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In his book *Lifestyle Evangelism*, Joe Aldrich recounts a fictional legend about a conversation that might have occurred when Jesus returned to heaven after his time on earth:

Even in heaven Jesus bore the marks of his earthly pilgrimage with its cruel cross and shameful death. The angel Gabriel approached him and said, "Master, you must have suffered terribly for men down there."

"I did," he said.

"And," continued Gabriel, "do they know all about how you loved them and what you did for them?"

"Oh, no," said Jesus, "not yet. Right now only a handful of people in Palestine know."

Gabriel was perplexed. "Then what have you done to let everyone know about your love for them?"

Jesus said, "I've asked Peter, James, John, and a few more friends to tell other people about me. Those who are told will in turn tell still other people, and my story will be spread to the farthest reaches of the globe. Ultimately, all people will have heard about my life and what I have done."

Gabriel frowned and looked rather skeptical... "Yes, but what if Peter and James and John grow weary? What if the people who come after them forget? What if way down in the twenty-first century, people just don't tell others about you. Haven't you made any other plans?"

Jesus answered, "I haven't made any other plans. I'm counting on them." (As quoted in *Organic Outreach for Ordinary People*, by Kevin Harney, p. 78-79).

Crazy, isn't it? Jesus counting on you and me as his one and only plan for the world to find new life in Him? But what if we believed it was possible?

Our upcoming message series, BLESS, is all about how we live out the amazing plan of Jesus in everyday life. We will dig into 5 missional practices that anyone can do. I am certain you will find these practices to be a whole new way of thinking about sharing the life-changing message of Jesus with others. And I am praying you will gain a great level of confidence in your ability to engage people with these practices with God's help.

The BLESS series is foundational to our vision for 2020 at FCC, and it all starts on Sunday, February 23. Let's pray together for God to equip us to BLESS others for this age in which we live. And let's believe it is possible!

Much love, Matthew



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—PRAYER CONCERNS—

Mother of Margery Bennett passed Brenda Love Roberts' Family, her passing Bob & Loli, their Mother's passing Alicia Hardesty, loss of baby Chuck Pletcher, health Jane Rush, health Angela Himes, health

Erinn Blue, health & upcoming surgery

Jennifer Burchi
Barbara Parker, health
Hannah Fisher
Denny England, health
Sybil Gates, cancer treatments

Lorene Tesh, health Obadiah Burgess, health Gary Salyer, health Carol Salyer, health Amor Family Thorpe Family

Jeremy Blue & Family Mike Thomas, health & hip surgery 3/3

Kate Wood, health Ava Gibson - 4 y.o., health

Mark Demske, throat cancer treatments Matthew & Kim Rogers & Family Steph Woodward, cancer **SURGERY RECOVERY:**

Jeanne Beam Curt Slone Chad Wilhite Stuffy Folds Jeremy Kelly Kerri Witmore

Amaya Bass, MaryJanePrater's 3yo Niece

Caroline (Kate Bell's sister) Sharon Graham

LONG TERM:

Cole, child with rare cancer

Beth Banghart Dave Mann

Payton Slaymaker, 8 y.o., cancer

Victoria Montel Christopher Griffin

Christopher Bornes & Family

Delia Navarro Kenneth Moore Martha Hancock Chandler Paul

Our Military Here & Overseas Those who need the Lord Healing for America & the World **OUR HOME MISSIONARIES:**

Johnson University, Knoxville, TN Great Lakes Christian College, Lansing, MI Lincoln Christian University, Lincoln, IL

Ball State University Campus Ministry, Muncie, IN Purdue University Campus Ministry, Lafayette, IN Woodburn Christian Children's Home, Woodburn, IN

Michiana Christian Service Camp, Niles, MI

Military Chaplains of Chaplaincy Endorsement Comm.

