



WAYMAKER

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Outreach Moment

The late Chuck Colson started Prison Fellowship and was a best-selling Christian author. He told about being seated next to a prominent journalist at a banquet. This journalist told Colson that he was an atheist. Colson replied, "An atheist believes the existence of God can be disproved. So please, tell me how you did that." The man said, "Perhaps I should have said that I'm an agnostic." Colson asked, "When did you stop studying about God?" To which the journalist said, "I never have studied about him." Colson concluded, "An agnostic is one who says he doesn't think God can be known, and you can only be an agnostic if you have tried to know him and have exhausted the search. So, I would say that while you appear to be an intelligent person, you have made an unsupportable statement."

Several months later this journalist wrote an editorial talking about his visit with Colson, and what he learned about the need for religion in our culture. He wrote, "Religion fills an important role by giving us a moral code to live by and hope beyond this life. Without this structure a society becomes unstable and gloomy."

We may not have Colson's style, but we should always be looking for opportunities to sow seeds of faith.

Bible Reading: December 30 -31, Matthew 27-28 & January 1- 5, Micah 1-5 -- On the App, click "Study" at bottom of page, then click "Plan." Reading schedules can also be picked up in the office.

Thank you from staff:

The staff would like to thank the church for the year-end bonus. We are blessed to serve alongside this church and appreciate the continued generosity of everyone here.

Baptisms - *We rejoiced as Bailey Hallmon came forward and were baptized into Christ this past Sunday (December 29th)*

Christmas Card Exchange – Look for the boxes off the Main Foyer for this year's Christmas Card Exchange. Bring your cards to fellow attenders and file behind the letter of their last name. If you wish, please give the money you would spend on stamps to the General Fund or to the Missions Fund (use the giving box on Sunday mornings). The boxes will be out until Jan 12th

Are you looking to Serve?

Take out your calendars and see where you can serve.
We have lots of openings for the new year and need
lots of volunteers for the different committees.
Here are a few areas you can serve in.
Please contact the office.

Please consider the nursery. We are very short staffed.

Welcome Center/Greeter
Greeter at the main doors
Nursery (urgent need)
Prayer Room

Communion/Donuts/Clean-up
Usher/hand out bulletin
Help with Funeral Dinners
Help with Next Gen Dinner

VOLUNTEER

SERVING January 5, 2025

Nursery -- 1st – Linda Irwin

SS – Jen Webster

2nd -- Kim Sanudo

Communion/Donuts/Clean-up/Baptisms

1st – Linda Irwin

SS – Gina & Carl Burmeier

2nd – Kelly Franklin

Guest Services: 9:00-10:15 – Amy Bryan

10:15-end of service –Ginny Krueger

Door Greeters:

1st. Shirley and Brad Dyer

SS. Brenda German

2nd. Kami Lippens and Jennifer Oetzel

Ushers: 1st – Jacob Yarger

2nd – Kris Rose

Prayer Room – 1st – Frank & Linda Hamilton

2nd – Myra Turner

THIS WEEK

Sunday. . .

First Service, 8:00 a.m.

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Second Service, 10:30 a.m.

Youth Group, 6:00 p.m.

Office will be closed Wed, January 1st

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study –

Jan 4th 9:00 a.m.

Community Prayer Meeting –

Sat Jan 4th 8-9:00 a.m. 2nd Milers room

**January 5th Vote on 2025 Budget &
Elder's Ordination**

Snow Removal December 30-Jan 5



Frank Hamilton

Rick Yarger

Snow Removal January 6-12



Jake Conrad

Frank Hamilton

Attendance December 22, 2024

1st Service 62

2nd Service 136

Total 198

OFFERING

December 22, 2024

General (received) 5092.00

(needed) 7,933.00

Year-to-date (given) 333,334.00

Budget to date 404,583.00

Capital Campaign Drive 3145.00

Mission Fund 25.00

PRAYER LIST –

***NOTE:** Please call the office and update your prayer requests each month to be added or deleted off the list.

Ongoing problems – Terry Howe, Ginger Howe, Keith Johnston

Cancer – Sharon Johnston, Roger Harrell

Upcoming Surgeries – Sue Rose

Nursing Homes - (Hillcrest) Cindy Clark – **(Kewanee Care)** Mary Popejoy **Courtyard Estates** – Mary Yarger

Missions – Rock River Christian Camp, Chaplaincy Endorsement Commission, Sairattanyu's-Thailand, Pine Haven Christian Children's Ranch, Pino Neglia-Italy, I.D.E.S., Newingham's-Hope Orphan Home, Miller's – Hope Orphan Home, International Conference on Missions, Central Christian College, Bible Campus Ministry-WIU, Kewanee Ministerial Alliance, Work Camp New England, Safe Families, Tuttle's-Ireland, Andrews'-Middle East, Foundation for Nations (Wyoming)

Serving our country – Drew Haverback, Benjamin Schmidt, Matt Worstell, Matt Elbus, Thaddeus Blanks, Jarrett Davis (Alaska), Arrick Juarez, Kailynn (Osborne) Schmidt, Eli Barnett (deployed), Niko Powe (Guard), Sheadon Oetzel, Jakob Gradert, Brian Smoot, Ethan Gish, Calab Franklin, Chase Ince

****Friday Prayer Focus****

All things are made new Revelations 21:5

****Pray for our church** at a regular time each day!

****Prayer Chain** - Please call Shirley Brokaw (309-883-1677) or Sylvia Giese (853-2617) with requests.

Note: If the prayer request is for someone other than you, please obtain their permission before putting the need on the chain. Requests will be called out from 8:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m.



RightNow Media for all members! Text FCCKEWANEE to the number 49775 to set up your account or go to www.rightnowmedia.org/account/invite/fckewanee.

How to access our church's livestream:

If you wish to watch our service on your TV, you will **need** to have a **Smart TV, Roku, or Firestick**. **If you don't have any of those options, you can watch on your Smart Phone, Tablet or Computer.**

- On any of these compatible devices, open the YouTube App or go to youtube.com
- Search for "First Christian Church of Kewanee"
- You can click on "Follow" to access it quicker and easier in the future.
- **Alternative option:** Search for "First Christian Church of Kewanee" on Facebook.

At 10:15 AM on Sundays, we go "Live" and you can begin to watch our service that starts at 10:30. (From 10:15-10:30 it will just be pictures of announcements, the live feed will start at 10:30)