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OUR MISSION
**To know God and
follow Jesus Christ.**

Happening Soon

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

- Breakfast for Our Brethren, 6am-9am, Waypoint Shelter (1304 Bowling St)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

- Worship, 8:30 & 10:30am
- Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9:30am, YFH
- Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor
- Trunk or Treat, 4-6pm, Parking Lot

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

- Loaves & Fishes, 4-6:30pm, Waypoint Shelter (1304 Bowling St)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

- Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor
- Drennan Meeting, 1pm, Lenoir Woods
- Newsletter Mailing, 1pm, Morris Parlor

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- Midweek Connect, 10:30am, Zoom
- Bible Study, 12pm, Morris Parlor
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, 3rd Floor

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6pm, 3rd Floor

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

- Breakfast for Our Brethren, 6am-9:30am, Waypoint Shelter (1304 Bowling St)
- Fall Church Work Day, 9am-12pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

All Saints' Sunday • Daylight Savings Ends

- Worship, 8:30 & 10:30am
- Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9:30am, YFH
- Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor
- CYF & College: W2 & Taxes, 5pm



A congregation related to
**The Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)**
www.disciples.org

22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 25TH

*"The Greatest
Commandment(s)"*

MATTHEW 22:34-46

REV. DR. BRAD STAGG, PREACHING

2 WORSHIP OPTIONS

IN-PERSON AT CHURCH @ 8:30 & 10:30 AM:

In-person worship in the sanctuary.

-OR-

AT-HOME, ONLINE: Tune in to our livestream on Sunday mornings on YouTube, or watch the recording of the live service - available on Monday via email/YouTube channel/FCC Facebook page.

*"First Christian Church
(Columbia, Missouri)"*

Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held this Sunday, October 25 from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the church parking lot. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to offer a trunk or baked goods! We will accept candy donations up until the event - all candy will help supplement the candy of our trunks. Thank you for all of your support and we can't wait to have some Halloween fun together this weekend!



Fall Church Work Day

Date Change! Annual Fall Landscape Workday on Saturday, October 31

The date has officially changed for our annual fall landscape day - please join us on Saturday, October 31 from 9:00 a.m. until noon (or any portion thereof) to clean up, spruce up and shape up after a very tough summer growing season! Volunteers are asked to bring their own gardening tools, gloves, hats, sunscreen, and drinking water. Two or three wheelbarrows, mulch forks or shovels will also be needed if anyone can provide them. If you plan to join us on Saturday, October 31, please call or text Mike Randerson at 573-424-4858 to RSVP. Hope to see you there!



Breakfast for Our Brethren

Sign Ups Available! Help us Cross the Breakfast Finish Line this October



First Christian Church serves breakfast every Saturday in the months of May and October for folks staying at the Waypoint Shelter at the Opportunity Campus. We are almost finished with our commitment this October - and you can help us reach the finish line! Sign up to serve on Saturday, October 31 or to donate food. Please check out the sign up sheets in the Narthex on Sunday morning or sign up online: <https://bit.ly/octoberbfob>. **Questions?** Contact Debbie Potthast (dapotthast@gmail.com) for more information.



News of the People & Places

Sympathy...

• **Don Mosby** passed away on Thursday, October 8 following surgery at Boone Hospital. Don was 92 years old. Services for Don will be held on Saturday, November 7 at First Christian Church. A visitation will be held from 9-10:50 a.m. with a memorial service at 11:00 a.m. and a reception to follow. Please keep **Brenda,**



Vic, Amy, Maddie, Brady and the rest of Don's family in your prayers during this time of grief and transition.

Welcome to the World...

• **Charli Marguerite Tallman** was born

on Monday, October 19 at 5:17 a.m. Charli and mom, **Taylor (Humble) Tallman** are doing great. Congratulations to parents, Taylor and Troy Tallman, and grandparents **Steve & Jessica Humble.**



Prayers for Health & Healing...

• **Donaleigh Richardson** has been in and out of the hospital over the last few weeks. Prayers for continued healing.

• **Steve & Sharon Smith** were in Wichita, KS watching their granddaughter play flag football when a pickup truck drove onto the field next to theirs, where a youth soccer game was happening. The Smiths ask for prayers for the families of those killed, injured, or present at the scene.

Thank You...

Thanks for the love that has been shown to me following Don's death! **Eric**, thank you for bringing flowers from the Church and visiting with us. **Brad**, thank you for being with us through the hard times. Thanks for all the food, calls, visits and flowers. My family and I have been blessed by your love.

Love and prayers, **Brenda Mosby**

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated candy, food supplies, and baked goods for our many events this month.

From memorial services to Saturday morning breakfast, you are all keeping the wheels turning - and making it taste good!

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Thank you for everything!!