Destiny Rescue, Fort Wayne, IN Our Father's House, Warsaw, IN

Heartline Pregnancy Center, Warsaw, IN

Fellowship Missions, Warsaw, IN

Kosciusko County Jail Ministry, Warsaw, IN World Compassion Network, Warsaw, IN

OVERSEAS MISSIONARIES:

David & Philomina Morris, India

T. Lunkim, India

Mark & Helen Begarly, Africa Kevin & Susan Fry, Africa C.Y. & Patricia Kim, Asia Ian & Heidi Fry, Africa

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1/5-2/1 Brad Hagg 574-551-4628 2/2-2/29

Mark Lafountain 260-255-0824 January Jon Heck 765-506-8223 February Kieran Jackson 814-671-0717

REVOLUTION NEWS-YOUTH

Revolution is the student ministry of First Christian Church and is open to grades 7-12. We hope you will join us on Wednesdays for youth group!

Youth Calendar:

1/29/20 Revolution (6:30-8:00 pm)
2/5/20 Revolution (6:30-8:00 pm)
2/12/20 Revolution (6:30-8:00 pm)
2/19/20 Revolution (6:30-8:00 pm)

• 2/21/20 Nerf War at the Church (7-9:30 pm)

• 2/26/20 Revolution (6:30-8:00 pm)

High School Hangouts:

Sunday Night High School Hangouts 7:00-8:00 pm in the youth room.



Questions: Jeremy Welch 574-267-8952 jeremy@fccwarsaw.com

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram @FCC_Revolution.

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Join us for our February Series:



Everyone loves a story about a

big adventure, don't they? The best stories are stories of life change, big dreams, dramatic rescues, and journeys to far-away places. Those adventure stories are even better when they're true stories! In this 4-week series, we'll follow the true story of the early church. Kids will imagine they are explorers and adventurers as they hear the stories of Saul's conversion, Peter and Cornelius, Peter's escape from prison, and Paul and Barnabas' missionary travels. By the end of this series, kids will learn and remember that 1. Jesus changes lives, 2. Jesus loves everyone, 3. Jesus

Upcoming Events:

gives us freedom, and 4. Jesus helps us share His story.

February 5 – FCC Kids 6:30-8 February 12 – FCC Kids 6:30-8 February 19 – FCC Kids 6:30-8 February 26 – FCC Kids 6:30-8

?s: Contact Bob & Lindsey Jones 574-267-8952 bob@fccwarsaw.com or lindsey@fccwarsaw.com

WELCOME

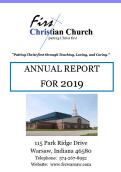
BY BAPTISM & TRANSFER FOR MEMBERSHIP

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ATTENDANCE



FYI



If you were unable to attend the 2020 Annual Meeting & Chili and Soup Cookoff on January 26th, please find copies of the 'Annual Report for 2019' available on the Connection Center wall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

LADIES' LUNCH BUNCH—2/13 at 12:30 pm. Meet at El Faro Restaurant (Rozella Golf Cse.), 1700 Rozella Rd., Warsaw. Questions, call Sharon Parry 574-551-7252.

MEN'S BREAKFAST—2/8, 8:30 am, Bob Evan's Restaurant, 3100 E. Center St., Warsaw. ?s, call Dave Turner 574-265-5273.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Men's

Wednesdays @ 9:30 am, Rm 119 Contact: Phil Gates 574-306-6024

Women's

Mondays @ 6:30 pm, Rm. 120 Contact: Beth Knight 574-253-1998

AND / OR

Wednesdays @ 9:30 am, Rm. 126, Contact: Susan Brumley 260-901-9337



UPCOMING EVENTS Cont'd



FIRST STEP

Next Class – Sunday, February 16, 11:00-Noon. First Step is the ideal place to begin your journey at First Christian Church. Over lunch, you'll hear our Lead Minister, Matthew Rogers, share how you can connect and grow by being at the center of the church's vision. To

register for this class, contact Jo – <u>jo@fccwarsaw.com</u> or 574-267-8952.



