



*Resolve to Love – Agree to Differ – Unite to Serve – Break Bread Together*

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### **Plan now to watch the City of Decatur's July 4 Fireworks from the Church Lawn**

Celebrate American Independence Day on July 4th by planning to picnic and then watch the City of Decatur fireworks from our church lawn. Grilled hot dogs will be sold and cookies and lemonade freely shared! Sign up now to help as a volunteer and/or to bring cookies to share.

This Sunday, June 21, Membership Ministry is having a July 4 planning meeting right after worship

**the Music  
Workshop at  
Christmount in  
Black Mountain,  
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to coordinate details and assignments. For more info contact Tom Gard.

**This weekend many members of our Chancel and Bell Choirs are attending the Music Workshop at Christmount in Black Mountain, NC.**

First Christian Church of Decatur's Music Director William Garner is the Workshop Director and our Church Organist Kathleen Westbrook is serving as the Workshop Accompanist. Sing and Ring with Joy!

**Church Board to Meet on Sunday, June 28th  
Immediately After 10:30 a.m. Worship Service**

Everyone is invited and welcome at the Church Board Meeting Lunch will be provided; all Board Officers, Deacons, Elders expected to attend.

**Camp PEACE coming to church for a day of  
fun and celebration on Tuesday, June 30.**

Camp PEACE is a program of Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence. The mission of Camp PEACE is to bring children exposed to domestic violence together for a summer of activities that facilitate Peace Education, Action, Compassion and Empathy. Based on principles of Peace

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**Please Help Us  
Send Church  
Youth to Serve  
as Counselors at  
Camp Balaam**

Education and Cognitively-Based Compassion Training, Camp PEACE will help children learn alternatives to violence while promoting tolerance, impartiality, affection, self-compassion and compassion for others.

Please contact Pastor James if you would like to help flip burgers and lead fun games and crafts.

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**Here are the Ministers scheduled to preach in  
July and August:**

July 5 Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King, Decatur  
First Christian Church

July 12 Rev. Melissa Fain, Fig Tree Christian  
Church

July 19 Rev. Melissa Fain, Fig Tree Christian  
Church

July 26 Rev. Melissa Fain, Fig Tree Christian  
Church

August 2 Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King, Decatur  
First Christian Church

August 9 Rev. Paul Turner, Gentle Spirit  
Christian Church

August 16 Rev. Wendy Wyche, Decatur First  
Christian Church

August 23 Rev. Lynn Trapp, Decatur First  
Christian Church

**Offerings for  
Spiritual  
Formation on  
Sunday at 9:15  
a.m.**

**2015 General  
Assembly**

Recent Visitors

Continental Breakfast

Watching Our Figures



**Father's Day,  
June 21, 2015**  
Worship the Living  
Christ at 10:30  
a.m.

**Holy  
Scriptures:**

August 30 Music Director William Garner and  
Chancel Choir to lead Worship

**Would you like to provide housing for a local  
seminary student?**

The Office of Admissions and Financial Aid at  
Candler School of Theology is looking for housing  
opportunities in the Atlanta area to extend to our  
incoming and current students. These opportunities  
could include:

- Apartments, condos, houses, or rooms  
for rent
- Rooms available a few nights per week  
for out of town students
- Housing available in exchange for  
assistance with childcare, caring for the  
elderly, or housekeeping

If you have such an opportunity available and  
would like to offer it to a Candler student, would like  
additional information, or have questions about this  
project, please email the Office of Admissions and  
Financial Aid at [candleradmissions@emory.edu](mailto:candleradmissions@emory.edu), or  
call (404) 727-6326.

**Our Church Staff is attending a workshop on  
Mental Health First Aid on Friday, June 26th  
from 10 to 12 noon.**

Mark 4: 35-41 and  
2 Corinthians 6: 1-  
13

**Sermon Title:**

*"Dazed and  
Confused"*

**Preaching:**

Rev. Dr. James  
Brewer-Calvert

**Worship**

**Leaders:**

Elaine Alsbrook  
and Rev. Wendy  
Wyche

**Deacons:** Russell  
Broomfield, Susan  
Watts, Tom Gard,  
Robbin Brown

**Greeters:** Russell  
Broomfield and  
Lee Stanley

**Acolytes:** Tori  
Jackson



**Please Help Us Send Church Youth to Serve as  
Counselors at Camp Balaam**

Camp Balaam is a summer day camp for at-risk children held at Camp Christian in Gordon, Georgia. This special camp is sponsored by our Regional Ministry and staffed by youth and adults from Christian Churches across the Georgia Region. While our congregation has resources to supplement half or more of the costs to send our church youth to a week-long experience at summer camp, we did not budget resources to cover the costs of sending support staff to Camp Balaam. The joyful fact that we now have two young people who are eligible (16 – 18 years old) and want to serve and guide children in Camp Balaam is a double blessing. Please give what you can and earmark your gift to Camp Scholarship Fund. In case there is any overage the funds will be designated for 2016 camp scholarships. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

**Offerings for Spiritual Formation on Sunday at  
9:15 a.m.**

1. Seeking Understanding in Scripture Bible Study in Carmack Room **“Exploring the Bible”**
2. Pathfinders Class gathers in the Pathfinders Room. This Week: **“Formations Adult Bible Study”**
3. Weekly Montessori-based **Godly Play for Children**, Sundays, 9:15 a.m. on the main

## Welcome Home!

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(Disciples of Christ)  
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"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us." --Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Statement of Identity.

floor near the Fellowship Hall.

4. **Jesus Junction Sunday School** for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade uses the study of Easter drawing on *Easter from the Back Side* by J. Ellsworth Kalas. Books are provided for class members. All are welcome.



July 18-22, 2015 in Columbus, Ohio. Please go online at [www.gadisciples.org](http://www.gadisciples.org) to register.

### **Did you meet and greet...? Recent Visitors**

We are delighted to welcome friends and neighbors who recently visited to worship God here, including: Rose Bianco-Szymanski, Nancy and Rev. Don Brewer, Robert Brewer, Randy Finley, Kayla Harriott, Rhonda Lederer, Weldon Sailors, Jay Sessions, Andrea Sparks, Coventong Thomas, Irene Watari. Hope to see you again soon.

### **Continental Breakfast**

Ever run late to church on Sunday morning and don't have time to eat? No problem; a continental breakfast is available! Feel free to sign up to bring breakfast once in a Blue Moon. First Christian Church offers Continental Breakfast year round, and everyone is invited to participate in both enjoying and providing delicious fare. Fill in your name on an open date, place in the offering plate or return to Church Office:

June 21: Sandra Brundage  
June 28: James Brewer-Calvert  
July 5: Robbin Brown  
July 12: Sylvia Gibbs

### **Watching Our Figures**

Sunday, June 14th Worship	
Participation	55
Church Offerings	\$2,473.00