



THE CALL

**NOV.
2022**



Trunk or Treat

**2ND ANNUAL ALL CHURCH TRUNK OR
TREAT!!**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
5:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
FCC Back Parking Lot**

**There will be sloppy joes, drinks, chips &
treats served in the Fellowship Hall.**

**There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin
board for donations of candy, chips &
treats or if you plan on participating in
decorating your trunk or mode of
transportation for the trunk or treat.**

**Everyone is invited to decorate their car,
pickups etc, and hand out candy. Last
year we had approximately 100
participants. Wear a costume and really
get festive.**

Church Staff:

Bryan Elliott: Lead Pastor
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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Preschool - M-F 9:00 - Noon

CLOSED JUNE-AUG.

Preschool Phone - 472-0649

**TIME
CHANGE!!**

**REMEMBER
TO
FALL BACK
SUNDAY,
NOV. 6TH**



Fall Back



Dear Church Family;

Every Sunday we pray the Lord's Prayer. It is always near and dear to our hearts. When I pray that prayer my desire to reflect on it and what it means to me in my daily life. What does that precious prayer mean to you and how does it inform your daily life? It is my hope that something that is said in that prayer produces a thought in our minds and hearts to help us focus on prayer during the week. As we enter into this month of November we are looking at a calendar that includes a time of reflection on those who have touched our lives and are no longer with us - All Saints Day - will be held on Sunday, November 6 where we will remember them and the impact they had in our lives. The candles we light on our altar shares the glow that that life meant to us and still means to us. Please come and remember those we love and remember together our loved ones.

As we have already experienced in October, a change is in the air and we have had a fall that will continue into November. We know that change is in our future and no doubt experienced through the raking of leaves and the frost on our lawns! Fall is a special time as we see the beauty around us and know that family will gather to share from the abundance of thankful memories as we gather to give thanks to God over Thanksgiving. The weekend following Thanksgiving will start our season of Advent where we will decorate the church prior to Sunday, November 27th. That Sunday we will celebrate the first Sunday of Advent, the Sunday of the Hope candle as we look forward to the arrival of the Christ Child into our lives. What a blessed month this is! May we take these moments as precious because we truly have been gifted with family! May God bless you this month as we celebrate with Thankful hearts!

With a Heart of Hope and Thanksgiving,
Pastor Bryan



Anyone who knows me understands that I love pie! I just do not like pie; I love it and this time of the year pies are more plentiful than ever. Pumpkin (all the different types from cream to regular), apple, pecan, cranberry apple, and all the other types that are available. This is one of the best times of the year in my world because of pie.

I must be careful that I do not overindulge and eat too much (I am not sure that is possible, but I have come close sometimes). There have been occasions that I have had to say okay enough and at least wait at least an hour (is this like swimming) before I could have another piece. I am always so thankful for this time of the year. Weather is cooler, people get in the holiday spirit and are more open to saying Hi, Good Morning, and Happy Thanksgiving. This season just makes a feel good.

I have been blessed this year to serve as your Chairman of the Board and I can tell you to see all of the hard work and effort that the commissions and board put into making our church a better place to worship, to extend Gods love to others, to the kids at the pre-school, to the missionaries gives me that feeling of having a warm piece of apple pie with ice cream. It just warms my soul and makes me feel comfortable and loved. Want this same feeling? Get involved with the church commissions or on the Diaconate, Elders, Spiritual Growth, Mission Commission, or education. I assure you will feel wanted, comfortable and these commissions are always wanting innovative ideas. Getting involved in the church will be as good as having a piece of your favorite pie but with less calories.

On a side note, it might be time to have a pie social. What do you think? Happy Thanksgiving -- Dennis Baker, Chair

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2023

So here we are about ready to do the time change and fall back. 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 6th.

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

2023 FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH PLEDGE FUND

In preparing for the future, FCC Casper would like to thank you for this opportunity to have your support in the ministries of this congregation.

The pledging commitment for 2023 will be \$ _____ per week/month/year. Please Circle One

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone (307) _____ Email: _____

**NOVEMBER
DIACONATE**

8:15 - Pat Seamands

**10:10 - Kylie Stupak & Trudy
Woodard**

Contact Pat Seamands or Trisha Whitcomb if you cannot serve.

**OFFERTORY STEWARD
Judy Baker**

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP
Nov. 6 - TBD**

Nov. 13 - Nancy Thomas/Pat Buck

Nov. 20 - Thanksgiving Dinner

Nov. 27 - Elaine Gross/Kim Ireland



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

Anniversaries

Phil & Becky Ostrander - November 10
Jim & Mary Oliver - November 23, 1996



ALL SAINT'S DAY will be celebrated on **Sunday, Nov 6th.** If there is someone who passed away in the past 12 months (Nov. 1st - October 26th, 2022) you

would like recognized and remembered during the reading of names at the church services, please turn the information into the church office by **NOON on Wednesday, Nov. 2nd.** Be sure to include the individual's name, date & year of birth and date & year of death.



