

# First Christian Church Newsletter

March 3, 2026

"... a planting of the Lord." Isaiah 61:3

(270) 333-2115

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## SERVANT SCHEDULE

March 8, 2026

**Nursery:** Shannon Hazel and Ellison Hagan

**Beginner's Church:** Keely Hagan and Kelsi Hunt

**Children's Church:** Brenda Gernatt and Heidi Willett

**Communion Meditation:** John Tom Hagan

**Sunday Hallway Monitor:** Travis Henshaw

**Sunday School:**

**PREK and K:** Janie Shouse and Lisa Jones

**1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades:** Kristi O'Nan

**Middle School:** Caitlin Nikolai

**High School:** Jared Austin and Cierra Austin

**Adult Class:** Charlie Watson

**Coffee, Donuts & Communion Prep:** William and Heather Lewis

**Greeters:** Joe and Suzanne Woodring

**Computer:** Justin Gatlin

**Cleaning:** Upstairs Section #1: Liz Wadlington

Upstairs Section #2: Brandi Wells

**Youth Meet Sunday Evenings:** **Cancelled**

**Sunday Night Youth Group Meal:** **Cancelled**

**Sunday Pray Gathering:** Meet in Church Sanctuary at 5:30 p.m.

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## Sharing the Word

We are excited to announce that Mike Williams will be preaching this Sunday. Join us as he shares the word of God with our congregation.

## YOUTH ENCOUNTER THE SAVIOR (Y.E.S.)

March 20<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sturgis First Christian Church

The Boys Y.E.S. Weekend helps 14 to 20-year-olds grow into Christian leaders, focusing on Jesus Christ's love and mercy and fostering maturity in a supportive faith community.

# *Silent Auction*

*Partner with us as we help students grow in Christ.*

**When:** March 15, 2026 – *Starts at 10:30 AM*

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

## **Featuring:**

- Donated Items
- Handmade Crafts
- Desserts
- Service Vouchers
- Themed Baskets

Your generosity helps fund mission trips, retreats, service projects, and discipleship opportunities for our teens.

*Thank you for supporting our students and their walk with Jesus.*

Please join us for this special event and enjoy a meal as part of the gathering. If you would like to donate items for the auction, please bring your contributions to the church during the week of March 8<sup>th</sup>. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will help make the auction a success.

Please note that Sunday School will be cancelled on the day of the auction.



**HIGH SCHOOL CAMP, GRADES 9-12**  
**June 14-18**

**KIDS CAMP GRADES, 4-6**  
**June 22-26**

**EPIC CAMP, GRADES 6-8**  
**July 6-10**

A registration link has been added to the church website [sturgisfcc@org](mailto:sturgisfcc@org) and to the church app.

For those needing financial assistance, the codes are **STURGIS50 AND STURGIS100**.

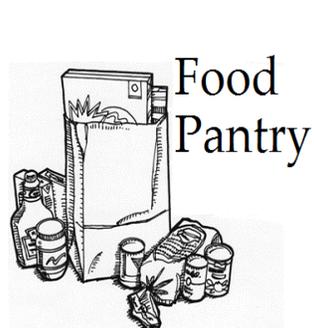
### Wednesday Night Activities

In addition to our Sunday gatherings, we invite everyone to join us for Wednesday night activities. The evening begins with a meal at 5:15 p.m., followed by classes for all ages. This midweek time offers a chance to connect, learn, and grow together as a church family.

**Reminder: If school is cancelled or not in session no Wednesday night activities.**

### Wednesday Night Menu

This week's menu includes Broadview Burgers, hot dogs, slaw, chips and macaroni and cheese plus dessert. We trust that these selections will provide a welcoming experience for all attendees.



Your support has truly helped serve our community's needs. We appreciate everyone who contributed to the Food Pantry. Thanks to your generosity, we fed **47** families and **143** individuals during February's distribution.

Donations to the Food Pantry are needed throughout the year. Current items needed include spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese and peanut butter. All donations are welcome and appreciated.

**The March distribution will take place on Saturday, the 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**

### Church Board Meeting

The Church Board will hold its next meeting on Monday, March 9th at 6:30 p.m. All church members are warmly invited to attend and participate. Your input and presence are valued as we come together to discuss important matters and continue building a strong, faithful community.

## Church Board Reports

Copies of the reports can be found on the desk located between the Sanctuary doors. We encourage all members to stay informed about our church's financial health and to remain actively involved as we continue serving our community and fulfilling our mission together.

## VOLUNTEER



We are seeking volunteers to help teach Sunday School for our elementary age children. This role supports the spiritual growth and education of our young members in a nurturing environment. Teaching responsibilities are organized on a monthly rotation, allowing each volunteer to contribute monthly. We invite anyone interested in making a positive impact to consider this opportunity.

Please contact Jared Austin or Lissa Neitz.

## Adult BIBLE STUDY

**Monday, Women's Bible Study:** Class meets in the Fellowship Hall at 4:30 p.m. For more information, contact Jane Ann Henshaw at (270) 952-2112.

**Wednesday, Women's Bible Study:** Class meets at 6:00 p.m. On Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> they will be starting a new series called "Getting Out of Your Head", by Jennie Allen. All women are welcome. For more information, contact Sarah Thompsen at (270) 952-5813.



**Breckenridge Place Retirement Community Ministry:** Suzanne & Melissa will be providing music and songs on the first Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m. For more information and to get involved, please contact Suzanne Woodring or Melissa Gatlin.

*Happy Anniversary!*

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### MARCH ANNIVERSERIES

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27 Lee and Stephanie Baird



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### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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**2 Cosmas Russelburg**  
**3 Mike Wadlington**  
**4 Bob Shouse**  
**7 Aulen Neitz**  
**8 Caitlynn Farthing**  
**12 Hayley Thomas**  
**15 Ami Gernatt**  
**21 Caleb Jenkin**

**21 June Wadlington**  
**22 Dugan Overfield**  
**22 Kristin Steelman**  
**25 Emma Sprague**  
**30 Baylor Overfield**  
**31 Cooper Logan**  
**31 Eliot Simmons**

# Remember in Prayer

Is there someone that you would like to add to our prayer list? Please e-mail the church office at [secretary@sturgisfcc.org](mailto:secretary@sturgisfcc.org) or call the church office at (270) 333-2115. You may also make prayer requests on the Church Website [sturgisfcc.org](http://sturgisfcc.org).

- Melissa Gatlin's Father
- Debbie Jo Moore
- Mary Winders (life challenges)
- Jesse Smith (Ryan Utley's Stepfather has cancer)
- Chad Garrett
- Myrna Eastwood
- Kevin Hardin (Karen Bate-Levy's nephew)
- Betty Stone
- Maggie Nelson
- Becky Adamson
- The Haitian Village of Ticampeche
- Virginia Quinn
- Katie Cooper
- Doby and Amy Waggener
- Christin Jackson (Chemotherapy)
- Greg Greenwell-Health
- Lane Baird
- Bryce Gill, Cierra Austin's cousin-liver, and kidney issues
- Adrian Mills- Health issues
- Kale Gernatt
- Joey Bells-Life choices
- All who suffer with addictions
- FCC Trustees, Elders, Deacons, & FCC Family
- The Meadows Ministry, Children, and Families
- The FCC Food Pantry Ministry
- All Missions throughout the World,
  - All the Missions that FCC supports
- Our Country and its Leaders
- Pray for Israel, Haiti, and Ukraine