COME JOIN IN THE FUN ON Tuesday, 2/11! Do you like board games or card games? Have you ever wished there was a place you could play awesome games with awesome people?

If you answered yes to either of these questions, then you're in luck! First Christian Church hosts a monthly table top game night for ages 14 and

older, on the second Tuesday of every month, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. (Child Care is not provided for this event.)

MISSION TRIP—Honduras
Missions Trip Interest Meeting,
Sunday, 2/16 at 5 pm in Children's
Church Room 118 - For everyone
interested in going on the FCC
missions trip to Honduras in
August.



Attention LADIES: There is a 1 day retreat at WCC, Saturday, 2/22 from 9 am—4 pm, "Waking Up to Now: Shannon Martin". Cost is \$30. (includes materials, lunch, snack). Please sign up at Women's Bulletin Board.



CARE PACKAGES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS & MILITARY PERSONNEL items due 2/9 to FCC. Valentine's theme items wanted. (See Women's Bulletin Board for sign up.)



HE STARTS PRAYING FOR SPRING IN JANUARY ... BY FEBRUARY HE IS UP TO SIX PRAYERS PER DAY ... BY MARCH IT IS JUST PLAIN SCARY

Ladies—MARK YOUR CALENDAR: 5 Favorite Things Party, March 27th 6 pm—8:30 pm. Pizza and snacks provided. MORE info to follow.

FEBRUARY 2020

SMALL GROUPS meet throughout the week!



COMING IN MARCH 2020

3/8-2:00 am, Daylight Savings Time begins

3/12—12:30 pm, Ladies' Lunch Bunch, Boathouse Restaurant

3/14—8:30 am, Men's Breakfast at Teel's, Mentone

3/17—7:00 pm, FCC Cards/Boardgames for ages 14 and older

3/27—6:00 pm, Women: 5 Favorite Things Party

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	happy Valentine's day					1
2 SUPER BOWL 9:30 Worship 11:00 Sunday School 7:00 HS Hangout	3 6:30 Elders's Mtg. 6:30 Women's Bible	4 9:00 Co-op 6:30 Financial Peace	5 9:30 Men's / Women's Bible Studies 6:30 FCC Kids & Revolution	6 1:00 Quilting 1:00 Quilt Tying 7:00 Praise Tm.	7	8 8:30 Men's Brkfst Bob Evans
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16 9:30Worship/11 S.S. 11:00 FIRST STEP 5 pm Honduras Mission Trip interest 7 pm H.S. Hangout	17 12:00 "The Caller" info due to Jo 6:30 Women's Bible	18 9:00 Co-op 6:30 Financial Peace	19 9:30 Men's / Women's Bible Studies 6:30 FCC Kids & Revolution	20 1 pm Quilt Tying 1 pm Quilting 7:00 Praise Team	21	22 8amMen Following Christ, Alpha Hall, Grace College 9am Women's retreat at WCC
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BIRTHDAYS - FEBRUARY

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24th—Tommy Lancaster

25th—Jay Haughee

28th—Sandra Heck

26th—Jeff Schmucker

28th—Barbara Easter

28th—Michael Himes



2nd—Christina Slone

3rd—AJ Himes

3rd—Easton Parker

4th—Erja Roesner

5th—Ellington Welch

7th—Phil Gates

9th—Hannah Bingamon

10th—Lisa Demske

11th—Lydia Fisher

14th—Ashley Justice

14th—Kathy Connors

15th—Angel Blakeley

15th—Fred Miller III

17th—Marsha Johnson

18th—Lee Ann Lafountain

22nd—Ed Barrett

22nd—Abbie Blackburn

22nd—Gabe Griffin

ANNIVERSARIES-FEBRUARY

14th—Jack & Cheryl Wulliman

14th—John & Kim Wood

If incorrect info or omission in the Birthday and/or Anniversary

sections, please write a note of correction and place on the Church Office desk. Thank you!