



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

June 2020

# The Marshall Christian

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## Charlie Brown and his football: a Story of Christian Hope



### Elder/Deacon

### Serving Schedule

#### Servers:

**John McGraw 10:30**  
**Ginger McGraw 8**

June  
7

**\*\*\*If you are listed as an Elder/Deacon for the following dates, please call the office and sign up for a service. \*\*\***

#### Elders:

**Zach Crews**  
**Carol Schupp**

June  
14 & 21

#### Deacons:

**Ed Baker**  
**Mona Baker**  
**Gary Dowell**  
**Ron Schupp**  
**Alisa Smith**

#### Elders:

**Wayne Buck**  
**Gwen Clemens**

June  
28

#### Deacons:

**Lin Alexander**  
**Tim Clemens**  
**Brenda Coffman**  
**Julie Hoffmeyer**  
**Chris Layton**

### Elders and Deacons:

**Only two are needed for each Drive Up service. Please call the office to let us know if you are interested in serving at the 8:00 or the 10:30 service.**

She did it first on Nov. 16, 1952. Charlie Brown explains to Lucy: "All you have to do is hold the ball. Then I come running and kick it." She's not so sure. "I don't know if this is such a good idea." Charlie Brown comes running, but, at the last moment, Lucy pulls back the football, explaining to the prostrate kicker: "I was afraid your shoes might be dirty, Charlie Brown. I don't want anyone with dirty shoes kicking my new football." He tells her: "Don't you ever do that again! Do you want to kill me? This time, hold it tight!" She does, so tightly, he kicks a ball, which doesn't move, and tumbles onto his back. "I held it real tight, Charlie Brown." He laments: "I'm not going to get up. I'm going to lie here for the rest of the day." Lucy would continue some variant of the football snatch in almost

every subsequent year of the strip, all the way to 1999. The same would happen nine times in animation. Drawing the strip for the last time, Charles Schultz said that he realized, sadly, that Charlie Brown would never kick that football, but, he also thought, having him succeed would have been a disservice to the character. Why is that? Perhaps because Charlie Brown is something of an everyman, and trying to kick that football reveals who he is. Depending on your perspective, either he will not learn from the past or he refuses to give up on the future. For the Christian, it's the latter, which is what makes Charlie Brown something of a Christ-figure: He doesn't close in upon himself; he doesn't give up on others; he lives in hope. Consider the commandment God gives through Moses: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God am holy" (Lev 19:2). And then, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Lev 19:18). We are told to be

like God, which is to love like God. Humans become most truly themselves, most truly human, when we strive to imitate God, when we love and give, when we love to give, when we give love. The final football gag appeared in the strip on Oct. 24, 1999. At the last moment, Lucy is called away, but she asks her brother Rerun to play the trick on Charlie Brown for her. Back in the house, she asks him: "What happened? Did you pull the ball away? Did he kick it? What happened?" He replies, "You'll never know." It is, after all, the great question that life poses. Am I a Charlie Brown or a Lucy? Do I love and give as God does, as Christ did? Or do I, at the last moment, pull back?

*Terrance Klein  
America Magazine 2017*

**LOVE**

**TRUMPS**

**HATE**





## June Birthdays and Anniversaries



**Cherish the moments...make great memories!**

1- Mason Rugen  
 2- Kevin Dehn  
 3- Tatum Asbury  
     Clay Jackson  
 5- Julie Ash  
     Shannon Clemens  
 8- Carla Fricke  
     Coradean Naylor  
     Jeremy Harlin  
     Dianne Harvey  
     Josh Hoffelmeyer  
     Seth Layton  
     Conrad Thornton  
 12- Ken Bryant  
     Drew Jackson

13- Ava Shannon  
 14- Robert Phillips  
 16- Jay Yoder  
 18- John McGraw  
     Avery Schroeder  
 20- Georganne DeMoss  
     Tim Hessel  
     Paul Scarff  
 21- Dennis Carter  
 23- Aiden Dryer  
     Alex Green  
     Kay Wise  
 25- Dan Cox  
 26- Patsy Pace  
     Cooper Rugen

27- David Kueker  
 28- Katie Shannon  
 29- Mike Green  
     Michelle Krog  
 30- Marilyn Wood

### Anniversaries

3- Greg & Kris Milliron  
 4- Ron & Carol Schupp  
 7- Jim & Linda Dryer  
 12- Sam & Michelle Krog  
 23- Gary & Jean Dowell  
     Phil & Rebecca Perkins  
 24- Larry & Anita Wright  
 29- John & Ginger McGraw



For your convenience and safety...



Those who wish to give in the offering, it will be collected during the Drive Up service as you pick up your communion and bulletin, or you may also drop it in the "Offering Box", located near the awning, after the service. During this time, we would also recommend taking advantage of our "Givelify" account. You can

download the app and make contributions online. No hassle, no fees, completely germ free!



It is our turn to serve the week of June 22-26. Meals will only be delivered on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. If you are willing to help on any of these three days, please contact Ken, or the Church office.



The June General Board meeting will be held on Zoom Wednesday, June 10. The information is as follows:

Meeting ID 896 4512 2834  
 Password 6FA4sk

For your convenience, the meeting ID will be posted on our website.



June 7- Willie Harlow  
 June 14- Rev. Randal DeMasters  
 June 21- Rev. Randal DeMasters  
 June 28- Willie Harlow



## Books of the New Testament

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Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

Thessalonians

Timothy

Titus

Philemon


Hebrews

James

Peter

Jude

Revelation



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