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**June 26, 2011**

**4:00 p.m.**

*Northwest Lawn of the Church*

**Mark your calendars as you won't want to miss this special event!**

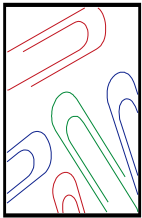
*Bring your favorite flavor of Ice Cream, Cookies, Cakes, Guest or Guests and your lawn chairs or come and enjoy and satisfy your sweet tooth! In case of bad weather the Social will be moved to the Fellowship Hall.*

## SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE: [REDACTED]

The interim minister candidate which the search committee had interviewed and had been seriously considering, declined to be considered due to the health of a family member, and the travel distance. Files have recently been received for two additional candidates, and the committee will be reviewing those files in the coming days. We ask for your continued prayers and patience.

## WHO TO CONTACT

Now that we are without a full-time minister temporarily, if you need to contact someone from the church during the time when the office is closed, please feel free to call Ken Armstrong (918-335-2460) or (Cell# 918-907-00462) moderator, or Barbara Anderson (918-333-5193) or (Cell# 918-914-1026) chairperson of elders. Please let us know if anyone is injured, is ill or in the hospital, or if there is a death in the family, or if you would like someone to call on you for any reason.



## FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

We are looking at the possibility of revamping our newsletter mailout. If you are **NOT** interested in receiving the monthly newsletter from First Christian, please let the office know. If you would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail, let us know and give us your e-mail address as we're considering that option as well. Office phone number is (918)336-4520. **If you want to keep getting the newsletter that is not a problem.**

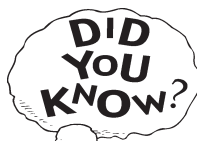


## CONGRATULATIONS!!

to

**Shelley Davidson** received her Masters of Music Performance from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts.

**Jeff Seger** received his PHD in Psychology from Oklahoma State University. He will now be teaching at Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma.



Faye Marlowe has more DVD's of the Joseph Martin Concert. If anyone is interested in a copy let Faye know. They are \$10 each.



## Items for CONCERN for the Month of June "Bars of Soap"

Please place in the basket near the alley door. We will deliver items to the CONCERN Center.

Barbara Creel  
 Elizabeth Cook  
 Page Harshfield  
 Ann McCleskey  
 Q & Etta Montgomery  
 Frances Gardner  
 Barney Morris  
 Norma Blades  
 Chester Spencer  
 Charlotte Spencer  
 Barbara Parsons  
 Helen Stead  
 Alice Willcut  
 Pat McSwain  
 Phyllis Chapman  
 Glenn Palmer  
 Doris Hamilton  
 JoAnn Brouse  
 Dick Hall  
 Russell Miller



**Armed Forces**  
**George Galanis** (Lee Cooper)  
**Michele (Johnson) Uhlig**  
**Sue Sharp** (Phil & Emily Hays)  
**Ilo Bolton** (Mary Lou Bray)  
**Leonard & Elaine LaRue**  
 (Roger & Suzanne Shiflet)  
**Greg Mueggenborg** (Margery Maple)  
**Jack Daugherty** (Earleen Martensen)  
**Charlie Chaffin** (Debbie Lansford)  
**Pat Tucker** (Earleen Martensen)  
**Gordon Grant**  
**Molly Bechtelheimer** (Emily & Phil Hays)  
**Francis Smith** (Ken & Sharon Armstrong)  
**Scott Foosee** (Harriett Lansford)  
**Allyson Perry** (Debbie Lansford)  
**Howard Jones** (Margery Maple)  
**Jerry Smith** (Chester & Charlotte Spencer)  
**Lisa Walker** (Bill & Billie Walker)  
**Kerry Evans** (Suzanne Shiflet)  
**Stephanie Austin** (Barbara Anderson)  
**George Green Family** (Mary Lou Bray)  
**Amy Lambert** (Bill & Beverly Hines)  
**Ron Ketter** (Shiflets)

