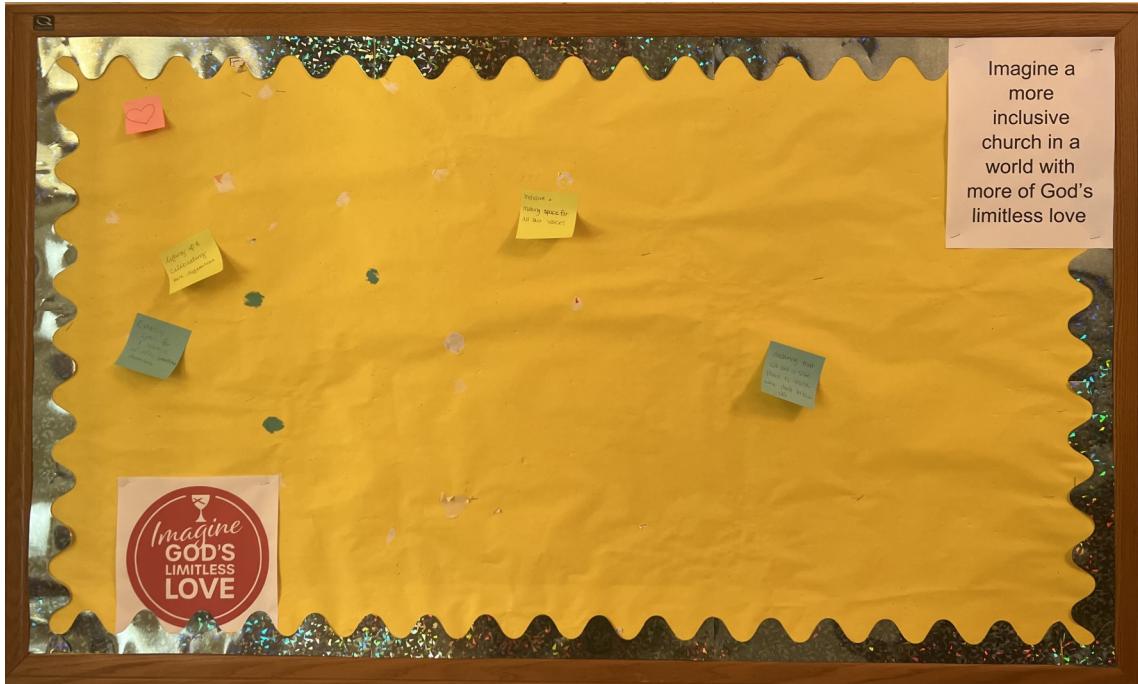


Weekly Newsletter

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FILL THE BULLETIN BOARD!

As part of our current sermon series, Pastor Tracy has challenged us as a congregation to imagine our world in many different ways—to imagine our world with more compassion, community, hope, justice, beauty, and resurrection.

Part of that challenge is a call to action; that action being—to fill in this bulletin board!

This board is located inside the entrance of the church between the 1st and 2nd floors. There are limitless post-it notes and pens available to write your

vision to fulfill the prompt: *imagine a more inclusive church in a world with more of God's limitless love.*

Some folks have already started but we need more involvement from the congregation! Tell us in your own words what a more inclusive church would look like to you.

Some things to think about: *Who would be there? How would we reach them? How might our services change? How might our ministries change?*

PRAYER LIST



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

- ◆ Rose & Elton Gudvangen
- ◆ Harper
- ◆ Gwen Leckecmby
- ◆ Phyllis Mead
- ◆ Rev. Lisa Smith

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 58:1-9	July 3, 2022
Beauty	Psalm 19:1-4	July 10, 2022
Resurrection	TBD	July 17, 2022

NEW MEMBERS—WELCOME!

Please join us in welcoming our two newest members: Tim Burger (pictured right) and Rob Perkins (pictured left)!

Tim and Rob may already look familiar because they have been joining us in worship since June of last year.

We are so glad they've chosen to officially make their membership here. Welcome home, Tim and Rob!



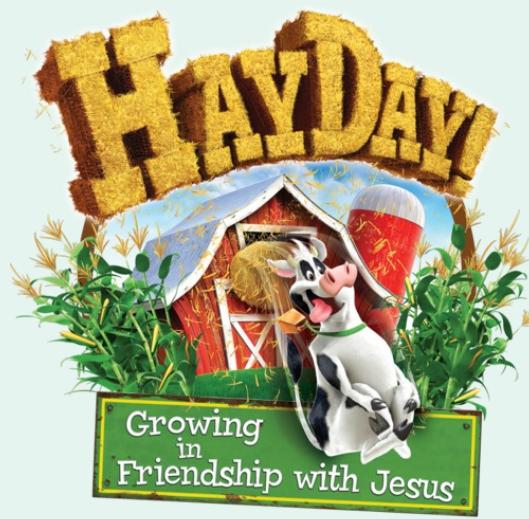
UPDATED: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

As you may remember, 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!

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!

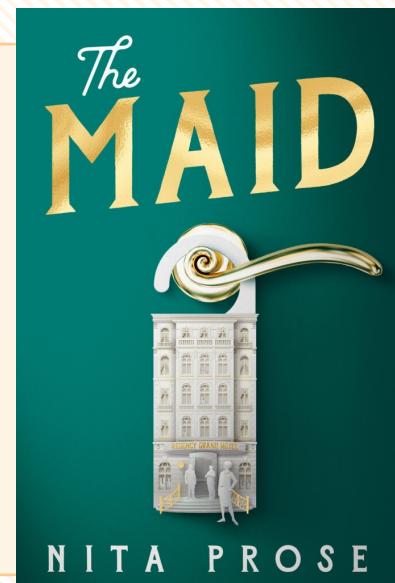
The FCC Book Club has decided that after reading a rather depressing saga last month, a "beach read" is in order!

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, July 9th 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Honoring Linda Jones' Ministry	Location: Christian Church in Kentucky Regional Office Linda Jones, former CCK Ass. Regional Minister, retired during the pandemic and her ministry is being honored with an open house.
Thursday, July 14th	<u>DEADLINE:</u> Holy Cow! Congregational Survey	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 about the survey, please contact Pastor Tracy.
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.
Sun – Tues 7/24 – 7/26 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Vacation Bible School: HayDay! Growing in Friendship with Jesus	Location: Madison Avenue Christian Church 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!
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.

Welcome Wholly. Love Authentically. Share God's Grace

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