



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

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Perhaps you sent a lovely card, Or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a funeral spray, If so we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, As any friend could say; Perhaps you were not there at all, Just thought of us that day, Whatever you did to console our hearts, We thank you so much whatever the part. By the family of Seneca Gibbs.

Minnie Haynes is humbled by all the acts of caring that our faith community is extending to her as she heals from surgery. Thank you, Minnie Haynes

Decatur Toy Park Cleanup this Saturday, Sept. 19 at 8:30 a.m. until finished

On Saturday, September 19th at 8:30 a.m. we will have a Decatur Toy Park cleanup. Please come by and help spruce up the park. Bring a rake, coffee to go, and a friend.

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*Fall Festival
and Chili Cook-*

**Benefit Gospel Cabaret on Saturday,
Sept. 19 at 4 p.m.**

Gospel Cabaret features singers Rich Spillane and Richard Peterson in concert. Tickets are \$10. This benefit concert is to help with the medical bills for our beloved Jeff Carroll and Billy Pabst. All are welcome and warmly invited.

Transforming Series Lead by Rev. Lynn Trapp Short Term course will be based on the book "We Wait You: Waiting on God in Eastern Europe" by Taryn R. Hutchison

The class starts this Sunday, Sep. 20 at 9:15 a.m. with Rev. Lynn Trapp teaching. Books have been ordered. See you there.

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

- Weekly Montessori-based **Godly Play for Children**, Sundays, 9:15 a.m. in worship and wonder room for 3 yr old through 2nd grade.
- **Jesus Junction Sunday School** for 3rd through 5th grade.
- Nursery is available for infants up to 3 years old.
- Adult Classes: Seeking Understanding in Scripture Bible Study in Carmack Room. Pathfinders Class is reading "I Love Growing Older, But I'll Never Grow Old"

off
Saturday, Oct.
10, from 10 a.m.
-- 1 p.m.

Decatur First
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Club

More Good
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Seventeenth
Sunday after
Pentecost
September 20,
2015

Worship the
Living Christ at
10:30 a.m.

Holy
Scriptures:
James 3: 13-4:3,
7-8a; Mark 9:30-
37

Sermon Title:
"It's Not All About
Me"

Preaching:



Hats Off to the Christmas Tree and Wreath Sale
Rally this Sept. 20 - Rally Features Free Pancake
Brunch (*servng gluten and gluten free*)

Our 8th Annual Christmas Tree and Wreath Sale is gearing up for another big year! The Rally is this Sunday, Sept 20 and features a Pancake Brunch immediately after church service. This will be a great time to sign up for providing a meal, working the money table, making wreaths.....and most importantly, working the tree lot. Hats off to volunteers!!! We hope to see all of you on Sept 20th at the Pancake Brunch.

September is Prime Time to Sign Up to Help
with The 8th Annual 2015 Christmas Tree
and Wreath Sale

You can sign up right now on the church bulletin board in the main hallway and reserve your favorite time slot to serve on the Christmas Tree Lot! For more information about volunteering please contact Pastor James (404-229-2326).

These past eight years have been a blessing! First Christian Church of Decatur has offered to the wider community a vibrant and thriving Christmas Tree and Wreath Sale. With each successive year our congregation sold more Grade A Fraser Fir trees and handmade wreaths than the year before. In the past couple seasons we sold out within 11 days!

*Rev. Dr. James
Brewer-Calvert*

**Worship
Leaders:**

*Tom
Rosenberger and
Rev. Wendy
Wyche*

Deacons:

*Russell
Broomfield, Susan
Watts, Robbin
Brown*

Greeters:

*Russell
Broomfield and
Lee Stanley*

Acolyte:

Tori Jackson



**Welcome
Home!**

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of Decatur*

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*"We are Disciples of
Christ, a movement for*



**Our 2015 Christmas Tree/Wreath Sale
Organizational Chart of Leadership Team
Chair -- Nancy Shealy**

Inside Table – **Yolanda Llewellyn**

Meals – **Elaine Alsobrook**

Wreaths – **Brandy Alsobrook**

Foremen -- **Glen Alsobrook and Dave Andrew**

Marketing -- **Nancy Oliver**

Technology - **Ruth Lutz**

Volunteer Recruitment -- **James Brewer-Calvert
and Sub-Committee**

Key Prep and Sale Dates:

Set Up Tree Lot on Lawn – Saturday, Nov. 14

Set Up Wreath Tables – Saturday, Nov. 21

Christmas Tree Delivery – Sunday, Nov. 22 @ 12:00
noon after worship

Tree/Wreath Sale Begins Friday, Nov. 27 and
concludes Dec.12.

