

# Newsletter

May 2023

First Christian Church  
Stilwell, Ok.



## Updates:

### Services:

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 Morning Service  
[firstchristianchurchstilwell.org](http://firstchristianchurchstilwell.org)

### Board Meeting

May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 8:00 pm

### Events:

May 7<sup>th</sup> Potluck / Youth Sunday


May 7<sup>th</sup> Graduation Sunday

May 10<sup>th</sup> Youth Blowout

May 14<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day

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Tuesday's @ 6:00pm Grief Share  
For more information call:  
918-696-7241 option #4



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**Youth:** If you are wanting to go on any trips please make sure your Medical forms are Completed.



*Thank You*



*Congratulations  
to our very own  
Adrian Gaches  
for being  
crowned  
Strawberry  
Queen  
2023*

## Prayers for Healing

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**General:** Isabella Barger, Joe Benham, Rodney Benham, Kevin Chrisman, Bethel Clausen, Amanda Collins, Theresa Comer, Frank Cuff, Donny Curry, Braxton Davis, Carolyn Denny, Michael Diver, Jessica Ellis, Terry Franklin, Dennis Fujii, Kaitlin Grim, Running Bear Grimmet, Darrell Guffy, Ashley & Noah Haddock, Veronica Handcock, Josie Harris, Elizabeth Hinojoso, Nancy Hume, Mike Hyde, Debbie Isaacs, Chelsie & Samuel Jones, Kim Ketcher, Betsy Lawson, Lisa Lawson, Madilyn Lens, Ken & Norma Littledeer, Fran Lockhart, Roger Lockhart Jr, Don Mann, Donna Mary, Linda M<sup>c</sup>Broom, Ivory M<sup>c</sup>Donald, Dora M<sup>c</sup>Dowell, Jeff & Tammy M<sup>c</sup>Laughlin, Tanya & Laura Mitchell, Victoria Owen, Lenox Price, Glenda Reed, Dennis Rhoads, Brian, Chris, Grady, Lucy, Jack, Joey, Kathy, Mitzie & Rick Ritter, David Robert Family, Johnny Ross, Sandy Ross, Joy Russell, Rogelio Salinas, Justin & Elaina Spear, Bob & Charlene Swepston, Ronnie Trentham, Titus Vaus, Geoff, Beth, Kayden Whitworth, Steve Wilson, Linda Woodward, Suzie Young

**Cancer:** Billie Asbill, Scott Baird, Lisa Lindsay-Benge, Declan Callahan, Derek Ceola, Patricia Dority, Norma Eli, John Garrett, Jenny Guthrie, Amy Hammer, Jeremy Isaacs, Jimmy Jones, Jan Lockhart, Viola Lopez, Natisha Martin, Cathy Matthews, Steve Meredith, Steve Murray, Hunter Nichols, Dashika Ray, Shannon Rock, Becky Salinas, Dee Spinner, Butch Swepston, Danielle Unger, Jerry Wallace, Madeline Watkins, Larry Wilson & Donna Wolf.

**Military:** Casey Eubanks - Air Force; LT. Jack Greer - Army; Spencer Simmons - Army; Alan Starr - Air National Guard; & World Revival

**Updates:** Sarah Cox will be having surgery on May 16<sup>th</sup>, Dianna Dunaway will have surgery May 4<sup>th</sup>, John Ferris is having surgery May 14<sup>th</sup>, Please note these days and continue to pray for these surgeries. Beth freeman is in the ICU in Ft. smith pray for her healing, Chelsie Jones had gallbladder surgery and is no home healing, Pray for The Betty Keeter family for their loss of Betty, Spook (Steven) Lacy had an accident last month and is starting to get feeling back please continue to pray for healing, Kendell Littledeer is needing lots of prayer for healing, Sue Ritchie needs prayers for healing of broken bones & Butch & Jan Swepston need special prayers.

**Praises:** Mary & Gregg Stilwell Joined the Church this past Wednesday evening and the Sunday before that we had a Baptism, Victor Brannon.

\* If you have any updates, please contact Celena Bray.

### **Pray for our Missions we support:**

ACRC Food Pantry; Northeastern Campus Fellowship at NSU; Cookson Hills Christian Children's Ministry; Ozark Christian College; Good News Productions; CIY; Pioneer Bible Translators; Ninos De Mexico; Mexico Christian Children's Home; Jim and Terri Riley-Honduras; Collegio Biblico; India Christian Bible College; Stilwell Ministerial Alliance, Sunset Bible Camp & The Christian's Hour Radio Program.

## From The Minister

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The days (and years) sure do fly by, don't they? Here it is already May - - Where did the first 4 months go? And as May comes there will be many things happening. There will be Graduation, Strawberry Festival, Mother's Day, V.B.S, Memorial Day, and probably other things as well.

During May we will be so busy we may forget what we are really here for. Things may get in the way of our worshiping and serving God. WATCH OUT!

I heard about a boxing match between a Jew & a Catholic. A rabbi and a priest were sitting side by side watching the fight. The bell sounded and the Catholic boxer made the sign of the cross.

