



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) CASPER, WYOMING

THE CALL *June*



Church Staff:

Bryan Elliott: Lead Pastor

Kathy Winders, Secretary

Mikayla Fulwider, pianist

Donna Osterholt, Nursery

Michelle Griebel, Custodian

Ministers: Every Member!

OFFICE HOURS

Mon.-Thurs.

9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Fridays: CLOSED

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

8:15 Worship Service

9:00 Adult Sunday School

10:10 - Worship Service

11:30 - Coffee Fellowship

11:30-Choir Rehearsal (does not meet in summer)

12:30 Handbell Rehearsal (does not meet in summer)

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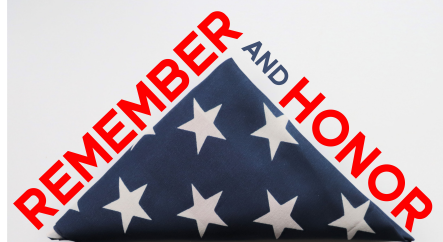
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"Walk a little slower, Daddy." said a little child so small.
I'm following in your footsteps and I don't want to fall.
Sometimes your steps are very fast, sometimes they're hard to see;
So walk a little slower Daddy, for you are leading me.
Someday when I'm all grown up, You're what I want to be,
Then I will have a little child who'll want to follow me.
And I would want to lead just right, and know that I was true;
So, walk a little slower, Daddy, for I must follow you!

MEMORIAL DAY





Dear Church Family—Over the past few months we have embarked on a season of change. We have seen Spring starting to give way to Summer. Through this transition we have seen dry hot weather, cold snowy weather, some hail, and even rain. We have witnessed and experienced change - grass became green, trees, and flowers burst

forth leaves. The robins arrived and sang the song of change. All things are new in this season of transformation. But what does it mean to transform? Just as Spring means school is winding down and proms are experienced, recitals and programs at school take place, the transformation to summer means no more teachers, no more homework, and for teachers no more students and no more assignments to create and grade. But what else transforms from Spring to Summer. Well, we have time to vacation and enjoy God's creation with that time. But what transforms as the church, in our spiritual life?

Transformed means: A life increasingly marked by humility, integrity, and love.

- You don't need the spotlight because your joy is found in obedience.
- You begin to live more from *identity in Christ* than *approval from others*.
- You act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly—not because it's trendy, but because it's true.

How often in life do we seem to live in the spotlight? At school it is about performance of grades through tests and quizzes and events and meets and games and social settings with friends and family. At work we are performance based on our outcomes at our jobs - and what worse is that we are often judged by said outcomes at both school and work. But what does it mean to practice our faith as followers of Jesus at school, work and in our social lives? Transformation means that our motivation shifts. The spotlight moves from us to Jesus. Away from what people think to what pleases God, from how does this look to who will be blessed?

We are walking into a season of change in our church as we moved from a solo pastorate (me as Lead Minister) to an Associate Minister. Rhonda Padilla will arrive at the end of June and begin officially on July, 1, 2025. How will we bless her and be blessed by her ministry among us? Well that ministry will be seen in how we authentically practice our living out Jesus. In the coming days we will learn how to interact with each other and find joy in our faith practices. We will see what our identity in Christ is more than our approval from others because we will act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God. Not because it is that Micah 6:8 verse that we have as our church's vision statement in some trendy fashionable type statement, but because it is true. My prayer for us is that this season of change is not just another transition but a transformation where our faith is deepened and that deepening of our faith is seen in how we treat one another, others and how we pray, give, live as it flows from who we are trying to impress towards who we are becoming because we strive daily to change more and more into the image of Jesus. To that end we pray in this season of changes . . .

In His Image,
Pastor Bryan



The Happy Quilters, that meet on Wednesday's at the church (Jane Wallace's group) took 20 quilts to NC for the at risk homeless graduating seniors. They have 18 graduates and to date they have made 45 quilts for this project.

Currently they are working on finishing 20 quilts for Sleep in Heavenly Peace and present them in June. So far they have given 35 quilts to this project.

They have also given 130 dog beds to the Casper Humane Society. As you can see they are very busy!! KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!!!!



DWM FELLOWSHIP
JUNE 10, 2025

DISCIPLES WOMEN MINISTRY (DWM) will meet on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

READ ACTS 11

Join us in our challenge to read the entire Bible this year.

SERVICE PROJECT

Wyoming Food Bank is our project this month. Please bring either a monetary donation or canned goods and other types of staples such as cereals, potatoes, beans and nuts!

PLEASE JOIN US IN FUN AND FELLOWSHIP WITH YOUR SISTERS IN CHRIST!



The Mission Commission has not officially met since March but as reported in last month newsletter have been busy with their missions and wanted everyone to know that funds donated to the University of Jamestown nursing mission trip are only used for the local mission needs. No funds are used for travel expenses. Information for the next 5th Sunday Mission on June 29th will be forthcoming in emails and announcements.

The Blanket Ministry has a new supplier for their fleece and fleece can be purchased at Hobby Lobby. They are on summer hiatus and will resume making blankets in September.

Sandwich Ministry is now making 80 lunches every Saturday. Contact Nancy Thomas if you have questions or willing to help.

