

Opportunities to Connect, Grow and Serve at FCC this week.

Sunday, June 21

Father's Day

7:45 a.m.	CORP Class	Rm 114
7:45 a.m.	Living from the Inside Out	Rm 004
9:00 a.m.	Evergreen Class	Rm 114
9:00 a.m.	Faith & Fellowship Class	Rm 005
9:00 a.m.	Homebuilders Class	Rm 004
9:00 a.m.	JOY Class	Rm 027A
9:00 a.m.	Kindergarten - Grade 1	Rm 025
9:00 a.m.	Student Class (Grades 6-12)	Rm 102
9:00 a.m.	Ages 4 & 5	Rm 027
9:00 a.m.	Grades 2-5	Rm 023
10:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Class	Rm 005
10:30 a.m.	Student Class (Grades 6-12)	Rm 102
10:30 a.m.	Ages 4 - Kindergarten	Rm 025
10:30 a.m.	Grades 1-5	Rm 023
4:30 p.m.	Bible Bowl	Rm 004

Monday, June 22

6:00 p.m.	Mexico Training	Rm 102
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Tuesday, June 23

9:00 a.m.	Senior Adults to Plattsmouth, NE	
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Wednesday, June 24

7:00 p.m.	Girls Study	Rm 102
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Thursday, June 25

6:30 p.m.	Praise Team	Rm 013
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Friday, June 26

6:15 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Panera's
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Saturday, June 27

Note: The monthly church calendar is subject to change. For the most up-to-date version of our calendar, please visit our web site (www.firstchristiancb.org) and click FCC Calendar under the News and Events on the right side of the home page.

SUMMER SERIES GUEST COLUMN BY FCC PASTORS

Edelweiss, Edelweiss



I first learned that word as a little boy watching the Sound of Music, a film about a family in Austria. In about three weeks Paula and I will be leading a short term mission team to "House Edelweiss" in Vienna, Austria to work for two weeks with TCM International Institute. This mission is a college training ministers serving in Eastern Europe and Western Russia. Our team will assist and facilitate the needs of the students while they are in conference.

We'll be changing bedding, washing dishes, cooking meals, painting eaves, weeding gardens . . . and any other things that may need attention during the time we are there. Six others from FCC (Norma Schneider, Larry and Bev Shriver, Michael Knudson, and Al and Jackie Ringgenberg) will join Paula and me on this summer serve mission.

We have been praying for several months for the professors who are coming to teach and the students who are coming to learn. A lot of amazing things are happening for Christ in many corners of the world that we often do not see. We cherish your prayers for us as we embark on this journey. Pray that deepening happens in our hearts and that the Gospel of Jesus expands.

~Pastor Dave Erickson

NOT JUST ANY OLD JOE!

Joe . . .

1. Had a heart with room for _____
2. Open to _____
for his children
3. Willing to venture out on _____

1st TIME GUESTS

We have a gift for you at the Welcome Center in the main level Lobby.

The morning message is available on DVD/\$2 and CD/\$1 at the Resource Center today and online (no charge) tomorrow.

Service Times
7:45 a.m. Traditional
9:00 a.m. Contemporary
10:30 a.m. Contemporary

Office Hours: M-F, 8 am-12 pm; 1 pm-5 pm
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Father's Day



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*Helping People Find Their Way Back to God ...
by Connecting, Growing and Serving.*

Happy Father's Day



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June 21, 2009

ADULTS & GENERAL INFO

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SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP TO HAITI

The deadline of June 30 is fast approaching and space is limited. If you are interested, please turn your forms in to Dave Fremstad as soon as possible.



BIG DIAPER DAZE

Stop at the HOPE/VFL Ministry table in the Alcove to donate BIG diapers (sizes 3-5) for Gabriel's Corner today, Sunday, June 21.



You may also pick up a baby bottle to fill with change to help them purchase baby beds and car seats.

GREETER TRAINING

Greeter training will be held on Sunday, June 28, 10:30 a.m., in Room 004. For more information, contact Clarene Erickson, 366-2263.



FREE BOOKS

Help yourself to the free books in the Lobby.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit, non-denominational Christian organization that builds simple homes for people in need. As Habitat starts a new house in Council Bluffs, FCC would like to take a group of 20 volunteers to help them this Saturday, June 27, from 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. The limit is 20 "construction" volunteers and a few additional volunteers to prepare lunch. Each will be assigned work based on skills, though no prerequisite skills are required. Stop by the table in the Alcove today to sign up. If you have questions, contact Pastor Jonathan Miller, jmiller@firstchristiancb.org, or call 328-2606. Also, check out their website: www.habitatcb.org.



