



The Chalice

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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Lectionary

June 4

Genesis 1:1—2:4
Psalm 8
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Matthew 28:16-20

June 11

Genesis 12:1-9
Psalm 33:1-12
Romans 4:13-25
Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

June 18

Genesis 18:1-15
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
Romans 5:1-8
Matthew 9:35—10:8

June 25

Genesis 21:8-21
Psalm 86:1-10, 16, 17
Romans 6:1-11
Matthew 10:24-39

July 2

Genesis 22:1-14
Psalm 13
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42

Calendar

Sunday, June 4

10:00 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Worship – Bill Hunt
Elder: Mary Lillie Watson

Monday, June 5

10:30 AM – Coffee Chat
6:30 PM – CMF Meal & Meeting
Cindy Pritchard, Executive Dir.
Keep Oconee Beautiful

Tuesday, June 6

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM –
A.C.T.S. Volunteers

Wednesday, June 7

No Meal Ministry until
August 16
No Choir Rehearsal until July

Sunday, June 11

10:00 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Worship – Bill Hunt
Elder: Ann Smith
12:00 Noon – “World Café”
Round Table
with Rev. Dr. Denise Bell

Monday, June 12

6:30 PM – Board Meeting

Sunday, June 18 – Father’s Day

10:00 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Worship
Elder: Rosa Hall

Monday, June 19

10:30 AM – Coffee Chat
7:30 PM – Elder’s meeting

Sunday, June 25

10:00 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Worship – Bill Hunt
Elder:

Monday, June 26

6:30 PM – Disciple Women’s Meeting

Reverend Dr. Denise Bell will be joining us for this event.

World Café Event at FCC Watkinsville June 11, 2023

Lunch and learn from one another after church. (Pizza, dessert, and drinks provided).

You are invited to participate in a “World Café” moveable table conversation. The experience involves conversations to celebrate our best and dream about our future! We will share and hear stories about our church, community, and families in laughter and thoughtful dialogue. We need you to contribute to the richness of our church in this current season and our new journey forward! In a World Café setting, we sit around tables to:

- ❖ Discover
- ❖ Suspend judgment
- ❖ Explore what we believe
- ❖ Listen for connected ideas
- ❖ Encourage the expression of a wide range of perspectives
- ❖ Experience shared understandings about what God is doing!

Eyes have not seen, ears have not heard, neither has entered into our hearts the wonderful things that God has in store for us! (1 Cor 2:9).

The experience will be up to two hours, and the outcome can take us to new places for future generations. Please come and join us. We thank you in advance!



Wednesday Meal Ministry would like to thank all the volunteers that helped make this project so successful: Barbara, Linda, Joan, Maria, Steve, Gina, Sue, Mary Lillie, Ray, Eddie.



Board Minutes for March 13, 2023

Members Present: Ann Smith, Rosa Hall, Roger Smith, Ray Watson, Pam Crawford, Mary Lillie Watson, Wayne McTyre, Steve Hansford, Michelle Greenwall, Bill Hunt, Tommy Branch, Cathy Moorehead, Joan Taylor, Gina Hansford, and Rev. Sheila Hunter.

Elaine McTyre was also present.

Call to Order: Chair Ann Smith called the meeting to order and Rev. Sheila Hunter provided an opening prayer.

Prayer Concerns: Prayers concerns were shared and uplifted in prayer.

Minutes: On motion by Cathy Moorehead and second by Pam Crawford, Minutes of the February 13, 2023 meeting were approved as submitted.

Minister's Report: Rev. Sheila Hunter presented her monthly report for February 2023. She is preparing for the baptism of Elizabeth and Ella Tyre on Sunday, March 26th as well as the Palm Sunday and Easter celebrations.

Committee Reports:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Cathy Moorehead said regular Sunday School classes will be held on Easter Sunday.

OUTREACH – Pam Crawford reported \$150 was donated to Family Promise; the profit from the Fat Tuesday pancake supper will be sent to Food for Kids; Week of Compassion brought in \$5,811; and, a goal of \$500 has been set for the Easter Offering.

She explained that ACTS is financially stable right now and requested amending the amount given to them annually from \$2,400 to \$1,200. By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to reduce the amount given to ACTS to \$1,200 annually with the remaining \$1,200 to be placed in the line-item budget for Miscellaneous expenditures. This is a line-item change only and will not affect the Outreach Committee's overall budget.

PROPERTY & MAINTENANCE – Wayne McTyre said the fire extinguishers have been checked and updated as needed. An inspection of the elevator is scheduled for next month.

WORSHIP – Mary Lillie Watson reported the Worship Committee has discussed a Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday, a new member reception after church on April 16th and an outdoor Worship Service on April 30th.

DEACONS –Michelle Greenwall said the Deacons are preparing for the upcoming reception for the family of Ann Hunt. She also noted there is a list on the bulletin board for volunteers to sign up for upcoming church services.

