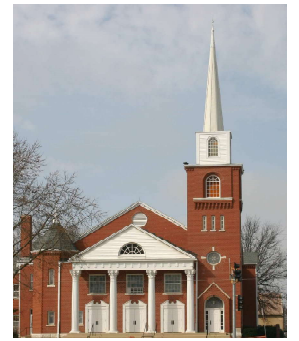


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Please join us for our

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 24

5:30 pm



2024 Radio Broadcast Sponsorship - You can now sign up to sponsor a weekly worship service broadcast. A sign-up sheet is available in the parlor for you to

choose a date that is important to you. You may also call the office at 667-3540 and we'll help you. The cost is \$55.00 per broadcast.

All year-end monetary gifts to the church that you want to claim on your taxes for 2023 must be received by Sunday, December 31 or they can be mailed with a postmark of no later than December 31. We will not be able to accept checks post-dated after the first of January due to strict IRS regulations. Thank you!



PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Pastor Search

Committee has met several times and hosted a visit from Rick Callahan from Vanderbloeman during the weekend of 12/9-10. The estimated time frame for the official pastor search launch on the Vanderbloemen website is

early January. Members of the Search Committee are Greg Barneburg, Randy Ellifrits, Rick Jones, Angie Moore, Linda Penner, Marita Pippin and Todd Shaw. Committee members welcome your questions, ideas, and concerns about the search process. They also welcome your prayers. A 31 day prayer plan called *Praying for the Next Pastor for FCC* is on the Welcome Center in the Parlor.



At the congregational meeting held on Sunday, December 3rd, the Proposed Budget for 2024 was approved by the congregation.

Ways to Give: Online at www.fccnevada.org/give; from your phone at www.fccnevada.org/give; or by check by mail or in the offering bucket.



If you need a ride to Sunday School or Church in our vans, please let us know by calling the church office at 667-3540 **BEFORE NOON on FRIDAY.**



Community Outreach Food Pantry is collecting non-perishable food and dry goods. A box is in the parlor for your donation.

Suggested December products: Canned tuna/chicken, canned veggies, jelly, oatmeal, jello, soup, peanut butter, toilet paper.



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HELPING HANDS - January 2024



If you cannot serve on the date assigned, please trade with someone on the list. Thanks!

COMMUNION PREPARATION: Linda Penner

VAN DRIVERS
Adults and Children
Jan 07 - Max Baxter
Jan 14 - **Driver needed**
Jan 21 - **Driver needed**
Jan 28 - Randy & Tracy Ellifrits



Hospitality Ministry
When you see a visitor say "Howdy" and be sure to give them a Gift Bag from FCC filled with goodies!



Join Us For Adult Bible Studies and Small Groups
Monday - Jones/Platt SG - see bulletin for location
Tuesday - Young Disciples@ 6:00 pm, Parlor

To help support our local Community Outreach Food Pantry, we collect non-perishable food and dry goods. A box is located in our parlor for collection.
Suggested January products: Mac & Cheese, canned veggies, salt & pepper, cereal, applesauce, pork & beans, raman noodles, and flour.



The next issue of **THE BEACON** will be available on Sunday, January 21, 2024. The deadline for information for that issue is the prior Tuesday, January 16, 2024. Information or articles about your committee or project can be sent to lyndaj@fcnevada.org, or brought to, or called into the church office at 417-667-3540. Please note that a Beacon will not be published the first Sunday of January.

Children's CHURCH
JANUARY
Leaders: Tammy Clark & SeekerGen students

First Christian Church worship service is Sunday mornings at 10:30 am. Sunday School for all ages is Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. Small groups happen throughout the week. For those of you who prefer to take part in our 10:30 am Sunday service from home, please tune into KNEM/KNMO 97.5 radio or follow the First Christian Church of Nevada, Missouri Facebook page.

JANUARY Birthdays

1/01 Phyllis Arnold	1/22 Kalen Post
1/04 Fritz Koopman	Ella Agee
1/05 Lisa Bowling	1/23 Sheri Whitfield
1/07 Norma Bivin	1/24 Pauline Jeans
1/09 Whitley Grant	1/25 Mary Watts
1/10 Susan Beltz	1/26 Sarah Thornhill
1/11 Betty Eador	1/28 Jessica Hay
1/12 Ellen Brooks	Truman Smith
David Swearingen	1/29 Nicholas Riley
1/13 PFC Chris Byers	1/30 Pattie Collins
1/14 Martha Waltrip	Alexandra Vincent
1/16 Lawrence Scott	1/31 Bonnie Boyle
1/17 Sara Turley	Zoie Keith
1/21 Bill Schulz	Mike McCarter
	Alex Richards



