



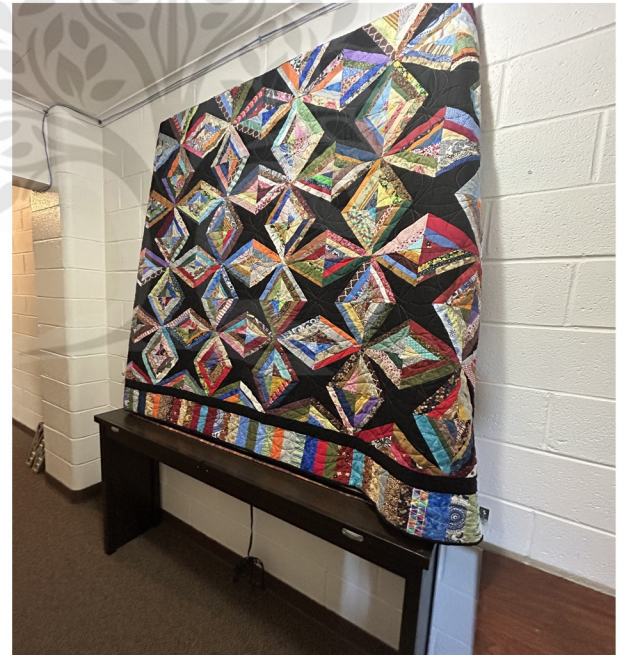
Morgan Renick will be delivering the message on May 17 as Pastor Jim is away for a grandson's graduation. We are grateful for her message series "Be Still." Jim will be back next week and will preach until the end of June. Join us in worship this weekend!

Our Literacy Program Is In the Books!

Our book distribution for the 25-26 school year has come to a successful conclusion! We gave a total of 2154 books to the children at North and South Schools. Preschool, Kindergarten and 1st grade students received a book each month September-April. 2nd grade at both schools got books at Christmas and 160 books were given to 3rd-5th grades for their classroom libraries. Thanks to all the volunteers and to all of those who donated to this wonderful ministry!

Vacation Bible School will be here before we know it. Sign up to help this in the lobby this weekend!

QUILT FOR TEAM VINCENT See It Sunday!



Debbie Brockman has made a strikingly beautiful queen-sized quilt to benefit the Hemophiliac Foundation in honor of her grandson, Vincent. It could become yours! Come see it by the Gathering Place. We will only have it on display until May 24. Come look and benefit a good cause by getting a ticket for a drawing. One for \$5 or three for \$10.

Memory Verse for May: "O taste and see that the Lord is good., Blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him." Psalm 34:8



Isaiah 55:12 Nursery Cafe is Open!

We now have a nursery each Sunday for the young children of our church! The 55:12 Nursery Cafe is serving up fun, faith and friendship. Many people have helped to make this possible. Our thanks to Kim Nichols for her wonderful painting skills, Micki Lane for donating some special stuffed animals, and to several men from the Methodist Men's group who helped remove a huge TV set. What a blessing to have a great church family make a welcoming space for some of the youngest among us. Way to GO, First Church family!



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Attendance and Offerings

4/5 260 4/12 153 4/19 145 4/26 145 Average for the year: 137

April Offerings: \$15,386 Year to Date received: \$72,670

Thank you for your faithful attendance and giving to Christ and His Church.

We Celebrate the Day You Were Born!

5/17 Jim Chambers, Bentley Greene, Shawn Miller 5/20 Patti Follmer, 5/21 Liz Hollingsworth, Kaitlin Wynn 5/23 Elizabeth Miller 5/24 Alexandra Jeremic 5/25 Brodie Campbell 5/28 Abegail Jeremic, Brent Whitaker 5/30 Arley Brockman 5/31 Larry Conn 6/1 Amber Roberts, Anna Siegel 6/2 Rick Bibb, Lauren Kreisel, Daniel Rowles 6/3 Mason Miller 6/5 Jean Byrd 6/6 Holly Conn 6/7 Jason Roy 6/9 Kaeley Rowles, 6/10 Kayla Redwing 6/11 Teresa Gatliff, Ashley Spry **May 16-June 15 Birthdays.** If we have missed someone, please accept our sincere apologies and let us know so we can correct our oversight. Thank you!

**HYMN
SING
June 7
4 pm
with
Ice Cream
to follow!**



Nearly every Thursday we have a free community meal from 4:30-5:30 pm You are welcome to come and/or serve!

**Ladies
Coffee**

All ladies are invited to gather each Friday at 10am at RedWing Coffee, 936 Main St. Let's Get Together!



All men are invited to breakfast on the first Saturday of each month at 7:30 am Next gathering: June 6 in the Fellowship Hall.



May Suggestions: canned meats, ramen noodles, canned chili, soups pancake syrup sunscreen