

First Christian Church Newsletter

May 26, 2026

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

(270) 333-2115

SERVANT SCHEDULE

May 31, 2026

Nursery: Mary Ellen Hunt and Harper Jenkin

Beginner's Church: Heather Lewis and Aulen Neitz

Children's Church: Sarah Thompson and Jay Thompson

Communion Meditation: John Tom Hagan

Sunday Hallway Monitor: David Shouse

Sunday School: CANCELLED

PREK and K: Kassie Green and Jason Green

1st – 5th Grades: Kristi O'Nan

Middle School: Caitlin Nikolai

High School: Jared Austin and Cierra Austin

Adult Class: Charlie Watson

Coffee, Donuts & Communion Prep: Jim Young and Trish Young

Greeters: Bob Shouse and Janie Shouse

Computer: Kelly Steward

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: Volunteer Needed

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

Congregational Announcement

The Elders received a request from Jared Austin to be recommended to the Church Board as Senior Minister. The Church Board approved the Elders' recommendation, and this recommendation was presented to the church on Sunday, May 17, 2026 and again on May 24, 2026.

Voting will take place at a Special Meeting on Sunday morning, May 31, 2026.

- The recommendation must be approved by a two-thirds majority of members present.
- We encourage all members to attend and participate in this important decision.

We ask the congregation to continue in prayer as this process moves forward.



The church will be honoring our high school senior graduates on Sunday morning, May 31st. Please join us as we celebrate their achievements and wish them well on their next journey.

This year's graduates: Charlee Baird
Kyley Fowler
Utah Heady

There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following this Sunday's service.

Sunday School

There will be no Sunday School this Sunday due to a special congregational meeting and a reception honoring our graduating high school seniors.

Meal Train for Sunday Night Youth

We need volunteers for Sunday night Youth meals (serving 30–35 people). Please sign up to help using the following link: <https://mealtrain.com/ee9v9l>



Food
Pantry

We are sincerely grateful for the outpouring of support from our community for the Food Pantry. Your generosity has made a significant impact in meeting the needs of those around us. During the distribution in April, your contributions enabled us to provide food assistance to **20** families, reaching a total of **61** individuals. Thank you to everyone who donated and helped make this effort 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 June distribution will take place on Saturday, the 20th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.



Vacation Bible “Cool” School Announcement

“Snow” Much Fun This Summer!

Vacation Bible “Cool” School Details

Join us for our upcoming Vacation Bible “Cool” School—a fun and faith-filled summer event for the whole family.

- **Dates: July 22–24**
- **Time: 5:00–8:00 p.m. each evening**

Invite your friends and family to enjoy a meaningful week of Bible learning, engaging activities, and fellowship. We look forward to welcoming everyone for a memorable time together.

Volunteer Opportunities

We are currently seeking volunteers to help make our Bible School a success. If you are interested in assisting, please contact either Melissa Gatlin at (270) 752-0540 or Lissa Neitz at (270) 952-0399. Your support is appreciated!

Please use the QR code to register for VBS.



June 14-18 High School Camp, Grades 9-12

June 22-26 Kids Camp, Grades, 4-6

July 6-10 Epic Camp, Grades 6-8

A registration link has been added to the church website sturgisfcc@org and to the church app. For those needing financial assistance, the codes are STURGIS50 AND STURGIS100.



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.



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!

MAY ANNIVERSERIES

2 Aaron and Kelsie Stevens
6 Peter and Caitlin Nikolai
12 Travis and Lissa Neitz
13 Klint and Ami Gernatt
21 John and Keely Hagan

21 Mark and Lisa Jones
22 Nathan and Jasmine Jenkin
26 Andy and Debbie Sprague
27 Matt and Emily Wolles
30 Justin and Melissa Gatlin



MAY BIRTHDAYS

3 JB Gibson
3 Kendrick Sanchez
3 Christy Shouse
4 Caitlin Nikolai
6 Caleb Hagan
8 Harper Jenkin
9 Isaiah May
13 Heath Conrad
14 Shelly Alvey
19 Lucas Nikolai

26 Selah Jenkin
28 Alan Dayberry
30 Reagan Hendrickson
30 Kelly Seward
31 Nora Hesley
31 Gabbi Thomas

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.

- 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