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WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

Anne Young was immersed into Christ this past Saturday, June 12th. Pictured are (clockwise from lower right) Jim Martin, Jay Luse, Shawna Schumpert, Wayne Hawkins, Phil Martin, Anne Young and her daughter, Stephanie. Anne resides at 225 Northwood Lane in Salem.



This week, John Mann and his youth leaders are with a group of FCC students at the Christ in Youth conference in Anderson, Indiana. Please pray for their safety, CIY, and that the Holy Spirit will use the week to shape their hearts.

Sunday, June 20

Father's Day

8:15 a.m. Early Worship
9:30 a.m. Bible School
10:30 a.m. Worship
No Evening Worship

Monday, June 21

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

Wednesday, June 23

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study;
Grades 1-6 meet in the gym;
Jr/Sr High Park Pick up

Thursday, June 24

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

Friday, June 25

6:00 p.m. Relay for Life

Saturday, June 26

2:00 p.m. Worship Team rehearsal

Prayer Requests:

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy and prayers go to Janet Young and family at the death of her husband, Vernice Young.

AT HOME

Peggy Wilson
Earl Gain
Joyce Jones
Jack Shafer
Bob Burroughs
Tom Garrett

Karl Squibb
Bud Burden
Gayla Ferguson
Chery Olafsson
Brian Brubaker
Clark Henry

Warren Williams
Mary Jo Beck
Frances Uchitjil
Alicia Black
Aleen Crosby
Betsy Duke

Facts & Figures June 13, 2010

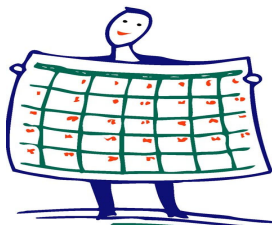
8:15 am Worship	170
Bible School	160
10:30 am Worship	225
Total Worship	395
*Ministry Fund Offering	\$11,582.50
Weekly Ministry Needs	\$12,855.77
*Add. Designated gifts	\$ 697.00
Total	\$12,279.50



Jim Brown	30
Tyson Mann	30
Abigail Zinzilieta	July 1
Duane Snow	1
Michelle Chambers	1
Kim Jourdan	2
Matt Erxleben	2
Bob Williams	3
Louis Williams, Jr.	3
Ron Stanley	4
Emily Smith	5
Jean Brouillette	5
Susan Jones	5
Karen Charlton	6

ANNIVERSARIES

M/M Casey Elmore	30
M/M Dave Holmes	July 1
M/M Mike Molenhour	1
M/M Bob Padberg	1
M/M Earl Sullens	2
M/M Mack Myers	2
M/M Doug Williams	4
M/M Robert Meyer	6

**Coming Up on the Calendar****June**

- 20–Father’s Day
- 20–No Evening Service
- 25–Relay for Life
- 27–Stephen Puricelli preaching
- 28-30–Kid Zone (VBS)

July

- 5–Church Office Closed
- 6–Leadership Meeting, 7pm
- 6-9–North American Christian Conv.
- 11–Missions Meeting, 4:30pm
- 13–Board Meeting- 7pm
- 20–Prayer Meeting, 7pm

Overseeing Elder: Craig Vieira**June 20, 2010**

Deacons: 8:15–Terry Barnfield, Mike Dye, Ron Hayes, Jim Holsapple, Chuck Tinsley, Steve Tucker, Lindell Mulvany, Wayne Puricelli; 10:30–*Jeff Molenhour, *Kyle Kell, John Gaston, David Lamb, Mike Squibb, Ted Tefft, Eric Bandy, Phil Williams...underlined to serve shut-ins, asterisk to serve Doctor’s.

Attendance Tabulation: 8:15–Wayne Puricelli; 10:30–Ron Stanley

Worship Tech: Matt Webb, Jordan Allen

Nursery: 8:15–Donna Charlton, Donna Snow; 9:30–Michele Webb, Judy West, Barbara Ball; 10:30–Mary Wilkinson, Kristin Jarrett, Cheryl Vieira, Christin Hays

Stepping Stones: Sheri Molenhour, Becca Lambert

Preschool Greeter: 8:15–Melinda Stroud; 10:30–Nikki Smith, Cheryl Vieira (end)

Toddler Room: 8:15–Ashley Alvis; 10:30–

Kidz Church: 8:15–Jay & Michelle Luse; 10:30–Ashley Elmore & Lindsey Crane

FIM Captain: Lucy Molenhour

Greeters: Jay & Michelle Luse, Lisa Pontious, Ron & Geneva Stanley

Ushers: 8:15–Katharine Black; 10:30–Elizabeth Hite

Section Hosts: #1–Robert Uchitjil; #2–Naida Uchitjil; #3–Joan Buhnerkemper

Parking Lot: Joe Pemberton, Eldon Prosis, Keith Kemp

Baptismal: 8:15–Joan Buhnerkemper; 10:30–Pat Baldrige

Care Team Leaders: 8:15–Terri Leathers, Connie Dunahee; 10:30–

Communion Preparation: Curt Piper

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

This is the last week of the Pregnancy Care Clinic’s annual Baby Bottle Boomerang! This program raises much needed funds for the clinics and is an easy thing to do. Please return your baby bottle full of coins, bills and checks **this Sunday, Father’s Day, June 20th.**

FILL A BOTTLE - SAVE A LIFE!**2010 RELAY FOR LIFE**

This year’s relay will be held on June 25th with the theme “Lights, Camera, Relay!” The opening ceremonies will begin at 6pm and the walk will continue until 6am on the 26th. If you would like to join our team please see this year’s captain, Karen Charlton or stop by our table in the foyer.

