

Family Connection

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The mission of Christ's Family Church is: to lead people to Christ, to equip them for service in the Kingdom of God, to send them out to reach others with the Gospel that God may be glorified.

As I sit and listen to another news report of yet another mass shooting (make that 2) all I keep hearing is how bad our country is, and that Christians are at fault. We as Christians need to be strong in the Lord and we have to be diligent. This makes me think of Matthew 16: 18 where Jesus says” And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church.” We need to keep this in mind, we also need to keep this in our prayers. In 1Peter 2:5-6 “You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For in Scripture it says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.” We need to understand that with Jesus Christ as “Our” cornerstone, we are the ones that will pull our fellow believers together. We need to be in a posture of prayer. As Pastor Kurt read in Romans 8:31 “If God is for us, who can be against us? We need to be strong in the Lord and all his might. We need to pull together as fellow Christians to make sure that Gods word is not drowned out by all the noise and hate around us.

In Christ's Love
Steve Keller, Deacon



Christ's Family Day Care 25th Anniversary

Join us Sunday, August 25th from 11:00-1:00 for the 25th Anniversary of the Day Care. Come join us downstairs for cookies and punch.

Food Pantry

The first Sunday of the month is food pantry Sunday. Please bring your contributions of canned, bottled and boxed foods, baby food, as well as household and hygiene items. There is a box in the closet in the lobby. We the deliver your donations to Friendly House. You can bring your donations at anytime.

		August 5-10	
August 1-7			PB vacation
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.		GAP
	10:00 a.m.		Prayer Shawl
Friday			Family Camp Out
Saturday	5:30 p.m.		Dinner at the Camp Ground
		August 11-17	
Sunday			Kurt pulpit supply
Monday-Friday			Terri vacation
		August 18-24	
Sunday			Pastor Kurt vacation
Aug 18 - 21			PB & Cadena to worship conference
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.		GAP
	10:00 a.m.		Prayer Shawl
		August 25-31	
Sunday			Coffee & Questions
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.		Worship Committee mtg.
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.		Choir potluck @ the Pfautz's
Thursday	6:00 p.m.		Elder's mtg
	7:00 p.m.		Consistory

Weekly Events

Sunday - 8:15 Adult class, 9:30 Worship, 10:45 Sunday Discipleship
Tuesday - 6:30-9:00 p.m. Adult Volleyball
Friday - 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

	May	YTD May
General Fund Offerings and Other Income*	40,737	275,942
Total General Fund Actual Expenses	62,370	267,306
Total Surplus/(Shortfall)	(21,633)	8,636
Total Budgeted Expenses	57,848	289,239
* - Year to date General Fund Offerings include \$22,101 of donations received as a restricted gift designated for 2019 expenses		
	June	YTD June
General Fund Offerings and Other Income*	58,590	334,532
Total General Fund Actual Expenses	55,414	322,720
Total Surplus/(Shortfall)	3,176	11,812
Total Budgeted Expenses	57,848	347,086

**2020 Vision
Inspiring Outreach
Growing in Fellowship
Serving our Community
Together**

Summer Discipleship...

Help make disciples...volunteer to lead Summer Discipleship 4 Kids!

Upcoming opportunities to serve:

Aug. 11 – We need one more leader for the Elementary class

Aug. 18 – We need 2 leaders for the Pre-K's

Aug. 25 – We need 2 leaders for the Pre-K's and 2 leaders in the Elementary class

If we don't have two leaders for a class, it will have to be cancelled for that week.

There is a sign-up sheet at the information desk, or you can sign up to serve on Sign Up Genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ea4aa2daaf85-summer2>

Discipleship is a year-round adventure! Help kids keep growing in Summer Discipleship 4 Kids!

Therefore go and make disciples... teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:19a & 20

Grow as a disciple of Jesus

Not that I have already reached the goal or am already fully mature, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:12 HCSB

As Paul pointed out in his letter to the church at Philippi - disciples of Jesus are never done growing! We have discipleship classes on Sunday morning for ALL ages and stages of life. Come check it out this fall!

