



The Journey

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EVERYONE BELONGS: JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

This fall, we invite you to take part in our annual Stewardship Campaign, beginning Sunday, October 26, and culminating in Celebration Sunday on November 16. This season is a time to reflect, rejoice, and recommit to the life and mission of our church.

Inspired by 1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 30, we are reminded that we are one body in Christ - each of us with unique gifts and a vital role to play. Stewardship is more than financial giving; it's about belonging, participating, and sharing in the joy of a thriving church community.

As we journey through this campaign, we'll look back with gratitude, honoring those who came before us - whose faith and vision laid the foundation we now build upon. Their legacy calls us to be faithful stewards of what we've inherited.

We'll also reflect on Luke 20: 27 - 38, which reminds us that God is the God of the living. What impact do we hope to make in this life? Stewardship gives us the opportunity to answer that question with action, generosity, and love.

On Celebration Sunday, we will come together in gratitude and joy - celebrating the gifts of our members and the vibrant life of our church. Every gift, every act of service, and every prayer helps our church flourish.

Let's move forward together, building a church that grows in spirit and impact, and serves as a beacon of hope for generations to come.

Watch for more details in a letter, the Journey, and during worship. You are needed. You are valued. And your presence makes all the difference.

Pam Clasgens, Chair
Stewardship Campaign

Hi Church Family!



Our Trunk or Treat is coming up on **Sunday, October 26 from 4:30 - 6:30 pm!**

This is one of our biggest community events, and your support helps us create a safe, fun, and welcoming evening for all.

Thank you to all who have signed up to help or brought candy! **We could still use some more NUT FREE candy! You may drop it off at the office or in the Narthex.**

Please come out and invite your friends! **This event will be rain or shine!**

Pastor Alyssa

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The **deadline** for *Journey* submissions is **9:00 a.m. Thursday, October 30**. Email to: publisher@fcc-hsv.org

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HEALS (Health Establishments at Local Schools) provides school-based medical, dental, and optometry care for children in our community who might otherwise go without.

By partnering with schools and healthcare professionals, HEALS delivers accessible, high-quality primary care right where it's needed most. Your donations help ensure that economically disadvantaged children receive consistent care in a nurturing "medical home," reducing emergency room visits and keeping them healthy, learning, and thriving. Healthy children learn better, behave better, and have brighter futures - and your support makes that possible. Together, we can make a real and lasting difference for our community's children. You can support this organization with donations made by noting "HEALS" for any amount, by check to FCC or our PayPal account by clicking on the Donate button on our website at fcc-hsv.org/who-we-are/how-to-give

REGIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

First Christian Church, Montgomery, AL

First Christian Church, Florence, AL

First Christian Church, Tuscaloosa, AL

First Christian Church, Valhermoso Springs, AL

ATTENDANCE

Oct. 12 Worship Service: 95

Small Groups (During week & Sunday): 52

Oct. 19 Worship Service: 102

Small Groups (During week & Sunday): 54

THE FOOD BASKETS are given in honor of Stan & Audrey Ball's anniversary by Matt & Karen Ball, in honor of Brooks Jenkins 1st birthday by Beverly & James Cannon, and in honor of Hazel Green's and Kelsi Shrout Green's birthdays by Rick & Kay Shrout.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS!

Join us most Wednesday nights for an evening of fellowship and study. We have a meal at 5:30 followed by a Children's Group, Men's Group, Women's Circles (first Wednesday Phoebe, second Wednesday Naomi, and third Wednesday Lois & Eunice. Esther Circle meets second Mondays at 9:30 am.), and Beyond General Assembly Study Group at 6:00. Call 256-881-0150 for meal reservations.

JACKSON LOVE

In a recent issue of *Living 50 Plus*, our own Jackson Love was recognized for writing an original score for the upcoming Huntsville Ballet Company Unplugged presentation "Beneath the October Moon." The performance leads audiences, children and adults alike, through a whimsical Halloween adventure full of enchantment and surprise. It will take place October 24-26 at the Dream Theater Performing Arts Center at 3401 Holmes Ave NW, Huntsville.



We are grateful to have Jackson on staff here at First Christian.

Community Outreach for this year is to support feminine hygiene items for Huntsville City Schools. What lack of support means is that girls who do not have access to hygiene products cannot attend school and, in some cases, hold after school jobs. Any feminine product is acceptable to donate except no tampons. The school health department really appreciates our gifts. And now these products are tax free. A container is in the Narthex waiting to be filled.

The 2025 sign up chart for **FOOD BASKETS** is available. **You may come by the office or call 256-881-0150 or email publisher@fcc-hsv.org to select a Sunday to remember or honor a friend, loved one, anniversary, birthday, or other special occasion.** Donations are \$25.00 and go to the Outreach Committee. Make checks payable to First Christian Church with Food Basket on the notation line. You may also make your payment through PayPal and designate Food Basket through on our website at fcc-hsv.org/who-we-are/how-to-give