulness will be a true blessing to those you love. On Sunday, November 21st after our meal we will gather to decorate our sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas season. Please join us for some "normalcy" in a time of change and adaptation. This month will also begin our Advent Season on November 28th. We will, as a church family celebrate with anticipation the coming of the hope of all humanity wrapped in a small bundle of joyous wonder. I, with you, wait for the coming Emmanuel, our God who dwells among us. Let us truly rejoice with the angels that Christ is coming into our world. May our past remembrances of loved ones and our anticipation of the coming Savior bring warmth to our hearts and thoughts of joy in our spirits this Fall. Blessings and see you soon. With a hopeful and grateful heart, Bryan



Thank you to everybody for your love and kindness for our family! We are so thankful for your help on getting Emillia to church camp, both monetarily and physically. And so much you have done during my chemo battle. We love the prayer shawls and the spirit behind them and the quilt! We are so blessed by you! --The Wardells.

Dear Church Friends, I want to thank all of you for your prayers and helpful assistance during my surgery and recuperation. There are so many of you to thank for visits, flowers, help at my home and encouraging LOIS during the recent weeks. Should I forget a friend's name on a

list, I am just saying THANK YOU CHURCH FRIENDS. That way I won't miss anyone. You know who you are! A special thanks to Pastor Caryn for being with us at the hospital during the surgery. God Bless You All! *Ted Purvis* 



Nancy Vreeland 209 Preston Hollow New Braunfels, TX 78932



#### SERMON IN THE ROUND

Join Pastor Bryan for Sermon in the Round in the Board room every Tuesday @ 11:00 a.m. and review the sermon from the previous Sunday. Bring a sack lunch and stay longer if you wish to visit. Everyone is welcome!



Starting in November, we will moving the Junior/High School Sunday School Class to 9:00 a.m. before church. We meet in the CYF room in the basement. With this change, I am hoping to develop a deeper curriculum and more opportunities for activities and discussion. There is

an adult Sunday School class at the same time that the parents can attend, and we will have childcare available for any younger children. We will still have Worship and Wonder and Young Disciples class during church. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Michelle Elser @ <a href="mailto:swimchickmle@hotmail.com">swimchickmle@hotmail.com</a>



**ALL SAINT'S DAY** will be celebrated on **Sunday, Nov. 7th**. If there is someone who passed away in the past 12th months (Nov. 1 - Oct. 27th) you would like recognized during the reading of names, please turn in the information to the church office by **NOON** on Wednesday, Oct. 27th Be sure to include the individual's name, date & year of birth and date & year of death.

# November DIACONATE

Chapel: TBD 10:10 - The Hawley family

Contact Pat Seamands or Trisha Whitcomb if you cannot serve.

# **OFFERTORY STEWARD**

Paul Hallock



Emma & Austin Lackey Pastor Bryan and Teresa Elliott Laura Burke



# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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Nathan Hawley	Nov. 2	Brad Black	Nov. 20
Spencer Stupak	Nov. 4	Colin Hogan	Nov. 22
Ted Grooms	Nov. 8	Bev Mattson	Nov. 22
Pam Steinle	Nov. 8	Darin Rodgers	Nov. 22
Caleb Woods	Nov. 10	Ed Burgess	Nov. 26
Linda Keyser	Nov. 11	Donna Klinker	Nov. 28
Lani McBee	Nov. 11	Nancy Vreeland	Nov. 28
Dan Coey	Nov. 12	Elaine Gross	Nov. 29
Amy Black	Nov. 14	Kylee Stupak	Nov. 30
Dave Jerde	Nov. 17		
Scott Hawley	Nov. 18		

# **ANNIVERSARIES**

Phil & Becky Ostrander Nov 1, 1975 Jim & Mary Oliver Nov. 23, 1996

# FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

It is that time of year that we look at filling positions of leadership in the church. If you have someone you would like to nominate for an elder or a deacon, please use the following form and return it to the church office. Deadline is Sunday, October 31st. Please make sure you have talked to the person you are nominating to see if they are willing to serve BEFORE you submit their name.

President: Dennis Baker Vice President:	_
Secretary of the Board	
Diaconate	



# 2022 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

"Celebrating the past Living in the present Preparing for the Future"

## **FALL BACK? Not Now!!**

So here we are at the end of October where we are thinking about turning our clocks back one hour, remembering the backyard BBQ's, camping, fishing trips, summer vacations and the warm days of summer. We also can think back to our 100th year anniversary at the church and the welcoming of Bryan Elliott as the new senior pastor. With days getting shorter I know I get comfortable sitting down in the chair and watching movies and TV shows instead of riding bicycles.

