

# First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)  
215 West Elm Street  
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Reverends Terry and Frieda Foland  
will begin their ministry with us  
this Sunday.

Office hours  
8:00-noon, 1:00-3:30  
Monday-Friday

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JOIN US THIS SUNDAY  
May 16, 2010  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

## The Ruler



*“Words to measure life”*

- Our new interims, Reverend Terry Foland and his wife, Reverend Freida Foland, will be with us beginning this Sunday, May 16. Bios were included in the bulletins this past Sunday. Plan to join us this Sunday when we welcome them to First Christian Church of Canton, as they begin their ministry here!



- Vacation Bible School will be held from Sunday, June 6 through Thursday, June 10, from 5:00 until 8:00. A light supper will be included, and bus transportation will be provided. Mark these dates on your calendars so that the children won't miss out!

- Watch for the sign up sheet for the trip to the Peoria Chief's Game on Friday, July 09. this is Canton night at the game, and there will be fireworks. We will be leaving around 5:30 for a 6:30 game, and the cost per person will be \$10.00. If you want to go, add your name to the list or call the office at 647-1363 and ask Carol to add your name to the sign-up sheet.



- Please be sure to check out the garden in the foyer off of the parking lot. Pat Stanko and a group of volunteers have re-worked the entire area, adding new plants, re-planting, etc. The group includes: Pat Stanko, Leta Krock, Judy Leitze, Sue Walters, Doris Taylor, Dan Walter, Sherry Lindzey, Char VanRossem, Kevin Dearing, Rick Coulter and the Boy Scout Troop.

John Davis, Dir. of Music

Carol Harmon, Office Coordinator and Organist  
Rickie Coulter, Church Custodian

## Serving this week

(May 16, 2010)

9:00 a.m.

<b>Greeters</b>	Sherry and Bruce Fisher
<b>Ushers</b>	Peg and Irrie McWhorter
<b>Acolytes</b>	Avery Dean Joel Harris
<b>Scr. Reader</b>	Norm Pollitt
<b>Ch. Moment</b>	Rhonda Morgan
<b>Meditation</b>	Paul Wright
<b>Elders</b>	Henry Dare Mike Walters
<b>Deacons</b>	Shawn Snowman Lyn Snowman Denise Carmack Chuck Jarvis
<b>Music</b>	Chancel Choir
<b>Counting</b>	Mike Grace Paul Wright
<b>Shut-ins</b>	Mike Walters Marty Hasty
<b>Preparation</b>	Judy Leitze
<b>Jr. Deacon</b>	Cyndi Bell
<b>Coffee F'ship</b>	Char VanRossem
<b>Nursery</b>	Carl Fisher Cydni Bell

## Serving next week

(May 23, 2010)

9:00 a.m.

<b>Greeters</b>	Mike Meade Family
<b>Ushers</b>	Janet and Mike Krulac
<b>Acolytes</b>	Trinity Baldry Mackenzie Stockham
<b>Scr. Reader</b>	Will Smalley
<b>Ch. Moment</b>	Judy Kemper
<b>Meditation</b>	Rhonda Morgan
<b>Elders</b>	Jan Dearing Kevin Dearing
<b>Deacons</b>	Pat Stanko John Stanko Diane Schrodt Linda Woods
<b>Music</b>	Chancel Choir
<b>Counting</b>	Jan Dearing Alan Coleman
<b>Shut-ins</b>	Kevin Dearing Doreen Shaw
<b>Preparation</b>	Pat Stanko
<b>Jr. Deacon</b>	Jake Snowman
<b>Coffee F'ship</b>	Cheryl Dare Marty Hasty
<b>Nursery</b>	Lauren Snowman Lydia Smith

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

**TURN IN  
YOUR ARTICLES  
EARLY!**

R E M I N D E R :

**DEADLINE FOR  
NEWSLETTER  
ARTICLES IS**

Monday morning, May 24, 2010.



Ladies, mark your calendars now and plan to come to Fellowship Hall on Saturday evening, May 29. The men will be serving another one of our delicious "Ladies' Night Out" suppers. Plan on being here by 6:00, and you should be free to go around 8:00. There will be a sign-up sheet circulating on Sunday.

## Information on Facebook

If you have information on activities you would like on the Church Facebook page, please contact Amy Smith, Mandy Reneau, John Harmon, or the office. This is a way to keep everyone informed, in addition to the announcements on Sunday and the newsletter.