HANDBELL REHEARSALS

Handbell rehearsals will start on Sunday, October 23rd at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you are interested in playing handbells for the advent season, come to practice!

WE WELCOME Laura Wiley as the choir accompanist.



If you're American you know the presidential election is always in November. But do you know why? It comes down to the farmers. Not wanting to disturb the planting, growing or harvest seasons, the month of November was chosen as the most logical month for everybody to be able to vote.



If it takes six kids one hour to eat all the pumpkin pies in the bakery, how many hours would it take three kids?

None! because the six kids at them all already!!



**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
PRESCHOOL**

The school year is flying by! We can't believe it is almost Halloween and Thanksgiving. We are looking forward to our classroom Halloween parties, Trunk or Treat and our annual Family Feast. This year we will celebrate Thanksgiving with a potluck lunch. This year we are having a Christmas Pageant on December 15th @ 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Members of the congregation are invited to attend the pageant. There will be cookies and milk served afterwards in the Fellowship Hall and coffee will be available for adults.

We have our annual licensing visit and our health inspection this month. We are completely ready for them and looking forward to having those inspections done!!

Starting November 1st we will have our 100 Envelope Challenge. If each envelope gets stuffed we could raise nearly \$5000. I am also happy to announce that the preschool was awarded a grant to use toward preschool security and safety. Pastor Bryan, various board members and myself will plan how best to use those funds. Fall Blessings to you all~~~**Megan Jones**

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Spiritual Growth Commission is busy during the upcoming Holiday Season and is always looking for volunteers to join the commission. So far they have the following planned:



HAPPY WORLD
KINDNESS DAY

Cards with "Happy" messages will be distributed to the congregation on Sunday, Nov. 13th for "World Kindness Day" 😊

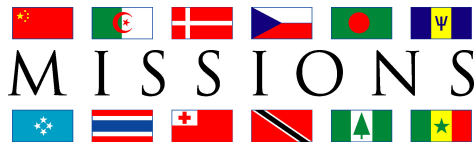


**Church Family
Thanksgiving
Dinner**

ANNUAL CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER will be on Sunday, November 20th after the 10:10 service. Jane Wallace will be in charge of the dinner and a sign up sheet will be placed on the bulletin board for members to sign up as to how many will be attending and what they would like to bring for the dinner. Any questions, contact Jane Wallace.

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR ADVENT will be after the dinner on November 20th. All attendees are encouraged to help decorate the church. November 27 is the first Sunday of Advent. Any questions,, placed contact Belle Stapleton.





The Mission Commission has started discussing agencies/programs/projects locally, statewide and internationally that some of the Faith Promise monies that have been collected could be used. We will start compiling a list over the next few weeks of who might benefit the most from some of those funds and they will be listed in the bulletin, the November Call and to the congregation at the congregational meeting on Dec. 4th. We are looking for input from congregational members also so please feel free to contact Annette Ambrosino or Wanda Hogan for further details.

Congratulations to the sandwich ministry on starting their 9th year. We have started to prepare more lunches each week and can always use more help on Saturday mornings. The CRMR Youth Retreat will be at FCC October 28-30th. The youth will be helping to make lunches and blankets. Eighteen blankets were cut and tie ready on Saturday, October 15th for the Fall Retreat. The Blanket Ministry is asking for donations of fleece for this project. The blankets use 2 yards of solid and 2 yards of printed, anti pill or blizzard fleece. Fleece donations may be left at the church office or if you have any questions, please contact Trudy Woodard.

The State President, Brandon Smith, of the LDS church has expressed interest in working on collaborating with the Sandwich and Blanket Ministries throughout our local church community, not just the two other churches who work with us now.

Starting in November, we will be collecting socks, hats, and gloves for those in need. There is a box under the coat rack by the elevator for donations.

FAITH PROMISE UPDATE AS OF OCTOBER 17, 2022
PROMISED \$21,380 RECEIVED \$13,140

DWM NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES
Team Meeting for November TBD
DWM Meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 8th - 2:00 p.m.
in Fellowship Hall
Service Project: Non-perishable food for
Thanksgiving
Read Mark Chapter 9
Contact Lani McBee if you have any questions.

First Christian Church
520 CY Ave
Casper WY, 82601

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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UPDATE FOR THE FCC 2023 DIRECTORY

It is time to do the 2023 directory. If you are unable to attend church, please use the below template to update your directory information and **send it back to the church at 520 CY Avenue by December 15th.**

	Congregant 1	Congregant 2	Additional Household Members & ages of children
FULL NAME			
ADDRESS			
PHONE NUMBERS & EMAIL ADDRESS			
BIRTHDAYS			
OCCUPATIONS			