Here's what is coming up, starting Sunday, Sept. 8:

The Gospel Project

God's gospel project began "In the beginning" and continues today in the hearts and lives of His people. It is our greatest hope and the means by which we are free to love, serve, and follow Jesus Christ. **The Gospel Project** points people of all ages to the good news of the gospel and equips them to live gospel-filled lives individually, in community, and on mission. *All ages study the same Bible passage/topic on age appropriate levels.*

Gospel Story - The story that God has been telling from the very beginning, the story that saturates every page of Scripture and ties Scripture together, is **a story of hope**. It's a story that makes sense of the problems of the world, and tell us that the solution to them isn't us. The solution is the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Gospel Culture - The gospel story creates a new culture. People of all ages who see themselves differently, as they are in Christ, and in light of the work of Christ. A gospel culture is people who see the world and themselves through the lens of the gospel story.

Gospel Mission - People changed by the gospel story invite others, through their words and works, to see that the gospel is better than moralism's empty promise.

WHERE WILL CLASSES MEET?

The Gospel Project for ADULTS

8:15 am class - Room 202

10:45 am classes – Room 201 & 202

The Gospel Project for YOUTH

10:45 am – Youth Room – Family Life Center – Lower Level

The Gospel Project 4 CFC KIDS

10:45 am – Children's Ministry area —Lower Level & FLC Nursery

Babies – FLC Nursery

Toddlers – 5th Grade – Lower Level

It's time to update Family Information/Permission Forms for CFC Kids!

We need to have a family information/permission form for kids to participate in ALL Children's Ministry activities, including Young Children & Worship, Sunday Learning 4 Kids, and Circle of Friends. It is also for those who are cared for in the Nursery regularly. **One form covers all family members, but they need to be updated each fall.** These forms tell us who may pick up your child, if your child has allergies or other special needs, as well as who to contact if a need arises during activities. They also let us know when it's time to celebrate a birthday! You can pick up a form at the Children's Ministry table in the lobby, in the Nursery or at Summer Discipleship 4 Kids. Thank you for partnering with us in discipling your children!!



Choir and Praise Band Potluck

Wednesday, August 28th , 6 PM choir and praise band potluck at the Pfautz house 1412 E. River Drive Davenport. New members welcome.

Calling all who Serve in Nursery!

If you currently serve in the nursery or want to learn more about caring for the smallest members of God's kingdom periodically during Sunday morning worship service, we need you! We are looking for 4-6 more volunteers to serve approximately 4-5 Sundays a year. Please attend either August 18th or August 25th following worship service, for about 30 minutes, in **Room 202**. We will share safety reminders and best practices with one another and answer your questions. If you cannot make it, please contact Erica Odegaard for more information at ericaodegaard@yahoo.com.

Fellowship Event

FAMILY CAMPOUT & DINNER is NEXT WEEKEND

August 9th & 10th:

Join us for camping on Friday and Saturday nights. Or simply join us Saturday, August 10, for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship around a bonfire.

Arrive for the Saturday meal by 5pm so food can be set up and dinner will begin at 5:30. Chicken, water, lemonade and s'mores will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and lawn chairs to sit in. **Sign up at the Information Desk TODAY so we can estimate how much chicken is needed.**

Kim and Jason Gravert will take their camper out Tuesday night or Wednesday at lunch to ensure a good base campsite. West Lake Park is first come/first serve so be sure to set up camp Wednesday night or early Thursday to ensure you get a spot. We will be at Gate 1 (the gate where the beach is). They have electric and water hook-ups (no sewer). Tents or campers of all shapes and sizes are welcome. Contact Kim (309-781-5893) or Jason (563-210-5520) to find out what campsite they are at, or with any questions.

Woven

Woven is offering an opportunity to attend a "Women of Joy" conference in Branson, Mo. on October 10 thru 14, 2019. Their focus is bringing women from across the nation together to worship, praising God thru speakers and music. This year the theme is Overwhelmed- finding peace in a chaotic world.

Several women from our congregation are attending. Please consider joining us, setting aside the worries of the world and become overwhelmed by the LOVE of Christ.

