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Here We **A**gain







Jeff Whitesell

Clifford Hewitt

Rob & Lora Elgan

On Sunday, September 7th **Jeff Whitesell** came forward to place his membership with us at FCC. Jeff has been attending for a few months and is eager to be active in the church. Also, on September 7th, **Clifford Hewitt** came forward and placed his membership with us. Clifford has been attending for about a year and we are excited to have him join us. On Sunday, September 14th Rob & Lora Elgan came to place their membership with us. They are in the process of moving to Mountain City from Alabama and building on 67W. They have been with us since the first of summer and have been helping in the church in many ways. Please be sure to introduce yourself to these new family members and welcome them to First Christian Church.



Welcome Oakley Jackson Greer On Thursday, September 11th Donald & Annette became Grandparents! Oakley came in weighing 6 lbs, 10oz. Mom and dad, Jake & Montgomery live in Elizabethton. Great Grandmother is Virginia Greer.



Ladies Blessings & Brunch The ladies had a wonderful Saturday Brunch with great fellowship and devotion. April and Patti brought us the special in music. Please mark your calendar for Dec. 6th for our Christmas Brunch!









First Christian Church Preschool

The Preschool is off to a great start and FULL of

kids! We have 20 enrolled. On Thursday, Sept.

look at! Please be in prayer for the school,

teachers and students for a fantastic year!

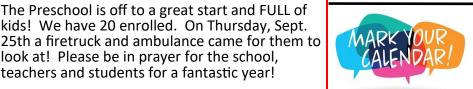


Community Prayer Breakfast

On the one year anniversary of Hurricane Helene the community gathered for a breakfast with a time of prayer.



Politicians, volunteers, flood victims and more, came for a time of appreciation and healing. Thank you to all who came a helped prepare breakfast for the group.



Dessert Auction Saturday, November 15th 6pm in the CLC

Make plans to join us for this fun event that helps raise funds for TCTC.

Juanita Phillips & **Corey Clark**

On Tuesday, September 23rd we were blessed to have this gospel music group come and share their message in song. We are hoping to have them back with us in the near future so more people are able to be blessed by them!











Stephen McWhirter

On Saturday, Sept. 6th ACTION moved their event with Stephen McWhirter into the CLC due to the weather. The event was well attended and Stephen brought some great music and personal insight to those in attendance.



The one year anniversary of Hurricane Helene has come and gone. FCC partnering with 100's of volunteers have accomplished of volunteers have accomplished so much for the Kingdom of God. But it wasn't just the volunteers from all around the nation that made this possible. It was also

each member of First Christian Church.

In the first days after the storm, it was our membership who were giving out supplies, cooking and serving 100's of meals a day. Since then each of you have helped in little ways to keep the volunteers happy and to serve the needs of FCC so that I could spend extra time overseeing the recovery.

But we are told that this is the way God designed the church to work. Paul wrote that Spiritual gifts were given to every member for the common good of fulfilling God's mission for the church. And although, the work of recovering from the storm has been overwhelming, we cannot forget that our mission is primarily to seek and save the lost.

I want to encourage each of you to be watching for how you can use your gifts for this great purpose. It might be as simple as bringing your children to Sunday and Wednesday night services so new families with children are encouraged to return. It might be inviting you neighbor, friend or relative to church. It might be being that welcoming voice on Sunday morning. God has gifted you for a reason. Watch for how He would use you.



We are getting close to winding up the shoeboxes for the year and start packing! For the month of October we are collecting letters and pictures to send in the boxes to make them personal to the children receiving.



Sunday, October 16th at 6pm

Come join us for an evening of Fellowship and Praise. Please bring a dish or two to share and come join an evening of fellowship!



Ladies

PIZZA & GAME NIGHT

Friday, October 24th - 6pm

All the ladies are invited to Pizza and Game Night in the Fellowship

Please bring something for the meal and enjoy the evening getting to know some of your sisters in Christ and have some fun too!



American Legion Open House

On Friday, Sept. 12th the American Legion opened its doors following the flood of Helene. FCC with guidance from Curtis Porch from CrossRoad Ministry and volunteers restored and remodeled the facilities Dwayne & Curtis were both given Awards of Merit.













