



THE CURRENT WEEKLY

June 8th - 14th, 2025

Smithville First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

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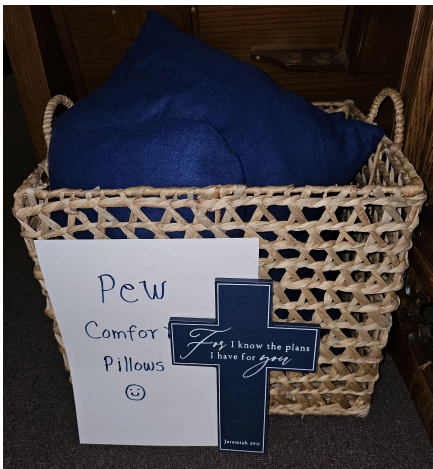
Pastor Laura



My first Pentecost with you was certainly a memorable one! Thank you to everyone who helped with decorations and the fun little extras. And look at all that red!



As I said in my sermon, Pentecost is the Church's day, so I think it's fun to do it up big. The Northland DOC churches had a great picnic in the evening, with fantastic food and a brief time of bilingual worship, including communion. When the pastors started planning this months ago, we honestly expected to have maybe 50 people total show up. But we had over 130 Disciples in the pavilion! There's something really special about worshipping with our brothers and sisters in Christ.



Our Threads of Faith group has been busily making us beautiful new Pentecost banners, and also making some small pillows to add a little cushion to the pews. If you need a little lumbar support, be sure to pick up a pillow on your way into worship - and please return it to the basket after worship.

This Sunday is Father's Day, and we will thank God for all the amazing men who nurtured and taught and loved us. We'll have a special cake after worship (with our potluck meal) to celebrate those men. Don't forget that we'll have a short congregational meeting to approve the candidates from the Nominating Committee right after worship.

I know this newsletter is filled with...well, news. Lots of announcements. And I know that it's easy for our eyes to glaze over and assume that none of them pertain to us. But, even if you know you don't want to participate in anything new, take a moment to read through and thank God that there are things HAPPENING at Smithville First Christian. There are a lot of churches that have a very short newsletter - or none at all - because nothing is going on. Thank God we have lots of opportunities to serve and grow and have fun here.

Have a great week!

Pastor Laura

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Watch the June 8th Service: <https://www.facebook.com/share/v/191mcfyGtb/>



Church Extension Visit: Jim Michel

If you missed the meeting with Jim Michel from the Christian Church Extension Fund (one of our denomination's General Ministries) who helped us assess the challenges and blessings of our historic building, you may read through [the AI Notes here](#).

Church Softball Team

The church softball team is starting their season soon. Games played on Monday evenings beginning July 7th. Anyone over the age of 14 is welcome to play! Contact Pat Burns for more information and to request your team t-shirt.

A blue rectangular graphic with white text and a photograph of a softball in a brown leather glove. The text reads: "Church Softball Team", "Games played on Monday evenings beginning July 7th. Anyone over the age of 14 is welcome to play!", and "Contact Pat Burns for more information and to request your team t-shirt."/>

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Bingo Night: Wednesday, July 2

We'll have an all-ages Bingo Night on **Wednesday, July 2 at 6 pm.** Snacks and drinks are provided. If you'd like to donate any new or gently used items - or gift cards - for the prize table, please bring the items to church by **Sunday, June 29.** We hope to have plenty of prizes that appeal to kids, youth and adults. The youth will help set up the prize table.



