

E-Messenger

First Church of Christ

Time is a constant; it does not move faster or slower. It moves at the pace of time. It still feels like the older I get the faster time goes.

Welcome to 2022. Most of us were hopeful 2021 would be better than 2020, but I am not sure that was the case for many of you. With a new covid variant coming, the threat of war, inflation and a couple of other items 2022 is not looking great.

In the midst of all this, what is God looking for from His children?

A great place for us to begin would be with a servant's heart.

Jesus' disciple John writes about one of the last lessons Jesus will teach in chapter 13. Jesus washes their feet, and when He has finished, He asked

them a question: **12** "When He had finished washing their feet, He put on His clothes and returned to His place. **"Do you understand what I have done for you?"** He asked **them.**"

James and John will have their mother ask if they can have the best seats when He comes into His kingdom. Jesus knows what has been going on in the heart and mind of Judas Iscariot. He has been stealing from the disciples' funds, and he will betray Jesus for 30 pieces of silver. This is not a new problem. It goes clear back to Satan seeking to be equal with God and being cast down. Pride, power, selfishness, whatever

word we use, Jesus knows better than **anyone it's destructive power.**

To combat this old enemy Jesus calls us to but on the spirit of servanthood. Philippians 2: **"In your relationships with one another, have the same**

mindset as Christ Jesus:⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to His own advantage;⁷ rather, He made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant."

As we head into 2022, let's clothe ourselves with **servanthood.**

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Destined to Win,
Larry Snavelly



Serve him in
SINCERITY
and in
FAITHFULNESS.

JOSHUA 24:14

Serving in January

Prayer Warriors:

MaKenzie Manges & Sherry Trubey

Elder Schedule:

2—Dan Gallagher
9—Jon List
16—Jim McPeak
23—Mark Rhodes
30—Larry Snavelly

Nursery:

2—1st—Angie & Eric Murphy
SS—Kelly & Barry Von Deylen
2nd—Stacie & Sharon Blinzler
9—1st—Sandi Oberlin
SS—Cody & Ashley Grimm
2nd—Jessica Arend
16—1st—Ryan & Stacie Beerbower
SS—Ryan & Stacie Beerbower
2nd—Stacie Beerbower
23—1st—Jon & Kristi List

SS—Beth & Terence Clingman
2nd—Ashley & Nathan Knep-
per
30—1st—Ryan & Stacie Beerbower
SS—Ryan & Stacie Beerbower
2nd—Stacie Beerbower

Children's Church:

2—Ryan Beerbower
9—Ryan Beerbower
16—Ryan Beerbower
23—Ryan Beerbower
30—Ryan Beerbower

Birthdays & Anniversaries



1 Kayson Buchanan
2 Sarah Snavelly
3 Linda Lewis
4 Bob Stambaugh

5 Diane Altman, Mark Brandt
6 Joanne Allison
9 Michael Bard, Rich Trubey
13 Cayl Poncsak
16 Taylor Dominique
17 Mike Robson
21 Shane Ramey, Gary Roughton, Kelly VonDeylen
22 Pam Hartman
24 Luc Hesselschwardt, Ronnie Pinckley
26 David Olds

28 August Beerbower
29 Braxton Snavelly
30 Darrell Kinnan, Marcus Manges



Family News

SYMPATHY

The church family extends her sympathy to the following families:

♥ The family of Keith Baerlin

**“Dear Beloved Friends,
Continue to keep me in
your prayers. I am still
weak and disoriented from**

**my last surgery last month.
I miss all of you and love
you very much. I thank
God for precious friends.
Once in awhile remember
me. I remember all of you
in my prayers.**

**God bless all of you!
Love & loads of
good memories,
Annie Engel”**

Attention Senior Saints: Given the current situation with COVID, we are still feeling cautious about Senior Saints Activities. We will try Lunch Bunch on January 25 at 11:45 AM at Pizza Hut. No transportation will be provided. We'll see how it goes after that.

