



THE SOMERSET CHRISTIAN

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POINTS OF INTEREST

*Message from Doug
Announcements/Events
Prayer List*

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School

4/26—121

5/3—131

5/10—117

Worship

4/26—213

5/3—211

5/10—222

OFFERING

WORSHIP

April 26th \$3,815.00

May 3rd 7,456.00

May 10th 4,512.00

Worship Total — \$15,783.00

DESIGNATED

Family Night \$439.00

God's Food Pantry 40.00

Ralph (photographer) 122..50

Program Ministries 675.00

Music Fund 150.00

Gideon's 25.00

Doug Couch (love gift) 500.00

Mission Trip 1,877.50

Lex. Theol. Seminary 450.00

Nursery 100.00

VBS 100.00

Wedding Deposit 100.00

Prayer Garden Bricks 225.00

Total Designated — \$4,804.00

*(Monthly Financial Report available
at the church during office hours.)*

This Sunday, our youth will lead us in worship and we will recognize our graduates. I know you'll want to be here to support them. Graduation is a time of excitement as well as anxiety for our youth AND their parents. As church family, we commit to prayerfully love and support them as they enter this new era in their lives.

Summer is nearly upon us and that means family vacations for many of you. The kick off for vacation season is typically Memorial Day weekend. On the 24th, we'll have a special sermon entitled, "I Will Remember" which will honor the memories of all who have gone before us.

Summer also means Vacation Bible School is nearly here as well!! I love Vacation Bible School! It is such a special time in the life our churches as we get the opportunity to share the love of Christ in the lives of children in our community.

This summer also means mission trips. We have not one, but TWO mission trips scheduled this summer. We will have a special commissioning service for all those going on our mission trips on Sunday, May 31. Please plan on being present that Sunday if you possibly can!

Finally, one other date to look forward to is June 28. That is the date of our church picnic which will be held at the Bottoms this year. Our Praise Band will be performing for us and we will have a great day of fun and fellowship. More details will be given in the next newsletter.

Be present, be faithful, be positive,

Doug

Our heartfelt prayers and sympathy are extended to the family of
Vera Coomer
who passed away
Monday, April 27th.



Thank You

My dear friends,

Thank you so much for all the words of encouragement, prayers, cards, visits, and food during my recovery from hip surgery on April 2.

The Lord is healing me faster than I would have ever imagined!

Much love,

Sally McEnroe

Graduation Recognition Sunday

On Sunday, May 17th we will recognize all of the graduates that attend First Christian Church. We would like all high school, college, or technical school graduates to make special plans to attend both a breakfast served in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 and also the 10:45 worship service where they will receive a small gift as a token of our congratulations. The breakfast will be served in honor of the graduates and will be a time for church members to offer their personal congratulations.

If you are graduating from either high school, college, or technical school, or know of a church member that is, please call the church office and leave your name and a contact number.

We would also like to ask for some assistance from our Sunday School classes in providing food for the breakfast.

Below is a list of what each class can help provide for the breakfast. A sign up sheet will also be posted in

each Sunday School room if you are able to help with providing food.

Bell Class—breakfast casseroles

Adams Class—doughnuts/pastries

TNT Class—fruit

Victory Class—bagels & muffin

Friendship Class—Orange juice
and milk

In His Love,

Christian Education Committee

Marriage Class

Our next Marriage Class will be Friday, May 15th @ 7:00 PM.

Please join us as we continue the Jimmy Evans series, “*Our Secret Paradise*”.

DWM

‘Brown Bag’ lunch

Our next Disciples Women’s Mission ‘*Brown Bag*’ lunch will be @ NOON on Saturday, April 16th.

We would like to invite all women in the church to join us for a time of fun and fellowship.

Office Closed

The church office will be closed on May 25th in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration forms are now available in the church office for parents to register their children for Vacation Bible School. The dates are Sunday, June 7th—Wednesday June 10th.

We also have flyers that can be posted in our community to advertise VBS. If you have a place that you can post these flyers to help with advertisement,, please pick them up in the church office.

We are also in need of empty paper towel rolls and/or toilet paper rolls for a craft during VBS. If you have any you can donate, please leave them in the church office.

