Joys and Concerns of the Church and Community

- ✓ **Glen Alsobrook, Sr.**, had a series of small strokes and is recovering at home after a stay at the hospital.
- ✓ **Dorothy Gaglione** beloved mentor of **Ade Grenpastures**, passed away last week.
 - ✓ **Mary Spainhour**, beloved friend of the **Reileys**, passed away last week.
- ✓ **Timothy L. Wade** (1959-2010), **Lynn Parvin's** brother in law, passed away Friday, Nov. 5 in Flowery Branch.
- ✓ **Lonnie** and **Lillie Sapp** after the passing away of their beloved brother, **Clarence Lamar Sapp** (March 20, 1933 October 27, 2010) in Florida. His memorial service is this weekend.
- ✓ **Jay Johnson's** (Anita's brother-in-law) brother **Michael Johnson**, **41** passed away October 25th. Please keep the family in your prayers. Thank you!
- ✓ **The Blake family** prays for the thankfulness, gratitude and patience that love allows.
- ✓ **Ralph Reiley** had successful knee surgery and is recovering at home. **Daphne Reiley** gives thanks for prayerful support, healing and rest.
- ✓ **Nathan Brown**, as he recovers at home from recent surgery. He is back at work.
 - ✓ Prayers for **Sandra Sexson**, her aunt in Mississippi and her aunt's family.
 - ✓ **Johnnie Barber** is recovering at home from an auto accident.
- ✓ Carl and Ursula Sax request prayers for their granddaughter Kim Benjamin (pneumonia).
- ✓ **Cathy Keeler** is recovering at home, and requests prayers for her mother and father.
- ✓ **Christine Middour** requests prayers for her friend **Olivia**, who is recovering from a liver transplant
- ✓ **Elaine Wade** prays for God's peace to be poured into the hearts of all people.
- ✓ Healing and wholeness for **Craig** and **Wanda Williams**, neighbors of **Daphne Reiley's** friend **Eve Borkenhagen**, as Craig recovers from recent intestinal cancer surgery. Thanksgiving for a good prognosis following surgery.
- ✓ **Debi Revis** requests prayers for **Furat Almaty** as he reunites with his family, and for **Brian Ducote**, Major in the US Army, and his family due to his deployment to Afghanistan. **David** and **Laura Andrews'** son-in-law **Silas Bowman** has also been deployed to Afghanistan.
- ✓ Healing and strength for **Judy** and **George Barrett**, ongoing health concerns. Continued prayers as well for **Alicia Maxwell** and **Laura Thigpen**, friends of **Adei Grenpastures** who are going through chemo treatments; looking to feel God's support and our prayers.
- ✓ Comfort and solace for **Ruby Rathel**, **Elaine Alsobrook's** mother Support, healing, and strength for **Kimberly and Katya Kolberg**, **Pauline Edwards**, and **Lori Keaton**, friends of **Daphne Reiley**.

Church Calendar

Sunday, November 7: All Saints Sunday Awakenings Service in the Chapel 8:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sanctuary Service 10:50 a.m. **Board Meeting** 12:30 p.m. 8 p.m. NA Monday, November 8: GIPL 9 -10 a.m. 10 a.m. Staff Meeting 11 a.m. Prayer Group Christian Women's Fellowship clean globes etc. 1 p.m. Stewardship Meeting 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 9: Ruth Circle (at the church) 1:30 p.m. Spring Into Spanish 3-5 p.m. Music Teacher 4-6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. AA/ALANON Wednesday, November 10: 9:15-11:15 a.m. Music Together Spring Into Spanish 9:30 a.m. 3 p.m. Spring Into Spanish History and Polity class in Pathfinders classroom 6-9:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal Thursday, November 11: Music Together 9:15-11:15 a.m. Spring Into Spanish 10:30 a.m. 2 p.m. **Retired Teachers Executive Board Meeting** Music Teacher 3:30-6 p.m. Lydia Circle (at church) 7:30 p.m. Friday, November 12: Regional Assembly in Macon Nov.12-13 Saturday, November 13: Caregiver Cooking Workshop in Social Hall & Kitchen 11 a.m.-2 p.m. 1-2 p.m. Spiritual Growth with Rev. Grenpastures Sunday, November 14: Stewardship Sunday 8:30 a.m. Awakenings Service in the Chapel