**Dana Howard** (Margery Maple)  
**Lou Penoi** (Sharon Armstrong)  
**Jessica Anderson** (Jim & Barbara Anderson)  
**Heather Brown** (Nancy Smith)  
**Toly Artunoff** (Margery Maple)  
**Bobby Hindman** (Steve Seger)  
**Donna Fruechting** (Claire Meredith)  
**Jarand Kennedy** (Claire Meredith)  
**Incarcerated Persons**  
**Jim Cyrus** (Faye Marlowe)  
**Gary Heinz** (Barbara Anderson)  
**Dr. Stan DeFehr**  
**Dr. Jay Bryngelson**  
**Dolores McCreary** (Margery Maple)  
**Kerrie Lou Robinson** (Faye Marlowe)  
**Nicole Lambert** (Bill & Beverly Hines)  
**Richard Ward** (Niki Cowan)  
**Leroy & Annitt Spencer** (Chester & Charlotte)

**Jane Phillips Hospital**

Phil Hays - Rm #676



**June 19, 2011**  
**Happy Father's Day to all you Guys**



The recent all-church retreat emphasized the importance of constant prayer. In discussing this at their April meeting the elders decided to ask each church member to stop around 9:00 each Monday morning and pray for our church....its blessings, its mission in the community, its needs, its people, and God's plan for us. Please join us in offering up your prayers.



I want to thank everyone for the flowers, food, cards, notes of encouragement and especially the prayers during my recent illness. I am so pleased to be a member of such a caring congregation.  
 Glenna Sue Detter

Thank you so much to all of you for your cards, calls, thoughts and prayers during this sad time of losing Karla. I don't think there could possibly be a better Church family any place, so kind and caring.  
 Harriett & Debbie



Our deepest sympathy to **Loretta Chaney and family** on the death of Maurice on March 27th. Rev. Voth officiated at services on March 30th.

Our deepest sympathy to **Harriett & Debbie Lansford and the rest of the family** on the death of Harriett's grandson, Duston's wife, Karla on May 12th. Services were held in Covington on May 18th. This is the mother of Harriett's only great-grandchild. A memorial has been established for 19 month old Caden's college fund. Make checks out to Duston Lansford, on the memo line: Lansford memorial fund and mail to: BancFirst, P.O. Box 1104, Harrah, OK 73045.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.

### ***CAMP CHRISTIAN CALLS NEW CAMP MANAGER***

Please join us in welcoming Rev. Daniel Bubach as manager for Camp Christian. Dan brings many years of camping and summer ministries experience with him to his new position. He is an ordained minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Dan grew up on a farm, so he has lots of "hands on" experience for the regular maintenance needed around a campsite. He is excited about the ministry of Camp Christian and where that ministry can grow, as well as how that ministry can grow.

Dan's first "full time" day was Monday, May 16, 2011.



**The kitchen has an accumulation of dishes, tupperware, etc that have been left from our church dinners. Please pick them up by June 15. The ones that are left will be donated to some organization.**

### **FROM KEITH SHEFFIELD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT SAMARITAN COUNSELING**

We have again this year been given the opportunity to continue our ministry of offering quality counseling services to individuals, couples, and families in our community. I certainly hope that your ministry at First Christian continues to be a vibrant and meaningful part of your spiritual journey. I wish to express my appreciation for your ongoing support of Samaritan Counseling & Growth Center. Because of the prayerful and generous financial support that we receive from this community we are able to fulfill our mission. As an extension of the pastoral care ministry of your church, Samaritan exists solely to be in service to the mental health and pastoral care needs of the community of Bartlesville and surrounding area.

In 2011, we have experience an increased need for offering fee assistance. In the first four months of 2011, 48% of the clients seen are without insurance coverage. In order to avoid limiting the number of fee assisted sessions provided, the Board has accepted the challenge of raising the needed fee assistance funds.

#### ***Sunday Worship Schedule:***

***Sunday School: 9:15 a.m***

***Worship: 10:30 a.m.***

#### ***Staff:***

***Pastor:***

***Music Director: Margery S. Maple***

***Office Manager: Lou Brown***

***Custodian: Chester Spencer***

***Nursery Attendant: Retta Seger***



**The deadline for articles for the next newsletter will be Monday, June 20th by 9:00 a.m.**

