



# THE CALL

# JULY 2022



### Church Staff:

- Bryan Elliott: Lead Pastor**
- Lisa Walker, Business Manager**
- Kathy Winders, Secretary**
- Arlon Miller, Music Director**
- Megan Jones, 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/Youth Sunday School

10:10 - Worship Service

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[fccasper@gmail.com](mailto:fccasper@gmail.com)

Preschool - M-F 9:00 - Noon

CLOSED JUNE-AUG.

Preschool Phone - 472-0649

## Let Freedom Ring!

If the first of July be rainy weather,  
It will rain, more or less, for four weeks  
together.

– John Ray (English Proverbs)

### FAITH PROMISE UPDATE AS OF

JUNE 20, 2022

PROMISED \$20,880

RECEIVED \$12,390

Dear Friends,

A truly great month is approaching us!! It is a time when vacations and bbq's and time with family abounds. What a great time to be outdoors and enjoy God's creation. Our Mission Commission is happy to bring us Together as a church body to celebrate Church on the Mountain sponsoring our speakers, John and Jen Keller who are missionaries with Navigator's working with the Mongolian people as well as establishing a missionary presence in one of the Caribbean Islands. They will be sharing their work with us on **July 31st** at our 8:15 am Chapel Service here at FCC as well as Church on The Mountain at 11:00 am at the North Bear Trap area. Remember to bring your lawn chairs and lunch, Spiritual growth is providing water as well as sponsoring this wonderful tradition in our church family.



As you know, we have had several of our young people go to camp this summer and they had a wonderful time. It is a great commitment for our families as transportation is a large commitment. We are truly thankful for all of you that helped get our young people to camp.

I will be going to my first, theology and fish in the Bighorn Mountains of Wyoming July 25-29. I am looking forward to getting to know more of our Regions clergy as well as others who participate from around the area. This is a part of my ongoing educational requirement with our Region as well as our churches commitment to two weeks of educational time for your pastor.

We have experienced some struggles this summer with health as well as the passing of saints in our church. Please remember your church family in your prayers in this month and in the months to come. It is a good thing to have a church family to lean into in the good times as well as the difficult times. I know this is a overused cliché but we are truly stronger together. God is good and his enduring love brings us into his glorious presence each time we gather for worship, gather as small groups, and share our precious time together in fellowship. May your summer be a time of renewal and blessing.

Have a great Summer and hope to see you in church between your vacation and other family outings. Blessings and see you soon! **Pastor Bryan**



**From the Chairperson**

It is hard to believe that July is right around the corner and one-third of summer will be over in a little over a week. I hope that everyone is having a great summer. We have had some wonderful things going on at the church as the Men’s Bible Study continues, we had a fantastic church clean-up day and the church looks amazing, kids have gone to camp, and our summer attendance is still growing. Please look at the calendar and

see all the events planned for the coming month.

We are saddened at the passing of Mike Ward this month. Mike was a true leader in our church as well as the scout troop. His cheerful outlook and willingness to work to get things done will certainly be missed.

If inflation and the price of gasoline is spoiling some of your summer vacation plans, please reach out to us to see how maybe we could provide an event for you, your family, and your church family to see how we could do a church picnic, or ice cream social or kids day on the playground. We are open to ideas to make the church part of your life other than just Sunday services. If you have an idea, please contact me or Brian with your thoughts.

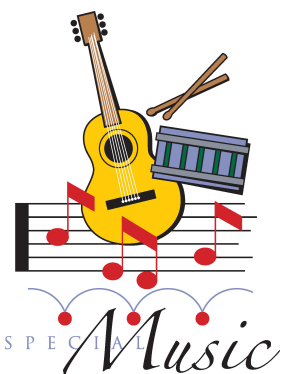
Stay cool, have a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July, be thankful of our freedom, and see you all in church! **Dennis Baker, Chairman**



Church on the Mountain will be July 31st. The North Beartrap location has been reserved. Water will be provided and signs will be put up for members to follow. Please bring your own lunch and lawn chairs and join us for fun, friendship and fellowship. Any questions you can contact Belle Stapleton.

**FROM MUSIC DIRECTOR - ARLON MILLER**

If you are interested in playing Special Music for the 10:10 Sunday service, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the secretary’s office. Everyone is welcome to sign up for a piano, vocal solos or group participation or instrumental pieces. Contact the church office if you are interested and your name will be added to the list.



**JULY  
DIACONATE**

**8:15 - Pat Seamands**

**10:10 - Debbie Mestas &  
Trudy Woodard**

Contact Pat Seamands or Trisha Whitcomb if you cannot serve.

**OFFERTORY STEWARD  
Larry Winders**

**VEGGIE TALES**

**July 3 - Max Jacobson**

**July 10- Jennifer Grooms**

**July 17 - Nicholas Grooms**

**July 24 - Audra Brown**

**July 31 - Dennis Baker**



**NEW EMAIL ADDRESS**

**Pat Buck**

**[buckpatricia@gmail.com](mailto:buckpatricia@gmail.com)**



Ally Sellers	July 3	Emily Brown	July 18
Cooper Goodman	July 4	Steve Brown	July 18
Al Metz	July 9	Wanda Hogan	July 19
Ruth Jones	July 12	Tom May	July 21
Levi Ostrander	July 15	Rick Black	July 31
Belle Stapleton	July 16	Pam Rouse	July 31



Brian & Jenny Black - July 2, 1988  
 Stephen & Emily Brown - July 7, 2007  
 Rick & Teri Black - July 14, 1990  
 Dave & Becky Foster - July 14, 1979  
 Michael & Carol Braley - July 15, 1972  
 Scott & Jennifer Hawley - July 20, 1996  
 Tim & Katy Havasi - July 28, 2001  
 Spencer & Erika Stupak - July 31, 1999

**HISTORICAL TRIVIA!**

Three presidents have died on July 4th: Thomas Jefferson, John Adams & James Monroe.



