

Weekly Newsletter

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PRIDE MONTH

Worship
in the Park

@ Pioneer Park
in Covington

July 31st

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PRAYER LIST



We lift up these names to God, in hopes that their needs will be met:

- ◆ Diane Fieler's family and friends
- ◆ Harper
- ◆ Gwen Leckecbe
- ◆ Phyllis Mead
- ◆ Melinda Simonds
- ◆ Sharon Simonds
- ◆ Marilyn Smith

- ◆ Deanna Taylor
- ◆ Lisa Kay Comingore Smith
- ◆ Bernard Howell

OUR CURRENT SERMON SERIES!

Below are the details of the current sermon series.

We hope that you will be able to join us for each one as we *Imagine a World* together.



<i>Imagine A World with More...</i>	(scripture)	(date)
Compassion	Matthew 25:31-44	June 12, 2022
Community	Acts 2:42-47	June 19, 2022
Hope	Hebrews 10:23-25	June 26, 2022
Justice	Isaiah 58:6-9	July 3, 2022
Beauty	Psalm 19:1-4	July 10, 2022
Resurrection	TBD	July 17, 2022

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR PANORAMA

The shelves of the food pantry for Panorama are running slim! Please take a look at the list below and see if there are items being requested that you are able to donate. Please remember that items should be able to be shelf-stable and only need a microwave to heat/cook.

Thank you!

Current requests:

- Small jars of peanut butter
- Saltines & Ritz-style crackers
- Ravioli, Lasagna, & Beefaroni
- Tuna & other canned meat
- Instant rice mixes
- Instant oatmeal
- Fruit and granola bars
- Soups

- Small cans of stew
- Mac-n-cheese
- Spaghetti and sauce
- Vienna sausages
- Instant potatoes
- Pudding
- Fruit
- Cheese crackers

UPDATED: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

The children of First Christian Church have been invited to participate in Vacation Bible School this summer with our sister congregation, Madison Avenue Christian Church! This is for any kid who has just completed grades K-6.

The VBS theme is "HayDay! Growing in Friendship with Jesus". At HayDay VBS, kids will be up to their elbows in farmin' fun as they explore one simple Bible truth: Jesus will always love us!

Date: July 24th—July 26th

Time: 6:00 PM—8:00 PM

Location: Madison Avenue Christian Church

1530 Madison Avenue
Covington, KY 41011

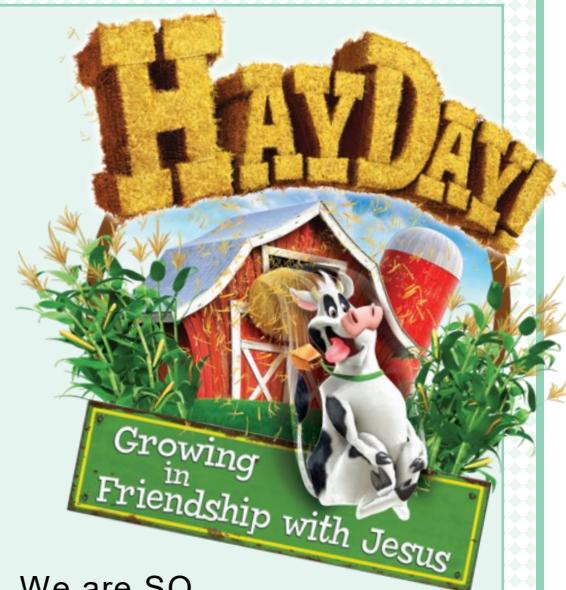
Parents should register their children **by June 28th** so t-shirts can be ordered.

[Click here](#) to access the online registration or go to <https://vbspro.events/p/events/maccvbs2022>.

If you are having trouble with the online registration, please call the church office and we will be happy to help you.

If anyone has any farm/barn decorations that can be borrowed or donated to help with decorating for VBS, please contact the church office and let us know.

Additionally, Madison Avenue has asked us to help provide snacks for the children. We will be accepting monetary donations so that we can provide the requested items. If you'd like to [donate towards the snack fund](#) please make sure your donations are marked for VBS in the memo line or on the envelope.



We are SO EXCITED about this opportunity for our kiddos and hope everyone will be just as excited to participate! If you have any questions or concerns about transportation for your children, feel free to contact the church office and we will be happy to help in any way we can.

