



The Caller

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)
OWENSBORO, KY

From the Preacherman...

Easter was a day, both ordinary and unique, a day in history, probably in the Spring of 30 A.D. It was like any other day that has ever come and gone: people worked, ate, slept, laughed, loved, cried, fought, were born and died on that day, as all other days. Easter was also a day unlike any other day in history, the day of days, when God acted once and for all to mitigate the power of sin and death and own forever the outcome of the universe. Easter was the day of resurrection of Jesus from the dead, a single day that changed all other days.

Easter is a season, called Eastertide, 50 days of celebration following the day of resurrection. In Eastertide the church focuses in song and sermon on fleshing out the ways that Easter transformed the early Church and the world. From a small band of timid followers to a worldwide religion of 2 billion adherents, Easter was indeed a great tide that swept across the world. Each year the Church matches its 40 days of contrition in Lent with 50 days of joy in Eastertide. If you gave up something in Lent as a sign of penitence, what will you take on, in delight and happiness, in light of the resurrection and hope of Jesus Christ?

Easter is a way of life. More than just an ordinary, unique day and beyond a season of celebration in the Christian year, Easter is a way of living for the sake of God and neighbor, without regard for self, success or salutation. Easter is life lived into the in-breaking reign of God's justice, mercy and grace without fear of loss, death or cost to oneself. Easter life is lived in community with others, around a common table and in common cause, bearing witness to the incredible power of God at work in Jesus of Nazareth to break down barriers, end hostility and turn enemies into friends.

Easter happened once. Easter happens every year. Easter is always happening, over and over again. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Amen.

Peace....Chris

April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Choir Practice @ 6:00 p.m.	2 Refugee Food Pantry 10-1 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 p.m.	3 <i>Spring Break</i>	4
5  Happy EASTER Worship	6 OCTC Choir Rehearsals 6:30 p.m.	7	8 Choir Practice @ 6:00 p.m.	9	10	11
12 → Worship/Sunday School	13 ↓	14 Primitimers Outing Patio Steakhouse 11:30 a.m.	15 Worship Committee Meeting @ Noon Dinner- 5:30 p.m. Worship- 6:15p.m. Youth Groups & Choir Practice @ 6:30 p.m.	16 Refugee Food Pantry 10-1 Finance Committee Meeting @5:30 p.m.	17	18 Operation Community Cleanup 7 a.m.ish - 10 a.m. 
19 Education Committee Meeting 11:00 a.m. Worship/Sunday School	20 	21 Garden Club Meeting 9:30 - 12:30 Board Meeting @5:30 p.m.	22 Dinner- 5:30 p.m. Worship- 6:15p.m. Youth Groups & Choir Practice @ 6:30 p.m.	23 Hospice Volunteer Banquet 5-7 p.m. KWC Choir Performance 7:00 p.m.	24	25
26 Youth Sunday Worship/Sunday School	27 OCTC Choir Dress Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	28	29 Dinner- 5:30 p.m. Worship- 6:15p.m. Youth Groups & Choir Practice @ 6:30 p.m.	30		

***Men's Fellowship at Great Harvest on Frederica Every Wednesday @ 6:30 a.m.
NO ELDERS MEETING THIS MONTH!**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



- 7 Asher Lucas
- 11 Sue Lawson
- 12 Suzette Nunley
- 14 Faye Neel
- 14 Mike Salmon
- 14 Brad Webb
- 16 Jane Miller
- 17 Andy Goodaker
- 17 Griffin Haire
- 17 Joseph McKinley
- 18 Chris Michael
- 19 Addison LeBoutillier
- 20 John Dawson
- 24 Annabelle Baur
- 24 Arden Mitchell
- 25 Mark Carlisle
- 26 Emily Castlen Haire
- 29 Paige Huddleston
- 30 Susan Alford
- 30 Macy Roberts
- 30 Sandy Roberts

Happy Anniversary!

