

Tuscola Christian

Publication of First Christian Church, Tuscola, Illinois

August

Weekly Services:

Sunday Worship - 8:00 am & 10:30 am
Wednesday Prayer Circle - 5:00 pm

What's happening this month:

- 2 - Nursing Home Service - 4:00 pm
- 9 - Back-To-School Haircuts 2:00 - 4:00 pm
- 12 - Red Cross Blood Drive - **Canceled**
- 16 - Back-To-School Prayer - 6:00 pm
- 22 - Building in Use for Wedding
- 26 - Red Cross Blood Drive 12:00 - 4:00 pm
- 27 - Dine with a Doc - 11:30 am



**FREE
Back To School
Haircuts**

**Sunday,
August 9th
2:00 - 4:00 pm**

**Each child will
receive a
hygiene kit!**

**First Christian Church
100 E. Church St., Tuscola, IL**

In the shed behind church ~ Come with clean hair!

Sign up on office door or call church at (217) 253-2394

Tony's Tidings:

This second half of the year we are going through an Expository series through 1 Peter & 2 Peter. Throughout this series, we are discovering that Christians are called to be people of hope—not because life is easy, but because Jesus is alive. Peter reminds us that our identity is rooted in Christ rather than our circumstances. We have an inheritance that cannot perish, spoil, or fade. We belong to a kingdom that cannot be shaken.

As we've journeyed through the letter, we've explored what it means to:

- Live with a living hope in a fragile world.
- Trust God through trials and suffering.
- Stand in awe of the salvation Christ has provided.
- Pursue holiness in everyday life.
- Grow spiritually by feeding on God's Word.
- Find our identity as God's chosen people.
- Live honorably in a skeptical culture.
- Follow Jesus' example when life is unfair.
- Build Christ-centered marriages and relationships.
- Influence others through lives marked by humility, compassion, and blessing rather than retaliation.

As we continue through this series, our prayer is that every person at First Christian Church will experience more than simply gaining biblical knowledge. We want to become a church that reflects the character of Jesus in our homes, workplaces, neighborhoods, and community. Imagine the impact if every member intentionally chose humility over pride, blessing over bitterness, love over division, and hope over fear.

Whether you've attended every week or are just joining us, there's still room for you on this journey. Bring your Bible. Bring your questions. Invite a friend. Most importantly, come expecting God to speak through His Word. In a changing world, our hope has not changed. Jesus Christ is still alive. His grace is still sufficient. His promises are still true. And His Church is still called to shine.

I am honored to serve with you here at FCC!

Tony

Announcements

Back to School Haircuts:

Is your budget tight with back-to-school expenses? On Sunday, August 9, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Flourish Women's Ministry will once again offer **FREE back to school haircuts** for students in the shed behind the church. Please sign up on the form on the office window to indicate interest. ***A parent must accompany the student during the visit.*** Haircuts are done on a first come, first served basis. **Students should arrive with clean hair.**

Back to School Prayer Walk:

Flourish Women's Ministry is once again hosting the annual Back to School Prayer Walk. Join us on Sunday, August 16th. We will meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. for instructions. Show your support for students, faculty and staff by joining the prayer walk.

Red Cross Blood Drive:



Our Blood Drive has been rescheduled to Wednesday, August 26th from 12:00 - 4:00 pm. There is a national blood crisis & every donation matters! We have 25 time slots to fill. Sign-up at: redcrossblood.org
Or call the office at 217-253-2394.

Dine with a Doc:



This month's Dine with a Doc will be on Thursday, August 27th at 11:30am. (Speaker to be announced.) There will be a sign-up sheet on the office door or you can call the office at (217) 253-2394. There is no charge to attend and lunch will be provided.

Operation Christmas Child:



During the month of August we will be collecting School Supply Kits from WowSupplies.com (Only \$5.99) We'll also accept other school supplies to put together our own kits. Thank you for your support!

Online Services:

****Both services are live streamed on Facebook & then uploaded to YouTube later.**
Please see Brian Patterson with any questions.

Serving for Month of August

Communion Meditation:

1st Service & 2nd Service

August 2	Sharri Kerkhoff
August 9	Judy Harriss
August 16	Craig Romine
August 23	Roger Surtees
August 30	Brian Patterson

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Online</u>
July 5	152	251
July 12	130	451
July 19	153	305
July 26	173	229

Elders:

Chris Brown, Tony Crouch,
Kevin Kauffman & Craig Romine

Trustee:

Jeff Martin

Deacon/Deaconess:

Mike & Lacreia Otto (Benevolence)
Randy Long (Building & Grounds)
Tony Crouch (Caring)
Timothy Summerville (Youth & Family)
Alta Long (Finance)
Tony Crouch & Chris Brown (Men)
Craig Romine (Missions)
(Small Groups)
Marla Crouch (Women)
Brian Patterson (Worship)

Missions we support:

Abel Sairattanyu family (Thailand)
Jack Swanson family (Chile)
Little Galilee Christian Camp
Roseland Good News Daycare (Ms. Pearl)
Operation Christmas Child

Prayer Requests

John Tilford - Doris Pickett's nephew
Tony Crouch
Rob and Jenni Boyd
Rena Matthews Cain
Malachi - Friend of Doug and Jane Pickett
Debbie Skaggs
Linda Schultz
Ron Schultz
Kelly Whittington
Jessica Courson
Anna Kauffman - Kevin's Mother
Josephina Gallardo Romine
Emilya Graber
Greg & Brenda Harris
Amy McDonald
Curtis Ingram
Jim & Debbie Beeson
Kurt Logan - Friend of Chris Brown
Tessa Neuner
Makayela Sexson
Tim Borries - Friend of Brian Dean
David Otto
Kevin Bonds - Shelley Knight's uncle
Aimee Bradshaw - Friend of Keri Dean
Mark Huff - Keri Dean's father
Mary Bonds - Shelley Knight's step-mother
Tammy & Bill Frederickson
Candace & Chase Dewitt
Terry Bassett
Rachel Romine & children
DJ Domskey - Brenda Bialeschki's son-in-law
Sandy Simpson
Toby Livingston
Brad Hornaday
Michelle Everhart
Chris Brown
Rita Herbert
Wayne Livingston Jr. - Jodi Livingston's Nephew

**If you have an update or a request to add,
please fill out a Connection Card or contact the church office:
(217) 253-2394 or office@fctuscola.com



July	7/5	7/12	7/19	7/26
General Fund (Missions is 10%) (Benevolence is 5%) (Local Partners is 5%)	\$11,949.00	\$11,402.00	\$7,826.00	\$5,673.00
Other Giving	36.00	99.00	33.46	25.00
Memorial Fund	0.00	100.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL	\$11,985.00	\$11,601.00	\$7,859.46	\$6,198.00



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Sunday Worship Services
8:00 am and 10:30 am
Sunday School Classes
9:15 am Adults
Children's Church
10:30 am



Office Hours:
Mon - Thurs 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Ministers:
Tony Crouch - Senior Minister
Brian Patterson - Worship Minister
Timothy Summerville - Youth & Family Minister
