



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

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May 28, 2024

YOU'RE INVITED!!

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



**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. Needed
items are: Fruit (2), Coffee Cakes/Muffins (3),
Gallon juice (1)**

THANK YOU- to **BOB DOWLER & JOHN DILLINER**, for their "umbrella service" on Sunday morning, when it was pouring. All the ladies of the church appreciate your efforts!!

CONGRATULATIONS- to the **VILLA GROVE HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL TEAM**, who won their game on Monday, and are heading to Super sectional on Friday, in Peoria. **GREAT JOB, GIRLS!!**

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

MAY 26, 2024

Worship 83

Sunday School 47

Sunday Morning Celebration 2

King's Kids 3

High School/College 6

Blessed Believers 10

The Fellowship Class 20

Chosen Ones Class 6

OFFERING: \$1,725.00

Spendable: 1,347.00

Benevolence 378.00

Terri Albin- surgery for cancer of small intestine on Tuesday, at Carle

Gretchen Casey (Mary Gen Frick's niece)- thyroid surgery at Barnes on June 3

Families affected by accident- 5 people were killed

Judy Stahl (friend of Shunk's)- massive heart attack; is in Carle Hospital

Mike Zylstra- travel mercies; driving to Wisconsin to see his folks

Value of A Farm Dog 5/28/2024

An old English fable by John Aikin speaks of a farmer who bought a new puppy. As the dog strolled through the barnyard, he came to the horse's stall. The horse said, "I am the master's favorite animal because I carry the heaviest loads." Feeling dejected, he walked to the cow, who overheard the horse and replied, "I am the master's favorite as I provide many dairy delicacies." A nearby chicken proclaimed herself as the farmer's favorite because of the eggs she laid. Then the sheep sang its own praises for providing wool for the farmer's clothing. One by one the other animals claimed the honored position because of what they did for the farmer. They all agreed that this whelp offered no service of value to the farmer, and was useless to the master.

The puppy found a secluded spot and began to sob. An old dog on the farm heard the whimpers and paused to hear the pup's story. "You are right", the old dog began, "you are too small to pull a load, you will never produce milk, wool, eggs or anything else. But it is foolish to cry about what you cannot do. Rather, use the ability the creator has given you to bring cheer."



That night, the farmer came home and slumped in his chair. His tractor had broken down and his crops needed rain badly. The little puppy ran to him, pranced around him, jumped on him, wagged his tail, and eventually the farmer invited him onto his lap. The pup licked his face and the Master said, "No matter how tired or depressed I am, I feel better when you greet me. I wouldn't trade you for all the animals on the farm."

Being a Christian isn't about what we produce for God, it is about how much we love him with what He has given us.

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Elders:

John Dilliner Jerry Hughes
Bob Dowler Joe Rothermel

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT RURAL
GRACE FOOD PANTRY (MURDOCK) ON
MAY 31, 3:00-5:00 P.M.**

JUNE 2, 2024

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

Greeters: (South) Sarah Hughes
(Front) Larry & Sheryl Mulvaney

Coffee Fix & Cleanup: Brenda Elam

Serving: D. Shunk, D. Logan, K. Logan, R. Graham

Elder-On-Call for June: JOHN DILLINER (217)621-9807

Mission of the Week: OBLONG CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN HOME
Oblong, Illinois
Amy Kemp, Executive Dir. of Operations

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

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