

First Christian Church Newsletter

August 4, 2026

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

(270) 333-2115

SERVANT SCHEDULE

August 9, 2026

Nursery: Kendra Loxley and Ella Loxley

Beginner's Church: Heather Lewis and Aluen Neitz

Children's Church: Ryan Davis and Travis Neitz

Communion Meditation: Caleb Jenkin

Sunday Hallway Monitor: Stephen Loxley

Sunday School:

PREK and K: Jason Green and Kassie Green

1st – 5th Grades: April Dayberry

Middle School: Caitlin Nikolai

High School: Jared Austin and Cierra Austin

Adult Class: Charlie Watson

Coffee, Donuts & Communion Prep: Jason Green and Kassie Green

Greeters: Bob Shouse and Janie Shouse

Computer: Travis Henshaw

Cleaning: Upstairs Section #1: William Lewis and Heather Lewis

Upstairs Section #2: Lisa Jones and Bonnie Conrad

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: Heather Lewis

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

Planning Meeting for Wednesday Night Activities



Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for a planning meeting for all teachers and helpers involved in Wednesday night activities.

Date: August 6th

Time: 6:00 PM

Your participation and input are appreciated as we prepare for the upcoming Wednesday night activities.



High School Church Retreat

Camp Illiana

August 13, 14, & 15

Cost: \$75.00 per person

Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for a great time of worship, fellowship, and fun!

Contact Jared Austin to sign up. (270) 841-3693

Packing List for High School Church Retreat

Clothing

- T-shirts (3-4)
- Shorts (2-3)
- Jeans/athletic pants (1-2)
- Hoodie or light jacket
- Sleepwear
- Socks (3-4 pairs)
- Comfortable shoes (closed toe recommended)
- Extra pair of shoes (optional)
- Rain Jacke or poncho

Toiletries

- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Shampo, soap/body wash
- Towel and washcloth
- Personal hygiene items

Bedding

- Pillow
- Sleeping Bad or Twin Bedding Set
- Blanket (if bringing twin bedding set)
- Otherwise, optional

Spiritual Essentials

- Bible
- Journal
- Pen/pencil

Outdoor/Activity Gear

- Water bottle
- Flashlight
- Small backpack or drawstring bag
- Sunglasses

Personal Items

- Phone and Charger
- Medications (in original containers)

Optional Extras

- Cards/board games
- Extra towel
- Something to put dirty shoes in
- Earplugs



WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITES BEGIN!

Mark Your calendars for September 2nd

Meal Starts at 5:15 p.m.

Classes start at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Activities will offer a range of classes for all ages. Families and friends are welcome to attend, providing an opportunity for learning and growth together. The evening is planned to support faith, friendship, and enjoyment.

A meal will be served by church members every Wednesday night, offering food and fellowship for attendees.

WE KNOW you GOT SKILLS!

We're looking for men to share some of their **KNOWLEDGE and SKILLS** with hands-on- 20–40-minute mini-session with our middle school guys on Wednesday nights-from basic car maintenance, finances, fishing rigs to woodworking.

Caleb Jenkin continues leading the regular class, so there's no pressure to prepare a whole lesson or make a long commitment. Scan the QR Code to sign up and let us know you're interested in hanging out and passing along a practical skill!

Contact Dana Davis if you have questions (270) 952-5717 (if you have trouble with the QR code there are hard copies available)



Guys Wednesday Night Level Up

Sunday Night Youth Meals - We Need You!

Our church has long supported its youth, and we need volunteers to provide Sunday evening meals for about 30 young people at 6:00 p.m. Please bring both food and drinks.

Sign up for a date using the link below or scan the QR code. Thank you for supporting our youth!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4CABAD23A6FCI-64527288-youth>



Church Board Meeting Announcement

The upcoming Church Board Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, August 10th at 6:30 p.m.** We encourage all board members to be present as we address key topics relating to the future and mission of our church. Your participation and perspective are appreciated as we work together to serve our congregation.

All members who are interested in the direction of our church are invited to attend. This gathering offers a chance to share your thoughts, provide valuable input, and help shape the growth and unity of our church family.



Food Pantry

We're grateful for the community's support of the Food Pantry. Your generosity helped us serve **27** families and **82** individuals during July's distribution. Thank you to everyone who donated and helped make this possible.

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 August distribution will take place on Saturday, the 15th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.



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.

Friday, Men's Bible Study: Meet in Fellowship Hall at 6:15 a.m.



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!

AUGUST ANNIVERSERIES

1 Wes and Kristin Steelman
3 Mike and Liz Wadlington
4 Stephen and Kendra Loxley
4 Camron and Brandi Wells
15 Will and Shannon Hazel

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



1 Stephen Loxley

2 Rorey Hazel

2 Taner Hazel-Dennehy
3 Becca Logan
6 Dana Davis
8 Kristian Jenkin
9 Christy Russelburg
10 Ross Gatlin
11 Alex Thomas
13 Dennis Eastwood
14 Hunter Dayberry
14 Julie Hendrickson
15 Brandon Rhea
15 Tessa Rhea
18 Daylee Shelton
21 Bonnie Conrad
27 Lilly O'Daniel

28 Kieira Austin
28 Miles Davis
28 Haley Overfield
28 Betty Stone
30 Annie Mills

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 or call the church office at (270) 333-2115. You may also make prayer requests on the Church Website sturgisfcc.org.

- Ameire Utley
- 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
- 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