

The Marshall Christian

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May 2018

Elder/Deacon Serving Schedule

May 6th & 13th

Elders:

Kris Milliron
Greg Schultz

Deacons:

Tyler Clemens
Jean Dowell
Hope Richards
Shirley Schultz
Makenzie Thomason

May 20th & 27th

Elders:

Kathryn Jones
Paul Crews

Deacons:

Carla Fricke
Missie Kreisel
Ron Schupp
Katie Shannon
Leroy Wise

Outside Communion:

May 13th

Dan Brandt
Wayne McReynolds

May 27th

Paul Crews
Lloyd Bentley

May Worship Leaders:

May 6- Wayne McReynolds
May 13- Gwen Clemens
May 20- Paul Crews
May 27- Julie Hoffelmeyer

Children's Sermon

May 6- Hope Richards
May 13- Kay Wise
May 20- Donna Smith
May 27- Jill Buck

“Being Spirit Led”

Someone recently shared that they wished the Sunday morning sermons would follow a sermon series format once in a while; you know, where four or five sermons in a row follow a common theme and provide some continuity from one week to the next. This is a difficult task for ministers like myself who preach using the lectionary – the set of four Scripture readings provided for each Sunday. Still, I have kept my eye out for the opportunity and have discovered the chance to preach on different aspects of the Holy Spirit in May.

This seems to be a good time for a sermon series as we begin the outdoor service again the first Sunday in May, and the Day of Pentecost on May 20 naturally leads to a series on the Spirit. The month of May is filled with Sundays of special emphasis and I've found a way to incorporate each of them in this sermon series.

On May 6 we will recognize the graduating seniors with a message specifically for them, but really for all of us - “Use the Spirit You Have Been Given”, with the text 1 Timothy 1:7. May 13 will be Mother's Day and we will concentrate on “Crossing Boundaries with the Spirit”, based on Acts 10:44-48. On Pentecost Sunday the message from Acts 2:1-21 will be “A Spiritual Flow”. Finally, on Trinity Sunday, May 27, we will turn to John 3:1-8 for a message about being “Born of the Spirit”.

The sermon on May 20 will include a description of ‘A Spiritual

Flow Chart’ for us to consider as a guide to our congregation’s spiritual tasks. As an introduction to that flow chart, I propose four spiritual tasks to which our congregation and the church universal has been called. They are Worship (praise and offerings), Outreach (evangelism, service, and mission), Fellowship (unity, encouragement, and sharing life together), and Education (personal acquisition of knowledge and the edification of individuals for the church).

If we were to accept these as our congregation’s spiritual tasks (our calling) and everything we did was for the purpose of one or more of these tasks, what would our church look like? What does a Spirit – filled, Spirit-led congregation of believers look like?

In God’s Grip,
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Church Handbook

We are beginning the update of the Handbook. If you have additions, deletions, corrections, please turn them in to the Church Office or Buddy & Karla Hanford.

Drive-Up Worship Services

Our summer Drive-Up Worship Service in the parking lot at 8:00 a.m. will begin May 6 and last through September 16. We need volunteers to greet and collect the offering each Sunday. A sign-up sheet is available near the east entrance. This year we are concerned that we may not have people signed up to cover each Sunday.

May Anniversaries & Birthdays

- 4- Marlene VanHorn
- 5- Jim Kissner
- 8- Ginger McGraw
Aaron Wright
- 9- Lin Alexander
- 10- Lori Blalock
Janice Kueker
Lisa Merchant
- 11- Betty Elsea
- 12- Alan Branson
- 13- Ruth Marsh
Rebecca Shrader
- 14- Ed Baker
Danny Hoffelmeyer
- 17- Vince Lutterbie
- 18- Steve Estill
Ginny Farr
- 19- Blaine Thornton
- 20- Scott Arnett
- 21- Jason Dehn

- Jane Hartley
- 22- Debbie Arnett
- 25- Edie Utlaut
- 27- Blane Dryer
- 28- Mia Shannon
- 31- Dane Branson



Anniversaries

- 11- Jim & Lisa Merchant
 - 16- Brad & Hope Richards
 - 31- Mike & Ramona Shannon
- Left off of April's list:**
 22nd- Lauren Crews
 25th- Zach & Lauren Crews

Happy Graduation!

