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March 10, 2025

# **WAYMAKER**



From John ... Infinity and Eternity

Will Heaven get boring? I was asked this question recently, and it's a good question! Heaven is eternal, and any activity we can think of on earth might eventually get boring after a thousand years or so. Consider some earthly activities. Skydiving the first time may be thrilling and exciting, but after hundreds of jumps, the excitement wears off.

The best answer to this question is to pair eternity with infinity. Heaven is eternal, but God is infinite. My belief is that we will always have more to discover and explore in Heaven because God is infinitely greater than us, and His infinity compliments Heaven's eternity. No matter how long we spend learning about God, there will always be more to discover.

I'm not sure exactly all the activities we will do in Heaven, but, in many ways, I believe it will be partly a return to Eden. Imagine how exciting and new Eden was to Adam and Eve! They were discovering new animals, seeing geological features no one had ever seen, and experiencing the wonders the world has to offer. God didn't run out of ideas with this Earth. Maybe each day in Heaven is almost like a new Eden to explore and discover. We don't have all the answers to what Heaven will be like, but we can be assured of one thing: when God's infinity meets Heaven's eternity, it will never be boring!











**Bible Reading: March 10-16, Acts 2— 8**-- On the App, click "Study" at bottom of page, then click "Plan." Reading schedules can also be picked up in the office.

**Kris Rose**—I would like to express my gratitude for all the cards, hugs, and gifts during the difficult time following the loss of my brother. I would also like to thank Sylvia Giese and Lynn Yarger for filling in as secretary while I was out of office.

**Transferring membership** — We would like to welcome **Jeff and Lois Hepner** to our church family. They transferred membership on March 3, 2025.

**Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference** —We will meet at the church at 7:00 AM on Saturday, March 22nd. We will return roughly 5:30 PM.

**Women's Iron Sharpens Iron** will be April 12. We will meet at the church at 6:50 am to car pool together and return around 5pm. Girls 13+ are welcome to join us. Cost is \$59 made payable to the church. Put in the memo for women's iron sharpens iron. Please let Jackie Reside know if you are able to go.

**Baby Shower Invitation**—Everyone is invited to share the blessing of baby boy Forbis. We are having a baby shower for Katie on March 22, at 2 pm (FH). Katie Forbis is registered on Amazon and Walmart. If you have any questions, please contact Madelyn Forbis.

Journey to the Cross — Good Friday, April 18 — Come experience what Jesus went through in the last hours of his life. Walk from room to room a feel, touch, hear, taste, and smell to really experience Jesus' love for you, when he went to the cross. Call our Church office to sign-up and reserve your 1-hour time slot between 5-9 PM 309-853-4298 or you can sign up at the Welcome center





THIS WEEK

First Service, 8:00 a.m. Sunday School (SS), 9:30 a.m. Second Service 10:30 a.m. Youth Group, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11—

Small Group 10:30 a.m. After School Program 3-5:00 p.m. Volley Ball 6-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 12— Happy Birthday Sylvia Giese

Ladies Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

Wed Night Bible Studies 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday, March 13** — Clothing Drive set up 9-1:00 PM Volleyball Tournament 6:00 PM

Friday, March 14—Clothing Drive set up 9-1:00 PM

Saturday, March 15—Clothing Drive Giveaway 9-11 AM



Attendance	March 9, 2025
1st Service	62
2nd Service	150
Total	212
Last year this time	193

## SERVING March 2025

## Nursery — Weekly March 16

1st — Peggy Gish & Erin Peters SS — Kelly Franklin 2nd —

### Prayer Room — Weekly March 16

1st —Steve & Jan Sams 2nd —Travis & Erin Spivey

**Guest Services — Monthly** 9:00 --10:15 — Jolene Clark 10:15-end of Service—Erin Spivey

#### **Door Greeters — Monthly**

1st — Lynn Yarger SS — William Huggins 2nd —Steve & Jan Sams

## Ushers- Monthly

1st — Jacob Yarger2nd — Brenda German

#### Communion Helpers — Monthly

1st—Ann VanWassenhove SS — Janell Steffen 2nd — Kris Rose

Snow Removal March 17-23 Gary Krahn & Ken Krueger Snow Removal March 24-30 Pete Peterson & Garry Rose



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OFFERING	March 2, 2025 6
General (received)	7,029.00
(needed)	8,061.00
Year-to-date (given)	71,218.00
Budget to date	74,549.00
Capital Campaign Drive	370.00
Men's Iron Sharpens Iron	177.00
Women's Iron Sharpens Iron	297.00
Sandy Patterson Jones Memori	al 75.00
Larry West Memorial	150.00
Inner City Mission	55.00
Youth Mission Trip	50.00
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\*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, Sue Rose, Paula Gradert, Patricia Lyle, Brenda Muckey

Cancer - Sharon Johnston, Roger Harrell

Upcoming Surgeries - Paula Gradert

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., Newinghams-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 for Nations (Wyoming)



Families, Tuttle's-Ireland, Andrews'-Middle East, Foundation

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

\*\*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/fcckewanee.

#### 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)