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:50 a.m. Sanctuary Service

8 p.m. NA

Assisted Living: Betty Duncan Green Acres Nursing Center 313 Allen Memorial Drive, Rm.403 Milledgeville, GA 31081-4405; Gus Head Northlake Gardens 1300 Montreal Road, Room 228 Tucker, GA 320084-8141; Matelyn Heyward Ivy Hall 5690 State Bridge, Room 130 Alpharetta, GA. 30022-8188; Velma McKinney Wesley Wood Towers 208 Towers Circle NE Atlanta, GA. 30329-4095; Gwen Sapp Traditions Health & Rehabilitation 2816 Evans Mill Road-Room D10 Lithonia, GA. 30058-7440; Ellen Young and Eunice Kalb 3675 Kensington Road Decatur, GA. 30032-1735. At Home: Julie Bryant 2100 Clairmont Lake Montclair Room 213 Decatur, GA. 30033-4052; Jean Crowe 165 Marion Place, NE, Apt. 705 Atlanta, GA 30307-2791; Hank Ferry 1209 Highland Drive, NE Marietta, GA 30062-2206; Maurice and Edith Jones 4640 Stonemeade Court Atlanta, GA 30331-7988;

Jane Liles 127 King's Bridge, NE Atlanta, GA 30329-2548; Thetis Merritt 631 Kirk Road Decatur, GA 30030-4524; Don and Carolyn Middour 1476 Oakridge Circle Decatur, GA 30033-2133; Robbie Re 1701 The Oaks Clarkston, GA. 30021-1276; Sara Ripy Arbor Terrace 425 Winn Way Rm. 224 Decatur, GA 30030-1733; Millie Simmons 221 Mimosa Drive Decatur, GA 30030-3733; Virginia Smith 336 Madisons Way Waleska, GA 30183-3182.

Board Meeting on November 7, 2010

A Disciples Affirmation of Faith

As members and friends of the Christian Church,

We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.

In Christ's name and by his grace we accept our mission of witness and service to all people.

We rejoice in God,
maker of heaven and earth,
and in the covenant of love
which binds us to God and one another.

Through baptism into Christ
we enter into newness of life
and are made one with the whole people of God.

In the communion of the Holy Spirit we are joined together in discipleship and in obedience to Christ.

At the table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and presence of Christ.

Within the universal church we receive the gift of ministry and the light of scripture.

In the bonds of Christian faith we yield ourselves to God that we may serve the One whose kingdom has no end.

Blessing, glory and honor be to God forever. Amen.

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The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) was born in the early 1800s as a dynamic movement for God that spread across the American frontier. Seeking to move beyond denominational division and toward being a New Testament Church, our founders envisioned a united community of faith grounded in the love and grace of Jesus Christ. Today we are over 3,700 congregations strong across the United States, Canada, and around the world. The red Chalice with St. Andrew's Cross symbolizes our focus on the weekly celebration of Holy Communion and the openness of the Lord's Table, where all are made welcome and invited to partake.

First Christian Church of Decatur was founded on Christmas Day 1921, and has served faithfully ever since with a significant urban ministry, an inclusive theology, and a Kingdom-building vision. We are open and accepting of all of God's people, and encourage women, men, and young people to follow their call from God to serve, just as Christ first served us.

How to Join:

You may join First Christian Church by transfer of membership, confession of faith, or by renewal of the vows of your baptism.

Please fill out a Friends and Visitors Card (found in your worship program) and bring it forward with you during the Hymn of Invitation, where our Pastor will be delighted to welcome you.

Disciples of Christ congregations are delighted to recognize all baptisms. We baptize by immersion at an age of understanding. If you have not been baptized we will schedule one with you at a later date. Pastor-led classes on "Baptism and Belonging" are offered on a regular basis.