**Blessing of the Pets -- Saturday, Oct. 3 at
10:30 a.m.**

On Saturday, October 4th, from 10:30 a.m. -12 noon
in our Decatur Toy Park. We will hold a Blessing of
the Pets. Please bring Fido, Puff, Fishy, or any other
animal friends for a personal blessing.

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.



World Communion Sunday, October 4th at 10:30 a.m.

World Communion Sunday offers congregations an opportunity to experience Holy Communion with the global community of faith. The first Sunday of October has become a time when Christians in every culture break bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as the Head of the Church. Our **Hand Bell Choir** will offer several anthems to the glory of God.



Fall Festival and Chili Cook-off

Saturday, Oct. 10, from 10 a.m. -- 1 p.m.

Location is on-site at the church

Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

There will be a Chili Cook-Off and a prize for the Chili King or Queen

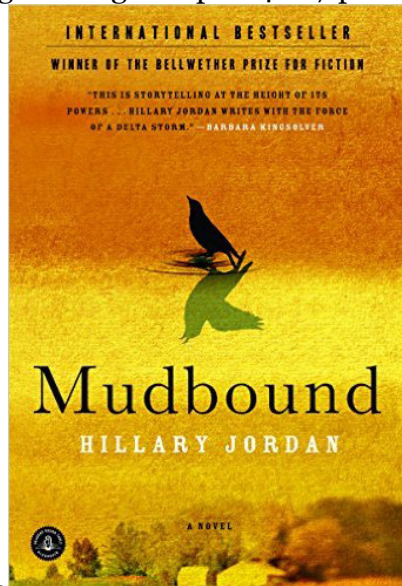
Proceeds benefit Christian Education

It's time to get ready to FALL in love again with our Fall Festival---complete with a **Chili - Cook Off**, pumpkin games, haystack searches, a giant slide, face painting, arts and crafts, raffles and

a **Cake Walk**. Chili, Hot Dogs, popcorn, and other treats will be available. Entrance to the Festival is just \$5 per person with a \$20 family max, and includes a coupon for adults for a free popcorn or chips! It's time to get out your chili recipe, bake some cakes for the Cake Walk, and help with some great child-friendly activities. Please see Nancy Oliver to see how you can help. 404-276-7229 or nancyoliver1@bellsouth.net.

Decatur First Christian Church Book Club

First Christian's Church of Decatur's Book Club is reading *Mudbound* by Hillary Jordan. Next gathering is Sept. 24 at 7 p.m.



More Good News

Our Chancel Choir and Hand Bell Choir are now enjoying a new 'ductless mini-split' air conditioning system which both heats and cools, and is very quiet and energy efficient. The purchase of this unit was made possible in no small part by a very generous gift to the Capital Fund in memory of Glen Alsbrook, Sr. Our Choirs thank all who made this possible.



Did you meet and greet...? Recent Visitors

We are delighted to welcome friends and neighbors who recently visited to worship God here, including: Joshua Alexander, Rose Bianco-Szymanski, Henoch Davila, Natalia and Essie, Randy Finely, Carol Harris, Christine Jetta, Rhonda Lederer, Mary Ellen Merrill, Weldon Sailors, Ruth Showalter, Thomas Smith.

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:

Sep. 20: Janice and Helen Huyler
Sep. 27: _____
Oct. 4: The Brewer-Calverts
Oct. 11: _____
Oct. 18: _____
Oct. 25: _____
Nov. 1: _____
Nov. 8: _____
Nov. 15: _____

Watching Our Figures

Sunday, 9-13-15 Worship	
Participation	55
Church Offerings	\$3,270.00
Church Offset	\$ 685.00