Be watching for several youth activities that are up-coming in the next couple of months!

May	05-02-10	Year-to-date
Budget per week	\$ 5,149.15	\$ 92,604.70
Received	\$ 7,731.50	\$ 84,649.61
May	05-09-10	Year-to-date
Budget per week	\$ 5,149.15	\$ 97,753.85
Received	\$ 3,776.80	\$ 88,426.41

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# YOUTH HAPPENINGS

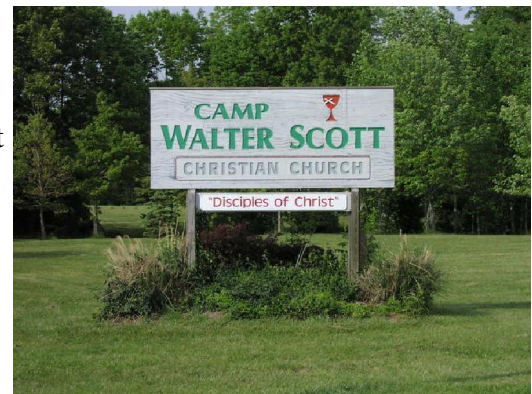
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## **WORDS FROM WILL**

Starting on May 10<sup>th</sup> I will be starting full time at the church. I should be in the office almost every day from 8am till 4pm. I will also be available on Sunday mornings. My goal for this summer is to bring the youth in our church closer together and give them a chance to grow and bond with one another on their walks in faith. This will not be an easy task, and not one I can do on my own. Please help me in this process by inviting youth to church! And most importantly pray, pray, pray! Thanks to everyone for their continued support in this process.

As we move into the summer season it is time to be thinking about church camp. Those of us who have gone to camp know how life changing it can be for youth and adults alike. I have memories and friendships that I made at camp that will last the rest of my life. If you know someone in grade school please let them know about camp and talk to them about going. If you have any questions please talk to me. I will be attending two camps this summer as a councilor and would love to take some of our youth along with me. Spread the word!



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## **YOUTH UPDATE**

We continue to have bible study and breakfast every Sunday morning after church. Looking into the summer I hope to provide the youth with many new opportunities to get involved in activities and service both in the church and in the community. Again, pray for the youth and for God to speak to our youth and grant them a desire to follow Him!

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## **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday May 16 : 10:30 A.M. CYF bible study and breakfast

Sunday May 23 : 10:30 A.M. CYF bible study and breakfast

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**GOD CALLS US TO REACH OUT AND INVITE OTHERS TO ATTEND CHURCH AND BE ACTIVE IN THEIR FAITH. IF YOU KNOW ANY HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH WHO ARE OUT OF THE LOOP, LET THEM KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON AND INVITE THEM TO COME TO OUR SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY.**

# Red Letter Dates as we call our next Ministers

We are EXCITED! You don't want to miss your chance to be a part of the calling of the Ministers God has provided. So, mark these dates & plan to join us:

## Sunday May 16

Sermon sample videos will be played during Sunday school time (10:30 am) in the Sanctuary.

Question/answer opportunity to follow as appropriate.

Copies of the Letter of calling, contract, job descriptions & financial comparisons available to pick-up and review. This material will also be included in this month's Board packet.

Bio-boards for each candidate on display – check out what they've already done for God in previous ministries.

## Monday May 17

6:30 pm - additional opportunity to view sermon sample in the Fellowship Hall prior to the Board meeting.

7:00 pm – Board meeting in Fellowship Hall. All Board meetings are open to anyone to attend.

The Search Committee will formally present the Candidates to the Board for approval to be presented to the Congregation for hire. All interested parties are invited to attend and participate in the discussion prior to Board voting on the Call to Ministry and contract.

## Saturday May 22

4:00 – 5:30 pm – Meet & Greet Open House in Fellowship Hall. We will again offer an opportunity to view the sermon samples, bio-boards, letter of calling, contract, job descriptions and financial comparisons, PLUS – meet our candidates!

5:30 – 6:00 pm – Testimonies from the Search Committee & Guided Prayer led by the candidates.

6:00 pm – Good-Ole Church Pot-Luck/carry in dinner. Bring your favorite dishes to share & table service – beverages will be provided. There's always plenty, so if you don't have time to pick something up on the way or cook – JUST COME!

