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Your presence here matters.

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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 18, 2019

Your Name(s)

Address

City State Zip

Telephone Number

Email

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 as a symbol of a gift you've made in another way.

Opportunities for the Week of August 18-25

Today	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	1:00	Friendship Classroom Reserved by Mike Simpson
	4:00	Fellowship Hall Reserved by El-Shaddai Vision Church
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous
Monday	10:00	Staff Meetings
Tuesday	7:00	Table Topics
Wednesday	6:00	Backpack Project Potluck Dinner
Thursday	9:00	Ladies' Coffee Group at Panera, 2645 Lawndale Ave.
	6:30	Table Talk on Tap
	8:00	Al-Anon and Alateen
Friday		Senior Wheels
Saturday	5:00	Rafiki Youth Ministry in Fellowship Hall
Sunday	10:00	Worship and Ice Cream Social
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous

Backpack Project Potluck Dinner this Wednesday, August 21, at 6:00 p.m.

BACKPACK PROJECT

Join us this Wednesday for a potluck dinner at which we will fill the backpacks. Please RSVP on the Connection Card.

Back-to-School Blessing for All Ages During Worship next Sunday, August 25



Students of all ages: bring your backpacks.
Teachers and staff: bring your briefcase or tote.
Stay for ice cream sundaes following worship!

Serving Next Sunday, August 25

Acolyte Ashley Siu **Elders** Mike Wildman and Robin Lund **Deacons** Brad Light, Debbie Light, Olivia Steadman, Madison Steadman, Larry Collins, Meredith Cooper
Worship Leader George Manley **Greeter** Carol Moates
Children's Moment NYP **No Children's Church**
Coffee Hour Host Sue Hulighan **Building Responsibilities** Jim Tebow

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Amanda Desselles, Children's Church Leader

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Sunday, August 18, 2019

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music "Wade in the Water" African-American Spiritual
Arr. by Chuck Marohnic

Lighting of Candles and Processional Izaac Myers

***Call to Worship** Darilyn Knibb

**Please stand as you are able.*

One: This is the day that the Lord has made.

Many: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Come by Christ's invitation clear spoken.

Many: We seek the nourishment found in fruit crushed and bread broken.

One: Like tender flowers waiting for the sun,

Many: We rise and open our souls to the Light.

***Hymn of Praise** No. 635

"Faith of our Fathers" ST. CATHERINE

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Darilyn Knibb

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** No. 35

"Glory Be to the Father" GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.

Baptism of Roger Culler Phil Miller
Baptismal Scriptures Susan Cox
Baptismal Hymn No. 373
“Be in Our Midst, O Christ” (vs. 1, 3 & 5) BEGINNINGS

Laying on of Hands and Responsive Reading No. 369

Words of Welcome Phil Miller

Children’s Moment Melissa Guthrie Loy
Following the Children’s Moment, children age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to gather at the back of the sanctuary for Children’s Church. Children’s Church leader: Amanda Desselles and Laura Murray

Prayers of the People
Preparation for Prayer No. 305
“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” CHILDREN PRAYING
**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your spirit in this place; Lord,
listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.**
Pastoral Prayer Phil Miller

Sharing Our Gifts
Call to Offering
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.*
Offertory Music
*Response No. 46
“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” OLD HUNDRETH
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him*,
all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**
Dedication of Gifts

Scripture Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Darilyn Knibb
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Hymn Sing

Message “Start Running—And Never Quit!” Phil Miller

Sharing the Feast
Communion Hymn “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley” No. 211
LONESOME VALLEY
Call to Communion Phil Miller

One: Our God is gracious.
Many: Our God is compassionate.
One: What can we give back for all of God’s goodness to us?
**Many: I will take in my hands
the cup of salvation together with God’s people.**

Words of Institution Phil Miller
Prayer for the Bread and Cup Mike Wildman
One: When we bless the cup of blessing, is it not a means of sharing in the blood of Christ? When we break the bread, is it not a means of sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, many as we are, are one body; for it is one loaf of which we all partake.
Christ, the host of this meal, invites all who love Him to celebrate His life among us. Eat the bread as it is passed; hold the cup to drink in unison.
One: As one body with many members, we share the cup as one. Let us drink this cup in remembrance of Jesus Christ.
The cup is shared.

One: We have taken into ourselves the signs of Christ’s life and death and presence. So let us say, “It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me!”
Many: Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship Phil Miller

***Hymn of Dedication** No. 602
“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” MARYTON

***Taking the Light of Christ into the World** Izaac Myers

***Benediction** Phil Miller

***Postlude** “Andante Maestoso” from *Water Music* Geo. F. Handel (1685-1759)

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praying Feel free to share Joys and Concerns:

- participate* Let us know your plans.
- I am interested in small group conversation and will be at Table Topics this Tuesday at 7 p.m.
 - I plan to attend the Backpack Project Potluck Dinner this Wednesday and I’ll bring a side dish.
 - I’m interested in Table Talk on Tap Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD. This is informal conversation at a local brewery.
 - I could help provide transportation for seniors to medical appointments.
 - I am a student or a teacher or I serve at a school and I’ll be here next Sunday for the blessing.
 - I plan to eat ice cream next Sunday at the celebration following worship.
 - My favorite ice cream topping is:
 - I may be able to help with children’s or youth programs this fall on the first and third Sunday evenings.
 - I’m praying for our church and world.
 - Other: