#### Our Vision

To be a faithful, growing church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion for justice. (Micah 6:8)

How often do you praise the Lord? It really shouldn't begin and end on Sunday morning.

How often do you complain about the things that are going on around you?

Do you praise the Lord more? Or do you complain more?

Seems to me that we live during a time when we must place our focus on the One worthy of our praise. That is something we can control.

Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute, praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding

# -Pastor's Note-

# 150 Days of Praise!

cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD. Psalm 150:1-6

<u>Let</u> everything that has breath praise the Lord, indeed! Hallelujah!

## 150 DAY PRAISE CHALLENGE.

Beginning July 1, 2024.

Read one chapter from the Psalms a day.

Write down something that you are praising God for.

Praise Him for something different each day.

Imagine spending 150 days PRAISING GOD.

150 different praise statements edifying and glorifying our awesome God. I hope you will join me and take time to PRAISE THE LORD for 150

#### 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)

straight days.

I need it. I need to praise Him more. I need to take my eyes off the temporal and focus on the eternal. More of Jesus and less of me.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable--if anything is excellent or praiseworthy--think about such things. Philippians 4:8

The Triune God of the universe (Father – Son – Holy Spirit) is worthy of our constant praise.

Don't want to wait until July 1st?

Get to it then and be blessed.

PEACE.

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## **Prayer Requests**



#### Shut Ins

George Brooks Tom Farmer

#### **Health Concerns**

Allen & Nancy Neal Charlotte Dunahoe Ruth Stevenson David & Shirley Hines

Joanna Camacho Nolan Farmer

John & Lois Gibson Roger

Mullins

Lois Comerose

Eddie & Betty Williams Mary Ann Moyer

Theresa Thomason Jimmy Musser Phyllis Willis Mary Crigger Melissa Smith

Amelia Evans Cindy Scharff & family Anthony Graham Halley Boerboom Emma Murphy Kathy Kennedy Katie Croye Chris Akers Mark Riley Brannen Tome

Belinda Bradshaw Jennifer

Virginia Hudson Nelson & Tina Harrah

Nancy Baker Rita Hamm Sherry Melbourn

Sam Vance Lisa Sears Chuck Comer Elijah Smith Kim Tinder Haile Meadows Nancy Mulkey Jeff Stiltner Archie Lawson

Keith Louthan Steve Hedrick

Norma Barr Randy Peek Kathy Swauger Tonia Russell

Laura Null Joe Dotson Jordan

Susan Dotson Kathy Davis Joyce

Raymond Spradin Marsha Mitchell

#### Bereavement

The Family of Pat Gomillan

#### **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 All those effected by flooding

Malik Robinson Joyce Farmer The Maples FCC Youth Ben & Michelle Kathy & Larry Peters Jesse Dolinar & Family

Shirley Grim Vicki Miller

Betsy & Steve Cardwell

**Turman Family** Tammy Null Mark Brewer Danny Tiller Blaise Harrah Tammy Godfrey

#### **July 2024 Lectionary**

July 1:Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50: 1 Samuel 23:14-18: 2 Corinthians 8:16-24 July2: Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50; 1 Samuel 31:1-13; 2 Corinthians 9:1-5 July 3: Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50; 1 Chronicles 10:1-14; Mark 9:14-29

July 4: Psalm 48; 2 Samuel 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 4:8-13

July 5:Psalm 48; 2 Samuel 3:1-12; 2 Corinthians 10:7-11 July 6: Psalm 48; 2 Samuel 3:31-38; Matthew 8:18-22

July 7: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 and Psalm 48, Ezekiel 2:1-5 and Psalm 123, 2

Corinthians 12:2-10, Mark 6:1-13

July 8:Psalm 21; 2 Samuel 5:1-10; 2 Corinthians 11:16-33

July 9: Psalm 21; 2 Samuel 5:11-16; James 5:7-12 July10: Psalm 21; 2 Samuel 5:17-25; John 7:1-9

July 11: Psalm 24; Exodus 25:10-22; Colossians 2:1-5

July 12: Psalm 24; Exodus 37:1-16; Colossians 4:2-18 July 13: Psalm 24; Numbers 10:11-36; Luke 1:57-80

July 14: 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 and Psalm 24, Amos 7:7-15 and Psalm 85:8-

13, Ephesians 1:3-14, Mark 6:14-29 July 15: Psalm 68:24-35; 2 Samuel 6:6-12a; Acts 21:27-39

July 16: Psalm 68:24-35; 2 Samuel 3:12-16; Acts 23:12-35 July17: Psalm 68:24-35; 2 Samuel 6:16-23; Luke 7:31-35

July 18:Psalm 89:20-37; 1 Chronicles 11:15-19; Colossians 1:15-23

July 19: Psalm 89:20-37; 1 Chronicles 14:1-2; Acts 17:16-31

July 20: Psalm 89:20-37; 1 Chronicles 15:1-2, 16:4-13; Luke 18:35-43 Psalm

89:20-37; 1 Chronicles 15:1-2, 16:4-13; Luke 18:35-43

July 21: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a and Psalm 89:20-37, Jeremiah 23:1-6 and Psalm

23, Ephesians 2:11-22, Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 22: Psalm 61; 2 Samuel 7:18-29; Hebrews 13:17-25 July 23: Psalm 61; 2 Samuel 8:1-18; Acts 20:17-38

