



# E-REPORTER

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## WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!



We are thrilled to announce that Emma Butler was immersed into Christ this past Thursday, April 15th. She is the daughter of Bobbi Butler. Emma is in the 5th grade at Franklin Park and an active member of our Children's Ministry.



To complement our current sermon series, we will be showing the film, Fireproof from Sherwood Pictures.

**Friday, April 23rd @ 7pm  
Upstairs at FCC**

An action-packed love story, FIREPROOF will have you laughing, crying, and inching toward the edge of your seat as you are drawn into the world of a firefighter, his wife ... and a marriage worth rescuing.

Child care will be available. You must RSVP to Casey or the church office if you will need child care.

### Sunday, April 25

8:15 a.m. Early Worship  
9:30 a.m. Bible School  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
5:30 p.m. Evening Worship

### Monday, April 26

10:00 a.m. S.A.M.  
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

### Tuesday, April 27

8:45 a.m. Sonshine School  
3:30 p.m. H2O setup  
6:00-7:00p.m. Worship Team  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

### Wednesday, April 28

6:15-7:45 p.m. Teen MOPS  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Adult Options;  
LIGHT (Ladies' Bible Study);  
2-3 yr. & 4-5 yr. classes; K-5-  
Foundation Rock  
6:30-8:00 p.m. Jr/Sr High- H2O

### Thursday, April 29

9:30 a.m. Priscilla Ladies'  
Bible Study

### Prayer Requests:

#### AT HOME

Peggy Wilson  
Bud Burden  
Freida Gaston  
Frances Uchitjil  
Vernice Young  
Karl Squibb  
Mary Jo Beck  
Carol Phillips  
Bill Petersen

#### MISSIONS OF THE MONTH

Please pray for all our missions and missionaries.

Warren Williams  
Joyce Jones  
Gayla Ferguson  
Chery Olafsson  
Earl Gain  
James Malcolm  
Dave White  
Richard McCulloch

#### SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy and prayers go to Betty Jane Easley, Alice Morris, and Jerry Boles at the death of Sandra Kay Easley.

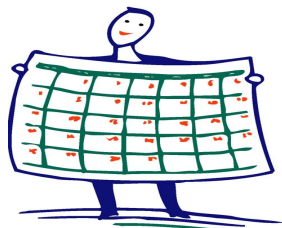
**Facts & Figures**      **April 18, 2010**

8:15 am Worship	157
Bible School	189
10:30 am Worship	252
Total Worship	409
*Ministry Fund Offering	\$10,954.45
Weekly Ministry Needs	\$12,855.77
*Add. Designated gifts	\$ 992.22
Total	\$11,946.67



Abby Duke	5
Matthew Zinzilieta	5
Sarah Blair	5
Carl Eilbes	6
Craig Kell	7
Bill Petersen	11
David Lamb	11
Megan Cartwright	11
Randy Borger	11

<b>ANNIVERSARIES</b>	
M/M Joe Pemberton	9
M/M Steve Huddlestun	11

**Coming Up on the Calendar****April**

- 22-PCC Banquet, KC
- 23-Fireproof showing Upstairs, 7pm
- 24-Schaubert wedding reception, 2pm
- 27-Prayer & Praise, 6:30pm

**May**

- 4-Sonshine School graduation, 7pm
- 4-Leadership Team Meeting, 7pm
- 5-MOPS, 9:15-11:15am
- 9-Missions Meeting, 4:30pm
- 11-Prayer & Praise, 6:30pm
- 11-Board Meeting, 7pm
- 18-Prayer Meeting, 7pm
- 19-MOPS, 9:15-11:15am
- 25-Prayer & Praise, 6:30pm
- 29-Bartley / Cox Wedding

**Overseeing Elder:** Jim Martin**April 25, 2010**

**Deacons:** 8:15-Max Dye, Mike Dye, John Gaston, Jim Holsapple, Eldon Prosis, Chuck Tinsley, Mark Cartwright, Marshall Goostree; 10:30-\*David Lamb, \*Terry Barnfield, Louis Williams, Jr., Jay Luse, Mike Molenhour, Ed Phillips, Randy Rose, Bob Russell...underlined to serve shut-ins, asterisk to serve Doctor's.

**Attendance Tabulation:** 8:15-Wayne Puricelli; 10:30-Tom Garrett

**Worship Tech:** Matt Webb, Jordan Allen

**Nursery:** 8:15-Linda Puricelli, Terri Blair; 9:30-Mary Piper, Karen Collier, Sandra Banning; 10:30-Alyssa Williams, Pat McArthur, Cheryl Kennedy

**Stepping Stones:** Ashley Elmore, Joli Lybarger

**Preschool Greeter:** Nikki Smith

**Toddler Room:** 8:15-Jared Banning; 10:30-Sydney Tefft

**Kidz Church:** 8:15-Brian & Sandra Banning; 10:30-Grant Green

**FIM Captain:** Jan Luse

**Greeters:** Joe & Cheryl Pemberton, Lucy Molenhour, Norm & Diane Barton

**Ushers:** 8:15-Keith Kemp; 10:30-Pat Baldrige

**Section Hosts:** #1-Brian Banning; #2-Vernice Young; #3-Betty Jane Easley

**Parking Lot:** Curt Piper, Kyle Kell, Randy Helm

**Baptismal:** 8:15-Janet Padberg; 10:30-Dennis Charlton

**Care Team Leaders:** 8:15-; 10:30-Jim & Sandy Martin

**Communion Preparation:** Steve Schumpert

**PRAYER CHAIN**

We are in the process of updating our Prayer Chain booklet. The purpose of the Prayer Chain is to get as many people praying for a particular person as soon as possible. We are also introducing an Email Prayer Chain. If you volunteer for the email prayer chain, please be assured that your email address will not be shared with anyone outside the church office. All emails will be sent using the BCC (blind carbon copy) option. Sign-up at the Welcome Center as soon as possible if you want on the list.

