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# weekly

Sunday Youth Group–grade 6th–12th at 11:45 Monday -Rock Steady Boxing1:00pm Monday– CCF– 4-5pm Wednesday-Handbells – 6pm Wednesday– Choir—6:45pm Thursday Bible Study– 1:15PM *(Windsor Garden)* Thursday- PAL -6:30PM

# monthly

01/02 OFFICE CLOSED 01/08 Undecorate the church at 11:30am 01/09 Elders Meting at 6 pm 01/09 Food Drop Off 7am-1pm 01/10 United For Recovery 6:30pm 01/11 Worship/ music Team Meeting at 5pm 01/12 Long range planning at 6pm 01/16 Stewardship/ finance—5pm 01/16 Board Meeting 6:00pm 01/23 Food Drop Off 7am-1pm 01/29 Fifth Sunday at 10:00am FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

**JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER** 



WORSHIP 8:30 Service 10:30 Service Nursery Available

**CO-PASTORS** 

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Through God's invitation, we welcome ALL to worship. In gathering at the Table, we share praise and thanksgiving, enhancing our relationships with God and one another in becoming the body of Christ. As we begin another year, let us pray for more peace, stronger relationships, lots of love, happy tidings, good health and loads of blessings for you and your family. May 2023 be the best year yet!

Happy New Year!

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

Join us for Worship on Sunday, Jan. 1 at 10:00 am with continental breakfast starting at 9:30 am. We will have Star Words for everyone to help guide your year, just as the Magi were guided by the Star to seek the Christ Child.

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone for your generous gifts, kind cards, texts and calls at Christmas. We are blessed to serve a caring and thoughtful congregation.

Jim and Jackie Summers

## Dear Church Famíly,

We want to thank you for the beautiful Christmas plant, delicious cookies, and most meaningful Christmas card. These lovely gifts added so much joy to our Christmas.

Very Sincerely with love,

Carol & Bill Walls

# First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 75 East John Rowan Blvd Bardstown, KY 40004

September 2022

#### **2022 OUTREACH MINISTRIES SHARED**

**Total of 3293** Food, Snacks and Personal Care Items were given to Bread for Life Food Pantry, Room In the Inn and Bowling Green Tornado Relief.

**\$291.01** Raised for Souper Bowl of Caring - Bread for Life

**Room In The Inn-** Countless meals cooked and donated on Thursdays and other nights, including snacks, breakfasts and lunches as well as space provided on Thursday nights in the winter. 2 1/2 hours on Friday mornings doing laundry for RITI with donations of quarters and detergent. Mats were also donated to RITI.

**500+** Snowmen made from candy bars and gloves were organized and donated to Ms. Dora's Christmas, plus a few dozen coats.

**Baby Bottles-** \$688.65 Was collected and donated to New Life Center, along with several boxes of baby items.



\*Kentucky Regional Men's Chorus Retreat is Jan. 27-29 at Madison Ave. CC in Covington, KY. Please contact Jim Summers if you are interested in attending.

#### \*Kentucky Regional Women's Chorus Retreat

Feb. 24-26 at Crestwood Christian Church in Lexington, KY Please contact Jackie Summers if you are interested in attending.

**\*GENERAL ASSEMBLY** - the Kin-dom of God Within Us/Among Us will be held July 29-August 1, 2023 in Louisville. Contact Jackie or Jim if you are willing to be a volunteer in many of the local planning teams. You also get a discounted registration rate for volunteering. Jackie and Jim are heading the On-Site Registration Team and will need volunteers to help with that and staff the booth during the Assembly.

#### \*MISSION TRIPS

We are starting to look at some possible mission sites for either Spring Break or this Summer. Watch the bulletin for an upcoming planning date.

#### **2022 UPDATES FROM WEEK OF COMPASSION**

As the relief, refugee, and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Week of Compassion works with partners to alleviate suffering throughout the world. Week of Compassion envisions a world where God's people transform suffering into hope.

2022 has been another year of challenge and tragedy throughout the world

... a war in Ukraine has killed thousands and sent millions into other nations as refugees, with millions more uprooted and displaced within their own country.

