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Fill out this Connection Card and include it in today's offering. New around here? Address changes? Fill out what's relevant.

Today's Date: August 26, 2018

Your Name(s)

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give

Many of us give in ways other than putting money in the offering plate each week. Some of us give online at the church's website, or use our bank's online bill pay. Some of us make one large annual gift, or we fulfill our pledge by making a gift once a month. We give our time and our talents because all of our gifts make a difference. Note ways to participate on the reverse side.

Gold envelopes are available in the pews for any financial gifts you would like to give today. Place this card in the offering of a symbol of a gift you've made in another way.

Opportunities for the Week of August 26-September 2

Today	9:00	Small Group Bible Study
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	5:00	Welcome Gathering, 221 N. Elam Ave.
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous
Monday	9:00	CWS Citizenship Class in Friendship Classroom
	9:30	Vintage Kings & Queens Play Cards
	9:30	Staff Meetings
Tuesday	10:00	RemARCable Community Program in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	9:00	CWS Citizenship Class in Friendship Classroom
	10:00	RemARCable Community Program in Fellowship Hall
Thursday	10:00	RemARCable Community Program in Fellowship Hall <i>No Table Talk</i>
	8:00	Al-Anon and Alateen
Sunday	9:00	Small Group Bible Study
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous

Leadership Retreat, Saturday, September 8, 9:00-1:00

This event is for all church leaders, as well as anyone else who wants to join in the fun. We'll spend time getting acquainted with our new organizational structures, go over our vision and action plan, and have some time for the ministry teams to meet together. Plus, as always, we'll worship, play, and break bread together. Don't miss it!

Our Ministries for Children and Youth

We've made some changes to our Sunday night program. Twice a month (usually the first and third Sunday) there will be opportunities for children and youth of all ages - from birth through high school - and their grown-ups, too!

For youth in middle school and high school:

We're teaming up with two other churches nearby - Congregational United Church of Christ and First Friends Meeting - for a neighborhood youth group. There will be a group for middle schoolers and a group for high schoolers.

Stay tuned for more information, including how to sign up. If you haven't been a regular on Sunday nights, we hope you will make a commitment to join in this year.

It all begins on Sunday, September 16, from 5:30-7:00.

Serving Next Sunday, September 2

Elders Jimmy Murray and John Flynt **Deacons** JoAnn Tucker, Anna Young, Leah Guthrie Loy, Robertson Rcham, Ken Garner, and Les Rose **Acolyte** Chloe Murray

Worship Leader Bill Inmon **Children's Moment** Lee Hull Moses

Children's Church Amanda Desselles and Meredith Cooper **Building** Bill Wiley

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Amanda Desselles, Children's Church Leader Holly Lail, PYF Teacher

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)



Summer 2018: **Stories, Songs, and Movies**

August 26, 2018

Movies: Moana

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music

"Wade in the Water"

African-American Spiritual
Chuck Marohnic

Lighting of Candles and Processional

Emily Sharpe

***Choral Call to Worship**

"All Are Welcome" (v. 3)

Haugen

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us.
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

***Proclamation**

Emily Viverette

The steadfast love of God never ceases. God's mercies never come to an end—they are new every morning. This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Come, let us sing to the Lord.

***Hymn of Praise**

"Here I Am, Lord"

No. 452
HERE I AM, LORD

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

Emily Viverette

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

***Response in Praise** “Gloria Creator Dei” W. Faulkner

Glo-ry to God the Cre-a-tor! And to the Christ, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit.
5
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be.
8
World with-out end. A-men!

Words of Welcome Lee Hull Moses

Ministry Moment

Back-to-School Blessing Lee Hull Moses
Children’s Church does not meet on the last Sunday of the month so that the whole church can worship together. The nursery is available for younger children.

Prayers of the People
Preparation for Prayer “This Little Light of Mine”
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!
Pastoral Prayer Lee Hull Moses

Sharing our Gifts
Call to Offering Emily Viverette
Offertory *Our gifts support the ministry of this congregation, here in our community and around the world. The gold envelopes in the pews can be used for general gifts to First Christian. The connection card in this bulletin can also symbolize gifts made electronically.*

*Response “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 47
OLD HUNDREDETH
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above,
ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Dedication of Gifts Emily Viverette

Solo W. Faulkner
“Be Not Afraid” Bob Dufford

Scripture Matthew 14:22-33 Emily Viverette
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Message “Where You Are and Who You Are” Lee Hull Moses

Reflection and Response
In response to the message and in preparation for communion, you are invited to visit the prayer stations or pause for reflection where you are.

Sharing the Feast Lee Hull Moses
Call to Communion
One: The Lord be with you.
Many: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
Many: We lift them to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Many: It is right to give God thanks and praise.
One: At this table we rejoice in the good news:
Many: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
One: All are welcome at God’s table. We join our voices in song as we prepare to commune together.

Communion Hymn No. 330
“Alleluia! Hear God’s Story” W ZLOBIE LEZY

Words of Institution Lee Hull Moses
Prayer for the Bread and Cup Eleanor Bray
One: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, share in the feast.
*All who seek to follow Jesus are invited to share in communion.
Eat the bread as it is passed; hold the cup to drink in unison.*

One: We eat the bread individually, because Christ meets us each where we are. We drink the cup as one, because together we are the body of Christ.
The cup is shared.
One: Thanks be to God!
Many: Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship Lee Hull Moses

***Hymn of Dedication** No. 371
“Wade in the Water” WADE IN THE WATER

***Taking the Light of Christ into the World** Emily Sharpe

***Benediction** Lee Hull Moses
One: You whom God has called,
Many: Keep listening.
One: You whom Christ has fed,
Many: Live simply.
One: You whom the spirit has filled,
Many: Love completely.
One: Go and receive the blessing that awaits you.
Go to be hope for the world. Go in peace. Amen.

***Postlude** “Maestoso” J.G. Sachs (19th c.)
**Please stand as you are able.*
Benediction from Erice Fairbrother, *Gifts in Open Hands*

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praying Feel free to draw or write prayer requests here. If you have confidential concerns, please contact Rev. Moses directly.

Joys and Concerns:

participate Let us know your plans.
 What’s the farthest you’ve ever been from home?

I’ll be at the Welcome Gathering from 5-6:30 p.m. tonight at Pastor Lee’s home.

I will play cards tomorrow morning at 9:30 with the Vintage Kings & Queens.

I’ll be at small group next Sunday at 9.

I’ll be at the Leadership Retreat on September 8.

I am excited for the kickoff of youth programs on Sunday, September 16, and I’ll be there with bells on! (No bells is fine, too.)

With a little more information, I would consider volunteering to help with youth programs. My preference would be:

Elementary age Middle school age

High school age Behind the scenes

I’d like more information about the Sept. 28-30 men’s retreat at Christmount.

I would like more information about First Christian.

I am praying for our church and world.

Other: