



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

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August 19, 2025



There are now order forms for the church shirts at the south door, and color samples are on the bulletin board. Orders are due AUGUST 24, and can be left in the church office or put in the offering tray. If you have any questions, contact Deanne Rothermel.

2025 WAS A GREAT SUMMER FOR LITTLE GALILEE!

They had 2151 youth registrations, 49 camp sessions, 474 volunteer faculty members, 102 baptisms at the camp pool, and dozens of baptized campers rededicated their lives to walking with Jesus!

This ministry continues to thrive because of the support of generous people who spend time, prayers and financial support.

70TH BIRTHDAY BASH!

Everyone is invited to a birthday party for Little Galilee on Saturday, August 30, from 6:00-9:30 p.m. at the camp, celebrating God's faithfulness for 70 years. There is no charge, and donations will be accepted.



**RURAL GRACE FOOD PANTRY--
OUR TIME FOR VOLUNTEERS IS FRIDAY,
AUGUST 22, FROM 3:00-5:00 P.M.**

AUGUST 17

Worship & Nursery	74
Sunday School	44
Preschool Class	2
Sunday Morning Celebration	3
King's Kids	0
Blessed Believers	12
The Fellowship Class	21
Chosen Ones	6
OFFERING	\$3,511.00
Spendable	3,415.00
Worship	96.00



Family of Connie Frick- Lee Ann Frick's cousin
Nicole Kneer- chemo
Millie Little (friend of Judi Lock)- at Newman nursing home
Family of Beverly McClain- Mary Gen Frick's cousin
Greg Watson- health issues with kidney and heart



Value of a Teacher
8/19/2025

The story is told of a King who wanted to honor the member of his kingdom who contributed the most to the wellbeing of his subjects. Thousands of citizens sent in applications with essays proclaiming themselves as the greatest. The advisors brought the finalists before the King for a personal interview.

The first was a wealthy businessman. He spoke of his philanthropy, humanitarian efforts and charitable donations. His programs had elevated many from poverty. The second was a ground-breaking physician. She shared her compassion for those suffering, knowledge of anatomy, and insatiable research which led to the discovery of cures for many diseases. The third was a distinguished judge. He chronicled his love for the law, respect for people, integrity, justice, wisdom, and fairness. The King mulled the accomplishments of these three and wondered how he would decide.

Then, a fourth person came before the King. She was an elderly woman, quite humble in demeanor and hardly looked like a candidate for "greatest in the kingdom." Yet there was something in her countenance that oozed love, understanding and confidence. The King asked her to describe her accomplishments. She measured her words carefully. "Oh, great King. I know you have interviewed an exceptional businessman, doctor, and judge. I just want you to know... I was their teacher!"

Everyone is the product of others who have poured taught them. From the day we were born we have been learning from others. The same is true spiritually. When Jesus commissioned His followers to "make disciples of all nations." He urged them to: GO to people. Don't just hope they come to you. BAPTIZE or immerse them into Christ, so they are always fully surrounded by Jesus. And TEACH them, so they will know how to be a disciple of Jesus.

Being taught and teaching others is God's call for all of us. So... take a moment and thank God for those who have taught you about Christ. Then pour yourself into the life of someone else so they can learn to be a disciple of Jesus.

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**THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 24 IS
BENEVOLENCE SUNDAY.
THERE WILL BE NO SON TIMES
PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK.**

AUGUST 24, 2025

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

**Greeters: Macen & Molly Hughes (Front)
(South) Dennis & Karen Williamson**

Coffee Fix/Cleanup: Sarah Hughes

Nursery: Worship: Becky Sinkes SS: Karen Williamson

Serving: D. Logan, K. Logan, B. Smith, R. Graham

Elder-On-Call for August: JOE ROTHERMEL (217)369-5285

**Mission of the Week: CHOICES PREGNANCY & HEALTH
Charleston, Illinois
Chris Bugel, Executive Director**

**REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS
SHIRLEY SCHWEIGHART**

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