July 24: Psalm 61; 2 Samuel 9:1-13; Luke 15:1-7

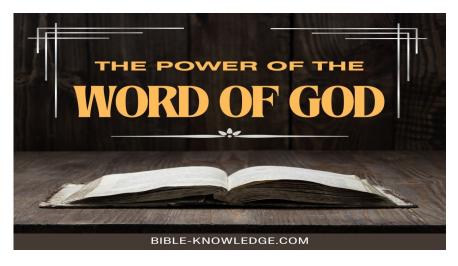
July 25: Psalm 14; 2 Samuel 10:1-5; Colossians 1:9-1 July 26: Psalm 14; 2 Samuel 10:6-12; Colossians 3:12-17 July 27: Psalm 14; 2 Samuel 10:13-19; John 4:31-38

July 28: 2 Samuel 11:1-15 and Psalm 14, 2 Kings 4:42-44 and Psalm 145:10-

18, Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21 July 29: Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Samuel 11:14-21; Philippians 4:10-20

July 30: Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Samuel 11:22-27; Romans 15:22-33

July 31: Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Chronicles 9:29-31; Mark 6:35-44



# facebook LIVE

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







Greetings Church Family,

Sarah Neal

Well, we are freshly back from camp, and what an amazing experience that was!!! The theme of the week was "Linked By Love." While there we learnt serval Bible stories about the importance of serving and service as well. Overall it was an amazing week with a small hike to a waterfall and a 10 minute road trip to a local lake beach. From First Christian, we had you first time campers go, Andrew and Jimmy Humphrey's, as well as myself and Darrin Coe.

Next up for our youth id Vacation Bible School!!! The dates for VBS are June 26, 27 & 28, that is a Friday, Saturday and Sunday. If you would like to help in any way please contact Darrin Coe at 276-245-8374 or Sarah Neal at 304-910-9933. There is no job too small to help with VBS.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve & God Bless,







Hello Church,

Good News!!!! We are growing!!! & God is Good!!

It is time to update our church directory. What do you need to do?

If you are happy with your photo and all your information on your directory page is correct, then you don't have to do anything.

Soon we will be emailing Directory Information Forms to those folks that have an email connection with us. If you don't receive one via email, there will be forms at the church.

If you would like to change your photo or need to correct any information, it can be done. You would need to fill out the Directory Information form and scan and email Sarah (email listed below), also if you would like to change current photo you may scan and email that as well. If scanning and emailing is not your "thing" (like me) then you can stop by the church  $M-{\rm Fri}\ 9{\rm am}\ to\ 1{\rm pm}$  and Sarah can scan your corrected information and photo as well.

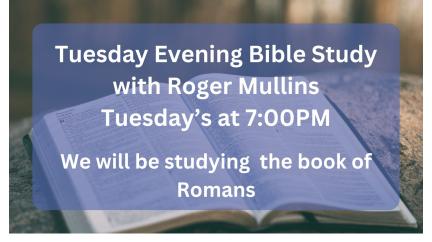
If you are new to FCC, we need you to fill out Directory Information Form and scan and email that along with a photo and again if you are not an email/scan kind of person then stop in to see Sarah M- Fri 9am – 1pm.

First Christian Church email is **fccbluefield@gmail.com** If emailing please put **Directory Info** in the Subject line of your email. This will be helpful to Sarah.

If you do not have a picture you would like to use for the for the directory we can surely take one at church.

If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. My cell number is 304 922 0634.

Helen Selbee









## **April 2024**

### TREASURER'S REPORT



#### Treasurer's Report



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

I want to let everyone know that the roofing project is completed. You will see the payment reflected in next month's financial report. I want to remind everyone that as generously as you have supported this project, 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.

HVAC UPDATE: If you will recall, we have had a general outreach for funds to prepare for aging HVAC units. The response has not been great, and, we have recently had three units become in need of replacement. SO, it's time to dig in again and ask for your support for HVAC unit replacement. We anticipate the full cost to be around \$21,000, with a firm quote of \$14,000 to replace two of the units that cool the sanctuary.

**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 mean to 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 May 2024

	Month-to-date	Year-to-date	
Total GF offerings and			
other sources	\$ 11,798.22	\$ 80,401.61	
Total expenses	13,669.72	85,041.47	
Excess (deficit) of offerings			
to expenses	(1,871.50)	(4,639.86)	
Transfers from (to) savings	2,500.00	4,500.00	
Increase (decrease)	\$ 628.50	\$ (139.86)	
May 31, 2024			
General Fund		\$ 590.58	
Memorial and Special Gifts		16,470.36	
Property Repairs and			
Replacement		50,379.64	
Scholarship		8,152.82	
Bequested Funds and other			
savings	_	103,513.41	
Total	_	\$ 179,106.81	



# Family Breakfast

# 9:00AM IN BETHANY HALL









Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	1 6:00PM Life Application Bible Study	2 6:00PM Prayer 7:00PM Bible Study	3 7:00AM Prayer 6:00PM Prasie Team Practice	4 OFFICE CLOSED 6:00PM Celebrate Recovery	5	6
7 9:00AM Breakfast 10:00AM Worship	8 6:00PM Life Application Bible Study	9 6:00PM Prayer 7:00PM Bible Study	10 7:00AM Prayer 6:00PM Prasie Team Practice	11 6:00PM Celebrate Recovery	12	13
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May you be blessed today. We heartily welcome all

Office Hours: M-F 9:00 am -1:00 pm www.bluefieldfcc.com





10:00 am Combined Worship Service

9:00 am Bible Study

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Sunday Worship for our Yourh

Annual

Summer Camp & Winter Retreat

**Youth Meeting** 

If you have any questions concerning youth events please contact Darrin Coe, Youth Minister at 276-245-8374