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Looking back, this time last year as I was recovering from COVID. Understandably, we were looking ahead with great anticipation for the new year. Vaccines were being developed and the hope was 2021 would be a better year than what we had all faced in 2020. While this year did bring improvements as people were vaccinated and positivity and corresponding death rates decreased, we were able to lesson some of our societal restrictions. But, as I am writing this, major cities across the world are either cancelling or restricting New Year's Eve celebrations in response to the Delta and Omicron variants.

That being said, I am a little trepidatious in looking ahead to 2022. Since so many of my hopes went unfulfilled last year, I do not know what to expect in the days and months ahead. It is obvious COVID is becoming a way of life for us all. It is promising that new vaccines and treatments are already coming out and more are in the works, but also, we do not know what new variants we will be dealing with in the days ahead. I guess this amplifies our usual New Year's expectations.

We always look toward the start of the year with great expectations. We long for progress and hope the year will improve. We even long for progress within ourselves. We make resolutions to try to be better ourselves, but the sad fact is most resolutions are broken by February. Perhaps we shouldn't be too surprised if the year does not always show the improvements that we hope and long for. Whether things improve or not, it is our perspective that determines whether the year is "good" or even better. And, in the end the adage is true; we do not know what tomorrow holds but we know who holds tomorrow. Therefore, the best resolution we can make, and hopefully keep, is to face the year ahead trusting in the one who created all our days.



The Poinsettias in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God **IN HONOR OF:** Bill & Ginger Van Hoose, given by Jeannine Owens. **IN MEMORY OF:** Ed & Veneta Sweaney, given by Bob & Shirley Sweaney. Elster & Sarah Blackburn, given by Bob & Shirley Sweaney. Curtis & Lucy Robinson, given by Blake & Jane Robinson. Logan & Elsie Yates, given by Blake & Jane Robinson. Raymond Carlson; Mary and George Wells, given by the Wells Family & Dorothy Carlson. Oliver & Violet Roberts, given by the Roberts Family. Bob Roberts, given by the Roberts Family. Russell & Leelah Davis, given by the Davis Family. Debbie Davis McCoy, given by the Davis Family. Danny & Shan Justice, given by the family, Quentin & Annette Justice, given by the family. Bud Runyon, given by the family. Curtis & Lucy Robinson, given by the family. Brad Van Hoose, given by the family. Lea Allison Van Hoose, given by the family. Lacey & Melster Helvey, given by the family. Charlie & Edith Mae Van Hoose, given by the family. Hattie W. Thompson; Dr. O.W. Thompson Sr.; Dr. O.W. Thompson Jr.; and Pluma Thompson, given by Tom Thompson. Noah & Irene May, Mary Jane Combs, & Connie Combs, given by Tom Thompson. Duke & Irma McKenzie, given by Tom Thompson. Bernard & Effie LaBreche; Dennis & Ethel Clark, given by John & Shalimar LaBreche.

MAYFIELD CHURCH

As most of you know, a horrific tornado swept through the town of Mayfield, KY and destroyed many buildings, and took several lives. The First Christian Church in Mayfield was one of the buildings destroyed. The Elders voted to donate \$5000 from our Outreach Fund to the First Christian Church in Mayfield, Ky to rebuild their structure. They have challenged the congregation to match that donation. If you would like to make a donation to this church, you may mail it to 313 Chloe Road, Pikeville, Ky 41501. Please specify on your donation Mayfield Church.

REMINDERS

- New flower chart has been posted. If you would like to provide flowers for worship service please sign up on the bulletin board.
- Keep update to all happenings and events on our Facebook page.
- Donations may be mailed to First Christian Church, 313 Chloe Road, Pikeville, KY 41501 or via PayPal at paypal.me/FCCPikeville.

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/31	New	Year	's Eve,	Office	Closed
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- 1/10 Elders Meeting, 7:00pm
- 1/16 Board Meeting, 7:00pm
- 1/25 Community Dinner, 5:00pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!!