HOLY COW! CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY

Our church has entered into a time of discernment during which we are gathering information to guide our decisions for planning a future of flourishing and vitality. On Sunday, I introduced the process by which we will be discerning the vision for our future. Next week, you will hear and read more about: *The Church Assessment Tool* (CAT). This tool will provide a clearer picture of who we are as a church and what directions might be important for our future. **Your response is very**

important to us! Our congregation received a grant from the Lexington Theological Seminary Thriving Congregations program for us to participate in this program so that we may thrive!

Members of our congregation should have already received an emailed invitation to take part in the Holy Cow! online congregational survey.

Please make sure you have completed the survey **before July 15th**.

If you have questions regarding the survey, please reach out to Pastor Tracy.



FCC BOOK CLUB

Thank you to everyone who participated in last month's discussion!

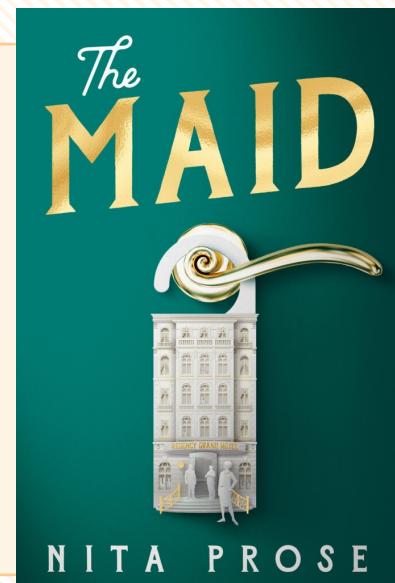
The FCC Book Club has decided that after reading a rather depressing saga last month, a "beach read" is in order!

The next book selection is *The Maid* by Nita Prose.

Folks who would like to participate in the next book club discussion can join via

Zoom on July 24th at 2:00 PM. If this will be your first book club meeting, please let the church office know of your interest so we can add you to the email list to receive the link.

Thank you and happy reading!



HONORING LINDA JONES

Former CCK Associate Regional Minister, Linda Jones, who retired during the pandemic, will be moving to Arkansas at the end of July. Her ministry with the Christian Church in Kentucky is being honored with an open house on Saturday, July 9th, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Regional Office.

Please come and let her know how much you appreciated her ministry and friendship over the years. There will be a basket available for cards.

If you are unable to attend on July 9th, you may send your best wishes to her by email (revlindajo@gmail.com) or

by regular mail to the Regional Office at:
Christian Church in Kentucky
1125 Red Mile Road
Lexington, KY 40504

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT NAME	EVENT DETAILS
Saturday, June 25th 10:00 AM—12:00 PM	Cane Ridge Day <u>Location:</u> 1655 Cane Ridge Road Paris, KY 40361	The historic original meeting house of the Disciples of Christ is hosting their annual open house event. Take a day-trip down to worship and hear the story of our founding, bring a picnic, and tour the grounds.
Wednesday, June 29th 6:30 PM	Elders' Meeting	The Elders' Meeting will be held hybrid-style, both in-person and online. The Zoom link will be sent out Monday morning so that anyone who wishes to attend online may do so. Those coming in-person should meet in the Choir room upon arrival.
Sunday, July 24th 2:00 PM	FCC Book Club	The next book selection is <i>The Maid</i> by Nita Prose. Folks who would like to participate in the next book club discussion can join via Zoom on July 24th at 2:00 PM. If this will be your first book club meeting, please let the church office know of your interest so we can add you to the email list to receive the link.
Sunday, July 31st 10:45 AM	Picnic and Worship!	A special event! We will be meeting to for worship at Pioneer Park instead of the church building. Once worship has concluded, box lunches will be served!
Thurs-Sat, 11/03-11/05	Regional Assembly 2022	The Regional Church of Kentucky will gather in Georgetown this fall. The Assembly team is planning for a feast of workshops, fellowship, worship, and prayer. They are also preparing a digital assembly experience for those who cannot make it to Georgetown.

RECURRING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT NAME	EVENT DETAILS
Sundays 10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Join us in-person or from home during our live-stream!
Tuesdays 2:00 PM	Women's Bible Study	Join the weekly Zoom call for a prayer and Bible study session! Please contact the church office for the Zoom link if interested.
Saturdays 5:00 PM	Community Dinner	We prepare and serve a community dinner every Saturday and are always looking for volunteers! Contact Sheri Jackson to get involved.