Now Hiring: Part-Time Administrative Assistant

We are looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant to work Monday - Friday from 9 am - 12 pm. They will serve as the “hub” of church communication, coordinating the office, facilitating information distribution, and providing hospitality to all who interact with the church. This person will also assist the Treasurer with processing invoices, paying bills, and providing employees’ time sheets and other information to

Miller Management Systems (MMS). To apply or ask questions, please email jobs@smithvillefirstchristian.org. [View the Full Job Description](#)



Women Together Outing Saturday, June 28

Our second Women Together event will be Saturday, June 28th. We’re taking a trip to Marceline, Missouri to visit the Walt Disney Hometown Museum and have lunch! We’ll leave the church at 9 am! Please let us know if you can make it! [RSVP on Sign-Up Genius](#)

Women Together Outing on Saturday, Aug. 9

Explore JOCO with Laura, Saturday, August 9th. Spend a day in Pastor Laura’s neighborhood. We’ll start in Downtown Overland Park at Crafted Fair Trade where we’ll learn about fair trade and sample some treats. Then we’ll shop for a bit, eat lunch together and drive to Leawood to get a private tour of Church of the Resurrection and their incredible stained glass window. We’ll leave our church at 9 am and return around 4 pm. RSVP: <https://bit.ly/4mWktVf>



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

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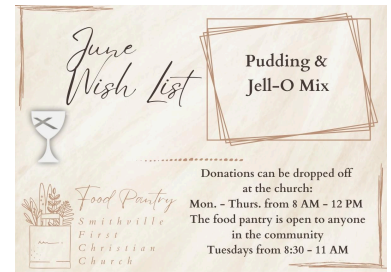


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June Food Pantry:

Pudding and Jell-O Mix would be appreciated in June.

Donations can be dropped off at the church: **Monday - Thursday from 9 AM - 12 PM.** The food pantry is open to anyone in the community on **Tuesdays from 8:30 - 11 AM.**



SMITHVILLE
School District

THE WARRIOR CLOSET

IN NEED OF GIRLS CLOTHES SIZES 3T - 14. WILL ALSO ACCEPT BOYS CLOTHING. BRING ITEMS TO CHURCH THROUGH JUNE, AND THEN WE WILL HAVE THEM PICKED UP SO THEY ARE READY FOR THE BACK-TO-SCHOOL SEASON.



The Warrior School Clothes Closet

The Warrior School Clothes Closet is in need of girls clothes from 3T - 14. Clothes can be gently used or new and should be clean. They are also accepting boys clothing in those sizes, but the biggest need is for girls clothes. You can bring items to church through June, and then we will have them picked up so they are ready for the back-to-school season.



Weekly Coffee & Donut Fellowship:

Join us each Sunday at 10 AM (prior to Worship Service) for coffee, donuts, and fellowship!

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday!



June 15th Father's Day Fellowship Dinner

Next Sunday, June 15th on Father's Day, we'll have a Fellowship Dinner after Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share.



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youth news

Tall Oaks Summer Camps <https://www.talloaks.org/doc-camps>

Summer camps are open for registration. **Scholarship funds available** for ALL of these camps and retreats. Please apply here. <https://bit.ly/4jCQ7VZ> Save \$50 on camp registration if you register by **Friday, June 6.**

First Christian Church
Smithville

PROPOSED SLATE

2025
CANDIDATES

Candidates 2025

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present this slate of Candidates for the roles of Elder, Deacon and Trustee, beginning their terms on July 1, 2025.

There will be a **congregational meeting after worship on June 15 to vote for this slate.** We thank everyone who filled out a nomination form, who spoke with us and prayerfully considered whether to accept the nomination, and to all of those who said yes to serving our church in these roles.

2025 Nominating Committee:

Kathy Atkins, Susie Clower, Linda Prout, Cheryl Merideth, Pastor Laura Guy - Advisory role