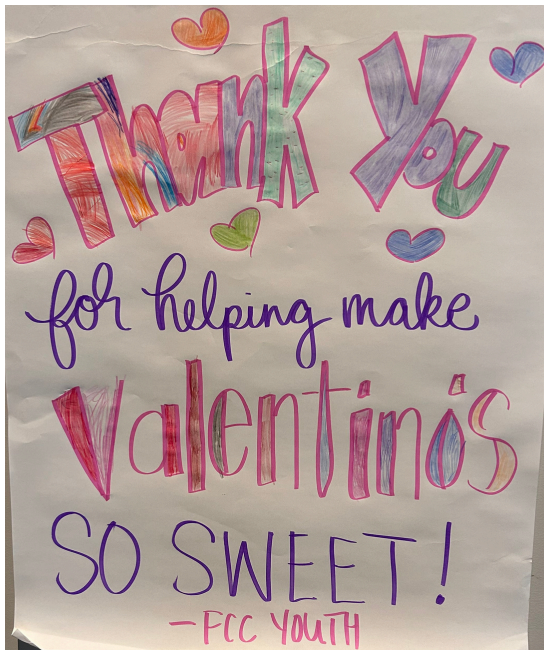
- Jerry & Joyce Bennett
- Leslie & Richard Carlisle
- Barbara & Mark Chavez
- Debby & Steve Crone
- Carroll & Larkin Hayden
- Brian & Cathy Hedges
- Nathan & Suzette Nunley
- Austin & Caressa Schrecker
- Norman & Pam Woodward



February Financials

Offering for the Month:	\$31,604.26
Other Revenue Month:	\$3,727.70
Total Revenue:	\$35,331.96
Expenses:	\$55,256.64
Net for the Month	(\$19,924.68)
Year-to-Date Offering	\$62,625.26
YTD Other Revenue	\$8,930.40
YTD Revenue	\$71,555.66
YTD Expenses	\$97,528.86
Net for the Year	(\$25,973.20)





Dear First Christian,
Thank you for the prayers, cards, and flowers!
--Pat Cotton

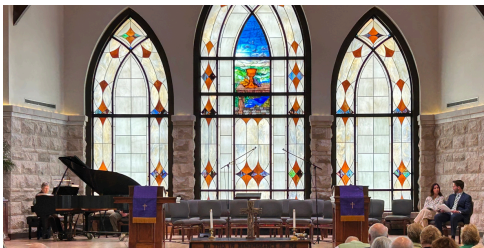
Dear FCC,
We would like to **thank** everyone for you thoughts & prayers. We are so grateful and we are doing well!
--Bob and Sue Ann Morris

Our friends at FCC,
We appreciate your support & kind words. We **thank you** for your generosity and willingness to hear out our proposal. We wish continued blessings to your congregation.
Warmly, **The Neblett Center Staff**

Thank you to all who've donated to our **Food Pantry Drive!**



Lenten Devotionals and the luncheons that follow have been a long tradition at our church. In addition to a short service, beautiful music, and a delicious meal, the DWM raised a large sum for the Help Office through donations.



Lots of gold stars were handed out on March 11th at the **"Pot of Gold" Potluck!** The wind and rain could not keep us from a delicious fried chicken meal with all the fixin's! Lucky **Chris Michael** got his chicken leg and his picture with **Paige** before she moved to Lexington. Thumbs up from **Zeke** who was lucky to get a chicken tender and leg, and **Carroll** was feeling lucky as she headed to the sanctuary for communion before heading to choir practice.



Gold stars all around for Brendon, Sidney, Jana, and Austin Howton, who were all decked out in their Irish green.



Bev and Kirby were feeling lucky to have their son with them for dinner.



How lucky is the Baur family to have Miles with them while on spring break? This time next year he and Max will both be at Transy!



At FCC we feel VERY lucky to have Holden and Brooks with us! They really enjoyed the Cane's chicken!



