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The lazy days of summer are now behind us. At least they are if you had any. For some reason life doesn't seem to have the seasonal slow-downs it once had. Even though the kids aren't in school, activities abound and calendars remain full. In fact, sometimes life is crazier when the kids aren't in school.

As a church family we have always tried to find a balance between too much and too little. And as the early church continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayer, we try to offer enough to follow their example year round. It takes a serious weather event to keep us from gathering together on Sunday morning.

We do, however, slow down during the summer months. Our regular Sunday evening activities are put on hold, and our Bible study groups take a break. It gives those leading, as well as those who attend, a chance to enjoy other activities for the summer. It also gives everyone the opportunity to look forward to a new season of study.

As we begin that new season, I want everyone to prayerfully consider taking advantage of what we offer. If you are not currently involved in a Sunday School class, now is a great time to begin. Jeni is offering a new class for ladies that will meet in the library, and both Chris and Jack have excellent adult classes. Chris is currently looking at the Beatitudes, and Jack is finishing up the last book of the Old Testament. Those who wish to discuss the morning sermon, or other topics of concern, are invited to meet with me in the auditorium.

On Sunday nights the adults who aren't leading in youth activities are encouraged to join me in a study on the life of Joseph. On Wednesday nights all adults are invited to meet at 6:30 to explore what the book of Hebrews has to say about Jesus. And on Thursday nights men are invited to meet together at 7:00 to learn what Paul told the Galatians about living in freedom.

I don't expect you to be here every time the church doors are open, but I do want you to at least think about coming when they are.

God Bless, Rick



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# CHATHAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH FUN FAIR

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Sunday Worship Service 9:15 AM  
Bible School 10:45 AM

## STATISTICS

Worship ..... 108  
Offering ..... \$8,387.83

## SERVING THIS SUNDAY-9/8/19

Greeters .....	Bonnie Ruebush
Visitors' Stand .....	Rich & Karen Mann
Communion Meditation .....	Chris Luzio
	Otto Huber
Ushers .....	Duane Carrell
	Chad Formea
	Paul Hunley
	Bob Williamson
	Kirk Polley
	Gary Gredzieleski
<b>WORSHIP NURSERY</b>	
Toddlers.....	Shannon Higgins
	Reagan Formea
Infants.....	Marilyn Wenneborg
	Elizabeth Wright
	Emma Warwick
	Sunday School
Toddlers.....	Rhonda Luzio
Infants.....	Kelly Donaldson
	Rebecca Smith

## The Hidden Word

MICAH 6:8

"He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you but  
to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk  
humbly with your God."



--Dixie's exercise buddy beginning  
treatment for cancer.

## FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORY

A new fellowship directory listing names,  
addresses, and phone numbers of those  
currently worshipping with us will be printed  
in the near future. Any desired additions,  
subtractions, or corrections should be  
given to Rick or Marilyn ASAP.



## SEPTEMBER SERVERS

9/15 & 9/22: Jack Stucki & Chris Luzio  
9/29: Rick Polley & Chris Luzio

## SEPTEMBER PROJECTIONIST

Chris Luzio

## SEPTEMBER GREETERS

9/15 Will & Sara Bartels  
9/22 Duane Carrell  
9/29 Rhonda Luzio

## SEPTEMBER VISITORS' STAND

9/15 Gary & Lori Gredzieleski  
9/22 Chris & Rhonda Luzio  
9/29 Rick & Janet Polley

## SEPTEMBER NURSERY

### Worship - 9/15

Toddlers: Nikki & Carter Hunley  
Infants: Dixie Williamson  
Kileen Huber  
Courtney Bales

### Sunday School

Infants: Julie Divjak  
Vicki Small

### Worship - 9/22

Toddlers: Vicki Small  
Madison Bales  
Infants: Kristin Polley  
Rebecca Smith  
Kate Sperry

### Sunday School

Infants: Adora Burdinsky  
Karen Mann

### Worship - 9/29

Toddlers: Kelly Donaldson  
Cooper Formea  
Infants: Erica Blakley  
Nicole Moore  
Anna Hunley

### Sunday School

Infants: Elizabeth Wright  
Kristin Polley



We will begin a study of  
*The Hand of God, Finding His  
Care in All Circumstances* by  
Alistair Begg on Sunday  
evening Sept. 15th at 6:30.



It was a joy to see a father baptize his son on Sunday morning. Chris and Caleb experienced one of the most memorable moments of their lives together as Caleb pronounced his faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior. He demonstrated that to us both verbally and through the physical act of baptism Sunday morning. Together, let's pledge to be a positive influence on Caleb as he matures into a man of God.



LSCA is hosting an event for Senior Saints across the area on Thursday, September 19 from 10:00am to 2:00pm. This time together has been well attended in the past, I am sure this year will be no different.

Cinnamon rolls and coffee will be served prior to the morning program. Dr. Don Green, President of Lincoln Christian University, will be the keynote speaker in the morning session. Following his presentation, a fried chicken lunch will be provided in the cafeteria. The afternoon will conclude with a special concert from The Redemptions, a vocal trio from the St. Louis area who share their blend of traditional, progressive and southern gospel music.

The cost is \$15 per person if registered by September 12th, it increases to \$18 per person thereafter.



Is it time for another mission trip during the summer of 2020? The High School group has determined that instead of attending a weeklong CIY MOVE conference where they are fed, they want to serve and feed others.

There are so many mission fields to consider. Regardless of the choice, a key component to a successful trip are the adults who serve alongside the youth. So I would ask now that you begin to pray and consider going on a mission trip next summer. You would be a blessing to the family we serve and to our students.

As the details emerge as to the location, timing and cost, I will pass along the information. In the meantime, if this interests you, please let me know on Sunday so we can include your considerations in our discussions.



Twelve of us have signed up to help prepare food for hungry children around the world. There is room at the table for around 6 more to set the stage for maximum production during our two hour shift. As a reminder, this food packing event will be held in St. Louis at Gateway Church on Saturday, September 21st. The time commitment at the church will be from 12:30-3:00 that afternoon. Please let me know if you will be joining us!