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# Here We Grow Again

On Sunday, April 6th, **Andrew Watts**, made his confession and accepted Christ as his Savior. Andrew was baptized by his Grandfather in front of his family and friends. Please encourage Andrew in his walk and be in prayer for him as he follows the Lord.





# Sunday, May 18th 6pm in the CLC

Please join us for the last **Praise & Potluck** of the season. It will

be a great evening of Praise and Fellowship. Please bring some food to help with the meal.

#### PLEASE JOIN US AS WE SHOWER

### The Sluder Family

Aden and Cynthia Sluder, who regularly attend Wednesday evening services and THRIVE, were married just last August! Recently, Cynthia's little sister (Remington - 7, and Ameila - 11) moved from Chattanooga to live with her and Aden here in Mountain City!

We want to encourage this young family as they grow by showering them with gift cards of any dollar amount to any place of business!

**When**: Wednesday, May 14th, 6:30PM **Where**: At the Community Dinner in the CLC

How: Just drop your gift card in the

designated basket!



# The First Breakfast

First Christian was pleased to present a Cantata/Drama called "The First Breakfast". The drama, written by Pastor Dwayne and directed by Debbie Watts, depicted the breakfast that Jesus had with the Disciples by the sea. The choir, under direction of Annette Greer added to the storyline with a beautiful cantata music. Thank you to all that

participated, attended and invited their friends.







A group of 15 women loaded up and headed to Pigeon Forge for the Ladies

Conference. They rented a cabin for the weekend and had a fantastic and refreshing time together and closer to God. Tickets were purchased for next year! Watch for available tickets!





















FCC has an awesome Preschool program and have had a good year with theses little ones! If you have or know someone with a 3 or 4 year old looking for a Preschool we would encourage you to look us up! You can get a registration form for the 2025-26 year at the church office. Preschool is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8am to 2pm. Our last day is May 8th and will open again on August 14th.



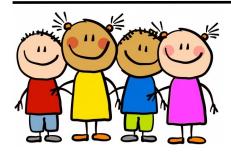
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### **Baccalaureate Service** Thursday, May 15th - 7pm

First Christian Church Christian Life Center Come support our JCHS Seniors!





#### Preschool **Program and** Graduation

Thursday, May 1st 6pm in the Sanctuary



It is that time of year . . . Time to sign up for Youth Summer Camp! If your child has attended in the past, you have probably received information about the camp - if CHIAN not, log on to www.campacc.com CHRISTIAN CAMP and pick out the camp for your child. Be sure to let them know

that the church will be paying full tuition and then let Beth know in the office which camp so she can send in the proper paperwork. This is a great experience that we want to offer to all regular attending children and youth of FCC. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



#### Saturday, May 10th 8:30am

All men and boys are invited to join in Breakfast, devotion and Fellowship!



The Young-at-Heart group (those 55 and up) will meet on Thursday, 22nd at 6pm for a carry-in meal. This is a week later due to the Baccalaureate.

Come enjoy a great time of fellowship!

From June 1st to August 24th our Sunday Evening Services will be held outdoors at homes with a time of Fellowship. Please sign up at the literature table if you would like to host. Host provides the place, drinks and paper products, the rest of the group will bring finger foods and their chairs.





First Christian has 3 scholarships available for our college students. There is the Rick Millsaps Scholarship, the Veta Wilson Scholarship and the Merry Faulkner Scholarship. The application can be

found on the church website under the tab of college. Be watching for deadlines and interviews. We will be taking up an offering for the Rick Millsaps scholarship on Sunday, July 6th.

#### Church web site:

www.firstchristianmctn.org **Church email address:** 

fccmctn@gmail.com

If you would like to receive prayer emails, please send us an email and we will put you on our mailing.

#### FCC Staff:

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I have two hikes on my bucket list. The first is in TN. It is a trail that leads to a waterfall where they stream comes out of a cave and falls into a sink hole. The second is a hike to the lava dome in the crater of Mount St. Helens.

I love seeing something new or unusual. And the goal to see these new or unusual sights is what keeps me going. Especially in these days when I have such high demands on my time.

In the future, we will all get to see something extremely new and unusual--the new heaven and the new earth. Jesus said in the book of Revelation that He would be making everything new. A new environment untouched by pollution or the destructive hand of man. New animals to see. Every animal that has ever existed, I believe, will exist again. We will have a new relationship with these beasts of every kind. We are told that nothing will be harmed in the new creation. So we will be able to scratch a lion behind the ears or rub a polar bears stomach. There will be bigger and better waterfalls, lakes and trees everywhere. There will be new varieties of flowers to gaze upon, new fruits to try, and so many new experiences every day.

And we are told to look ahead to all this "new" to give us strength for today. What are you looking forward to seeing most in the new creation? Dwayne

## Ladies



#### Friday, May 23rd 6pm Fellowship Hall

Come join the ladies for a fun night of games and food. Please bring something to help with the meal.



Invite your friends and neighbors to join us for a meal on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Christian Life Center. It is a great time of fellowship and everyone is welcome! You are invited to stay for Bible Study starting at 7pm, but it is not required.

#### MOBILE GIVING





Online giving is available on our website: firstchristianmctn.org. You can do a one time gift, or set up regular donations. While on the website you can see upcoming activities and view past worship services. Check it out!



# First Christian Church Mountain City, TN

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Preschool	2	3
				Program 6pm		
Board Meeting 5pm	5	6	7	8	9	MEN'S BREAKFAST 8:30 am
HAPPY Day No Evening Services	12	Widow to Widow 11:30	14	Baccalaureate 7pm at FCC Christian Life Center	16	17
PRAISE AND POTLUCK	19	20	21	22 County of least, 6pm	Ladies 23  PIZZA &  GAME  NIGHT  6pm	24
No Evening Services	26	Widow to Widow 11:30	28	29	30	31

#### Those Serving in May

8:30 Nursery May 4 - Samantha Johnson

May 11 - Terri Henson

May 18 - Cindi Billingsley

May 25 - Beth Dickson

10:00 Nursery

Volunteer Needed Patricia Morefield

Volunteer Needed Beth Dickson

11:00 Nursery

Kim Park Tina Lipford

Jackie Dugger Deana Rhymer

Judy Henson Volunteer Needed Beth Dickson

Pam Billingsley

#### **Happy Birthday to:**

May 2 - Pat Carlton

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May 4 - Janie Robinson

Birthdays & Anniversaries May 5 - Ladonna Snyder

May 6 - Sara Grace Carlton May 6 - Kristen Orr

May 6 - Ned Shaffner

May 7 - Ross Boutwell

May 8 - Jessica Stamper

May 9 - Morris Woodring

May 10 - Gary Wilcox

May 11 - Amy Potter

May 12 - Myles Billingsley May 20 - Faith Doyle

May 28 - Emma Dugger

#### **Happy Anniversary to:**

May 2 - Ted & Margaret Spivey

May 18 - Seth & Cindi Billingsley

May 22 - Del & Connie Moody

May 25 - Jerry & Kim Gentry

May 25 - Mark and Dottie Sue Phipps

#### **Services and Activities**

Sunday Contemporary Worship Service Sunday Fellowship Time Sunday School Sunday Traditional Worship Service Sunday Evening Worship Service Sunday Evening Worship Service Tuesday Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) Wednesday Community Dinner - CLC Wednesday Bible Study & Youth Groups Wednesday Choir Practice. 4th Friday Ladies Pizza & Game Night 2nd Saturday - Men's Breakfast (FH)

8:30 Children's Church 11:00 Children's Church

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Jeremiah 29:11