Shirley Sharp	Jan 3
Alice Ratliff	Jan 5
Phyllis Sturgill	Jan 7
Lynn Anderson	Jan 12
Reed Anderson	Jan 12
June Brose	Jan 17
Jim Brown	Jan 17

Jan 3	Larry May
Jan 5	Helen Brown
Jan 7	Norah Justice
Jan 12	Ryan Brown
Jan 12	Conner Byers
Jan 17	Meleta Little
Jan 17	



Tim & Delores Bokmuller January 22

<u>Communion</u> <u>Preparation</u>

January Steve Huffman February Gail Trimble

Elder of the Week

Jan 17

Jan 25

Jan 25

Jan 28

Jan 31

Jan 31

1/2 Tom Thompson 1/9 Terry Trimble 1/16 Bob Van Hoose 1/23 James Brown 1/30 Paul Corbin



January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					Office Closed New Year's Eve	New Year's Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
CC Barbara			6:00 Vespers 7:00 Choir	Epiphany		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
CC Robin/ Ginger	7:00 Elder's Meeting		6:00 Vespers 7:00 Choir			
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
7:00 Board Meeting			6:00 Vespers 7:00 Choir			
CC Volunteer needed						
23	24	25 5:00	26	27	28	29
CC Suzy		Community Dinner	6:00 Vespers 7:00 Choir			
30 CC Lucy	31					

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST As of December 30, 2022

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0, 2022 Hess, Jeff (K. Harrison) 11/14 Hobbs, Dorcas (S. DeLong) 11/9 Horn, Ira (K. Harrison) 12/19 Justice, Corafene (K. Baird) 2/12 Justice, Corafene (K. Baird) 5/13 Love, Sandi (G. Van Hoose) 7/18 Lowe, Sandi (G. Van Hoose) 7/18 Lowe, Sandi (G. Van Hoose) 5/19 Mavor, Donna (G. Van Hoose) 5/19 Mavor, Donna (G. Van Hoose) 5/19 Mavor, Donna (G. Van Hoose) 5/19 Obsorne, Pam (J. Perry) 6/27 Owens, Jeannine (G. Van Hoose) 7/15 Palmer, Rose Mary (C. Franklin) 7/26 Parsons, Carol (M. Harrison) 11/7 Patton, Judy (K. Baird) 5/12 Pierson, Pete & Linda (T. Hamilton) 10/17 Potter, Carson (K. Corbin) 8/12 Puerson, Pete & Linda (T. Hamilton) 10/17 Potter, Carson (K. Corbin) 8/12 Puerson, Pete & Linda (T. Hamilton) 10/17 Potter, Carson (K. Corbin) 8/12 Puerson, Carol (M. Harrison) 11/7 Ray, Ardena & Johnny (G. Justice) 9/5 Regotiz, Art (R. Wells) 12/2 Reprogez, Mike (T. Trimble) 3/21 Rung, Craig, Leah & Family (T. Hamilton) 10/17 Runyon, Glenda (G. Justice) 9/5 Rittherford, John (S. Sharp) 3/7 Shearer, Robert Bobo (B. Van Hoose) 8/26 Skidmore, Tim (S. LaBreche) 11/9 Simpson, Barry (R. Wells) 1/18 Sproles, Samuel (M. Brown) 12/9 Staten, Danny (B. Van Hoose) 3/4 Stewart, Randall 10/24 Sullivan, Kristin (L. Davis) 9/26 Tackett, Pam (D. Cantrell) 8/22 Taley, Sharon (R. Wells) 10/10 Takker, Tony (D. Cantrell) 8/22 Taley, Sharon (R. Wells) 10/10 Takker, Tony (D. Cantrell) 8/22 Taley, Sharon (R. Wells) 10/10 Takker, Tony (D. Cantrell) 1/05 Thomas, Rebá (P. Corbin) 12/2 Turner, James & Jeweline (H. Brown) 12/1 VinZant, Emily (G. Trimble) 7/23 Waldrop, Guy (D. McKenzie) 7/421 White, Matthew (B. Robinson) Young, Helen & Larry (G. Justice) 7/21 **XWHZHY** The Family of Carl Yates 12/17 The Family of Marla Dutkiewicz **XWHZHY** The Family of Marla Dutkiewicz **WHEM** Helping Hands The Hungry in our community Those dealing with drug addicti Theorem and the second Haiti Afghanistan Medical Institutes & Care givers Western Kentucky Communities

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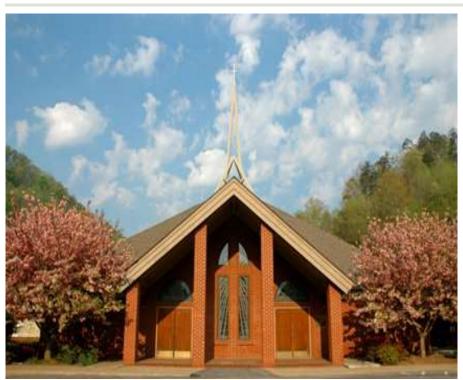
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Come Worship With Us!

Sunday School at 10:00 am

Sunday Worship Service at 11:00 am

Wednesday Night Vespers at 6pm

We are called to love God, To love Others, and to lead Others to Jesus Christ.

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