January

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:15Worship	3 9:30 Senior Seekers	4 10:00 Craft Group	5 5:45 Supper 6:15 MOPS/ MOPS Next 6:30 Club 226/356 6:30 Adult Bible Study	6	7 6:30 Prayer Night	8
9 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:15Worship 11:45 Board Meeting	10 9:30 Senior Seekers	11	12 5:45 Supper 6:15 Ladies Bible Study 6:30 Club 226/356 6:30 Adult Bible Study	13	14	15
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23 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:15Worship	24 9:30 Senior Seekers	25 11:45 Lunch Bunch	26 5:45 Supper 6:15 Ladies Bible Study 6:30 Club 226/356 6:30 Adult Bible Study	27	28	29
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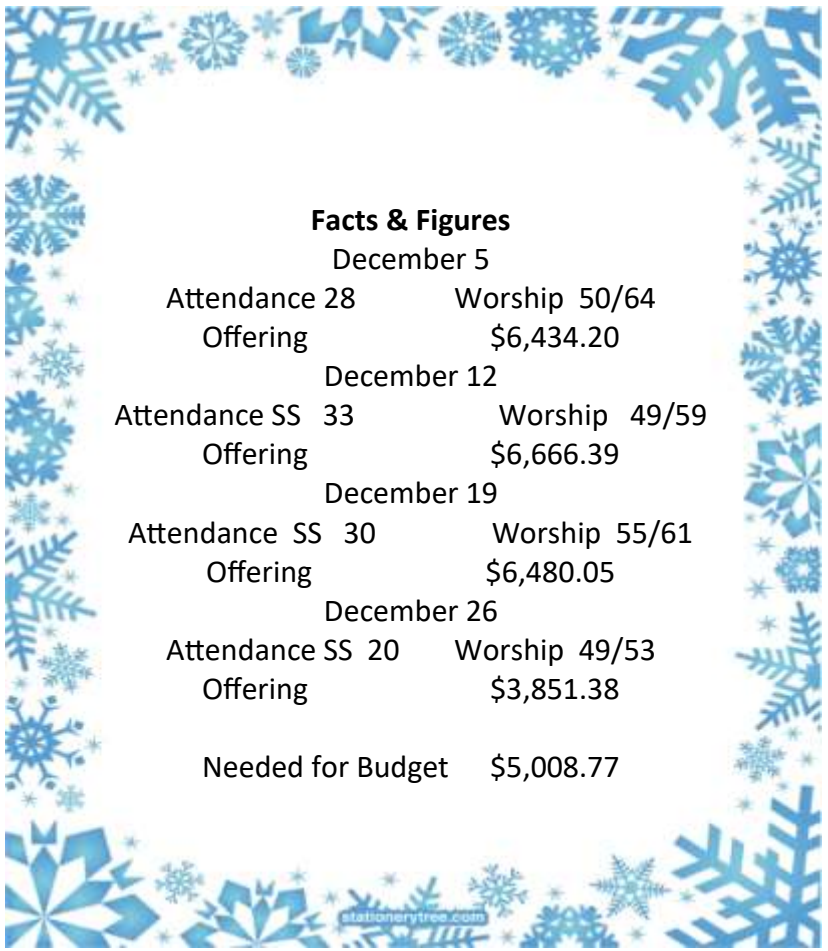
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Love All, Worship One,
Make Disciples



Connect with us!

Office Hours: Monday—
Thursday 8:00 AM-5:00
PM



Facts & Figures

December 5	
Attendance 28	Worship 50/64
Offering	\$6,434.20
December 12	
Attendance SS 33	Worship 49/59
Offering	\$6,666.39
December 19	
Attendance SS 30	Worship 55/61
Offering	\$6,480.05
December 26	
Attendance SS 20	Worship 49/53
Offering	\$3,851.38
Needed for Budget	\$5,008.77

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Love All

Our Service Personnel:
Lindsey Carter (FL), Patrick Rendleman (GA), Josh Severs (AL), Braxton Singer (NC), Katie Sparks (PA)

Cancer: Gwen Acker-Dickinson, Diane Altman, Joyce Bailey, Nathan Bailey, Marcia Baumgartner, Brad Berg, Sue Bever, Tim Bight, Brent, Jennie Case, Andrew Dell, Adam Farger, Carrie H., Molly Johnston, Kent, Chuck Lees, Ron Lewis, Mark & Carrie, Tim Mavis, Chloe Merri-let, Rexann McCrary, Crystal Miller, Ruth Ordway, Mary

Pinckley, Anna Pitman, Elaine Purdue, Steve Ringer, Sue Secoy, Elizabeth Shetler, Terry Shinaberry, Lyle Snavely, Amy Tobin, Linda Walker, Kathy Walton, Drew Wayman. *Other Concerns:* Jennifer Mavis, Trevor Bailey, Neighborhood, Arlene Boyer, Danielle Strouse, Brenda Ridgway, Cindy Wolf, Zach Swisher, Cheryl Towers, Gene Nash, Kim Beek, Joshua Taylor, Keely Strouse, Carson Strouse, Gene Crawford, children's ministry, **Danny Hull**, Cindy Webber, Kevin Ayre, Ramon Alpaugh, Kathy Moog, Marsha Fisher; Marty, John

Fry, Jackson Wolph, Randy Fisher, Shawn Roose, JoAnn Skiles, Mick McElfresh, Jerry Hug; Kyle Hugg, Fran Mavis, Brigitte Kuszmaul, Josh Schwartz, *Shut Ins:* Brookview Healthcare: Shirley Bard, Fountain Park: Esther Krill; SKLD: Gloria Wright; Home: Barb & Ramon Alpaugh, Shirley Bard, Annie Engel, Charlene Gambler, Ron & Linda Lewis, Marilyn Lundy, Leona Puff, Edith Wagner Hawthorne Glen: Roy Koerner.



**FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD
THAT HE GAVE HIS ONE AND ONLY SON,
THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM SHALL NOT
PERISH BUT HAVE ETERNAL LIFE.**

JOHN 3:16



*I have fought a good fight,
I have finished my course,
I have kept the faith.
1 Timothy 4:7*



MOPS

MOPS and MOPS Next is coming to FCC beginning Wednesday, September 1st. MOPS is an international organization for mothers with children of any age. The group will meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month, 6:15-7:30 PM. A nursery will be available. All women in the community are welcome. Stacie Beerbower leads this group.

A ladies' Bible study will be available on the second and fourth Wednesdays. Kim Snaveley is leading a study on hope.

****"If you live right each day, you will be neither afraid of tomorrow nor ashamed of yesterday."** -E.C. McKenzie

"Most of us will never do great things, but we can do small things in a great way."

"When faithfulness is most difficult, it's most necessary."

"Forgiveness is not an occasional act; it is a permanent attitude." -Martin Luther King, Jr.



*Trust in the Lord with all thine heart
and lean not unto thine own understanding.
In all thy ways acknowledge Him
and He shall direct thy paths.*

Proverbs 3:5-6