But now is not the time to fall back with the church. We need your help in sustaining all the good programs that currently exist and the potential to expand our ministry throughout Casper. But here is the thing. The Church cannot do it without your help. Now more than ever God's love and gospel is needed not only in Casper but throughout the US and the world. It is time that we all remember that we are Christ like and share our blessings with those who could use God's gifts.

As we remember the past, enjoy the present let us think about how we want the future to look and then let us make it happen! Please send your pledge card in so that we can plan. You can use the pledge card below to send to the church if you have misplaced the one that was sent to you. OR you can come to church and put it in the offering plate. We ask that you return your card to the church by November 8th.

If you have any questions, please contact Judy Baker, Chair of Stewardship.

2022 FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURC In preparing for the future, FCC Casper would like to thank you for to of this congregation	
The pledging commitment for 2022 will be \$	_ per week/month/year. Please circle one.
If you or a church member would like to speak to someone about you	ur commitment, please contact Lisa, the bookkeeper.
Name:	Date:
Address:	
Phone: ()Email:	



## PRESCHOOL NEWS

School is off to a great start. We still have openings in our Pre-K and young 3's. Our staff is all new this year. Teacher Max is in the 3-4 classroom; Shannon Jerding & Becky Ostrander Pre-K; Teresa Elliott inn the intro/young 3's class and Lorrie Svetlik is our aide and cooks yummy treats. Leslie Haydel works part time and is our art teacher. Becky and Teresa are members of FCC and we are glad to have all the new faces in our preschool. Since the teaching staff is complete I will be able to enjoy being the director.

The kids celebrated Fire Safety Week with a visit from the Mills Fire Department and ate some "fire". Thank you to Pastor Bryan for doing chapel on Friday mornings. They loved hearing his lesson last week. A BIG thank you to Gary (Max's husband) and Steve (my husband) for doing some little projects around the preschool. We are in the process of installing security cameras in the hallway and in the classrooms.

We will be trick or treating around the offices on Friday, Oct. 29th, at 11:30 a.m. You're welcome to come pass out candy and see the cute costumes. Thanks for all your support. *Annette Crain, Director* 



## **CUB SCOUT PACK #13**

The Cub Scout Pack is back for new adventures! Our den meetings are on Monday's at 6:00 p.m. If you know of any boys and girls in Kindergarten-5th grade, we would love for them to join us! Here are a few of our activities for October/November:

- Monday 10/25 @ 6:00 p.m. Pack Meeting (awards & entertainment)
- Monday 11/1 No meeting

Our annual fundraising popcorn sale is in full swing. Please support our Pack by purchasing delicious popcorn. Contact Blake Stupak if you want some delicious popcorn (lots of yummy flavors are being offered). Thank you for your support!!



#### MISSION COMMISSION UPDATE

Thank you to everyone that donated fleece or funds to purchase fleece, and those that came to help us make 29 blankets at our Blanket Blitz.

We are now collecting gloves, socks, hats and hand warmers to give to those in need. There is a box under the upstairs coat rack for you to place your donations. Mission Commission will also be giving gift cards to Greta Hinderliter to be distributed to the homeless students in December. We would appreciate any help the congregation can give for these projects.

Thank you to all who help with the Sandwich Ministry, Blankets and serving the Mission.

\*\*Debbie Mestas, Chair Mission Commission\*\*



#### ATTENTION ELDERS!!!

There will be an Elders Retreat for all sitting elders on November 13 at FCC in Fellowship Hall. We will start at 9:00 a.m. and end at 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be served. If you cannot attend or have questions, please contact Randisue Davis, Tom Dowler, or Pastor Bryan.



Pastor Bryan will be out of the office Monday, October 25 - 28 attending a Minister's Conference in Colorado. If you need anything while he is gone, contact the church office.

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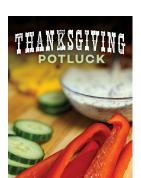
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CASPER WY PERMIT NO. 129



In January 1915 Christian women in Casper began to meet for religious study and charitable work. In the years that followed, their efforts evolved into the Disciples Women's Ministry (DWM) of First Christian Church. We've enjoyed fellowship, supported may worthwhile causes, financed improvements to the church property, and served countless meals to church members and their families.

DWM now has reached a crossroad, suffering from declining membership numbers and the reluctance of women to step into leadership positions. If you're interested in seeing DWM continue in some form, please attend a meeting in the church inner room @10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 4th and make your voice heard.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!!!

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK DINNER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21st after 10:10 service

Sign up sheets for food will be on the bulletin board Nov. 7th.