HOUSING FOR RAGBRAI RIDERS NEEDED

Would you like to provide housing (or space for tents) for individuals or a small group riding in RAGBRAI the evening of Saturday, July 18? You could help welcome RAGBRAI® riders to Council Bluffs by demonstrating hospitality and opening your home to host riders! Riders will be paired with host families based on group size and facility needs. To host riders, download the printable form from www.councilbluffs-ragbrai.org. If you have questions, e-mail ragbrai.housing@councilbluffs-ia.gov.



COOKBOOKS

Perhaps you are new to First Christian Church . . . perhaps you have a wedding or a wedding shower to attend this summer . . . how about a wonderful cookbook produced by our own Women's Ministry? Suggested donation is \$8. Copies are available in the church office throughout the week or call Claudia Vergamini at 323-1970.



QUICK NOTES

- **SAVE YOUR LABELS!** FCC Women's Ministry supports Alpha Christian Children's Home and School in Perry, Kansas. See the bulletin boards for more details.
- **PURE FREEDOM RETREAT** ~ Seven Secrets to Sexual Purity, Midlands Evangelical Free Church, June 27, 9:00 - 4:00 p.m. See poster on bulletin board for details.



PRIMETIME FOR CHILDREN



Matt Beckner—Children's Ministries, mbeckner@firstchristiancb.org
Sarah Kaelin—Early Childhood Ministries, skaelin@firstchristiancb.org

COURAGE!

Preschool VBS at First Christian Church is all about COURAGE! Preschoolers (3 - 5 years), join us on July 13 - 16, 9:00 - 11:45 a.m. for a fun-filled week of Bible stories about Noah, Daniel, Joshua, and Esther while we learn that God wants us to have courage to obey. We'll also play games, make crafts, and eat yummy snacks. Hope to see you there! Pick up a registration form in the church office or in the children's wing. Contact Sarah Kaelin, 328-2606, with any questions.



SPORTS CAMP/VBS RETURNS

Volunteers needed for assistant coaches (no special skills required), registration, and other positions. Please visit our table today to see where you can connect. Kids, sign up today for VBS sports camp! Put the lessons you learned throughout the year into practice as you share the love of Jesus to students in our downtown community. Choose from basketball, soccer, or cheer. Enjoy great Bible lessons, fun songs, yummy snacks, and exciting sports activities. Don't miss it! Each student participating will receive a free t-shirt.

SPORTS CAMP 2009



STUDENT MINISTRIES



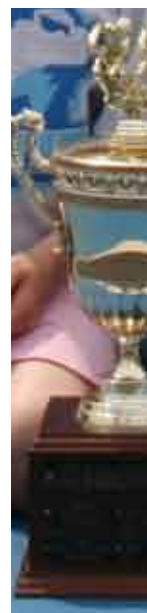
Gary Davis—Student Ministries, gdavis@firstchristiancb.org



4-6 legacy cup champions!

Congratulations to the Huskies on winning the '09 4-6 Legacy Cup Championship!

The Huskies were coached by Ben Michaels, Tim Umphreys, Emily Umphreys and Eric Renshaw.



SENIOR ADULTS

Jean Provines—Senior Adult Ministries, jprovines@firstchristiancb.org

PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA

Don't forget our trip to Plattsmouth, NE this Tuesday, June 23! The bus will leave FCC at 9:00 a.m. and pick up passengers at RSCV at 9:05 a.m. Bring \$2.00 for gas expenses and money for lunch and shopping. (Ladies: there's a really great fabric store there!) We will be home by 4:00 p.m.



NEEDED

A volunteer is needed to sit with one of our homebound members on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons so her family caregiver can have a break to take care of matters outside the home. Contact Jean Provines, 328-2606, ext. 16/church or 402-680-1290/cell.

UPCOMING SUMMER ACTIVITIES:

July 11	Belated 4th of July party
July 29	Luau
August 3-5	VBS for the Senior Adults
August 9	Royals baseball game
August 19	Iowa State Fair



Wireless assisted-listening devices are available at the sound booth.

FAMILY NEWS

HOSPITALIZED RECENTLY

Melissa Brown - Veterans

SYMPATHY

To Kathie Radford on the death of her mother.
To Jane Stucker on the death of her mother.

NEW MEMBERS

Robert McCart was baptized June 14. Robert lives at 75 Caribou Circle/329-9041.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Chad Chew and Sierra Neumann on their wedding, June 12.

JUNE PRAYER CHAIN

Several people have made themselves available this month to pray with you about your specific prayer requests. To start the prayer chain, please contact the first name on the list and share your request.

Bobbie Lake	322-8879
Jane Field	322-5371
Michael/Deb Foote	981-4743
Claudia Vergamini	323-1970

Would you like to join these and other prayer warriors? You would be on a rotation to serve about every nine months and, in case of a catastrophic emergency, everyone would be called to pray. God answers prayers and He is listening at any time you talk with Him. Please call the office, 328-2606, and offer your time to pray.