



Connected in Christ, we grow in faith, live with hope, and reach out to share God's love with others.

A Shout-out to Our Youthful Elders

I recently found this quote: "Progress means youth. Stagnation [means arrested growth]. Lack of progress...old age." (From *God Calling for Morning and Evening*, published by Barbour Publishing, Inc. Used by permission.)

How grateful I am that we're not an "old age" congregation! Even though many of us are over 65, we are a youthful congregation because we are people who support progress. No wonder I love being your pastor.

So, here's a shout-out to our young-hearted elders.

You truly love this congregation. Some of you have belonged—truly belonged—here for decades. You've ridden out the changes, survived building projects, participated in just about everything the church has offered, volunteered your time and abilities and supported the work of the congregation financially. You have memories way back to "when," and they are memories of connection and caring. You made them happen then and you are making them happen now. You still care about the life and progress of First English.

The children and youth of this congregation know you love and care for them. You consistently support congregational efforts to provide for the younger members at First English and children throughout the community. You volunteer your time and abilities as you're able; and without complaining, you've increased your financial giving as we've moved forward. Literally—and I do mean literally—we could not do God's work without you.

THANK YOU, dear friends. We are truly grateful for all ages at First English, but this month, we are extra grateful to those of you who remain youthful even as you age physically. You give us our roots. You help us sprout wings. We love you!

In Christ,
Pastor Cheryl



The Psalmist's Corner...

Psalm 33:1,4-22

Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.
The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,
their starry host by the breath of his mouth.

He gathers the waters of the sea into jars; he puts the deep into storehouses.

Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere him.

For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

The LORD foils the plans of the nations; he thwarts the purposes of the peoples.

But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever,
the purposes of his heart through all generations.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people he chose for his inheritance.

From heaven the LORD looks down and sees all mankind;
from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth—
he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do.

No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength.

A horse is a vain hope for deliverance;
despite all its great strength it cannot save.

But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him,
on those whose hope is in his unfailing love,
to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.

We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

May your unfailing love be with us, LORD, even as we put our hope in you.

Lord Have Mercy: Prayers to End Violence

In our grief, may we join together to ask for God's mercy in this desperate time by offering the following words:

God of Justice, bless those who work for peace through justice.

Strengthen their resolve in the face of seemingly endless violence. Guide the leaders of the people of the Middle East to know your will and to support a just peace for all of your children.

God of Love, lifting up the holy land for all humankind,

breathe love and compassion into our prayers with a desire for nothing other than peace: peace in our hearts, peace for all creation, and especially peace in the land that is called holy.

God of Hope, we lift up the city of Jerusalem,

distracted and divided, yet still filled with promise as all the cities of the world.

Come again into our cities, places of worship, Upper Rooms and Gethsemanes, that we may be given sight to recognize you.



God of Mercy, even as we long to understand that which is often beyond our comprehension,

we lay before you the hearts, minds and bodies of all those suffering from conflict in Palestine and Israel and from the ongoing occupation. Shower upon all the people of the Holy Land the spirit of justice and reconciliation.

God of the Nations, give to all our people the blessings of well-being, freedom, and harmony, and, above all things, give us faith in you that we may be strengthened to care for all those in need until the coming of your son, our Saviour and Lord.

Amen.

The above prayers were published first by Churches for Middle East Peace on their Prayers4Peace blog. Learn more at CMEP.org

Congratulations FELC Confirmands

God Bless You



Ellie Look



Vince Ashbeck



OCC Shoebox Collection Week

****November 13 - 19****

Last year we collected 49 Shoeboxes

*****Let's make it 55 this year!!!*****



DO NOT INCLUDE

Candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures, chocolate or food, seeds, fruit rolls, or other fruit snacks, drink mixes (powdered or liquid), liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers.

INCLUDE

One WOW item of higher quality -

Ball, Doll, Stuffed Animal, Shoes,

Toys -

Cars/Trucks, Jump Rope, YoYo, Light up or Noisy toys

Personal care items -

Toothbrush, Washcloth, Comb/Brush, T-shirt, Shorts

School supplies -

Notebook, pens/pencils/sharpener, crayons, markers, colored pencils, coloring books, paper, solar calculators

Accessories -

Socks, sunglasses, jewelry, watches, flashlights with Batteries, hair ties/clips

Reminder...

Mondays - Pastor Off

Tuesdays - 7am Yoga, 3:30-5pm GLOW at Howe

Wednesdays - 9am Staff Mtg, 10am Zoom Bible Study, 7pm Choir

Thursdays - 7am Yoga

Fridays - Office Closed! Pastor available @ 920-809-1326



NOVEMBER...

