Our Vision

To be a faithful, growing church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion

for justice. (Micah 6:8)

Because of who Jesus Christ is, and because He is my Savior and my Lord:

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I am a child of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, (Rev. 1:8, John 1:12) (Eph. 2:6, I Pet. 2:9) seated with Christ in the heavenly realm. I am chosen, accepted, and included - a citizen of heaven and a member of God's household. (John 14:1-6, Eph. 2:19) (Rom. 5:6-8, I John 4:10) I am loved by God unconditionally and without reservation. (I Peter 2:9, I Cor. 6:19) I belong to Him, having been bought by Him with the (I John 5:11-13, John 3:16) precious blood of Jesus. I have eternal life and will be (Rom. 5:9, Eph. 1:13-14) saved from all of God's wrath to come -guaranteed! (I Peter 4:16) I am a Christian. I am not just different in what I do.

(II Cor. 5:17, Gal. 2:20)

(Eph. 2:22, I Cor. 6:19)

(Eph. 2:18, Phil. 4:6-7)

(Ps. 139, Eph. 2:10)

(Col. 1:16, Gal. 6:7-9)

(Rom. 6:16-23, Gal. 5:1)

(I Peter 5:8, Eph. 6:12)

(John 10:10)

(Col. 1:13)

(I John 4:4)

- My identity has changed. Who I am has changed. Everything has become brand new.
- I am a dwelling place in which God lives by His Spirit.
- I have access to Him anytime, anywhere, for any reason.
- I am God's creation His workmanship. I was created by Him and for Him, so who I am and what I do matters.

I am spiritually alive. I have been set free from the fear of death and have been given life to live and enjoy to the full.

I am forgiven – completely, totally, and absolutely.

I have been rescued from the dominion of darkness and brought into the Kingdom of light – the Kingdom of the Son.

I have been set free from the penalty of sin and the power of sin.

I am an enemy of Satan and at war with spiritual forces of evil, but greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world.

(Rom. 8:31, Eph. 1:18-23) If God is for me, it doesn't matter who or what stands against me, because nothing and no one can separate me from the love of Christ not hurt, pain, loss, problem, or brokenness;

~Pastor's Note~

IN CASE YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN

not persecution, trouble, difficulty, or danger; not abandonment, abuse, addictions, or appetites; not desires, food, sexuality, or relationships; not life or death, angels or demons; not my past, the present, or the future; no power, no person, no place, not anything in all creation; (Rom.8:35-39) (Col. 2:15) not even Satan himself shall prevail. I am in the hands of Jesus, in the hands of God, and nothing and no one can snatch me out of God's hands. (John 10:27-28) I will fear no evil because God is with me, and (Ps. 23:4, II Tim. 1:7) (Heb. 13:5) He has promised to never leave me nor forsake me. (Ps. 139:7) God's presence is with me everywhere I go – to the heights of heaven, through the valley of the shadow, (Matt. 28:19-20) to the ends of the earth – forever and always. (Rom. 6:8-11, Heb. 2:14-15) I am a child of the King and choose this day to live as one. (I John 1:9, Ps. 103:8-13)

Our Mission

To be and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving and serving from our doorsteps "to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

> A friend of mine sent the "I AM A CHILD OF THE KING" document to me a few weeks ago. *Funny how I seem to forget the truth. Especially* God's truth.

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My challenge for us is to read this document once a week for the next year. If you want to take a deeper dive into these promised truths. You could take each statement and the attached scriptures and journal your thoughts about God's truth.

We are children of the KING! Let's never forget God's promised truths that He gave us in His bible.

The best way that I am learning not to forget is to keep diving in, heart first.

I trust your Thanksgiving has been fulfilling.

I pray as you ready yourself for Christmas, that you place God's promised truths above all the hustle and bustle of the season.

Shalom and SHALOM!

