

November 8, 2026

Around the Table

Stories, Updates, and Life at First Christian Church

Pull up a chair . . .

Under the Fig Tree ~



"Whatever you believe, that's what you speak. So if you really believe that you're blessed, then that's what you're going to speak out of your mouth. Whatever you speak against, you can't have. If you speak against people having prosperity, you will remain in lack. If you speak against people getting healed, you will remain sick. You speak against somebody else's marriage, yours may crumble."

— Sins of the Fathers: Breaking Generational Curses by Bishop Kevin Foreman

I have found that if I speak gratitude into my life first thing in the morning, if I awaken and offer, praise, it remains with me through the day. I don't always have to feel it. But if I start that way, whether I feel it or not, I soon feel it. Without any kind of thought of praise to begin with if I go through the motions, soon I am praising God and it's in my head and heart.

We are in the month of gratitude. I wanna offer this suggestion. Try a two week experience or experiment. Commit for two weeks to thinking about nothing but praiseworthy things. Put aside or expel all negative thoughts. Focus on blessings. Think about whatever is excellent and whatever is worth of praise. If negative thoughts enter your mind quickly put them out. You might even make a journal entry of what happens to you through the day. Take particular note to how your attitude is each and every day. How does thinking of only praise worthy things affect you?

This seems like a good experiment for the month given to gratitude and Thanksgiving. May your heart be rich with all good things and thoughts in these days prior to our Thanksgiving festival.

Sunday Worship

November 8, 2026

Welcome
Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Praise Song– *"Holding On (Praise God)"*

Scripture: John 15:1-11
Sermon: Maintain Your Position
Pastor Lew Champ

Worship Song– *"Let My Words Be Few"*

Intercessory Prayers

Communion Song– *"Spirit of the Living God"*
Eucharist

Thanksgiving Prayer
Offering
Doxology

Announcements

Closing Song– *"Rise Up"*
Benediction



Lectionary Readings

November 8, 2026

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Psalm 78:1-7

Amos 5:18-24; Psalm 70

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

This Sunday November 8

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Prayer Intercessors

Meet every Sunday morning at 9:00 AM

Prayer Concerns

NEW CONCERNS –
Peni Carson is doing well and her new address is: PO Box 511, Fleming, CO 80728

Frances Mason and Mike are both doing well. Frances is still doing some therapy and they have adjusted her medication dosage.

Wanda Novacek is having back trouble and has had 2 shots.

Julia Chen Chou is still dealing with anxiety and panic attacks.

Ron Tatman, Linda Champ's brother, is doing great!

Phil Holland will see his doctor this Wednesday and see if workman's comp will let him return to work.

Erin Lovell water broke and she was flown to the hospital in Denver. She is only 34 weeks along, but the Doctors have decided that they will induce her because of her gestational diabetes. This is sometimes a long labor, so please pray for Erin (and Eric) and the baby girl that birth goes well, as will the period following. They are guessing her weight at 4 lbs.

Ruth, Carol Graybill's cousin, is in the hospital in Maui, HI with internal bleeding and covid following gall bladder surgery. She had TB as a child so she has problems breathing as well.
Dave, Ruth's husband, is also in the hospital with pneumonia and covid. He also has a throat obstruction that must be repaired. They are 87 & 88.

Wanda Vallejos is done with physical therapy on her hand. She is doing much better.

OUR CHURCH –
Pray for the transition team, elders, and all those who will be guiding our church into the next phase of her life

OUR WORLD –
- SW Colorado Flooding
- Hurricanes in Florida
- School shooting in Bend, Oregon

DEMENTIA & ALZHEIMER'S –
Please pray for everyone who is dealing with declining memory and Alzheimer's.

CANCER -
Please pray for all those fighting cancer.
Margie Ellis, Bill Spicer, J.R. Coberly, Christina LaBlanc, Jessie, McGrew, Mike Kerker, Malita Mahali, Nora Fanelli, Emerson, Kelly Rae Churchill, Michelle, Wade Gandee, Jeanne Klemt, Gracie Dixon, Alizar Chavez Mendoza, Lew Champ, Keith Hobson, Darren Campbell, Gary Mix, Kyle Bean, Dean Meharg, Randy Richards

GRIEF
Sam & Tim Sonnenberg lost their Aunt Jewel Sonnenberg. The funeral is 11/6.

CONTINUING PRAYERS –
Christa Barber
Sierra Newth
George Lulf
Abby (Lisa Hedlund's niece)
Padilla Family
Brenda Palmer
Gordon Felzien
Steve Firme
Kay Gentry
Coy
JR Coberly
Ellie Beede
Frances Mason
Leo, AJ & Sarah Sonnenberg
Carol & Myron Graybill
Renee (Sue Lovell's Friend)
Wade Pelton
Carole Wohlers
Tim (Lovell's friend)

As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, my God.