## Sunday May 23 – Pentecost!! Celebrate the Birthday of the church (wear RED)

Be a part of the Re-Birth of our Church! The candidates will participate in this exciting worship service and share homilies during the sermon time.

Additional "Meet & Greet" opportunity with the candidates during Coffee Fellowship.

11:00 am (or as soon as we can convene) – **Special Congregational Meeting**. The congregation will be formally presented with the Letter of Calling and Contract for the recommended candidates. The candidates will not be present for this time to allow open and honest discussion. Ultimately, we will vote! Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of ministry as a Disciple of Christ.

The Search Committee is EXCITED!!! (Can you tell??) We have felt God's Spirit moving through this entire process. We have felt His Spirit moving through your prayers. We can't wait for you to meet who we believe God has provided to walk with us in Ministry here at Canton First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)!

God Bless & See You Soon! Rhonda Morgan, Chair

**At St. Francis**-530 NE Glen Oak  
Gene Taylor Peoria, 61637

**At Graham Ext.**-210 W. Walnut  
Bob Bowman Alan McPherson  
Dorothy Reneau Irene Robinson

**At Care Center of Abingdon**  
Dottie Stevens 801 W. Martin, Abingdon, 61410

**At Clayberg Nursing Center**  
Violet Marshall 625 E. Monroe, Cuba, 61427

**At Heartland:** - 2081 N. Main  
Eunice McCario Arvie Miller  
Jim Paul

**At Red Oak Estates:** 435 N. 16  
Eleanor Berry Norma Pinder

**At Renaissance:** 1675 E. Ash  
Linnie Murphy

**At Sunset:** 129 S. First  
Dorothy Eskridge Helen Grose Delores Spiva

**At Veterans:** Carl Bushard  
Markword 1, #162, 1707 N. 12, Quincy, IL 62301

**At Westminster Village:**  
Marlyn Mahannah Eva Williams  
2025 E. Lincoln, Bloomington, IL 61701

### *In the Hospital*

### *In Nursing Facilities*

### Others with special needs:

Steve Anthony (brother of Jean Edwards); Cody Armstrong (nephew of Marty Hasty, in Afghanistan until June); Ron Bankes; Laurie Bankroff (niece of Marge Danner); Brett Beam; Millicent Cox; Mary Cox Fidler; Judy Lawrence (sister of Mark Reneau); Shirley List (aunt of Susan Walters); Rhonda Morgan; Elaine Ostiguy (daughter of Elgin Cook); Ron Parrish; Dean Powell; Bev Rueter; Marilyn Rupe; Ron Rupe; Becky Russell (friend of Kandy Wright); Martha Se-pich (sister of Mark Reneau); Gregory Williams (great-grandson of Betty Conrad); Sarah Wright (friend of Paula Crawford)



## REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

***Please note:*** *In an effort to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for 4 weeks. At that time, they will be removed unless you have called the office to ask that a name remain on the list. Thanks for your help!!*



From **Carol Harmon and Leta Krock:** *We want to thank Jennifer Miller and the parents of the children in the choirs for the beautiful hanging baskets we received in worship on Sunday. We are grateful for the privilege of working with your children on Wednesdays and enjoy it tremendously. The flowering plants in the baskets will remind us all summer of the children, and we really appreciate the gifts!*

## It's time.....

Anyone who is interested in summer camps should contact Alan Coleman, Chair of Christian Education Committee, or inquire in the office with Will or Carol.



The Evangelism Committee is wanting to sponsor a non-member youth who would like to attend camp but who has a need for financial help in order to attend. If you know of such a person, please contact Vinnie Cufaude, Evangelism Chair.

## Summer Camps 2010

Memorial Day Family Camp	May 28-31
Beginner (finished grades 2-3)	June 7-9
Post Hi (ages 19-25)	June 11-13
CYF (finished grades 9-12)	June 14-19
Chi Rho (finished grades 6-7)	June 21-26
JYF (finished grades 3-5)	June 28-July 3
Grandparents & Me (finished grades 1-5)	July 5-8
8th Grade (finished grade 8)	July 12-17
CYF (finished grades 9-12)	July 19-24
JYF (finished grades 3-5)	July 26-31
Emergent leadership (finished grades 9-12)	July 26-31
Labor Day Family Camp	September 3-6