For more information go online WOMENOFJOY.ORG.

To sign up for the trip see the information desk for more details

Volunteers Needed

We need coffee clean up for the 3rd and 4th of the month. If you can help w/ either, please contact the church office 65.



BECOME A TABLE HOST!

Please join us at the Women's Choice Center Annual Fundraising Banquet "**Your Voice Matters**" on Tuesday, September 24th. Scott Klusendorf, President of Life Training Institute and author of "The Case for Life: Equipping Christians to Engage the Culture" will be our keynote speaker. To make this year's event a success, we need your help. Become a Table Host and fill a table of 8 with people. All monies raised at this event help us serve women and families in need of medical services including pregnancy tests and limited obstetric ultrasounds. If you're interested in serving as a Table Host, please contact Kathy at 563-332-0475 or kathym@womenschoicecenter.org. Thank you!

Pregnancy Resources Walk for Life 2019

Saturday, September 14. Veterans Memorial Park 1645 23rd Street Bettendorf IA.

Become a pledge-raising walker or financially support your favorite walker and help us reach our GOAL of \$65,000.00 Plus new walker rewards! You can impact lives both NOW and for ETERNITY.

Pledge forms are on the information desk.

Visit www.qcpregnancypartners.org/events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 9:30 Jennie Williamson, Communion 10:45 Adult Sunday Discipleship PB vacation	5	6 6:30 Volleyball	7 9:00 - GAP 10:00 Prayer Shawl	8	9 Family Camp Out 7:00 Men's Basketball	10 5:30 Dinner at the camp ground
11 9:30 Worship, Kurt pulpit supply, 10:45 Sunday Discipleship	12	13 6:30 Volleyball	14	15	16 7:00 Men's Basketball	17
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Day Care News

Prayers:

Helen Wundram - in the Kahl Home recovering from a broken hip

Breanna Miller - healing of broken hand

James Blohm - son-in-law of Shirley De Wys, he is doing better, has gained some weight back, less pain in his legs, more nerve pain in trunk of his body, doing IV therapy 4 days every two weeks at home, physical therapy starting again this week. One cataract done, the other scheduled for September.

Bill Vernooy - Sandy VerMeer's father, recovery from open heart surgery

Larry - Judy Getting's brother, AFIB and Ventricular Tachycardia, they are implanting an ICD (Cadillac of pacemakers) on August 8.

Adelina Pena - sister of Veronica Lowther, started radiation and chemo on Monday, June 10. Prayers that these treatments, with God's grace, shrinks her cancer to perform surgery

What a fun and exciting summer this is turning out to be. The School Aged Summer Program has been a big hit, 20 children, 37 field trips in the books. They have gone to Cinnamon Ridge Farms, Bowling, The Spray Park, Splash Landing, The Movie Theater, The Channel Cat.... The list goes on and on. The younger kiddos have been busy with projects including water play, outdoor fun, learning about zoo animals, and fun Bible Stories: Elijah, Ester, and going to learn soon about Creation. Our Big News this summer is this August marks the 25 years the day care has been in business. We are celebrating with an open house on Sunday August 25th from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Come see what we are all about then stay for fellowship and enjoy cookies and punch. We hope to see you there. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Youth Ministry

This summer has been such a great blessing to our Youth Ministry, between VBS and our trips to Waupun, WI and Belen, Costa Rica, our teens have had so many opportunities to serve their church family and grow deeper in their spiritual lives. Thanks to everyone who has stepped up and into chaperone, mentor and leadership roles this year! We have had new leaders in every aspect of ministry and it has been amazing to watch relationships grow through Sunday Discipleship, during the school year, and then with so many adults joining us in Costa Rica, it was fun to see relationships flourish and grow. Our teens are striving towards greatness and glorifying God in all they do, thank you leaders, teachers and mentors, for being such an integral part of our ministry.

As we get back into the swing of things, and start meeting up for fun events and Bible studies, be checking the bulletins and website for events for both Middle School and High School students. Incoming students are welcome to join us on any outings and events.

