

# The Marshall Christian

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October 2019

## Elder/Deacon Serving Schedule

### October 6th & 13th

#### Elders:

Buddy Hannaford  
Kris Milliron

#### Deacons:

Tyler Clemens  
Missie Kreisel  
Hope Richards  
Amber VanDyke  
Leroy Wise

### October 20th & 27th

#### Elders:

Mark Harvey  
Zach Crews

#### Deacons:

Carolyn Buck  
Julie Hoffmeyer  
Ginger McGraw  
John McGraw  
Melisa Shannon

### Outside Communion:

#### October 13

Kris Milliron  
Tiffany Thornton

#### October 27

Mark Harvey  
Zach Crews

### October Children's' Sermon:

6th- Loy Hoskins  
13th- Kris Milliron  
20th- Jill Buck  
27th- Zach Crews

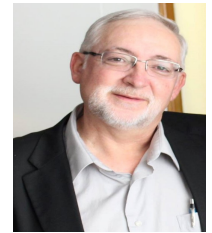
## “Celebrating Our Call to Ministry

Within our denomination, we celebrate ‘Week of the Ministry’ in October. This is a time to celebrate all who serve in ministry and in a larger sense that means all Christians are called to remember our individual ministries to which we have been called. 1 Peter 2:9 reminds us "You are a royal priesthood". All Christians are called to serve God as ministers. One of the most basic meanings of "minister" is simply a servant. We all need a framework for ministry so I offer you three points.

First is the context of our ministry. You could get the impression that ministry is about all sorts of things. Ministry within a church can so easily become maintenance - keep the old thing kicking as long as we can. We must keep in sight that people are more important than traditions or buildings or denominations or many other things we associate with the word ‘church’. Neither is ministry primarily about personalities. God gives the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit to serve each other primarily within the context of the local church.

Second, the content of ministry is the Good News found in Jesus Christ. The good news that God has not abandoned this world, but Christ has been in it and is in it, has died to save it and is resurrected to reign over it. The good news is that the Holy Spirit can invade our lives, sharpening our consciences to the mind of Christ, giving us the compassion and love to minister to people, bringing to us a new heart that wants to sing and rejoice and praise God. In the

strength of Christ everything is overturned. New things are revealed. We can only minister to others, to the extent we allow Jesus to minister to us. We can only help others, to the extent that we help ourselves to a living relationship with Christ.



The centrality of Christ is the final aspect of ministry. He calls us to be his co-workers. He calls us to prayerful service. We serve the One who turns defeats into victories, deaths into new life; one who promises to be with you until the end of the age when he will come again; one who goes ahead and leads, yet walks along side you every step of the way; one who has touched the most forsaken depths of human suffering and abandonment and overcome them. For ministry to be ministry, the eternal Christ must be central. A framework for ministry must be built around his everlasting purposes.

So to recap; the context of our ministry is people. Not maintenance or personality, or anything else. The content of ministry is the Good News; about God in Christ redeeming the world to himself. Our responsibility is therefore to be people who listen to and follow Christ in order to bring his love to others. The centrality of Christ to ministry calls us to keep Christ at the center of all we do. Jesus is counting on us to let others know about it. This is our shared ministry. I celebrate our ministry together here at First Christian Church.

In God's Grip, Loy

## October Anniversaries & Birthdays

### BIRTHDAYS

- 1– Lloyd Bentley
- 2– Priscilla McReynolds
- 3– Correy Jackson
- 4– Angela Gaba
- 5– Anna Gass
- 8– Rennie Ballance  
Ryan Layton  
Pete Moles
- 9– Torey Spitzig
- 10– Gaines Branson  
Darrel Kueker
- 11– Kevin Halsey
- 12– Wilma Amary  
Mindy Kissner
- 13– Dan Bishop
- 15– Ron Schupp
- 16– Jack Uhrig
- 17– JW Clemens  
Rhonda Hoskins  
Matt Kueker  
Rob Ravenhill
- 18– Ron Absher

- 18– Makenna Parker
- 19– Paul Crews  
Matthew Green
- 20– Nic Ess
- 22– Lois Mencl
- 23– Shane Bishop  
Beth Hanes  
Natalie Hoffelmeyer  
Cole Perkins  
Cathy Swinger
- 24– Jessica Green
- 25– Tyler Clemens  
Brad Pistel
- 28– Stephanie Green  
Rebecca Perkins  
Collin Porter  
Donna Smith

