

A picnic basket with a woven lid sits on a blue and white checkered blanket on a grassy lawn. Next to it is a basket of fresh fruit, including peaches and bananas. A green book with a white bookmark is also visible on the blanket.

*If a kingdom
is divided
against itself,
that kingdom
cannot stand.*

MARK 3:24



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June 9, 2024 – Baptism Sunday

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

PRELUDE "Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated,"

Arranged by: Jolene Boyd

BAPTISM OF DECLAN JAMES BLAIR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deb Caldwell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deb Caldwell

LEADER: Come, let us worship the Lord our God, whose love quenches our thirst.

PEOPLE: We are parched and thirsty for God's healing word.

LEADER: Let us praise God who is with us always.

PEOPLE: We seek the one who will not desert us.

LEADER: Let us open our hearts to God who calls us by name.

PEOPLE: We come, seeking reconciled relationship with God.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

HYMNAL #318 (all verses)

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

***INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER”**

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

RENEW #185 (sing 3 times)
Sanctuary

PRAYER FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastor Dennis

PASTOR DENNIS’ ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

The Service of the Word

***SCRIPTURE**

Pastor Dennis

Psalm 147:11 NLT; Romans 15:13 NLT

11 No, the LORD’s delight is in those who fear him,
those who put their hope in his unflinching love.

13 I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy
and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with
confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.

SERMON

H.O.P.E

Pastor Dennis

OFFERING REMINDER

Pastor Dennis

OFFERING COLLECTION

***PRAISE RESPONSE**

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

The Service of the Table

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor Dennis

COMMUNION HYMN

Hymnal #458, All 4 verses

“Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated”

PRAYER FOR THE LOAF AND CUP

Elders

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Going Forth in Love and Service

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP/WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

***SONG OF INVITATION Come As You Are - CD**

***BENEDICTION**

May God’s Grace and Peace be with you ALWAYS!

***CLOSING PRAYER Ephesians 3:20 KJV**

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

(* Please stand if you are able.

NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2025, JULY 12 – 15, IN MEMPHIS, TN

SAVE THE DATE - 2nd ANNUAL CAR SHOW (FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH) – August 24th (rain date, August 31) – Noon – 4 PM- **CAR SHOW ADMISSION \$10; REGISTRATION STARTS AT 10 AM** with free coffee & donuts! **Featuring music by: DJ Jerry Jericho**

Contact Ernie and Viv Horner at 724-350-9598 for more information.

***Proceeds benefit the church kitchen and the driveway fund.**

JOYS

- Sandy & Harold Cramer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 6/1/24. Submitted by: Sister Debbie Colvin
 - Garnet got to see Bill. They were married for 60 years.
 - Terri Brownfield got a care giver position. Happiness all around.
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“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” –John 16:33

I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness.” –John 12:46 NKJV

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. -Psalm 100:4

PRAYER CONCERNS

- *For Trey Scanlon who was hit in the face with a motor lift at work. He was to see a surgeon. Pray for strength and healing.
- * For Lisa Carpenter (Mom) last Monday went into the hospital because her heart kept stopping 3 separate times. She was placed on a breathing machine to stay alive. Was told she was going to pass away only to be home a week later and making a full recovery. Requested by: Tyler
- * For general health concerns waiting for test results for Mike Rusak. Requested by: Diane Rusak
- * For Nancy having ultrasound on 6/4. Requested by: Lorelei
- * For Bill Krutz who has infection. Prayers for healing. Requested by: Garnet
- * For my granddaughter Jackie, recovering from pneumonia. Requested by: Paula Barndollar
- * For Sherry Ballentyne with health concerns and for our granddaughter that is getting her tonsils out on May 24th. Requested by: Ken
- * For Princess, to help eliminate the demons of anxiety.
- * For Mike Wilkinson who will need to start radiation therapy in the coming weeks. Please hold him up in prayer.
- * For our friend Becky Opiela who received a new diagnosis of a concerning liver issue. Requested by: Chris & Mike Wilkinson
- ***UPDATE:** During Joe's surgery, they nicked his bladder and he had to go back into the hospital for an infection. All of this has put his recovery time to 3-4 months. Requested by: Deb
- * For Devon McQuay, she is 26 yrs. old, with heart issues.
- ***UPDATE:** Chuck Bove had his surgery for liver cancer, which was good. However, he is having a hard recovery. He's in ICU trying to get blood pressure stable. His oxygen is low and he's in a lot of pain. Please keep his wife Debbie in prayer also as she is feeling helpless right now. It's going to be a long road ahead. Requested by: Pastor and First Lady
- * For continued prayers for Tyler's father Dan, who is fighting cancer. Requested by: Missy
- * For Mike who needs more tests on Monday for bad infection in his arm. Requested by: Mary Valla
- * For Lori Burgess to be healed from cancer. Requested by: Roxanne Burgess.