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Prayer Request

Our Pastor Our Country Our Church Family Kairos Our First Responders General Church **Regional Church** Regional Minister & Staff Celebrate Recovery Wade Center Fatima Sano Boy Scout Troop 14 AL & Sonia Hancock Zelma Aichel Nikki Massaro Gary Hendricks Bob Searle The family of Dave Potonzo Melissa Smith & Family Barbara Rose FCC Property Committee Jon Gendron Lacky Family Recovery Centers in the area Malik Robinson Joyce Farmer The Maples FCC Youth Ben & Michelle Kathy & Larry Peters Shirley Grim Vicki Miller Betsy & Steve Cardwell Turman Family Tammy Godfrey The Colley Family Jordan Malachi Foster Those effected by Helene Those in the path of Milton Sue Luterick Unspecified Prayer Request A.C. Martin Ellen Davidson

December 2024 Lectionary

Sunday, December 01, 2024: Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25:1-10, 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13, Luke 21:25-36

Monday, December 02, 2024: Psalm 90; Numbers 17:1-11; 2 Peter 3:1-18; **Tuesday, December 03, 2024:** Psalm 90; 2 Samuel 7:18-29; Revelation 22:12-16;

Wednesday, December 04, 2024: Psalm 90; Isaiah 1:24-31; Luke 11:29-32; Thursday, December 05, 2024: Luke 1:68-79; Malachi 3:5-12; Philippians 1:12-18a;

Friday, December 06, 2024: Luke 1:68-79; Malachi 3:13-18; Philippians 1:18b-26;

Saturday, December 07, 2024: Luke 1:68-79; Malachi 4:1-6; Luke 9:1-6; **Sunday, December 08, 2024:** *Malachi 3:1-4*

Luke 1:68-79, Philippians 1:3-11, Luke 3:1-6

Monday, December 09, 2024: Psalm 126; Isaiah 40:1-11; Romans 8:22-25; Tuesday, December 10, 2024: Psalm 126; Isaiah 19:18-25; 2 Peter 1:2-15; Wednesday, December 11, 2024: Psalm 126; Isaiah 35:3-7; Luke 7:18-30; Thursday, December 12, 2024: Isaiah 12:2-6; Amos 6:1-8; 2 Corinthians 8:1-15;

Friday, December 13, 2024: Isaiah 12:2-6; Amos 8:4-12; 2 Corinthians 9:1-15;

Saturday, December 14, 2024: Isaiah 12:2-6; Amos 9:8-15; Luke 1:57-66; Sunday, December 15, 2024: Zephaniah 3:14-20, Isaiah 12:2-6, Philippians 4:4-7, Luke 3:7-18

Monday, December 16, 2024: Isaiah 11:1-9; Numbers 16:1-19; Hebrews 13:7-17;

Tuesday, December 17, 2024: Isaiah 11:1-9; Numbers 16:20-35; Acts 28:23-31;

Wednesday, December 18, 2024: Isaiah 11:1-9; Micah 4:8-13; Luke 7:31-35; Thursday, December 19, 2024: Psalm 80:1-7; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 10:10-18;

Friday, December 20, 2024: Psalm 80:1-7; Isaiah 42:10-18; Hebrews 10:32-39;

Saturday, December 21, 2024: Psalm 80:1-7; Isaiah 66:7-11; Luke 13:31-35; Sunday, December 22, 2024: Micah 5:2-5a, Psalm 80:1-7, Hebrews 10:5-10, Luke 1:39-45, (46-55)

Monday, December 23, 2024: Psalm 113; Genesis 25:19-28; Colossians 1:15-20;

Tuesday, December 24, 2024: Isaiah 9:2-7, Psalm 96, Titus 2:11-14, Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

Wednesday, December 25, 2024: Isaiah 62:6-12, Psalm 97, Titus 3:4-7, Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20

Thursday, December 26, 2024: Psalm 148; 2 Chronicles 24:17-24; Acts 6:1-7; 7:51-60;

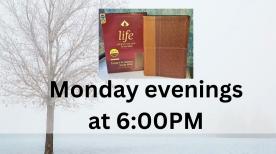
Friday, December 27, 2024: Psalm 148; Proverbs 8:32-36; John 21:19b-24; Saturday, December 28, 2024: Psalm 148; Isaiah 54:1-13; Revelation 21:1-7; Sunday, December 29, 2024: First Sunday after Christmas Day Monday, December 30, 2024: Psalm 147:12-20; 2 Chronicles 1:7-13; Mark 13:32-37:

Tuesday, December 31, 2024: Psalm 147:12-20; 1 Kings 3:5-14; John 8:12-19;

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Join us each Sunday morning at 10:00AM for our Worship service You don't have to have a Facebook account to be able to view the live video! If you are unable to watch it live, no worries you can always go back and watch the service from the beginning. Just go on the link to the church's Facebook which is: https://www.facebook.com/bluefieldfcc

Life Application Study Bible



Prayer Gathering Tuesday at 6:00PM

on Zoom

Meeting ID- 738 323 9325 Password - Prayup-FCC

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Greeting Church Family,

Thanksgiving is this Thursday, November 28, 2024. It is hard to believe that is almost here. One thing that people always tend to do during the Thanksgiving holiday is to give thanks for what they have and what that are grateful for. Let us remember that we do not just give gratitude just on Thanksgiving. Gratitude is something that we can have everyday, and honestly every second of the day. As we wrapped the 150 days of Praises (a Psalm a day from July 1-November 28) on Thanksgiving, it has proven to me that we have far more to be grateful for then just what we give thanks for once a year. So let us remember that as we sit around the table this Thanksgiving.

