

# *First Christian Church Newsletter*

February 24, 2026

“... a planting of the Lord.” Isaiah 61:3

(270) 333-2115

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## **SERVANT SCHEDULE**

**March 1, 2026**

**Nursery:** Kendra Loxley and Ella Loxley

**Beginner's Church:** Kassie Green and Sadie Green

**Children's Church:** Ryan Davis and Travis Neitz

**Communion Meditation:** David Shouse

**Sunday Hallway Monitor:** Stephen Loxley

**Sunday School:**

**PREK and K:** Ellie 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:** Middle School: Class 4:00 p.m.

High School: Meal and Class 6:00 p.m.

**Sunday Night Youth Group Meal:** Kassie Green

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

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## **Upcoming Youth Fundraising Event**

The Silent Auction is scheduled to take place on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. This event is organized to raise funds in support of our youth programs. The Silent Auction is always a memorable and special time for everyone involved. It brings our community together for a meaningful cause.

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.

## **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.

### **Mission Trip to Valladolid, Mexico**

**March 14<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>**

**Ms. Drew Ann Sprague is affiliated with Reformed University Fellowship, a campus ministry organization. She will be participating as part of a team of twenty-two individuals traveling to Valladolid, Mexico to assist in developing connections with students at the local university. Currently, the university does not have an established campus ministry.**

**If you are willing to help Drew Ann on this mission you may donate the following ways:**

- **Checks may be made out to TCPC with "RUF MEX" written in the memo**
- **Cash donations are also greatly appreciated.**
- **If you would like to give online you may do so  
at:<https://tcpca.churchcenter.com/giving/to/ruf-valladolid-trip>**
- **Donations may be mailed to: Tates Creek Presbyterian Church, 3900 Rapid Run Dr., Lexington, KY 40515.**
- **Donations may also be mailed to: Drew Ann Sprague, 239 Forest Park Rd, Lexington, KY 40503**

**Please pray for the group, their trip, the mission, and for those they will meet.**



**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.**



Each member of the Sanchez family took a key step in their faith journey by participating in baptism. We are delighted to welcome the Sanchez family as new members of our church community.

- Kendrick
- Samantha
- Logan
- Landon
- Tobias

Please remember to keep the Sanchez family in your prayers as they continue their walk with Christ.

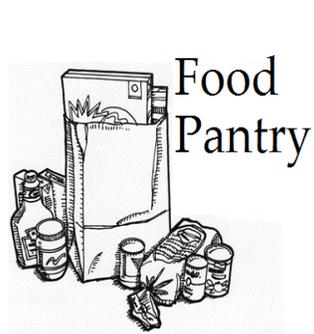
### Wednesday Night Activities

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 tacos, Mexican rice, chips with dip, chicken nuggets 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**



#### Volunteers Needed for Church Nursery

We are seeking compassionate and nurturing individuals to care for the youngest members of our congregation in the nursery. This is a wonderful opportunity to provide a safe and loving environment for infants and toddlers while their families attend

worship services. If you feel called to support this vital ministry, please reach out to the church office (270)333-2115. You may also send an email to [secretary@sturgisfcc.org](mailto:secretary@sturgisfcc.org).

## **Discover the Benefits of Using Our Church Website**

Connecting Faith, Community, and Information

#### Stay Updated on Church Events

Wondering what's happening in the church this week? The website provides a comprehensive calendar of events, including worship services, bible studies, youth gatherings, and community outreach programs. Never miss a chance to deepen your faith and build lasting relationships.

#### Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for ways to serve? The website lists current volunteer opportunities where you can make a difference in our community. From supporting food drives to lending a hand at church events, there's something for everyone.

#### Prayer Requests

Our website offers a private and convenient way to submit prayer requests. Share your joys, concerns, or struggles, and let the church community join you in prayer. It is a powerful way to feel connected and supported.

#### How to Get Started

Using the church website is simple and straightforward. Visit [sturgisfcc.org](http://sturgisfcc.org) explore the various sections and make it a part of your daily or weekly routine. Bookmark the page for easy access and check back regularly to stay informed about latest updates and opportunities.

### *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.

# 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).

- 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