Church Office Staff

Loaves & Fishes

This month's Loaves & Fishes serving date falls on Monday, October 26 and we are looking for volunteers to help deliver and serve food! There is an online sign-up available, if you'd like to see where volunteers are still needed: <https://bit.ly/octloaves26>. If you can't join us this month, but want to be added to the Loaves & Fishes email list, contact Erin in the Church Office and you'll hear from us in December. Thank you all so much for making this ministry possible!



Save the date
ALTHEA W. AND JOHN A. SCHIFFMAN
Ethics in Society
Lecture
OCTOBER 29, 2026
5:30 p.m.
LAUNER AUDITORIUM
COLUMBIA COLLEGE | 1001 ROGERS ST. | COLUMBIA MO


BART EHRLMAN

ISO: Sunday Morning Volunteers



We have a few open spots in our Greeter, Welcome Station, Sunday Receptionist, and AV Team serving schedules, and we are looking for a few more volunteers! If you have any interest in serving in any of these roles on Sunday mornings, please contact **Erin Perry** in the Church Office (fcc@firstchristian.org).

Clergy Appreciation Month

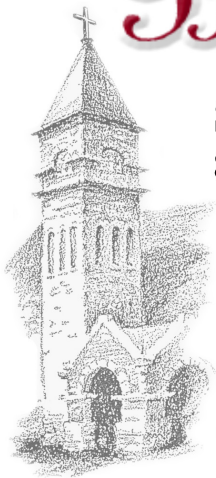
Help Celebrate & Thank Rev. Dr. Stagg this October

Clergy appreciation month falls each year during the month of October. If you would like to offer "appreciation" to our minister in honor of Clergy Appreciation Month, there are a few ways to do so! We are asking for a few "words of affirmation" for Brad as we go into this month - you can offer memories, compliments, or a note of appreciation via email (fcc@firstchristian.org), a handwritten note sent to the Church Office, or online: <https://forms.gle/K2si5Q8VrYZfgkiS6>



First Christian Church
101 N. 10th - Downtown Columbia

Christmas Bazaar



Saturday, November 14
8am - 2pm, Fellowship Hall

Arts & Crafts
from more than 25 vendors
A Variety of Handmade Christmas Gifts!

A Christian Women's Fellowship Project

Annual Christmas Bazaar

Annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 14

We are so excited that the Christmas Bazaar is almost here! This year's bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 14 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in Yonker Fellowship Hall. All are invited to shop for handcrafted gifts, arts, crafts, and holiday items. We will not sell Christmas cookies or candy this year, but any additional ways to get involved in this year's Bazaar will be announced soon. You can always help us by spreading the word about this awesome event - invite your friends and families or ask the Church Office for additional flyers. We so look forward to working together and seeing you all this year at FCC!

Birthdays

October 26 - Diana Provenzano

October 27 - Jane Eckert

David Potthast

Kurt Schaefer

October 28 - James Carrier

October 30 - Daisy Crane,

Rachael Fullington, Drew Gieseke

October 31 - Richard Hoeppener

November 1 - Cherry Hinderberger, Lillian McCormack,
Richard Schomaker

Anniversaries

October 29 - David & Debbie Potthast



Youth Group Schedule

Join this Sunday!



All Youth: Trunk or Treat

October 25 @ 4:00 p.m.

CYF & College: W2s & Taxes

November 1 @ 5:00 p.m.

JYF & CYF: Christmas Bazaar Prep

November 8 @ 4:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Afternoon at the Corn Maze

Nineteen FCCers and friends had a fun, fall afternoon at Shyrock's Corn Maze on Sunday. Thank you to **Stacy**

Silverwood for organizing, **Scott & Shannon Schaefer** and **Faith Silverwood** for the pictures, and **Ryan Silverwood** for transporting everyone in the church bus!



Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 1

Don't forget to change your clocks back an hour! We hope to see you well rested and on time on Sunday!



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Worship Serving Schedule

Sunday, October 25

OFFICE RECEPTIONIST: Carla Tanzey

WELCOME STATION: TBD

FLOWER MINISTRY: Paula Hoenes

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Kathy Ramser

EARLY SERVICE HELPERS:

Sharon Smith & Sue Fink

COMMUNION PREP: Tracy & Steve Evers

GREETERS: Cindy Smith (N. Door),

Doug Smith (S. Door), TBD
(Atrium), TBD (Portico)

AV TEAM: Chris Fuemmeler

LITURGIST: Tracy Evers

8:30 ELDER: Cherry Hinderberger

10:30 ELDERS: Bryan Garton, Debbie
Garton, Janelle Patterson (Balcony)

DEACONS: The Hunsaker Team

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Stacy Silverwood

OFFERING COUNTERS:

Jennifer Alexander and Deb Batterson