



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

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May 21, 2024

YOU'RE INVITED!!

Sunday, May 26, following graduation-- Kenzie Cardiff's party at the church

Sunday, May 26, 3:30-6:00pm-- Logan Lillard's party at her home

Saturday, June 1, 2:00-5:00pm-- Marissa & Raeanna Boyer's party at their home, 701 E. Scott, Tuscola

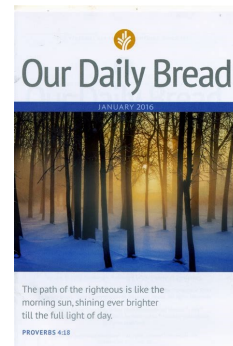
Saturday, June 1, 4:00-8:00pm-- Shelby Hughes graduation ceremony and party at First Christian Church, Villa Grove



EVERYONE IS INVITED.

**THE PIANO STUDENTS OF
JUDY ZYLSTRA
WILL PRESENT A RECITAL ON
FRIDAY, MAY 21-- 7:00 P.M.
AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
VILLA GROVE**

**Copies of the next "OUR DAILY BREAD"
devotional book are available at the south door.
These are free for everyone.**



MAY 19, 2024

Worship	101
Sunday School	75
Sunday Morning Celebration	4
King's Kids	5
High School/College	9
Blessed Believers	18
The Fellowship Class	32
Chosen Ones Class	7
OFFERING:	\$2,780.00
Spendable:	2,750.00
Benevolence	10.00
Worship	20.00



**Men & Boys
Pancake & Sausage
Breakfast**

**Sunday, June 9
8:00 a.m.**

**Hosted by the Fellowship
Committee**

**There is a sign-up sheet on the
bulletin board to furnish items
for the breakfast.**



PRAYER LIST

Farmers- safety while working
Gretchen Casey (niece of Mary Gen Frick)- thyroid surgery on June 3, at Barnes
Bill Schweighart- lesion found on top of his head; not therapy, but

I would like to express my profound thanks and gratitude for this generous gift (scholarship). This gift will greatly help me with paying for my first year of college. In my time involved in the church, I have had so much support shown to me and my family. I can never put into words just how thankful I am to our entire church family. I hope all is well for you.

KENZIE CARDIFF



Dear Villa Grove First Christian Church, Thank you so much for awarding me with this scholarship. I plan to put the money aside and use it to further my education to become a nurse anesthetist!

Sincerely,
LOGAN LILLARD

2024 SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

KENZIE CARDIFF: Bozdech Family Scholarship, James & Bernadine Spannagel Scholarship, Alice Osborne Memorial Scholarship, First Christian Church Scholarship, VG State Bank Scholarship VGEA Christine Killion Memorial

LOGAN LILLARD: Lyle Johns Scholarship, VG Booster Club Scholarship, Smith Seed Company, Pizza Man/Monical's, First Christian Church Scholarship, Jason Watson Memorial Scholarship, VG State Bank Scholarship, Champaign Co. Farm Bureau Foundation, FFA Alumni Active Senior Scholarship

CHLOE REARDON: 2021 Blue Devil Scholarship, Michael "Mikey" Eisenmenger Memorial, First Christian Church Scholarship

MARISSA BOYER: Rotary Student of the Month (April), Cundiff Scholarship Trust, Dana Mattix Scholarship, George Barnett Nursing Scholarship, Georgine McDonald Trust Charles & Maggie McDonald Scholarship, Lenore Cletcher-Wessale Trust Scholarship, Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center Guild Scholarship, First Christian Church Scholarship

RAEANNA BOYER: Rotary Student of the Month (January), Cundiff Scholarship Trust, DAR Good Citizens Award, GFWC Women's Club Scholarship, Kiwanis Scholarship, William Butkovich Scholarship, Cletcher-Wessale Scholarship, ECCA Outstanding Student of the Year, Georgine McDonald Trust Charles & Maggie McDonald Scholarship, Senior Departmental Award for History, First Christian Church Scholarship



BE the Neighbor **5/20/2024**

BE the Neighbor

According to Jesus (Luke 10:25-28), when asked to reveal what was the greatest commandment, he asked the lawyer to reveal how he interpreted the Mosaic Law. The man correctly answered that the greatest commandment was two-fold. Love God fully (Deut. 6:5) and love your neighbor as yourself (Lev. 19:18.) Jesus praised the man's answer. But, the man continued, "Who is my neighbor?"

So, Jesus told the parable of the Good Samaritan. At the end, he flipped the script and told the lawyer to BE the loving neighbor rather than just finding neighbors to love. The question we are left with is, "How can I BE the neighbor? How can I love others?" Since Jesus urged the correct answer to come from Leviticus 19, we should go back to that same chapter, look at its context, and learn how God thought love for neighbors should look. God was quite specific.

Lev. 19:10 – care for the poor

Lev. 19:11 – do not steal, do not lie, do not deceive (like with half-truths)

Lev. 19:12 – do not profane God's name (doing that sends a wrong message to others)

Lev. 19:13 – be fair in your business dealings (don't seek financial advantage over others)

Lev. 19:14 – care for the deaf and the blind (those with physical impairments)

Lev. 19:15 – deal justly with everyone, do not show partiality (this requires understanding)

Lev. 19:16 – avoid slander and do not jeopardize the life or health of your neighbor.

Lev. 19:17 – do not harbor hatred against anyone.

Lev. 19:17 – speak truthfully even if you need to rebuke your neighbor. Do this in love.

Lev. 19:18 – do not take revenge or hold a grudge against anyone.

If we are to show neighborly love and be a neighbor to those around us, this is what it should look like. Why? So that God receives the glory.

Mike

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Jerry Hughes

Bob Dowler

Joe Rothermel

**CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, MAY 27 FOR THE MEMORIAL
DAY HOLIDAY.**

MAY 26, 2024

Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Greeters: (South) John & Linda Dilliner

(Front) Neville Linton, Jr.

Coffee Fix & Cleanup: Brenda Elam/Glenda Case

Serving: M. Hughes, J. Watson, R. Duzan, P. Eisenmenger

Elder-On-Call for May: JERRY HUGHES (217)369-5495

Mission of the Week: CHRISTIAN CAMPUS HOUSE

EIU- Charleston, Illinois

Matthew Thomas, Lead Campus Minister

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

SHIRLEY WALDROP

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