We welcomed Rev. Nancy Thomas back to First Christian Church on Sunday, June 12th. She has retired from First Christian Church in Shenandoah, IA. She said “she was glad to be at FCC because she had been gone 26 years”. Her address is:

1960 Preserve Circle #130

Casper, 82609

email: [nltom@yahoo.com](mailto:nltom@yahoo.com)

ph. 712-215-1586



Left to right: Sally Grooms, Cindy Huckfeldt, Ed Grooms, Ted Grooms

On May 27, the Fellowship Quilters presented Ed Grooms with a quilt honoring his military service.

Clarence Edward Grooms was born September 8, 1929. He was drafted from Valentine, Nebraska in 1950 into the Army and served in the infantry. He served on the front lines in Korea for 10-1/2 months. He was promoted to Sgt. First Class three different times. Ed was not afraid to speak the truth to power and “power” didn’t always like it. He was fortunate to be one of 13 from his company of 256 servicemen that returned alive. He was awarded the Bronze Star and was honorable discharged in 1952. Thank you for your service.



**SPIRITUAL GROWTH COMMISSION UPDATE**

The Commission will do the following:

- continues to hand out bags to visitors but will change to folders when the bags are finished.
- Cookies will be purchased for Father’s Day
- will be participating in the St. Mark’s Fall Ethnic Food Festival in the Gingerbread House - Sweet Shop. They plan on asking DWM if they would like to participate with them.
- They have chose 6 new banners for the sanctuary - Spring, Summer and patriotic holiday.

**MISSIONS**

The Mission Commission has been visiting with John and Jim Keller, who are associated with the Navigator’s Ministry. They are missionaries to Mongolia and training and support missionaries in Trinidad. They served for several years as missionaries in China. They will be here on July 24th to speak to the 8:15 and 10:10 worship services. Please make a note of this on your calendar and come hear what they have to say.

**DID YOU KNOW???**

Americans typically eat 150 million hot dogs on Independence Day. Enough to stretch from D. C. to L. A. more than five times!!!!

Massachusetts became the first state to make the 4th of July an official state holiday in 1781.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
 Saturday - August 6, 2022  
 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
 First Christian Church Fellowship Hall

Please join us for VBS this year! We will be having a Food Truck Party and discovering all of the good things that God has to offer! We will have a **FOOD TRUCK** selling yummy Mexican food in the parking lot at 1:30 and the congregation is invited to join us! We would love to have you more involved with the youth.

We are in need of a few things for this wonderful day of adventure. If you have any of these items laying around that you don't need anymore, we would greatly appreciate it if you could bring them to the church.

- Balloons
- Yarn (variety of colors)
- Tissue paper (variety of colors)
- 12 plastic bottles (20 oz) - empty
- 8 large empty coffee cans
- 20 paper towel tubes
- Lunch size paper bags
- Regular size kitchen sponges

Thank you, Michelle Elser



**PASTOR BRYAN'S MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** continued to meet during the summer. Please note due to the 4th of July weekend, we will be meeting on the 2nd Saturday July 9th. I look forward to seeing everyone. ALL men are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, you can contact me @ 355-9232 or through the church office. Blessings, Pastor Bryan



**DID YOU KNOW!!!**  
 John Hancock has the largest signature on the Declaration of Independence?

# July 2022

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## FCC CASPER CALL

JULY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 8:15 AM Worship 9:15 AM Adults' Sunday School 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	27 10:30 AM Dorothy Smith Memorial Service 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	28 7:00 PM AA	29 9:00 AM QUILTERS	30 OFFICE CLOSED 3:00 PM Sandwich making	31 OFFICE CLOSED 7:30 AM Men's BS 8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY	1 7:30 AM Men's BS 8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY
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10 Eid al-Adha 8:15 AM Worship 9:15 AM Adults' Sunday School 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	11 6:30 PM STEWARDSHIP 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Commissions 8:00 PM Board Meeting	12 2:00 PM DWM Fellowship 7:30 PM AA	13 9:00 AM QUILTERS	14 9:00 AM QUILTERS	15 OFFICE CLOSED 3:00 PM Sandwich making	16 7:30 AM Men's BS 8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY 9:00 AM 3 D's quilters
17 8:15 AM Worship 9:15 AM Adults' Sunday School 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	18 12:00 PM CALL deadline 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	19 7:00 PM AA	20 9:00 AM QUILTERS 9:15 AM CALL folders	21 9:00 AM QUILTERS 9:15 AM CALL folders	22 OFFICE CLOSED 3:00 PM Sandwich making 5:00 PM Mission Meal	23 7:30 AM Men's BS 8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY
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**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
PRESCHOOL**

We ended our year with a wonderful outdoor celebration. The students and their families enjoyed a bounce house, bubbles and some outdoor fun. We had popsicles and juice to help cool us off!

We have a few openings in each of our classes. I handed out flyers at a children's event and have been sharing on social media. The teachers are working on cleaning up their classrooms and getting ready for next year!

We will be back on August 29th to start setting up and our Open House will be on September 6th with the first day of School September 7th.

Thank you for your support of the preschool. ***Megan Jones, Director***

### **DWM JULY MEETING**

**DWM will meet on Tuesday, July 12th at 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will be putting together all of the things we have collected for the Wyoming Rescue Mission. Feel free to bring more! There will be a bible study also so please read Mark Chapter 5. Any questions, contact Lani McBee.**

