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First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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Let's read and enjoy our Bibles.

Sunday, October 18, 2020:

(Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost)

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10;
Matthew 22:15-22

Sunday, October 25, 2020:

(Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost)

Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17;
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

On the September 20th Board meeting it was voted on and passed that instead of having a nominating committee this year, we would simply ask everyone who is currently serving to extend their time of service by one year. So, if your term was set to expire in 2020, we would ask that you serve through 2021. If it is to expire in 2021 please serve until 2022 and so on. If you do not wish to continue serving let us know and we will find someone to fill out your extended term. We will have a nominating team to elect those who have earned the status of Emeritus.

This has been an unusual year and while the request may not follow the terms set forth in the bylaws, we are asking for your cooperation as much as it can be given. We are still the church and we have work to do to continue to grow God's Kingdom.

There is a lot of work to do to prepare for 2021 and beyond.

Pastor Zane

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in an uproar, saying, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Matthew 21:10-11

Who Is This?

It was the beginning of Passover Week and there were plenty of people in Jerusalem for it.

Then a strange entourage enters the city, and it got the people curious, "Who is this? What's going on?"

They identified Jesus by his name, title, and dwelling location.

Recall in John 1:21, the people asked John if he was the prophet, the coming Messiah. This is one of the references to Jesus being the one who was foretold.

Was this the first time the people in Jerusalem had heard about Jesus? We have the good fortune of being able to send photographs and videos of someone instantaneously. They had no idea what He looked like even if they had heard of Him.

Based on what follows, though, He would leave a lasting impression on them.

That's actually a fitting metaphor for what Jesus does in people's lives. He leaves a lasting impression.

People love Him; they hate Him, but they usually don't ignore Him.

And as his ambassadors, how are we doing?

Pastor Zane

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Kids For Christ @ FPC
All Together Youth Ministry Middle School @ FCC
Bell Choir
Chancel Choir
Young Adult Small Group @ FCC

3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.



We are encouraging the congregation to make nominations for the Emeritus positions. If you know of a member who has earned the status of Emeritus, please call the church office to let us know.

Thanks in advance for your help!

Sunday, October 18, 2020

Worship Service
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General Board Meeting Via Zoom/Teleconference
6th-12th Grade Music Session @ MUM
All Together Youth Ministry High School @ FPC

9:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
12:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.



Monday, October 19, 2020

Trustees' Meeting—Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m.

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Key: (FCC) First Christian Church; (FPC) First Presbyterian Church; (MUM) Mexico United Methodist

In Our Hearts and Prayers

Please take a moment to remember the family of Catherine Ann Holsheiser. She passed away on September 16th, 2020 at the King's Daughters Home here in Mexico.



October is Pastor Appreciation Month! It's a great time to drop Pastor Whorton or Sara Bright a note, offer a word of encouragement, or pray for them! Pastor Whorton's address is 1325 Lexington St., Mexico, MO 65265. Sara's is 26154 Monroe Rd. 756, Paris, MO 65275.



On October 25th, we will observe **Blanket Sunday**. Blankets and throws can be used in a time of disaster and to stay warm around the world. Please, **ONLY** monetary donations this year. If you want the money to stay local, mark "local" on your check and those donations will stay in Mexico through several agencies like the Crisis Center and the Room at the Inn. If you want your donation to go to Church World Service for use around the world, mark "Church World Service" on your check. Please make your check out to First Christian Church.



The next General Board Meeting will be held on October 18th at noon. You can join via Zoom or call in.

Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86816149430>

Call 1-312-626-6799.



BrightSpots

Starting October 18th: From 12-1:30pm all those youth in 6th-12th grade with a music gift or those interested in music are invited to join the music group at Mexico United Methodist Church for time together learning new music.



Saturday, October 31st: Halloween Fest for kids in 8th grade and under from 4-6pm at First Presbyterian Church Parking Lot. We hope all families from First Presbyterian, First Christian and Mexico United Methodist church will join us for a safe social distancing Halloween Fest.



Saturday, November 7th: Be on the lookout for more information on an all youth, one day retreat here in Mexico!

Be on the lookout for more information for children and youth events as advent is getting closer.

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