**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to work in the church office July 26-30 (Monday-Friday) while Dawn is on vacation. This will include preparing the Reporter for print on Monday, folding and preparing the Reporter for mail on Tuesday, and preparing the bulletin on Friday. Help answering the phones is needed each day. If you are willing to help, please call Dawn at the church office.

**Thank You**

Dear Friends at FCC,

I want to thank you for inviting Doug Lay to speak last Sunday. Both he and Daniel really enjoyed their time with you! Thank you for the opportunity to share with you the ministry of St. Louis Christian College. Exciting things are happening and we can send out more kingdom workers each year into the Harvest. Thank you so much for your faithful support! You are a blessing to the college.
Serving with you, Deb Pabarcus, SLCC

Dave's Musings

Dave Jarrett / Creative Arts Minister

What is Worship Anyway?

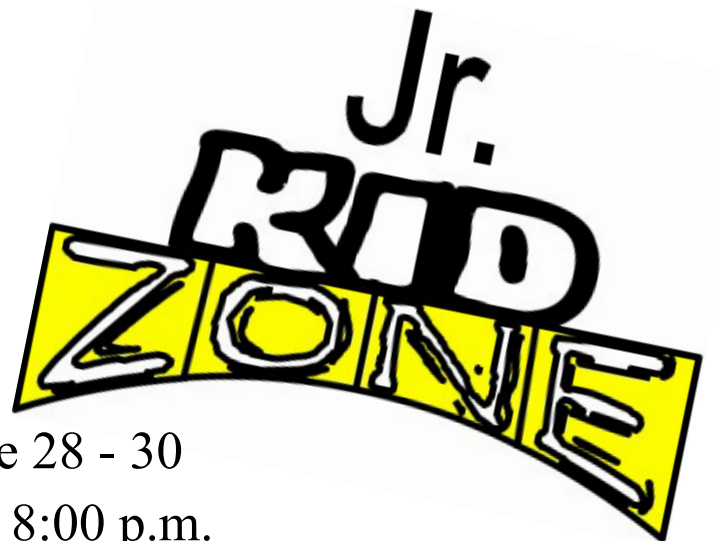
I have often heard worship defined as "our response to God." Really, that's a pretty good start at a definition. But it only focuses on us. If you look at worship with a wide angle lens throughout the scriptures you get more of the sense of a conversation. Yes, it is our response, but our response to what? To God, yes. So the crux of the matter is to not cut God's portion of the conversation out of our definition of worship. Worship is a conversation with God. And here is the most important part of the conversation, God initiates it. He speaks, we respond. He speaks, we respond.

Far too often we are more focused on the "we respond" part than the "He speaks" part. Far too often we are so consumed with the "we respond" part that we miss completely the "He speaks" part. Which is more important? This is not a "chicken and egg" conversation. There is a clear answer. God's voice, His word, His promptings through the Spirit are far more important than our response. Some may not agree with me, but here is my reasoning: If we do not listen and pay attention to God, we have nothing to respond to and our actions are in vain. They become empty practices. Null and void. Worthless. But in those quiet moments that we hear from God we can respond in ways that are full of meaning and value instead of vain repetition. Where does the value come from? God's portion of the worship conversation.

I realize that I may be a little repetitive, but for good reason. We spend so much time talking about our response that the conversation never gets to talking about God. We spend so much time talking about the vehicle that we never talk about the Driver. We spend so much time talking about the color of the car that we don't give credit to the one who designed, built, empowers, and enables it to function. There is a difference between worshipping God and worshipping worship!

May our conversations be filled with the truths and sentiments about God. May we listen to Him and be sensitive to His nudging. May we dig into the truth of His Word so that we can't help but let it flow out of us. May we worship Monday through Saturday, listening to God. May we bring that Monday through Saturday experience with us in joy before the throne of our creator and have an intelligent, engaged, informed response to what God is saying to us in the conversation of worship.

Humbly, Dave



When: June 28 - 30

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Who: Children 3 years - entering 6th grade

Where: First Christian Church, Salem

Pre-register your children in the foyer

- Live Worship
- Fun games and challenges
- Funny Skits and videos
- Extreme Bible lessons

Extreme party at the city pool after the Wednesday night program!

From Phil's Desk

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Driving just on the outskirts of town, your kids shout “Stop the car!” Your foot instinctively hits the brake, hands tighten around the steering wheel, eyes check all the mirrors, mind races through a handful of scenarios. Did you hit something? Is something about to hit you? Did Johnny throw your wallet out the window? What?

“We have to go back.”

“Why?”

“Because the sign in the yard said ‘FREE PUPPIES!’”

You chuckle and say something your kids don't fully comprehend, “The sign says they're free, but raising a puppy is NOT free.”

When you pass through the pages of the New Testament you can't help but see the sign: FREE SALVATION. That's right – Salvation is FREE. The apostle Paul says it is a “free gift” (Romans 6:23). The LORD proclaims in Revelation 21:6: “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life *without cost*.” You can't earn it, work for it, or pay for it – it is F-R-E-E. Believe it, accept it, confess it, immerse yourself in it. Come one, come all. The free gift of God's grace is yours for the taking. The road paved to heaven by the blood of Christ is freely laid out for all believers to travel. Salvation is free!

However, the journey of following Christ comes with a cost. Jesus said, “If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me” (Mark 8:38). The cost may be higher than you expected. You should expect hardships and sacrifices that will require perspiration and perseverance.

Yes, salvation is free. Yes, following Jesus comes with a cost. But it is so worth it!

In His Grip, Phil



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