Your Church family at First Christian Church, wishes to congratulate you on your graduation success! May God's graces be with you as you step ahead towards your dreams.



Sign Up for Deacons and Elders

All deacons and elders are encouraged to sign up for Sundays to serve July 2018- June 2019. The schedule will be put together soon, and we will make assignments based on your preferences first.

Single Ladies Gathering

There will be a Single Ladies Club lunch on May 3rd at the "Rolling Pin" in Glasgow. Please meet in the church parking lot at 10:45 to carpool.

To the Church SOS Group that gave of their time, talent and Christian friendship to myself and others on a recent Sunday, my thanks and appreciation for engaging in the endeavor, and may you be richly blessed.

~ Bill Alley~

Baccalaureate Service

This year's Baccalaureate Service for Marshall High School seniors will be held at St. Peter Catholic Church at 4:00 on May 6. Pastor Randy Shannon will share the message. The short worship service will be followed by a reception at the church allowing each senior to share his/her



Baccalaureate future plans.

Special Sundays in May



On May 6 we will recognize our graduating seniors with a special service at 10:00. This will be followed by a Taco Salad Luncheon hosted by the Fellowship Committee in the fellowship hall. Members are asked to bring a dessert to share. Please join us for the meal and the service as we congratulate our graduates!

May 13 will be Mother's Day and we will be honoring all ladies attending with a small gift. Pentecost will be May 20 and we will be receiving the special Pentecost Offering on May 13 and 20. This offering helps new churches grow in our own region and provides support to pastors of new churches through their first

Schedule of Events

- 1st Thursday of each month Single Ladies
- 2nd & 9th
Women's Bible Study Group
- 6th– Graduation Recognition and Fellowship Dinner
- 7th & 14th– Bell practice
- 9th Board/ Elders Meetings
- 9th & 23rd– Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 13th– Bells and Choir Special Music
- 15th Lillie Bates 1:30
- 20th– Mission trip begins
- 22nd Morning Circle at Loretta Green's

May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

What Is a Mother?

The older I get, the more I realize how a Mother's role changes – mine to my children, and my Mother's to me. I remember being 17, rolling my eyes and counting the moments until I could be on my own, when no one, especially my Mom, would be able to tell me how to live my life. That plan worked well, except for one thing...I kept asking her for advice. From sewing on a button, watering flowers, making gravy, Mom had all the answers. I didn't want to hear them when I was at home. I didn't want her

telling me what to do, or how to do it. But when faced alone to solve these problems...I turned to Mom. I left my pride behind and asked for help. The realization that I truly didn't know everything, as I thought at 17, made me view this woman in a whole different light. I am sure there were times when it was HER that rolled her eyes and counted the moments until I could be on my own! But I learned. I listened. And I appreciated.

My Mother today lives with me, and I wouldn't change that for the world. We are close.

These days I catch myself watching her in awe. She gets me through the days, the weeks...through life. I can count on her to help with any task I have, from making costumes to helping prepare large family dinners. She is my movie partner, my Saturday date, the house-keeper, gardener, dog walker, shopping buddy, sugar free cake maker, my supporter...and my friend. I am blessed God chose her for me, and I cherish every day that we have together on this Earth. I can only pray that as my children get older, they see in me the same things I see in my own Mom. Because the best gift, the best feeling in the world, is to know you are loved unconditionally. Happy Mother's Day!

Learning and Leaning, Hope

Upcoming Sermons

May 6- "Use the Spirit You Have Been Given"	1 Timothy 1:7
May 13- "Crossing Boundaries with the Spirit"	Acts 10:44-48
May 20- Spiritual Flowchart	
May 27- "Born of the Spirit"	John 3:1-8

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