DISCIPLE WOMEN – Joan Taylor reported the Disciple Women met on February 26th. Several projects were discussed for consideration including donations for cleaning supplies to Camp Christian, meals for Disciples on Campus and Lydia's Place and new or "good used" towels for ACTS.

CMF – Steve Hansford reported the CMF met on March 6th. Mayor Brian Broderick was the guest speaker.

Devotion and Communion: Bill Hunt provided a devotion, followed by Communion.

New Business: Elaine McTyre explained the Church is having major problems with internet and streaming services. AT&T is the current provider and they have not been able to solve the many issues that are occurring. She presented three proposals for the Board's consideration. The Board discussed the proposals and on motion by Bill Hunt and second by Wayne McTyre, voted unanimously to proceed with Option 1 from Spectrum Business Services.

Rosa Hall requested information for the Chalice by March 31st.

Adjournment: Chair Ann Smith delivered a Closing Prayer.

Pastoral Relations Review: Chair Ann Smith called for the Pastoral Relations Review. Discussion followed.

Financial Report March 2023

By Kathy Reising for Gina Hansford, Treasurer

MAR CONTRIBUTIONS	2023 CONTRIBUTIONS	2023 BUDGETED CONTRIBUTIONS
\$10,100	\$27,027	\$48,836

MAR EXPENSES	2023 EXPENSES	2023 BUDGETED EXPENSES
\$13,963	\$41,989	\$47,806

2023 YTD CONTRIBUTIONS MINUS EXPENSES \$ -14,962

2023 CONTRIBUTIONS VS BUDGET \$ -21,809 (UNDER)

2023 EXPENSES VS BUDGET \$ -4,632 (UNDER)



	YEAR TO DATE (13 SUNDAYS)
WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS BUDGET	\$3,757
AVERAGE WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS ACTUAL	<u>\$2,079</u>
AVERAGE WEEKLY SHORTAGE PER BUDGET	\$(1678)

	MAR 31, 2023	DEC 31, 2022	CHANGE IN ACCOUNT
GENERAL FUNDS	\$16,178	\$30,680	\$ -14,502 (47%)
DESIGNATED FUNDS	\$36,653	\$47,179	\$ -10,527 (22%)

DEC STATEMENTS, AS OF	MAR 31, 2022	DEC 31, 2022	
SAVINGS GENERAL FUNDS	\$219,206	\$204,534	\$ 14,672 6%
ENDOWMENT FUNDS	\$174,431	\$174,431	\$ 10,125 7%

ITEMS OF NOTE:

SPECIAL OFFERINGS AND DONATIONS YEAR TO DATE 03-31-23

CAMP CHRISTIAN 60 FOR 60	\$300 (60 FROM DEC)
RELAY FOR LIFE — ACS	\$250.
1) DMF — CHRISTMAS OFFERING	\$612 (555 FROM DEC)
2) DMF — WEEK OF COMPASSION	\$5754 (\$5200 FROM DEC)
3) DMF — EASTER OFFERING	
4) DMF — PENTECOST	20.00

Members Present: Ann Smith, Rosa Hall, Pam Crawford, Wayne McTyre, Steve Hansford, Tommy Branch, Cathy Moorehead, Joan Taylor, Gina Hansford, and Rev. Sheila Hunter.

Call to Order: Chair Ann Smith called the meeting to order.

Prayer Concerns: Prayer concerns were shared and uplifted in prayer.

Opening Prayer: Rev. Sheila Hunter provided an opening prayer.

Minutes: On motion by Rosa Hall and second by Steve Hansford, Minutes of the March 13 and April 2, 2023 meetings were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Roger Smith presented the March 31, 2023 Financial Report. On motion by Wayne McTyre and second by Pam Crawford, the report was approved as submitted.

Minister's Report: Rev. Sheila Hunter spoke on working towards education of the congregation about the needs of the church in an effort to increase contributions. She also expressed her desire to keep up with photos of church activities.

Committee Reports:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Cathy Moorehead noted that Rev. Sheila Hunter had provided the “goodies” on Easter Sunday.

OUTREACH – Pam Crawford reported on the donations to date for the Easter offering, Camp Christian and Relay for Life. She stated that orientation for Family Promise will be held the 1st Tuesday of May and June at 5:30 p.m. at Milledge Avenue Baptist Church. Pam also spoke on ACTS totals for 2022.

PROPERTY & MAINTENANCE – Wayne McTyre said the new stove was installed in the kitchen. The Disciple Women's group donated \$250 towards the purchase. He also noted the furnace was repaired for only the cost of labor.

ELDERS – Ann Smith noted the Elders will be meeting this Thursday.

DISCIPLE WOMEN – Joan Taylor reported the Disciple Women met on March 27th. Their projects approved for March were a \$250 donation to the Property Committee to help pay for the Church's new stove and another shipment of books to Patti Wagner. Approved for April projects was a pledge of \$600 to the “60 for 60” fundraiser for Camp Christian and a donation of \$100 to Relay for Life.