If you would like to help out with VBS this year and you haven’t been contacted, please contact either Andrea Eastham or Amanda Thompson.

Tools of Hope

For over 60 years, Church World Service has worked in partnership with local communities to identify their needs and access the resources they need to build the foundation for a more viable future, including:

- ♥ **Blankets, tents, food** and other emergency supplies in the wake of a disaster
- ♥ **Tools and seeds** for refugees returning home to replant their fields
- ♥ **Wells** for families living in drought prone areas to provide clean, safe water to drink and to

irrigate crops and gardens

♥ **Literacy training and microcredit** for women struggling to realize their potential

Contributions to Church World Service support sustainable self-help development, meet emergency needs, aid refugees, and help address the root causes of poverty and powerlessness.

On Sunday May 17th, there will be special envelopes for *Tools of Hope Offerings*. We hope you will take this opportunity to make a donation to this very worthy cause.

Thank You

DWM Project

While doing your spring cleaning, save all your old greeting cards. Disciples Women's Ministries will be collecting these to send to St. Jude. St. Jude will recycle these cards.

These can be old / new cards of any kind: birthday, Christmas, thank you, etc. We just need the front part of these cards.

You can drop them off in the church office. We will be collecting them through June.

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES—MEETINGS

|               |                                                                                                                                    |                                                           |                  |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Every Tuesday |                                                                                                                                    | Music Practice                                            | Church Sanctuary |
| May 15th      | 7:00 PM                                                                                                                            | Marriage Class                                            | Fellowship Hall  |
| May 16th      | NOON                                                                                                                               | DWM 'Brown Bag' Lunch<br><i>Outreaching Hands</i>         | Fellowship Hall  |
| May 17th      | Youth Sunday—Graduation Sunday<br>Breakfast for Youth & Grads<br>— Tools of Hope Offering —<br>5:00 PM Christian Education Meeting |                                                           |                  |
| May 18th      | 7:00 PM                                                                                                                            | Board Meeting                                             | Community Room   |
| May 20th      | 6:00 PM                                                                                                                            | Children's House Graduation                               | Church Sanctuary |
| May 24th      | 5:00 PM<br>2-5:00 PM                                                                                                               | Youth Committee Meeting<br>Love on a Leash (therapy dogs) | Community Room   |
|               | <i>Bassinet Sunday</i>                                                                                                             |                                                           |                  |
| May 25th      | <i>OFFICE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY</i>                                                                                          |                                                           |                  |
| May 27th      | Family Night Meal will be <i>POTLUCK</i>                                                                                           |                                                           |                  |
| May 31st      | <i>PENTECOST MEAL — see insert for more details —</i>                                                                              |                                                           |                  |

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Hospital:

Raymond Hardwick

Bill Campbell, San Antonio Hospital

Margie Whitaker (Tan Bark/Lexington)

Members:

Vera Coomer's family, Doug Couch's father, Margaret White, Ron Ford, Carol Norton, Jean Barnett, Joe Altman, Nancy Phillips, Alex Hunley, Christine Hughes, Charles Meece, Linda Ford, Hazel Spears, Sharon Walker, Loretta Canada, Charlie Bell, Virgie Fuller, Faye Lawson, Virginia Murrell, Karen Jackson, Mona Mitchell, Vida 'Pudd' Hudson

Friends:

Joyce Buis, Leona McBeath (*Emma Hutcheson's sister*), Charles Farris, Jeanne Speckhals, Tom Crockett, Bill Barnett, Jean McCowan, Louise Conley, Bobby Gould, Mack Goldinger, David Plavi, Doug Lee, Sylvia Rice, Bob Silvers, Ada Sue Diamond, Jamie & Tracy Flowers, Tiffany Isabelle, Rhonda Dalton, Jennifer Morgan, Mark Sype, Sue Stevens, Mike Clark, Eric Conrad, Ada Bordes, Bill Kincaid, Frank Hughes Jr., Phyllis Lamkin, Sylvia Gibson, Hubert Hall, Robert Beane, Clarence Girdler, Blane Bardin

* Please keep the office updated on these and any other prayer needs. *

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