To the members of the First Christian Church

Thank you so much for your donation to our Kenya trip. We are so excited to go serve the community of Chogoria. As we serve the hospital there and the churches there we hope to extend the love and grace of Christ to them. Thank you!!

Kenya Mission Team



Christian Education is looking for volunteers for the following dates to run Children's Church during the summer months. There are a variety of videos that you can play in the inner room, or you can come up with your own activities to fill the 25 minutes that Children's Church usually lasts. The children leave the service after the Children's time with Pastor Bryan.

June 15t

June 29

Aug. 3

Aug. 7

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Michelle Elser @ 307-259-1166

**THE ELDERS WILL NOT MEET DURING JUNE OR JULY.
ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT DEWEY SMITH, ELDER CHAIR**



CONGRATULATIONS TO FIRST CHRISTIAN'S STAR BAKERS

First Christian held its 2nd annual pie bake-off on Sunday, May 18th. We had a lot of participants and it was a very hard decision by our wonderful judges. Our heartfelt thanks to all that participated. The winners received a "Star Baker" certificate and a spatula. The winners were:

Fruit Pie - Randisue Davis for her Pear sour cream pie

Cheesecake - Dennis Baker for his Red Velvet Chocolate Chip Cookie Cheese

Cream Pie - Donna Osterholt for her Coconut Cream

Miscellaneous - Virginia Yohn for her Mystery pecan pie.

THANK YOU to Jane and her committee for a successful competition. Everyone left on a sugar high!!



The Quilters of FCC presented a quilt of honor to Dr. Al Metz on Sunday, May 4th. Al Metz began his military service in 1969 as a first lieutenant when he joined the Delaware National Guard as part of a MASH unit in his early medical residency. Over his years of service, during his summers, his unit was mobilized to active duty and stationed at various Army hospitals from New York to Virginia where they supplemented and often replaced the physicians manning the facilities. Initially he worked in emergency rooms, but eventually was performing surgery. Al finished his military service in 1973 as a captain. He moved to Casper in 1976 and worked as a neurosurgeon throughout a long and successful career. He joined First Christian Church shortly after he moved to Casper. He has served as an elder, helped lead the Saturday morning men's bible study (MBS) with Allen McKenzie. He is a faithful attendee of the 8:15 service, opening the church, making the coffee, etc. Thank you Dr. Metz for your service.



DIACONATE FOR JUNE, 2025**Contact Belle Stapleton if you cannot serve****8:15 - Pat Seamands****10:10 - Deb Mestas & Belle Stapleton****OFFERING STEWARD****Tom Dowler****ELDERS****May 25 - Steve Huckfeldt - Nicholas Grooms****June 1 - Dewey Smith - Nicholas Grooms****June 8 - Nancy Thomas both services****June 15 - Dewey Smith - Teresa Elliott****June 22- Steve Huckfeldt both services****June 29-Dewey Smith - Nicholas Grooms**

Thanks & Goodbye
to Daniel

On Sunday, May 18th, we sadly said goodbye to our Music Director Daniel. Daniel had been with us two years and a wonderful addition to our music program. He is moving to Cheyenne. We have enjoyed listening to his musical solos, and his accompanying the choir and piano for special music and hymns. We are so grateful for the difference he made in our music program and we will miss him and wish him all the best in his next adventure.

Daniel wants to start gardening so he was presented a going away basket of gardening items he will need.



Annette Ambrosino	June 1	Peg Jackson	June 10
Jason Baker	June 1	Gary Jacobson	June 13
Zach Hawley	June 1	Steve Huckfeldt	June 20
Dewey Smith	June 4	Nic Grooms	June 26
Colin Stewart	June 4	Nina Hytrek	June 26
Brandon Wardell	June 4	Sandie Stoltenberg	June 29
Gene Martin	June 7	Jerry Meeks	June 30

Anniversaries

Rob & Jolene Knaus - June 3, 1995

Raylan & Tammy Heck- June 7, 1986

Cal & Nancy Decker - June 9, 2022

Richard & Janie Nelson - June 10, 1970

Chook & Lani McBee - June 15, 1965

Bob & Laura Glasspoole - June 19, 1965

Tim & JoAnn Neal - June 26, 1981

Chuck & Judy Potter - June 26, 1957



Jackie Greenlee

Primrose

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June 2025

May 2025							June 2025							July 2025						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BRYAN VACATION 8:15AM Worship 9:10AM Adult's Sunday School 10:10AM Worship 11:30AM Coffee Fellowship	1 9:00AM Paper Piecing Quilters 6:00PM Cub Scouts 7:00PM Boy Scouts	2 7:00PM AA	3 9:00AM QUILTERS	4 9:00AM QUILTERS	5 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00AM Quilters 1:00PM Sandwich making	6 Eid al-Adha 7:30AM Men's BS 8:15AM SANDWICH MINISTRY
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15 Father's Day 8:15AM Worship 9:10AM Adult's Sunday School 10:10AM Worship 11:30AM Coffee Fellowship	16 12:00PM CALL deadline 6:00PM Cub Scouts 7:00PM Boy Scouts	17 7:00PM AA	18 9:00AM QUILTERS	19 June 19th 10:00AM Quilters 1:00PM Sandwich making	20 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00AM Quilters 1:00PM Sandwich making	21 7:30AM Men's BS 8:15AM SANDWICH MINISTRY 9:00AM 3 D's quilters 9:00AM Men's Group
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