Be sure to sign up for our Remind text messages. Send a message to the phone number 81010 with the message "@25c57b".

If you have any questions please contact Cadena Trusty, CFC Director of Youth Ministries, (563)320-3456 or via email at cadenatrusty@gmail.com.

Starting Sept. 1 – Worship 4 CFC Kids...

The worship bulletin 4 kids will return! This interactive kids' bulletin explains what we are doing in worship and why, so kids can follow along and join in as worshippers. You can bring your filled in bulletin downstairs after worship for a treat...

Teaching Kids 2 Worship: After the Children's Message, kids who are in 1st – 3rd grades will go to Room 201 (across from the Nursery) to **explore the worship Bible passage in a kid friendly way.** Kids will rejoin parents during the hymn that follows corporate prayer.

Young Children and Worship teaches children ages 3 ½ - kindergarten how to worship too! They meet in Room 106 in the Lower Level. **Parents: please come sign your child out of class following worship.**



FAITH + FUN + FRIENDS = Circle of Friends!

CALLING ALL KIDS IN 1ST-5TH GRADES...come join our Circle of Friends!

What do you get when you mix together fun, friends, games and exploring the Bible? Come join our **Circle of Friends** and see! **We will meet Wednesday nights from 6:45-7:45pm in the Children's Ministry area in the basement.**



This year we will kickoff Circle of Friends on Wed. Sept. 4 with a FUN FAMILY FAITH event for the whole family!

FUN FAMILY FAITH EVENT: The MOST Amazing Race!!
Wednesday, Sept. 4 from 5:30-7:45 pm
FLC Gym



Follow the clues and take part in challenges! Join us for a fun night and pizza as we travel through Christ's Family Church to discover The MOST Amazing Race ever!

Invite your friends and neighbors to come enjoy some great Family Time racing through CFC as we explore the what it really means to 'follow' Jesus! Dinner will be provided. **Please register through this link so we can plan:** <https://kideventpro.lifeway.com/myChurch/?id=53880>

Thank You

Thank you for the cards, food, hugs and prayers. Things are moving along.

Pam Meyer

Dear Friends,

We have all seen them: "Back to School" signs in all the stores. For most parents, this is a sign of relief as kids will soon be returning to school and back to a normal schedule! However, for some parents, anxiety and fear are felt while seeing those signs as it means added expenses for school supplies, registration fees, lunch money, new shoes and school clothes. It is no coincidence that August is one of the busiest months for our food pantry.

Because of donations like yours, we are able to assist families with food, not only during back to school time, but all year with food, paper and personal hygiene products. Families are grateful that we are there to help them get through these times of financial stress. We wanted to once again take the time to thank you for your donations that help our programs continue to serve those in need. Friendly House could not support the families without donors like you.

Thanks again for supporting the Friendly House.

April—Birthday Bags

May—89 food/hygiene items

June—115 food/hygiene items

Best Regards,

Jodi Stock, LMSSW

Family & Senior Services Supervisor



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We are no longer collecting cereal boxes or t-shirts for Haiti. Thank you for your support of this project.



Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval. John 6:27

Children's Ministry is a great way to give your time to food that will not spoil!

Opportunities to SERVE

Teach CFC to WORSHIP: (Sundays during worship service) Help kids in 1st-3rd grades read through the Bible passage we are using in the worship service in a kid-friendly Bible and explore it in an age appropriate way. *You can sign up to lead this time once or twice...or join a rotating schedule.*

Young Children & Worship: (Sundays during worship service) Help 3 ½ year old – Kindergarten age kids learn to worship using a unique storytelling format and multi-sensory materials. *You can sign up to lead this time once or twice...or join a rotating schedule.*

Sunday Discipleship 4 Kids: (Sundays from 10:45-11:45 am) Lead a small group of kids every week or serve as a sub as we seek to help kids grow as disciples of Jesus!

Circle of Friends: (Wednesdays from 6:30-7:45 pm) We are looking for new leaders for Circle of Friends. We combine faith, fun and friends into an opportunity to connect with Jesus and each other!