



Christian Communicator



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lexi Wahlert
Kim Stephen
(cousin to Grubbs, Comstocks, & Rouws)
Allan Rouw
(brother-in-law to Grubbs, Comstocks, & Rouws)
Jake Beck
(Roger/Cyndy Gay's son-in-law)
Jill Shaul
(friend of Kathy Butler)
Donnell Clarke
(family friend of Connie Louderback)
Kristelle Vanderbeek
Jeff Baumgardner
(Shari Fynaardt's brother-in-law)

Ann Mattix
(Lara Vandello's aunt)
Brad Sarver
(Larry & Patty's son)
Vinnie Provenzano
Phyllis Lane
Chuck Shrader
(friend of Heather Stevens)
Lyndsay VanDenHeuvel
(niece of Randy/Kathy Pleima)
Kara Foster
(Sheryl Shaw's daughter)
Stan Gray
David Gleason

MILITARY

Kyrsten DeWees, daughter of Rick & Michelle DeWees
Kelly Lane, granddaughter of Phyllis Lane

The Thanksgiving Offering
supporting higher
education will be
Sunday, November 15 & 22



OUR VISION STATEMENT

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Oskaloosa is a welcoming place where people feel a connection to God through Jesus Christ and a commitment to each other, our community and the world.

FROM THE PASTOR

"I'm grateful for work more important than how I happen to feel about it on any given day."

- Fred Craddock

There is something honest about Fred Craddock's words. We all have days when we feel ready to go, and other days when we feel tired or stretched thin. But, some of the most important things we do are worth doing regardless of how we feel that specific day. Stewardship is one of those things.

When we hear the word stewardship, we often think about money and the church budget. Financial generosity is important, but stewardship is about more than what we put in the offering plate. It's how we share our time, talents, resources, and love with others. At First Christian Church, we see stewardship in action all the time. It is visible in those who sing, serve, volunteer in our community, and quietly take care of things that often go unnoticed. It is also reflected in the generosity that supports our ministries and allows us to share the love of Jesus throughout Oskaloosa and beyond.

As we reflect on stewardship this month, I encourage each of us to ask, "How can I faithfully share what God has entrusted to me?"

In the coming weeks, keep an eye out for writings from several members of our FCC family sharing their personal experiences with stewardship and how it has impacted their lives. I hope their stories will encourage us and help us see stewardship in new ways.

Commitment Sunday and our Congregational Meeting will be on November 22nd, during worship. This will be our opportunity to turn in our Estimate of Giving cards, as we prayerfully consider how we can support the ministries of FCC in the coming year.

Thank you for the many ways you give, serve, pray, and care for each other. You make a difference in so many ways, and we wouldn't be able to be the church we are without you and your gifts!

As always, I look forward to seeing you, especially in worship,

Pastor Robert

Children and Youth Ministries

During the month of October our children & youth programs have served around 90 children each Wednesday night.

Our middle school and high school students enjoyed a service project at Walmart and our elementary students have been learning about King David. We all enjoyed a family night at Autumn Acres.



November Birthdays

1 - Brett Doud
Jennifer Lathrop
3 - Hazel Foster
6 - Cindy Bridges
Kelly Hoekstra
Jerry Kime
8 - Scott Brandriff
Jennifer Peterson
9 - Kara Foster
Audrianna Wilke
11 - Marilyn Mott
14 - Reed Peterson
Shawn VanRheenen
15 - Carol Huffman
16 - Colton Hunt
19 - Dan Augustine
Rob Taylor



20 - Banx Blackwell
24 - Roger Gay
Melissa Hunt
26 - Kim Gile
Veronica Grim
27 - Travis Gile
28 - Jeff Nicholson
29 - Jeff Brackney
Cyndy Gay
30 - Bill Ballard
Ezra Bock



Ryan & Caryn Augustine

November 3, 2012

Jacob & Paige Spears

November 5, 2022

Kraig & Jana VanHulzen

November 27, 1993

Keith & Martha Comfort

November 29



"Sisters In Spirit"

Sisters In Spirit will meet
Saturday, November 7 at
8:30 AM in the lounge.

Lydia Circle will meet
Tuesday, November 17,
1:30 PM in the lounge.

Anyone interested in joining the praise team should contact the office for more information.

2026 Elders & Officers of the Board

Elders

1-year-term

Linda Cohrt
Laura Ginaven

Lorri Grubb - **Chair**

Brook VanRheenen - **Secretary**

2-year-term

Gene Fynaardt - **Vice-Chair**

Larry Homan
Brian Myers
Eric Palmer
Randy Pleima

Diaconate

1-year-term

Ranae Banicky
Jim Brandriff
Dennis Green
Kayla Martin
Brian Myers

2-year-term

Jon Angove
Makenzie Banicky
Colton Butler
David Gile
Carol Huffman
Sone Scott
Kendra Slycord
Julie Spears
Harper VerSchuure

****Meetings are on the 2nd Sunday of
each month following worship in the
lounge unless otherwise noted ****

Board

Randy Pleima - Chair
Gene Fynaardt - Vice-Chair
Kayla Martin - Secretary
Sone Scott - Treasurer
Karen Keep - Financial Secretary



Sympathies are extended to family
and friends of Judy DeJong upon
her death October 11, 2026.

**Children & Youth ministries meet
Wednesdays 5:30 - 8:00 PM**



Raymond Ticknor will be
celebrating his 90th
birthday on November 4.
Anyone wishing to help
him celebrate (and share
memories) should send to:
1507 C Deer Lake Ln
Monett MO 65708
Phone: 417-772-1092

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