CAMP LAURELVIEW 2024 SCHEDULE

JUNE 16 – JUNE 22: CHI RHO CAMP
7TH- 9TH GRADES

JUNE 23 – JUNE 29: CONFERENCE CAMP
10TH – 12TH GRADES

JULY 7 – JULY 13: JUNIOR CAMP
4TH – 6TH GRADES

JULY 14 – JULY 17: MINI CAMP
1ST – 3RD GRADES

SAVE THE DATES!

ALL ARE WELCOME

REGISTRATION: <https://Laurelview.org>

SEE YOU ON THE MOUNTAIN

SAVE THE DATE – VENDOR/CRAFT SHOW – First Christian Church, Charleroi, Saturday, June 15, 2024, 10 AM to 3 PM. Free admission, plenty of parking, handicap accessible! 50/50 raffle, auction basket raffle, kitchen open. Vendors and Crafter wanted!! For vendor information, please **email** DLRUSAK325@OUTLOOK.com or Heather.lynn.2372@gmail.com

ALL ARE INVITED TO THE BI-REGIONAL MEETING “BETTER TOGETHER”: OCTOBER 17-18 (THURSDAY & FRIDAY) – First Christian Church, Washington, PA

UNDER LONG-TERM CARE

<i>Our Leaders*</i>	<i>Marlene Celaschi*</i>	<i>Sophia Renk*</i>
<i>Our Troops*</i>	<i>Ellis & Darla White*</i>	<i>Betty Jo Matesich*</i>
<i>Our Church*</i>	<i>Bill & Garnet Krutz*</i>	<i>Nancy Lessman*</i>
<i>Universities*</i>	<i>Rocky Renk*</i>	<i>Ken & Sherry Ballentyne*</i>
<i>Grace Vandernitte*</i>	<i>Father Bob Hanna*</i>	<i>Kristin Colvin*</i>
<i>Justin Sutch*</i>	<i>David Hanna*</i>	<i>Miley Ava Delval*</i>
<i>Karin Brightwell*</i>	<i>Joseph Wojcik*</i>	<i>Grethen & Tom Speece*</i>
<i>Lila Risch*</i>	<i>Alicia Hruby*</i>	<i>Sarah Matay*</i>
<i>Bertha Zollars*</i>	<i>Jack Sharp*</i>	<i>Gage Peters*</i>
<i>Lois Buberniak*</i>	<i>Hannah Simpson*</i>	<i>Cindy Buckley*</i>
<i>Michael Erdely* (Mike & Sherry's Son)</i>	<i>Karl & Dorothy Semekoski*</i>	<i>Dave & Chrissy Zoltun*</i>
<i>Tanner Riley*</i>	<i>Mason Madzey*</i>	
<i>Jessica Beimel*</i>	<i>Terri Brownfield*</i>	<i>Laverne Giordanengo*</i>
<i>Heather Simpson*</i>	<i>Victor Angelo*</i>	<i>Margie D'Antonio*</i>
<i>Small Businesses*</i>	<i>Christian Colleges*</i>	<i>Melanie Slattery*</i>
<i>Brian Stillwagon*</i>	<i>Bob Gilpin*</i>	<i>Janet Hellner-Burris*</i>
<i>Joe & Betty Jo Rapp*</i>	<i>Gary Gray*</i>	<i>Sam & Jane Semekoski *</i>
<i>Bre Randolph*</i>	<i>Tonya Kepich*</i>	<i>Josh Cramer*</i>
<i>Andrew DeBroeck*</i>	<i>Jesse & Joseph Bird*</i>	<i>Connie Siranni*</i>
<i>Ed Yuhas*</i>	<i>Matt Sezawich*</i>	<i>Sydney Weaver*</i>
<i>Gene Kite*</i>	<i>Kelly Weaver*</i>	<i>Rev. Chuck House*</i>
<i>Ingri Humphrey*</i>	<i>Joan Caldwell*</i>	
<i>Jake Hurley*</i>	<i>Rose Wilkinson*</i>	<i>Lauri Garman*</i>
<i>Michael Cramer*</i>	<i>Mike Wilkinson*</i>	<i>Missy Montgomery*</i>