No, Joey and Mark aren't building a cage for Gary. They're building a compost bin for the garden. Planting season is coming!

Wednesday night meals, worship service, and youth groups met through March until Holy Week. It's always a little serious and a little silly:) We will resume these events on Wednesday, April 15th. Join us for a great time!



On March 22nd Miss Charlotte Elizabeth McKay stole the spotlight during her dedication. We are so grateful to have Megan, Hunter, and Miss Charlotte at FCC!



Our youth groups had a great time making homemade chicken alfredo with handmade pasta at Joys Cooking Classes and More!



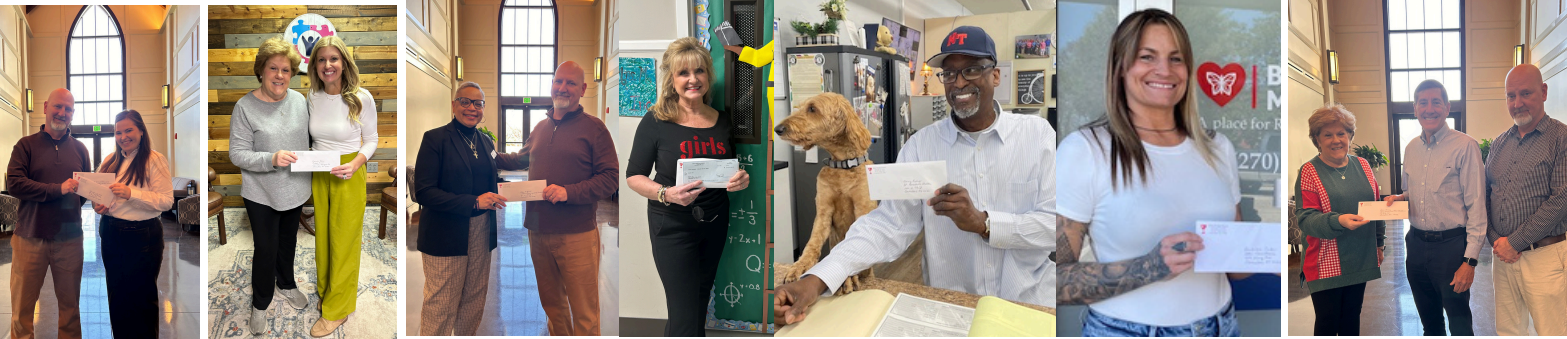
Thank you to the West Area Leadership Development Team, our workshop leaders, our exhibitors, and all of the volunteers from First Christian Church of Owensboro for making the 2026 West Area Workshops such a special day.



All hands on deck for the Workshops! Thank you to all who helped.



Heads up! We welcome this new face in the nursery! **Carly Arnold** has been hired to work in our nursery. Cathy is also an elementary teacher at Foust.



The **Outreach Committee** has been busy this month sharing the generosity of our church with numerous organizations across our community. They all expressed their deepest gratitude to FCC. In total, 25 organizations will receive funding during the month of March. These gifts reflect the heart of our congregation and the commitment we share to supporting programs and people who are making a difference in the lives of others. The generosity of this church truly changes lives, and we are grateful to be part of that impact in our community.

Mark your calendars!

4/1 Choir Practice at 6:00 p.m.

4/5 Easter Sunday/NO Sunday school

4/6 - 4/10 Spring Break

4/8 Choir Practice at 6:00 p.m.

4/14 Primetimers Outing

4/18 Chris Michael's 60th Birthday!!

4/18 Issac Sterett Adventure Foundation
Operation Community Cleanup

4/21 Board Meeting

4/26 Youth Sunday



**We have a BIG SIXTIETH BIRTHDAY
to celebrate in APRIL!**



Primetimers Luncheon

**April 14 - 11:30 AM - Patio Steak
House**

3120 East State Rd 66 Cannelton, IN

**Bus transportation is available for
\$5 per person.
Arrive 10:45 AM to board the bus.**

RSVP

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