Elder - 3 year term

Angie Viebrock
John Merritt
Susie Clower

Diane Soetaert
Earl Soetaert
Lauren Burns

Deacon - 3 year term

Linda Neer
Linda Prout
Jack Massie
Cheryl Lewis
Marcia Hayes
Suzanne Becker

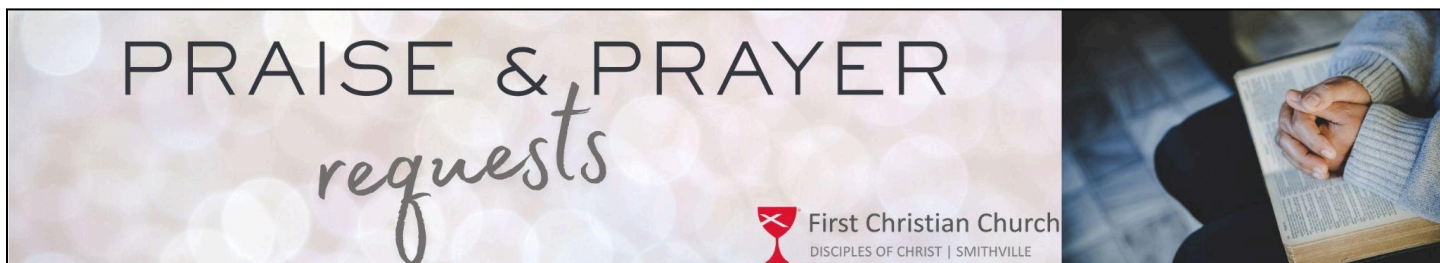
Junior Deacon - 1 year term

Coen Hickman
Chloe Easton
Larson Viebrock
McKinley Massie

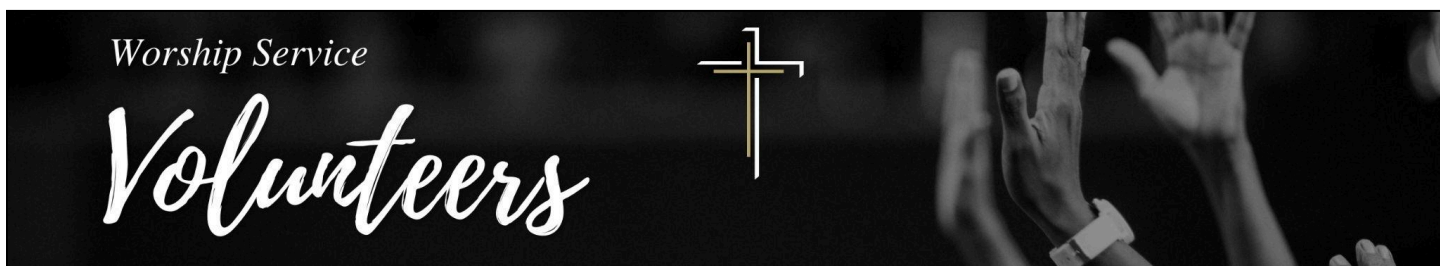
Trustee - 5 year term

Scott Schoonover
Cheryl Lewis

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Please submit any prayer requests - new or continuing concerns - through the [Prayer Request Form](#) by the end of the day on **Wednesdays** for inclusion in Sunday's bulletin. Thank you for your help in keeping us informed of the needs in our community!



Worship Service Schedule for June 15, 2025

Elder – Cara Massie

Lay Leader - Cheryl Merideth

Prep & Serve – Belinda Miller & Sue Boswell

Serve & Clean-up –Becky Crosby & Susie Clower

***Greeters** – Charles Porter & Ruth Anne Porter

(Attention Greeters: We will need one Greeter at the East Entrance, and one Greeter at the West Entrance. Thank you!)

Cash Counter – Greg Atkins

Acolyte(s) – Keaton & Case Crosby

Nursery – Ruth Anne Porter

Worship Service Schedule for June 22 , 2025

Elder – Jennifer Schoonover

Lay Leader - Stacey Sapp

Prep & Serve – Sandra Matthews & John Matthews

Serve & Clean-up –Scott Schoonover & Kathy Hamilton

***Greeters** – Carol Summers & Shirley Curtis-Klein

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Cash Counter – Janice Roberts

Acolyte(s) – Lincoln Viebrock

Nursery – Joyce French

*If you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and update the office by Thursday. The Volunteer List can be viewed online by scanning this QR code or going to <https://bit.ly/3CWjFO0>.

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To submit a Prayer Request: <https://bit.ly/3WIOXyf>

Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday: 9 am - Noon

Friday/Saturday/Sunday: Office is Closed