Psalm 42:1



Links From Sunday

Full Sunday Service
Available on Facebook for a few weeks

Sermon ONLY
Available on YouTube

Family Resource Center

FOOD DRIVE

92 individual meals have been colleced so far!

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

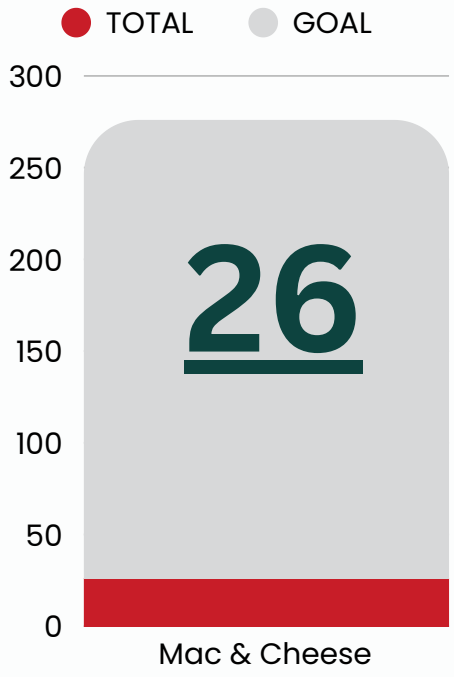
FOOD ITEMS NEEDED

Shelf Stable Meals such as:

- Soups
- Mac N Cheese Cups
- Ravioli
- Canned Chili
- SpaghettiOs
- Tuna Lunch Kit
- Chicken Lunch Kit
- Instant Oatmeal Cups
- Cup-of-Noodles
- Rice Cups
- Cereal Cups
- Hormel Compleats
- **All NON EXPIRED food items are welcome!**

COOPERATING MINISTRY OF LOGAN COUNTY

This year Cooperating Ministry is asking us to provide 250 boxes of Mac & Cheese for their Christmas Baskets. The deadline is November 30th



Serving Schedule

Date	Usher	Preparing Deacon	Elder
11/08	Julie Sonnenberg	Tammy Sonnenberg	Julie Sonnenberg
11/15	Julie Sonnenberg	Tammy Sonnenberg	Gene Russell

First Christian Church

Our Mission

To make more and better Christians for the sake of the world.

Our Vision

We seek to be a faithful Christian community with a deep love for God and others.



11/8 Pam Ferdig
11/8 Frances Mason
11/9 Araya Barber



11/10 Jim & Shannon Korrey

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HONORING OUR VETERANS

VETERANS DAY • NOVEMBER 11



This Veterans Day, we pause with grateful hearts to honor the brave men and women who have served our country. Your courage, sacrifice, and dedication have helped protect the freedoms we cherish.

To the veterans in our congregation, our families, and our community, thank you for your service. We are grateful for you, and we pray that God continues to bless you and your families with peace, strength, and love.

May we never take for granted the sacrifices made on our behalf.

With gratitude and prayers,
Your First Christian Church Family

Bible Study

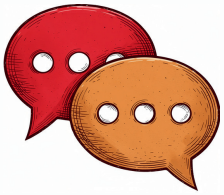
Wednesday | 10:00 AM



Wednesday Nights Around the Table

Dinner
6:00 PM

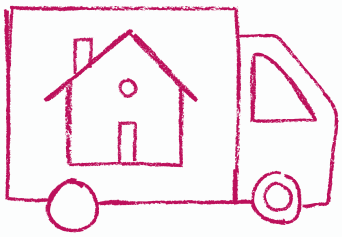




Wednesday Night Conversations
7:00 PM

Pull up a chair...
Let's Eat, Share,
& Talk About It!

Peni Carson moved!



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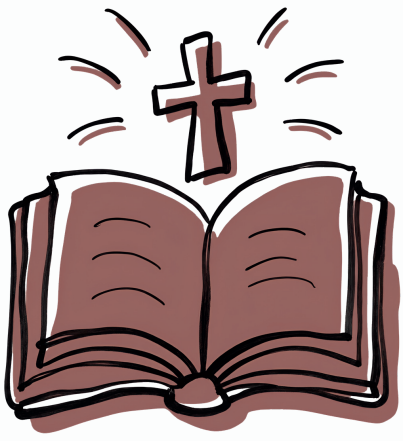

Men's Bible Study

Tuesday | 9:30 AM