- 1 All Saints Day
- 5 All Saints Sunday, Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 8 12pm Finance Mtg
- 13-19 OCC Shoebox collection week
- 19 Thanksgiving Day Sunday w/pie social to follow, OCC Shoebox Dedication, Stewardship Drive ends
- 21 6pm Council, NO GLOW today
- 23 & 24 Happy Thanksgiving - Office Closed
- 26 Christ the King Sunday, NO SS or Confirmation



DECEMBER...

- 3 1st Sunday of Advent
- 17 Confirmation kids w/parents to pack food baskets & lunch
- 19 6pm Council
- 21 Winter Begins!
- 24 Christmas Eve Worship at 10:30am & 4:00pm
- 25 Merry Christmas! Office Closed
- 26 Office Closed
- 31 NO SS or Confirmation Class

JANUARY...

- 1&2 Office Closed - Happy New Year!
- 16 6pm Council Mtg
- 21 Budget Mtg following Worship
- 28 Annual Mtg following Worship



Christmas Worship at FELC...

Sunday, December 24th

10:30am & 4:00pm

w/Communion

All are welcome here

November 1, 2022 ~ *All Saints Day*

In loving memory of those we have loved...



Phyllis Cuty



Carol Allen



Alice Kohlman



Robert Wills



Margaret Lockman



Ronald Larsen



Genny Braun






Michael Arendt



David Placek

God, give peace & strength to those left behind.

November 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 All Saints Day 8:30am Staff Mtg 10am Zoom Bible Study 2:45pm River Run Bible Study 7pm Choir	2 7am Yoga	3 Office Closed Pastor is available @ 920-809-1326	4
5 All Saints Sunday 9:30am Worship w/SS 8am Confirmation Class 10:50am New Member Class <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i>	6 Pastor Off	7 7am Yoga 3:30pm GLOW @ Howe 7pm Choir	8 10am Zoom Bible Study 12pm Finance Mtg 1pm Quilters 7pm Choir	9 7am Yoga	10 Office Closed Pastor is available	11
12 9:30am Worshirp w/SS & Choir Vicki Preaches 8am Confirmation Class 10:50am New Member Class	13 OPERATION CHRISTMAS Pastor Off	14 7am Yoga 3:30pm GLOW @ Howe	15 8:30am Staff Mtg 10am Zoom Bible Study 1pm SHINE @ Wellington 2:45pm River Run Bible Study 7pm Choir	16 7am Yoga 5:15pm Christ Ed Mtg	17 Office Closed Pastor is available	18
19 9:30am Worship w/SS & Choir - Thanksgiving Sunday pie social after! 8am Confirmation Class 10:50am New Member Cl <i>OCC Shoebox Dedication</i> Last day of Stewardship Drive - bring in pledges.	20 PASTOR ON VACATION	21 7am Yoga NO GLOW 6pm Council Mtg	22 10am Zoom Bible Study 1pm Quilters 7pm Choir	23 <i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i> OFFICE CLOSED 	24 OFFICE CLOSED	25
26 9:30am Worship NO SS or Conf Class 10:50am New Member Class <i>Christ the King Sunday</i>	27 Pastor Off	28 7am Yoga 3:30pm GLOW @ Howe	29 8:30am Staff Mtg 10am Zoom Bible Study 1pm SHINE @ Wellington 7pm Choir	30 7am Yoga		

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:30am in person
FB Live & YouTube

Televised...

Sunday @ 11am from
The previous Sunday

W. R. Community Media,
Charter 985 &
Solarus Channel 3

For church closings
check TV Channel 7 WSAW

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.
Chronicles 16:34

BIRTHDAYS

- 11/1 Joe Fraundorf
Cherish Schladweiler
- 11/2 Rochelle Grossbier
Leanne Pearson
- 11/3 Will Schmid
- 11/5 Edythe Gukenberger
- 11/6 Dale Tracy
- 11/7 Trent Waltenberg
Ellie Look
- 11/8 Sandy Egerer
- 11/9 Ainsley Barnett
Aaron Zelin
- 11/10 Jaimee Kaetterhenry-
Dallman
- 11/12 Marilyn Herzberg
Amy Hafermann
- 11/13 Nathaniel Koch
- 11/16 Jean Leslie
- 11/18 John Engelen
Susan Ulrich
- 11/19 David Alft
- 11/20 Luke Hafermann
Jacob Barnett
- 11/21 Amalia Maher
- 11/22 Rhonda Kehrberg
Robert Kublank
- 11/24 Valerie Bernarde
- 11/25 Andrew DeWitt
Delilah Zelin
- 11/26 Keith Olson
- 11/28 Dylann Kulas
- 11/29 David Ulrich
Dave Graczkowski
- 11/30 Linda Moskonas
Josh Hafermann

ANNIVERSARIES

- 11/14 Dave & Janet Graczkowski

CHILDREN'S BAPTISMS

- 11/5 Valerie Bernarde
- 11/15 Carly Spreeman

