

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
215 West Elm Street
Canton IL 61520-2496



Will Smalley will be preaching on:

"Getting to God"

Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:5-8

Text: Mark 2:1-12

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

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JOIN US THIS SUNDAY

March 21, 2010

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

The Ruler



"Words to measure life"

Lenten Soup Suppers

Our Lenten Stone Soup Suppers continue on Wednesday evenings.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Soup</u>	<u>Lesson</u>
Mar. 17	Chicken Noodle Soup	Daryle Coleman will be giving the lesson about the "Adulterous Woman"
Mar. 24	Sausage/Bean Soup (Recipe is available.)	Jack Koehler will be giving the lesson about "John"



Bring your soup at 5:15, and a short lesson will be given while it is being heated. Soup will be served at 6:00 p.m.

-Membership Committee

Robert W. Rueter, Pastor

John Davis, Dir. of Music

Carol Harmon, Office Coordinator and Organist

Bev Rueter, Dir. Christian Education

Rickie Coulter, Church Custodian

Serving this week

(March 21, 2010)

9:00 a.m.

Greeters	Doreen and Rick Shaw
Ushers	Susan and Mike Walters
Acolytes	Joel Harris Trinity Baldry
Scr. Reader	Bud Cluts
Ch. Moment	Mike Grace
Meditation	Henry Dare
Elders	Mike Walters Kevin Dearing
Deacons	John Harmon Kandy Wright Amy Smith Mandy Reneau
Music	God's Kids Grace Notes
Counting	Mike Grace Mike Walters
Shut-ins	Kevin Dearing Mike Meade
Preparation	Dee Doubet
Jr. Deacon	Mallory Meade
Coffee F'ship	Judy Leitze
Nursery	Lydia Smith Carl Fisher

Serving next week

(March 28, 2010)

9:00 a.m.

Greeters	Jan and Kevin Dearing
Ushers	Chris Walters Olivia Walters
Acolytes	Hannah Malmgren Mackenzie Stockham
Scr. Reader	Darryl Schrodt
Ch. Moment	Will Smalley
Meditation	Jan Dearing
Elders	Rhonda Morgan Kevin Dearing
Deacons	Jan Taylor Dennis Doubet Dee Doubet Sherry Lindzey
Music	Chancel Choir
Counting	Jan Dearing Rhonda Morgan
Shut-ins	Kevin Dearing Nathan Bloyd
Preparation	Doreen Shaw
Jr. Deacon	Derek Schrodt
Coffee F'ship	Marilyn Taylor
Nursery	Lauren Snowman Cydni Bell

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

**TURN IN
YOUR ARTICLES
EARLY!**

R E M I N D E R :

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES IS**

Monday morning, March 29, 2010.

noon
Happy Timers

Happy Timers will meet this Thursday, March 18, at noon. The menu will consist of pork loin, sauerkraut, parsley potatoes, carrots, and cookies.

If you aren't signed up, call Carol at 647-1363 and she will add your name to the list.

March	03-07-10	Year-to-date
Budget per week	\$ 5,149.15	\$ 51,491.50
Received	\$10,416.00	\$ 46,831.11
March	03-14-10	Year-to-date
Budget per week	\$ 5,149.15	\$ 56,560.65
Received	\$ 3,376.55	\$ 50,207.66

Be watching.....



Be watching for information about the Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday!!

At **Graham Hosp.**— 210 W. Walnut
Lavenia Harn

In the Hospital

At **Graham Ext.**—210 W. Walnut
Alan McPherson Dorothy Reneau

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 *In Nursing
Facilities*
Eunice McCario 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:** #162, 1707 N. 12, Markword 1,
Carl Bushard Quincy, IL 62301

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

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; Bob Bowman; Millicent Cox; Mary Cox Fidler; Judy Lawrence (sister of Mark Reneau); Shirley List (aunt of Susan Walters); Ron Parrish; Marilyn Rupe; Ron Rupe; Becky Russell (friend of Kandy Wright); Martha Sepich (sister of Mark Reneau); Gregory Williams (great-grandson of Betty Conrad); Margaret Wright



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!!*

Young Adults News

We are “getting the band back together” this Sunday, March 21 at 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We’ll be ordering pizza and enjoying a relaxed evening with families and friends.

Watch for it on the church web site and on facebook.



Phil and Chris Dare are the proud parents of a son, Isaac Nelson, born March 9. Isaac was 22 inches long and weighed 9 pounds, 9 ounces.

Proud grandparents are Henry and Cheryl Dare.

Next CWF Meeting



The next meeting of the CWF will be Thursday, April 1, 2010, at 1:00 p.m.. This

The Leader is Betty Conrad, the lesson will be presented by Brenda Dilts, and the hostesses will be Vinnie Cufaude and Doris Taylor.

From **Johnnie and Ruth Burkhead:** We send our sincere thank you from Texas for all the cards and notes at the time of the death of **Bobby Burkhead**, Johnnie’s brother. We are very grateful for all the prayers throughout his battle with cancer.



PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

A LENTEN PRAYER

Winter's robe lies heavily upon my frozen heart

Dare I pray for spring?

Dare I ask for new life—

Beyond my dreams, beyond all hope?

I see the signs, the willful green nudging into view

Budding limbs, barely patient

Awaiting release from winter's dark pregnancy

I feel the signs within me, too

I fear these the most, God

I fear this new life you call me to explore

I fear the pain of growth

I cannot risk the loss of myself

My hands can carry no nailprints, my forehead no scars

New life carries too high a price

The ice-fortress holds fast

I dare not cry

Yet I feel your tears

Gently, indomitably

The gift is given to us all

And

New

Life is...

Such love breaks my heart

Yours was broken for all your children

I taste my own tears

Dear God

Dare I pray for spring?

DAILY BIBLE STUDY 03-17-2010 THROUGH 04-03-2010

Book	Monday	Tuesday	Wed'day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HEB			4:1-11	4:12-16	5:1-10	5:11—6:8
LUKE	10:38-42, 11:1-4	11:5-13	11:14-23	11:24-26	11:27-32	11:33-36
HEB	6:9-20, 7:1-19	7:20-28	8:1-13	9:1-22	9:23-28	10:1-18