### ANNIVERSARIES

- 3– Justin & Heidi Joliff
- 4– Harold & Virginia Hemeyer
- 13– Tim & Jennifer Marquess
- 24– Kevin & Megan Halsey
- 28– Lloyd & Rosie Bentley



## Faith in Film Sermon and Movie Night!

On September 29 and October 13 the sermons will build upon clips from movies. It might be helpful to be familiar with the entire movie before hearing the message each Sunday, so I encourage you to watch the films beforehand. We will be showing the movies in the **parlor at 5:00 pm on Saturday nights**. Here is the schedule for our two movie nights:

September 28: “Christopher Robin” 2018 – rated PG, 104 minutes

October 12: “Green Book” – 2018 – rated PG-13, 130 minutes



We now have classes

meeting 9:30 – 10:15 each Sunday morning: (1) third through fifth graders – meeting in 201; (2) sixth grade through young adult – meeting in the youth lounge; and (3) a traditional Sunday School class for young and older adults – meeting in the chapel.

### Special Offering this Month

It is the vision of Reconciliation Ministry to build just communities by breaking down the walls within our church which separate us. We envision a Church in which all communities are accountable to one another and God. The goal of the Reconciliation Ministry Offering is to foster life-giving community within our church and in relationship with the whole family of God. This offering will be collected on October 6 and 13.



## October 20th

Make plans to join us in the fellowship hall following the 10:30 worship service on October 20 for a fellowship dinner featuring pulled pork. Members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. Come to one of the worship services that morning and meet Rev. Ron Routledge, the newest member of our Regional ministry staff as he brings us the message.



Join us for the Fall Festival in the fellowship hall, on October 27, 5:00 – 7:00 pm for food, folks, and fun!

There will be plenty of carnival style games to be played, prizes to be awarded, chili, hotdogs, pies, and other foods. Wear your costume or just come as you are, but come! Take a flyer home with you to share as you invite your friends. We're asking each committee and fellowship group to oversee a game or food booth. Contact the church office with your choices. If you need to order any items from Oriental Trading (prizes or carnival type games), turn your order in to the office by October 11<sup>th</sup> so that we can place one order.

### Chancel Bell

**Choir** rehearsals will start back up on October 7th!

We are in need of one or two bell ringers. If you would like to join us, please contact Hope at the Church office.



### End Daylight Saving Time

Remember to set your clocks **BACK** one hour before worship services on Sunday, November 3 as Daylight Saving Time will come to an end. This means that everyone will get an extra hour of sleep on Saturday night so we can all arrive at church the next morning wide awake!



### All Saints Day

#### Recognition

On Sunday, November 3, we will celebrate All Saints Day in our worship services. During the worship services we will be recognizing loved ones that have passed away since this time last year. As individual names are called, the families will be invited to stand, a candle will be lit, and the bells will toll in honor of them. We will be remembering all members of the church and immediate family of church members that have notified us.



### Service Outside the Sanctuary (S.O.S.)

We're a month away from November 10, the day we will take part in a special Sunday service. It will begin with a combined, short worship service for everyone at 9:00 a.m., then we will go out into the community to provide services to various individuals and organizations. Following that, we'll meet back at the church for a light fellowship meal. We are requesting volunteers (sign-up sheet in the parlor) and what services can be of-



fered as well as helping us identify those whom we can help or offer assistance.

Thank you Very much for the scholarship of \$500. I am blessed to have been able to receive it. I am attending the University of Central Missouri to get a BSE in Elementary Education with a minor in history and special education. Thank you again for the generous scholarship.

Blessings and Love,  
Rhiannen Bowlen

### Upcoming Sermons

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|----------------|---|---|------------------------|
| <b>Oct. 6</b>  | <b>"One Bread, One Body"</b>  | <i>(World Communion Sunday)</i>                           | 1 Corinthians 11:18-33 |
| <b>Oct. 13</b> | <b>"From Green Book to The Good Book"</b>                           | <i>(Reconciliation Sunday- Faith in Film: Green Book)</i> | 1 Corinthians 13:1-13  |
| <b>Oct.20</b>  | <b>Rev. Ron Routledge to preach while Pastor Loy is on vacation</b> |   |                        |
| <b>Oct. 27</b> | <b>"Hidden Hebrew Humor"</b>  | <i>(Laughter Sunday)</i>                                  | Judges 3:12-26         |

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**Music Director–Hope Richards**

**Youth Director– Kris Milliron**

**Custodians– Ron & Carol Schupp,**

**Chris Layton**

**Financial Secretary– Ken Bryant**

**Office Admin.– Hope Richards**

**Pianists– Donna Smith, Kay Wise,**

**Judy Morris**