*"What does that mean?"* asked the rabbi. The priest replied, *"If he can't fight it doesn't mean a thing!"* Good point.

Cross necklaces, bumper stickers, T-shirts can be good, but they're not enough. People want to know if you are for real. They want to see you worshiping and giving God your time. They want to know if Jesus has made a difference in your life. It's great to tell people you are a Christian, but we need to back it up by our lives. So, where will your priorities be in May?

*Brother Eldon*

*P.S. What a blessing it was to see Victor Brannon come into the house of the Lord to get baptized and become a follower of our Lord and Savior.*



## *Serving List:*

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7<sup>th</sup>

**Table:** Matthew Howard & Gage Ross

**Distribute:** Ben Johnson, Brody Johnson & Kodi Ross

**Announcements:** Matthew Howard

**AV Tech:** Brian Johnson

**Prep:** The Youth

14<sup>th</sup>

**Table:** Grady Ritter & Daryl Johnson

**Distribute:** David Dotson, Heath Guffy & Larry Roberts

**Announcements:** Grady Ritter

**AV Tech:** Celena Bray

**Prep:** Melissa Cole

21<sup>st</sup>

**Table:** Cy Bray & Charles Benham

**Distribute:** Justin Spear, Dan Butler & Rick Eubanks

**Announcements:** Rick Eubanks

**AV Tech:** Brian Johnson

**Prep:** The Bray's

28<sup>th</sup>

**Table:** Rex Earl Starr & David Dotson

**Distribute:** Warren Golden, Fred Holtz & Daryl Johnson

**Announcements:** Daryl Johnson

**AV Tech:** Cy Bray

**Prep:** The Ritter's

**Nursery:** Andrea Brown

**Greeters:** Fred & Ronda Holtz





# Announcements:

**Potluck: May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Bring your favorite  
Dish / Side & dessert

**Board Meeting: May 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Please note that this  
meeting is on a different  
date than normal.



## College Age Bible Study:

Every Thursday  
Starting Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm

**Board Meeting: May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 8:00 pm**

**Potluck/Youth Sunday: May 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Graduation Sunday: May 7<sup>th</sup>**

**22Forty Youth Blowout: May 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Mother's Day Sunday: May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Memorial Day: May 29<sup>th</sup>**



Coming  
May 31st

Summer  
**DEVO**  
Nights



Devotion & Volleyball Grades 6-12

## Mission Trip:

**Where:** Eureka Springs

**When:** July 9-15

**Who:** 6-12 Grade

If you are interested in  
going to this mission trip  
see Matt Howard.

It is a great  
Working experience.

## The Graduating Class of 2023

Will be acknowledged on May 7<sup>th</sup>

### STILWELL HIGH SCHOOL

SETH BROWN

MADISON EAGLE

JIMA FUSON

COLIMA RAMIREZ

LANDON SMITH

### MARYETTA MIDDLE SCHOOL

CARSON BROWN

### STILWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

JAYMIE BATES

EVAN CREEL

JUJU FUSON

### VIAN HIGH SCHOOL

GAGE ROSS

## SUNSET BIBLE CAMP

Mannford, OK

### VOLUNTEER SPONSORS NEEDED!

June 11-17: 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade

June 18-21: 4-5<sup>th</sup> grade

June 22-23: 2-3<sup>rd</sup> grade

TALK TO MATT FOR MORE INFO  
479-263-2537  
FCCYOUTHSTILWELL@GMAIL.COM

22Forty  
Summer



May 10<sup>th</sup>  
6-12th Grade

## Sr. Night

May 12<sup>th</sup>  
Grads Night out

*Congratulations!*

# Birthdays & Anniversaries:

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# MAY

# 2023

| SUNDAY                  | MONDAY                                     | TUESDAY                                       | WEDNESDAY                                | THURSDAY                                             | FRIDAY                  | SATURDAY        |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
|                         | 1<br>Adrian<br>Gaches                      | 2                                             | 3                                        | 4<br>John Ross                                       | 5                       | 6               |
| 7<br>Matthew<br>Gooding | 8                                          | 9<br>Bill<br>Eaton                            | 10                                       | 11                                                   | 12                      | 13<br>Pat Eaton |
| 14                      | 15                                         | 16                                            | 17<br>Zenlee<br>Taylor                   | 18<br>Bob<br>Swepston<br>&<br>Mary Margaret<br>Starr | 19<br>Zaden<br>Hallmark | 20              |
| 21                      | 22<br>Kross<br>Holmes<br>&<br>Colson Smith | 23<br>Todd<br>Sawyers                         | 24                                       | 25                                                   | 26                      | 27              |
| 28                      | 29                                         | 30<br>Joe Lynn<br>Carson<br>&<br>Tracie Bates | 31<br>Casey<br>Brown<br>&<br>Keli Butler |                                                      |                         |                 |

## Anniversaries:

May 22<sup>nd</sup> James & Becky Barnes  
May 25<sup>th</sup> Christopher & Michelle Arnett



May 13<sup>th</sup> Strawberry Festival

May 14<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day

May 29<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

# *Mother's Day Flower Pot*

Using your hand print complete the flower pot below and give it to mom as a mother's day gift.