Wednesday October 22nd 6pm - 8pm



All Church Harvest Party

Everyone is invited to meet at the church for s'mores, hot chocolate and fellowship! Please bring finger foods to share! This is a fun evening for all ages - we will have a fire pit (or two) for sitting around roasting marshmallows or to keep warm!



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The Young-at-Heart will meet for their monthly dinner on **Thursday**, **October 16th at 6pm**. Please bring a dish or two to help with the meal and come enjoy an evening of fellowship.

All those 55+ are invited!



WIDOW TO WIDOW 2ND & 4TH TUESDAY 10:30AM AT HARDEES





Monthly Church Board Meeting

Sunday, October 5th 5pm



FCC Staff:

Minister - Dwayne Dickson - 423-429-8287 Spanish Minister - Martir Portillo - 423-202-8406 Youth Director - Stacy Greer Church Secretary - Beth Dickson

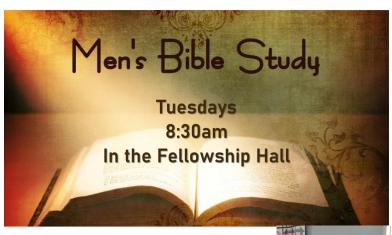
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If you would like to receive prayer emails, please send us an email and we will put you on our mailing.





The Young at Heart had a smaller but lively group for their monthly dinner. Tom & Patti Brennan brought us special in music which was enjoyed

by all. Next dinner will be Thursday, October 16th in the Fellowship Hall - be

sure to join us!





ETSU Campus House Dinner



On Thursday, September 11th Dwayne and Beth took dinner to The Campus House at ETSU. They switched from lunch to dinner this year and the turn out was great. The students enjoyed a meal and time to fellowship with other students and ended with a devotion and Bible Story. It was a great event!





All Church Picnic

The Annual Church picnic was a fun evening to close our Summer Evening services. The weather was perfect and the Fellowship Hall was full of food, people and laughter.













Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 Board Meeting 5pm	6	7	8	9	90th Birthday Party Celebrating Virginia Greer 6-8pm in the CLC	MEN'S BREAKFAST 8:30am
12	13	Widow to Widow 11:30am	15	16 Heart YAH Carry- in Dinner 6pm	17	18
PRAISE AND POTLUCK 6pm in the CLC	20	21	HARVEST PARTY 6pm at the church	23	Ladies PIZZA & GAME NIGHT 6pm	25
26	27	Widow to Widow 11:30am	29	30	31	

Those Serving in October sery 11:00 Nursery Kim Park Pam

8:30 Nursery
Oct. 5 - Samantha Johnson
Oct. 12 - Terri Henson
Oct. 19 - Cindi Billingsley
Oct. 26 - Beth Dickson

10:00 Nursery

Tina Lipford Deana Rhymer Volunteer 8:30 Children's Church Pam Billingsley Judy Henson Beth Dickson Jackie Dugger

11:00 Children's Church Elizabeth McElyea Debbie Branham Bobbie Jo Brooks Betsy Chapman



October Birthdays:

October 1 - Vera McCoy October 3 - Jerry Dunn October 6 - Bo Henson October 6 - Tina Lipford

October 6 - Ann Rhymer

October 10 - Virginia Greer

October 12 - Lisa Throop

October 14 - Liliana Justinger October 14 - Mignet Walker

October 15 - Jaxton Johnson October 17 - Debbie Estevens October 19 - Bryan Coleman

October 21 - Joe Chapman October 21 - Brenda Johnson

October 25 - Deb Gibson

October 25 - Norman Miller

October 27 - Susan Perry

October 28 - Tricia Morefield October 29 - Cindi Billingsley

October 30 - Nicole Rhymer

October Anniversaries:

October 4 - Russell & Vera McCoy October 7 - Chris & Elizabeth McÉlyea

October 17 - Brad & Samantha Johnson

October 19 - Chris & Faith Hudler

October 30 - Morris & Linda Woodring



Services & Activ

10:00 am 11:00 pm 3:00 pm 6:00 pm 8:30 am 10:30 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 6:00 pm	Sundaý Evening Worship Service & Youth Programs Tuesdays - Men's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall 2nd & 4th Tuesday - Widow to Widow at Hardees Wednesday Community Dinner in the CLC Wednesday Bible Study & Youth Groups Wednesday Choir Practice in the Choir room (Sanctuary) 3rd Thursday Young At Heart Dinner in the Fellowship Hall
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