CMF – Steve Hansford said the CMF met on April 3rd. Jimmy Christopher provided an informative talk on “old” Oconee County.

Devotion and Communion: Cathy Moorehead provided Communion.

Adjournment: Chair Ann Smith delivered a Closing Prayer. The meeting was adjourned.

Financial Report April 2023

By Kathy Reising for Gina Hansford, Treasurer

APR CONTRIBUTIONS	2023 CONTRIBUTIONS	2023 BUDGETED CONTRIBUTIONS
\$12,287	\$39,314	\$67,617

APR EXPENSES	2023 EXPENSES	2023 BUDGETED EXPENSES
\$14,320	\$56,593	\$63,170

2023 YTD CONTRIBUTIONS MINUS EXPENSES \$ --17,279

2023 CONTRIBUTIONS VS BUDGET \$ -28,303 (UNDER)

2023 EXPENSES VS BUDGET \$ -6,577 (UNDER)



	YEAR TO DATE (18 SUNDAYS)
WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS BUDGET	\$3,757
AVERAGE WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS ACTUAL	<u>\$2,184</u>
AVERAGE WEEKLY SHORTAGE PER BUDGET	\$(1573)

	APR 30, 2023	DEC 31, 2022	CHANGE IN ACCOUNT
GENERAL FUNDS	\$12,032	\$30,680	\$ -18,647 (61%)
DESIGNATED FUNDS	\$37,073	\$47,179	\$ -10,107 (21%)

DEC STATEMENTS, AS OF	MAR 31, 2022	DEC 31, 2022	
SAVINGS GENERAL FUNDS	\$219,206	\$204,534	\$ 14,672 6%
ENDOWMENT FUNDS	\$174,431	\$174,431	\$ 10,125 7%

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CAMP CHRISTIAN 60 FOR 60 \$720 (60 FROM DEC)

RELAY FOR LIFE – ACS \$250.

- 1) DMF – CHRISTMAS OFFERING \$612 (555 FROM DEC)
- 2) DMF – WEEK OF COMPASSION \$5754 (\$5200 FROM DEC)
- 3) DMF – EASTER OFFERING \$376
- 4) DMF – PENTECOST 20.00

Called Meeting

Members Present, Ann Smith, Rosa Hall, Roger Smith, Pam Crawford, Mary Lillie Watson, Wayne McTyre, Steve Hansford, Michelle Greenwall, Bill Hunt, Tommy Branch, Cathy Moorehead, Joan Taylor, Gina Hansford, and Rev. Sheila Hunter.

Call to Order: Chair Ann Smith called the meeting to order and provided an opening prayer.

Chair Ann Smith stated the reason for the called meeting was to report Rev. Sheila Hunter has decided to retire from Minister of our church. She then read the resignation letter Rev. Hunter had previously submitted to the Personnel Committee on March 28th. Copies of the letter were given to each Board member.

Rev. Hunter explained her intent is to retire to spend more time with her family and pursue future ministries unknown to her at this time. She plans for June 1, 2023 as her last day. She expressed her appreciation to the congregation and the relationships she has established within our community of faith. She said it is important to her to “end well and, therefore, finish strong”.

Chair Ann Smith explained 3 or 4 members will be working with Rev. Hunter through the last days of her ministry at WFCC. She stated that once the Board accepts Rev. Hunter’s letter of resignation in retirement, the congregation will be informed through letters and emails and an announcement at next Sunday’s worship service.

Pam Crawford made the motion to accept the letter of resignation in retirement. Wayne McTyre seconded the motion. Ann Smith, Rosa Hall, Roger Smith, Pam Crawford, Mary Lillie Watson, Wayne McTyre, Michelle Greenwall, Bill Hunt, Tommy Branch, Cathy Moorehead, Joan Taylor, and Gina Hansford voted yes. Steve Hansford voted no. The motion to accept the letter of resignation in retirement passed.

Adjournment: Chair Ann Smith adjourned the meeting.

Disciples Women

The Disciples Women’s meeting on May 22, 2023, opened with the DW Prayer with 11 Members present. Refreshments were provided by Melba Baker and Marsha Lee (who was not able to attend). Cathy Milligan provided our Program. Prayer Concerns were noted and prayed for. Secretary and Treasurer’s reports were given and accepted. A Thank You note was received and read for the donation of \$100 to Relay for Life. The May Project was to collect needed supplies for Camp Christian, and these will be taken to the Camp.

It was a bittersweet meeting as it was the last Disciples Women meeting Rev. Sheila Hunter would be with us. Sheila is retiring and we celebrated her retirement with a beautiful cake, which was included with the provided refreshments, and a monetary gift. We will miss Sheila and wish her special blessings for a wonderful retirement.

The meeting was closed with the DW Benediction. The next DW meeting will be June 26, 2023, at 6:30 PM. All women are invited to join us.