SYMPATHY AND CONCERNS

*For the family and friends of Andy Gramsky (Zavier's uncle, age 43) who passed away while cutting grass.

BULLETIN COVER REQUEST SHEET (IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE, FRIEND, or OCCASION) is available. SIGN UP SHEET AND PAYMENT ENVELOPE (\$10) ON TABLE OUTSIDE THE NARTHEX. Please write or print clearly!!! Thank you

PRAYER LETTERS can be signed in person. They are located in the narthex. Leave Margie D'Antonio a prayer request address (in the spiral book) and she will send a prayer letter. Please print clearly. A prayer letter just might make someone's day.

ELDER'S EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND

This fund was established for **ACTIVE MEMBERS** of our church who have financial emergencies and may need help with food, rent, car repairs, utilities, etc. **ACTIVE MEMBER MEANS REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT CHURCH AND/OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH.** Two requests per calendar year only from January-December will be considered. **NO CASH IS GIVEN!**

If you have a need, please contact Paula Barndollar or Diane Rusak.

GREETER(S) SHEET – Please sign-up to be a greeter on Sunday mornings. You will need to be here by **10:30 AM**. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. Thank you.

BIRTHDAYS: June 9 – Bill Giordanengo, June 10 – Mary Lou Lachman, June 12 – Valerie Stitch, June 15 – Michael Rusak

ANNIVERSARY: June 10 – Dennis & Sherry Caldwell

*Today's Bulletin Cover is in
Honor of My Daughter,
Maria Durfey
Given by: Cora Russell*

Serving the Church Today

Minister	Pastor, Dennis J. Stitch
Worship Leader	Deb Caldwell
Organist/Pianist/Director	Sherry Erdely
Elders	Taryn Grant Paula Barndollar
Greeter(s)	Judy Gaisbacher
Deacons	George Hogan, Jr. Diane Gray

Welcome this morning to First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Charleroi, where God's **GRACE** reigns. We are...**G**od-centered, **R**espectful, **A**ccepting, **C**ommunity-oriented and **E**ncouraging on most days. On other days, we try harder to be a better Christian. Be strong in the LORD! Love one another!

Follow us on Facebook at First Christian Church, Charleroi, PA, or join us on the web at www.FCC-Charleroi.com.

STEWARDSHIP REMINDER

If you happen to miss a Sunday, please don't forget that our lights are still on, the furnace and air conditioner are still in use, the custodian has cleaned the church, and the bills still need to be paid. *Please remember to make up your pledge/offering.* Thank you

TODAY: SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday 6/9

10:40 AM Elders' prayer before worship
 10:45 AM FCC Worship Service –Baptism
 Elder's Meeting after Worship

Thursday 6/13

7:00 PM FCC Board Meeting

Friday 6/14

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Set-up for Vendor/Craft Show

Saturday 6/15

10 AM – 3 PM Vendor/Craft Show

Sunday 6/16

10:40 AM Elders' prayer before worship
 10:45 AM FCC Worship Service – Father's Day

Unified Giving Update (2024)

		<u>Offerings</u>	<u>Missions/Outreach</u>
Current Fund	6/2	\$ 2,818.33	\$ 94.67
	6/9		
	6/16		
	6/23		
	6/30		

Date	<u>6/2</u>	<u>6/9</u>	<u>6/16</u>	<u>6/23</u>	<u>6/30</u>
Attendance (In Church)	72				
Facebook Live	7				
Conference Call	1				