God Bless,

Sarah Neal

"Find gratitude in the little things and your well of gratitude will never run dry." -Antonia Montoya

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Tuesday Evening Bible Study with Roger Mullins 7:00PM in the Parlor We will be studying the book of Romans Morning Prayer Wednesday's 7:30AM **Bethany Hall** HAVE A HURT, ΗΑΒΙ HANG-UP?

Celebrate Recovery

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At First Christian Church every Thursday at 6:00PM. Call the church at 304-327-5633 for more info.

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October 2024

Treasurer's Report

Below is the financial report for October 2024. God continues to bless us with faithful givers. God is good, all the time!!

I want to remind everyone that as generously as you have supported our capital projects this year, please remember your regular tithes and offerings to our general operations. We still have staff salaries, utilities and other expenses that are met through your regular giving. I am so grateful to our God for His provision to His people and your generosity with those provisions to the life and ministry here at First Christian.

GRATITUDE: During this season of Thanksgiving I want to express my gratitude for putting me in this place at First Christian. We are so blessed as a church. God tells us He loves a cheerful giver. I am overwhelmed with the giving hearts of the folks here of not only offerings of money, but also time and talents. And, you do it with love, grace and cheerfulness! God bless you cheerful givers!!

E-GIVING UPDATE: We are evaluating our online giving portal. There has been limited usage of the portal, and just recently we have been made aware of additional security testing that will be required to keep the product. I would like to hear from those of you that have used the online portal, primarily to let me know what impact the elimination of this portal would have on your ability to contribute to the church. Alternatively, if there is anyone out there that would be willing to perform security testing for our system on a quarterly basis, please let me know.

As a reminder, please continue to check for LIGHTS, RUNNING TOILETS, A/C OR HEAT, etc. following all meetings at the church. Don't assume someone else will lock up or turn off. Also, if you become aware of maintenance issues with the property, please bring it to the attention of the Property Ministry Team or the church office. Thanks to Scott, Allen, George and all the rest of the guys who selflessly give their time to keep our facilities in great condition!!! Our Church is truly blessed!

Ronnie Hypes, Treasurer



First Christian Church

Financial Information for October 2024

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Total GF offerings and					
other sources	\$ 14,251.75	\$ 227,174.96			
Total expenses	14,708.34	233,174.54			
Excess (deficit) of offerings					
to expenses	(450.59)	(6,345.58)			
Transfers from (to) savings	0.00	6,500.00			
Increase (decrease)	\$ (450.59)	\$ 154.42			

October 31, 2024	
General Fund	\$ 934.12
Memorial and Special Gifts Property Repairs and	16,585.82
Replacement	1,729.96
Scholarship	8,152.82
Bequested Funds and other	
savings	86,218.68
Total	\$ 113,621.40

Praíse God, From Whom All Blessings Flow



EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY AT • 6:00PM IN BETHANY HALL

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Contact Darrin Coe or Sarah Neal for more info.

Family Fellowship Breakfasi Cancelled

December 8 December 15 December 22 & December 29

Annual Church Christmas Dinner

Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024

following Worship

be sure to bring your fav. dish!

December 2024

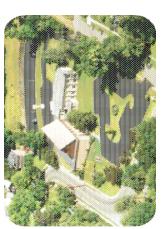




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22 10:00AM Worship	23 6:00PM Bible Study	24 7:00PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	25 7:00AM Prayer 6:00PM Praise Band 6:00PM Scouts	26 6:00PM Celebrate Recovery	27	28
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We heartily welcome all May you be blessed today. Office Hours: M-F 9:00 am -1:00 pm 304-327-5633 www.bluefieldfcc.com





<u>9:00 am Bible Study</u> <u>10:00 am Combined Worship Service</u> Douglas W. McDaniel Jr., Pastor

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