**2010 OIL BELT CAMP SCHEDULE IS OUT!**

Camp registration forms are available in the foyer or online at [www.oilbelt.com](http://www.oilbelt.com). Campers, please give your registration forms to John or Casey. **Camper Scholarships are available - half of the registration fee will be provided for all FCC regular attendees.**

**ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We need adult volunteers to help with and chaperone our Summer Events for the Student Ministry. We will be going to CIY June 13-19 and our mission trip--Mission Indy-- will be June 27-July 3. If you can help please contact John Mann at 548-0867 or by email at [jmann@fccsaalem.net](mailto:jmann@fccsaalem.net).



You are invited to a wedding reception for

**Lance & Tara Schaubert**

in the CLC on Saturday, April 24th from 2-4pm.

Lance is the son of **Dena Kemp** and the grandson of **Dean & Marilyn Wiggins** and **Jerry & Peggy Schaubert**.

**Thank You**

Thank you everyone for the prayers, cards, visits & calls during my 81 days in the hospital and nursing home. It is so good to be home again!  
Charles Monical

## Mann's Masterpiece

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## WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

We will be assembling college care packages on **Thursday, April 29th**.  
There will be boxes in both foyers for your donations.  
Any money donations can be given to John Mann.

What to Donate: Candy, Pop Tarts, Gum, Snack Cakes...you get the picture.

Our college students really appreciate this touch of love from home! Thank you!!



## Dave's Musings

Dave Jarrett / Creative Arts Minister  
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### Why We Do What We Do: Worship

I've been writing the past few weeks about the things we do in our worship services. My goal has been to begin to break down the stereotypes that we all have about worship. These stereotypes aren't bad in and of themselves, but

they can be dangerous. Is it alright for us to have our own preferences when it comes to how we worship? Sure, as long as they are biblical. And where the Bible is silent when it comes to how to worship, we must be generous with one another. We must approach the subject with humility and grace. The place for your own preferences may only be when you are alone. Your music choices, how you use scripture, whether you dress up or down, etc. In all of those things you have complete liberty to exercise on your own, 6 days a week. But when we gather, it's time to put those things aside and worship. Plain and simple.

So then, let me ask this question . . . Who is the church for? I'm afraid that most of us would answer it is for us. That it is for you. Yes, I'm talking to you. It isn't for us. It isn't for you. It is you! We work together to bless God. The problem is, we aren't very good at working together. And consequently, we aren't good at worshipping together. I would venture that part of that equation is that we aren't good at worship the other 6 days a week when we are alone. If Sunday is the only day the church worships, whether corporately or privately, we will die. We personally will be spiritually dead and the church will be not far behind.

Worship 7 days a week. 6 of those days are yours to practice worship however you want, biblically. But on the first day of the week, join with your family and put others before yourself with humility and grace. If we all did that, you would see an amazing transformation in the Body of Christ.

In Christ, David Jarrett

## Case in Point

Casey Elmore / Children's Minister  
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"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:19)

The statement of our vision at FCC is that we want *More Disciples, Better Disciples*. Our desire is to obey this command from Jesus. We want to bring more people to Him (More Disciples). Also, we should each continue to grow and mature as His followers (Better Disciples). Of course, there are several things that each of us in the church can do to make this happen. We can invite others, serve in ministries, teach and so on, but let us not neglect the simple things. Take some time and think about what it would be like if you were a first-time visitor or a fairly new attendee at First Christian Church. What could the people of FCC do to make you feel welcome and comfortable? What might someone do to make you want to continue coming? Once you think of it, do it! Be the reason that someone comes back, hears about Jesus, and grows closer to Him!

I want you to know that the four of us on staff try very hard to make people feel welcome. But four cannot effectively take on four hundred. So, I want to sincerely thank those of you who go out of your way to welcome others in. I also want to encourage the rest of you to please keep this in mind. People are attracted to warmth and welcome, so let's work together to make FCC the most warm and welcoming place we can!

**From Phil's Desk**

Phil Martin, *Preaching Minister*  
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This Thursday, Kim and I, along with a few others from FCC, will join supporters of our local Pregnancy Care Clinic. We will unite to support life in the womb not just with our presence, but with our checkbooks as well.

We live in a society that continues to support and promote the killing of unborn babies. How can this be? Why can't people understand that the conditions of conceiving a child, or whether the child is wanted or unwanted, has no bearing on the fact that the unborn child is a human being created in the image of God? It blows my mind and breaks my heart.

The hypocrisy of those who support the killing of 1 in 4 of every unborn child in the name of "choice" is rampant. Abortionists oppose laws requiring expectant mothers to first view the ultrasound images of their child before they proceed with an abortion. They are opposed to informing parents of minors who are seeking an abortion. They are opposed to legislation that states our tax money should not pay for abortions.

Abortionists are opposed to free speech that champions the pro-life message. Several years ago, Harvard Law School student, Matt Evans, was disciplined and chastised by students and faculty for posting a sign on a student bulletin board that read: Smile! Your mother chose life. Anti-lifers called it hate speech! And who can forget the recent uproar from pro-abortionists over Tim Tebow's Super Bowl ad?

Please pray for the unwanted children (born and unborn) in this world, but don't just pray...do something!

*In His Grip, Phil*



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