



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

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September 29, 2020

BLOOD DRIVE

Villa Grove Community

Friday, October 2nd 4:00-7:00 p.m.
First Christian Church Fellowship Hall
(701 N. Sycamore St.)
To donate, visit www.bloodcenter.org
(using group code 70301)



This is the last week to help Choices Pregnancy & Health by filling a baby bottle with cash, check or change! The bottles, along with a sign-up sheet, are located at the south door. Take as many as you want, fill them up and bring them back to church AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. Be sure to indicate, on the sign-up sheet, how many bottles you have taken; when you return them, be sure to check your name off the list. We'd like to send them back next week. THANK YOU!!

Thank the Lord, my heart cath went well. They found no blockages. I thank you all for your prayers and support.

SARAH CANNON



<p><u>ATTENDANCE</u> 9-27-2020 9:30 A.M. Service: 47 11:00 A.M. Service: 34 TOTAL: 81</p>	<p><u>OFFERING</u> 9-27-2020 Spendable: \$1947.00 Benevolence: 283.00 TOTAL: \$2230.00</p>
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IN OUR *Thoughts and Prayers*

Doris Black- had lung procedure at Carle Hospital on Monday

Larry Coombes- suffering from heart and lung issues; is doing better today

Mel Greeley (Judy Zylstra's dad)- has a hole in part of his eye; hip surgery is postponed

Family of Kimberly Howard (Dwight & Evelyn Howard's daughter)- graveside service will be Saturday, 3:00 p.m. at the Camargo Cemetery

John Klucinskis- has had an infection for a while, has not been able to get rid of it

Lucille Lacine (Steve Lacine's mother)- prayers needed for comfort; is back in the nursing home, on hospice; she also tested positive for COVID-19

Cathy Landreth (friend of Jeff & Helen Watson)- had stem cell transplant; will be in Barnes Hospital until October 21; can have no visitors, so is very lonely

Joyce Montgomery (Glenda Case's daughter)- heart problems; must be careful walking and lifting

Family of George Nussell (Edna Waldrop's brother-in-law)- funeral will be mid-October

Sherrill Shunk- back in Mattoon Health Care Center

Joshua Stebbins (Doris Black's grandson)- out of coma, is walking and talking and doing much better

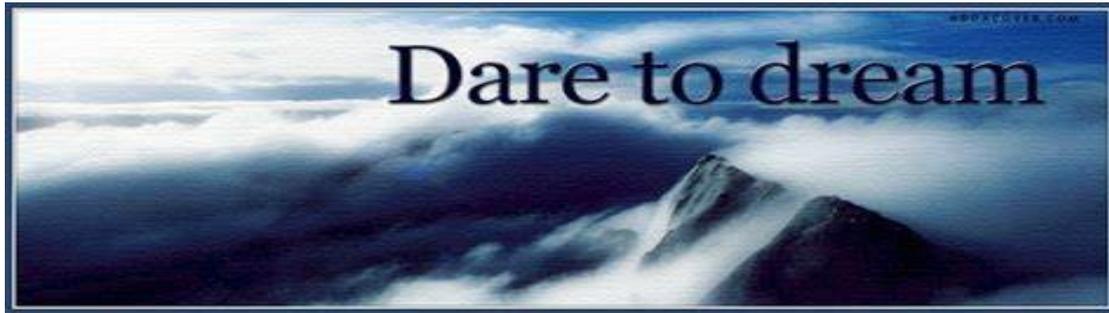
Sue Taylor- recuperating at home from appendectomy surgery of a ruptured appendix

Randy Voght (acquaintance of Della Mae Frahm)- had twenty low grade tumors removed, and will be having chemotherapy



We are in need of volunteers to greet at the exit doors each Sunday. Greeters should make sure the door is opened for those coming in, and to show people where essentials are (masks, hand sanitizer, etc.). We'll be making calls soon, so please don't hesitate to volunteer. This is an easy, but essential job.





“Dare to Dream” Wall
9/29/2020

Have you ever been encouraged to “Dream big?” Those words encourage us to push the limits of current circumstances and understanding, and to free up the mind to limitless possibilities. A story is told of the CEO of a drill bit manufacturing company who asked his Junior Executives to answer the question, “What do we do?” One week later, the leaders got together and offered purpose statements. Finally, one leader said, “We make holes.” This revelation freed the company to discover that, though they were an industry leader in manufacturing drill bits, there are hundreds of ways to make holes. The company expanded into lasers, sound waves, water-jet, chemicals and other ways to “make holes.”

In the Bible, God spoke His will to some people through their dreams. Why use that medium? Maybe God needed to free the human from things that limited them, and kept them stuck in the limits and past thinking. When was the last time you intentionally asked God to give you a BIG dream for the church? I read of a small congregation (100 people) who were challenged to “Dream Big.” They wrote their dreams on postcards. Then pinned them to a “Dare to Dream” wall in the building. The dreams included things like: Hire a Christian counselor, take a missions trip, start a Christian school, remodel the kitchen, develop a community garden, live-stream the worship gatherings, hire a parish nurse, pave the parking lot, increase individual giving, establish a Christian day-care, provide life assistance to single parents, offer Christian financial services, and so on. All dreams were prayed for every time someone walked past the “D2D” wall! When a dream came to fruition they put P.T.L. on that card and moved to the next dream.

Go ahead, dream big. Then work hard for God’s kingdom. He likely wants to use you to fulfill the dreams He gives you.

Mike

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Elders:

Elmer Decker Steve Lacine

John Dilliner Chad Reno

Bob Dowler Joe Rothermel

Services at the church building on October 4- 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study resumes October 7, 7:00 p.m.

No Shut-in Communion (Assisted living facility is closed.)

Elder-On-Call for October: ELMER DECKER (832-8589)

Mission of the Week: LINCOLN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Lincoln, Illinois

Dr. Silas McCormick, President

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Sherrill Shunk

Mattoon Health Care Center

2121 S. 9th St.

Mattoon, IL 61938

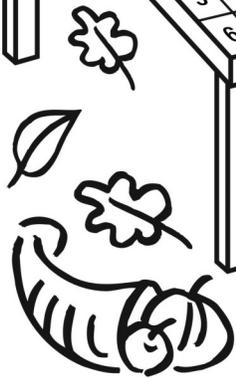


Glad gatherings

The first Christians met together over a meal. Today church families still gather to break bread and thank God.

Follow the instructions below. Then write the remaining words in order from left to right and top to bottom to complete the verses.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	They	found	broke	bread	acts	in
2	houses	their	homes	beautiful	and	round
3	ate	world	beginning	together	follow	thought
4	with	numbers	glad	happiness	lesson	and
5	thanks	sincere	disciples	gathering	hearts	tradition
6	celebrate	good	praising	Christian	God	river



- Cross out all words in column E with double letters.*
- Cross out all words that are books of the Bible.*
- Cross out all words in column B that end in d.*
- Cross out all words in column A that have more than 4 letters.*
- Cross out all words in row 5 with 3 syllables.*
- Cross out all words in the table with 9 letters.*
- Cross out all words in column F with 2 or more vowels.*

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