

Alexandria First Christian Church
“Give to Live” Ministry



Invites you to be our guest for a

Community Dinner
Saturday, May 17, 2025
5:00pm – 6:30pm
In Robinson Hall

Menu:
Meatloaf
Potatoes
Green Beans and a Roll

First Christian Church (DOC)
215 West Berry Street, Alexandria, IN

Pentecost Celebration
Sunday, June 8th 10:30am

Our Worship will end with a Bubble Benediction
Please wear something red, yellow or white

Dear Friends:

June 8th marks the celebration of Pentecost, the culmination of the Easter Season. The purpose and the power of the Resurrection that we celebrate at Easter is the gift of the Holy Spirit that is given to all who ask. Jesus is alive and living within each of us. The power that raised Christ from the dead continues at work within us to raise up the whole human race. That is our mission. Without Pentecost, without the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we would never have heard of Jesus, nor his Death and Resurrection – for no one would have told the story, no one would have testified to the amazing love and compassion of God manifested in Jesus.

Pentecost is also the foundation of our lives as disciples, because we too have access to the same gifts that the Risen Christ wants us to have. We are called and gifted by the Spirit to take our place in carrying forth the mission of Christ. What an amazing call and life we have. What meaning and purpose are offered to us. We need to pray for the fulness of the Spirit's gifts in our own lives, and in our church family. Are you up for it?!

When we open ourselves up, God's Spirit will enable us to do the unexpected. If we allow ourselves to see the possibilities that the Spirit brings, those surprises will result in wonderful results. Fellowship is strengthened and our common bond and commitment will grow. But we must all do our part as post-Pentecost people, to speak the language of God's love to a needy world.

Friends, the needy are on our doorsteps. Let's not be huddled in an upper room, wondering who is going to step up. Why are we waiting? Together we can do far more than we ever imagined. May God empower us to see the opportunities around us.

Blessings, Pastor Julia

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 5 Debbie Burchette
- 9 Hayden Swegman
- 13 Nichole Jones
- 13 Alison Domi
- 19 Faith Swegman
- 22 Brock Cooper
- 22 Julie Barton
- 23 Annabelle Vctor
- 29 Frances Sizelove
- 30 James Bratton



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 14 Barbara & Chris Austin
- 18 Linda Heiden and Zack Joyce
- 19 Brandon & Jessica Hammond
- 28 Larry & Sharon Hobbs

First Sunday Lunches

Following worship on the first Sunday of each month, we will gather for a luncheon and time of fellowship. There will be baskets out for a freewill offering with proceeds helping our General Fund. If you would like to plan one month or help in any way, please contact Karen Sayre.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 9 Brandon Hammond
- 11 Gary Cooper
- 12 Karen Sayre
- 13 Sherry Humphrey Riley
- 16 Katreena Humphrey
- 17 Jeff Miller
- 18 Jack Street
- 18 Heather Sayre Teichert
- 20 Barbara Austin
- 22 Julie Nelson
- 23 Brittany Humphrey Stookey
- 23 Chrissy Williams

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Troy & Becky Greer
- 9 Marvin & Linda Miller
- 13 Dave & Ruby Closser
- 20 U.B. & Joyce White
- 25 Jan & Don Malston

If there are mistakes or omissions in our birthday and anniversary lists, please text corrections to Pastor Julia at (260)341-3669 or write her a note.

PETE'S PANTRY

For the month of May, we will be highlighting pasta, spaghetti sauce and rice. With the children being on summer break, for June we will highlight kid's snacks, peanut butter and jelly. As always, all non-perishable items are welcome. Watch for sales!

2025 General Assembly

The General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will gather in person from July 12 – 15, 2025 in Memphis Tennessee. This year's theme is "BEYOND" based on Ephesians 3:20-21: *Now to the one who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to the power that is at work within us, ²¹ to them be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.*

Pastor Julia is blessed to be representing our congregation in Memphis this summer.



Back to School Rally

Beginning June 1st, we will have the bucket out to receive your monetary donations to the Rally to help prepare our local children for a new year of school.

Please give generously!
Please make checks out to
First Baptist Church

Worship Leadership

For May:

Elder: Don Swegman
Deacons: Barb Austin & Julie Barton
Communion Deacon: Heather Teichert

Lord's Lector

May 4	Jeff Bryan
May 11	Chris Collins
May 18	Kim Sayre
May 25	Chere Saunders

For June:

Elder: Jeff Bryan
Deacons: Corbin Greer & Colyn Greer
Communion Deacon: Karen Sayre

Lord's Lector

June 1	Don Swegman
June 8	Doris Swegman
June 15	Chris Collins
June 22	Chere Saunders
June 29	Chere Saunders

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