... billion-dollar disasters mount as hurricanes ravage still-recovering communities, and tornadoes tear through towns with little warning.

... devastating floods in Pakistan affected tens of millions of people, and will mean years of recovery.

... rampant drought continues in the Horn of Africa nations, while water is in full supply but absolutely unusable in cities like Jackson, Mississippi, and Flint, Michigan.

In the midst of every difficult moment, every time, Disciples are there ...

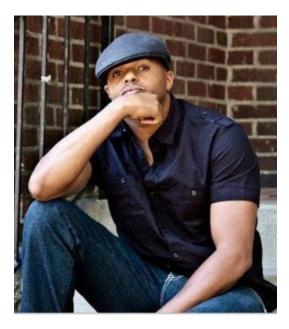
... serving refugees from Syria, Afghanistan, and Ukraine, offering radical hospitality and abundant welcome.

... partnering to rebuild homes and communities, churches became work centers, food pantries, and even school libraries.

... contributing both designated and 'where most needed' offerings so that immediate needs can be met and long-term plans can be made with confidence.

... finding ways through ecumenical partners and networks both domestically and worldwide to meet water and sanitation needs, tending to communities' nutrition and health.

For all the many ways we serve, worship, and pursue justice and hope together, we are grateful. From all of us at Week of Compassion, we pray abundant blessings for each of you in this Christmas season.



#### "YOUTH GROUP"

6th - 12th Grade youth will gather on Sunday, Jan. 15 at 1:45 to go to Lexington for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Regional Youth Gathering from 3-5pm at Transylvania Univ. Devine Caramba, will speak, he is a youth activist and motivational speaker, plus a hip-hop artist and musician. We'll get to know each other and share pizza, fruit and drinks. At 6pm we will worship together at Central Christian with Rev. Dr. Terri Hord Owens, our General Minister and President, as our guest speaker. We must know by Sunday, Jan. 8 if you plan to go with us.

#### "CCF"

Christian Children's Fellowship resumes on Monday, Jan. 9 at 4pm. This is for children in K-5th grades. We are planning some fun games, snacks, crafts, mission and more. Friends are welcome. Blrthdayings 01/02 Derek Edlin 01/08 Linda Richie 01/10 Barbara Bailey and Kelly Dick 01/10 Barbara Bailey and Kelly Dick 01/11 Aili Mizutani 01/12 Danny Owens, Robbie Simpson, Olivia Unseld 01/17 David Ballard 01/18 Jimmy Arnold 01/20 Colden Reiter, Tony Burba 01/21 Mary Moore, Patsy Parrott 01/23 Kristie Day 01/24 Maggie Dittmeier 01/25 Melinda Monin 01/26 David Moore 01/31 Austin Frazier



01/11/51 Doris and Ronell White

"Christmas Caroling"









### "Advent Wreath Lighting"



"Casting Crowns Concert"



#### "Children's Christmas Program"







Recycling is important for our environment and it also helps our church. To be accepted, we need to follow their rules: clean aluminum or steel cans only, NO cardboard, NO plastic (bags or bottles), NO foil of any kind (including food trays). Dump your clean cans on the right side (aluminum) or left side (steel) in the appropriate container inside the storage building in the parking lot. Do NOT put your cans in small grocery bags; dump the cans in the appropriate container and throw away the bag. You may leave aluminum or steel cans (please separate!) in large trash bags - no shopping bags inside, they will not accept anything not separated or with any plastic. Please do not include bags of trash with your cans. They will ban us from recycling if we repeatedly provide them with cans that are not properly separated.

#### **FIFTH SUNDAY- Putting Our Faith into Action**

When we have a Fifth Sunday, we will all gather at 10:00 am for scripture, meditation and communion. After a shorter service, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a light meal of soup and sandwiches (please bring something to share) and hands on mission projects. If you have an idea for something we can do and you would lead, please contact Jackie or Jim. As of now, we have one fleece blanket to tie and donate, plus cards to make for our Assisted Living residents and we are looking for other ideas.