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



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Romans 12 -- Sermon: "Life Together"

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

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Sunday, October 11

Acts 2: 43-47 -- Sermon: "Ministry is About Relationships"
Sunday, October 18

Ephesians 4: 1-6, 11-16 -- Sermon: "Unifying the Cities of God"

Sunday, October 25

Matthew 28: 16-20 -- Sermon: "Act Locally, Think Globally"

Preaching: Pastor James L. Brewer-Calvert



World Communion Sunday is this Weekend, 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.

World Communion Sunday is 10:30 a.m., October 4, 2015

Worship the Living Christ at 10:30 a.m. **Preaching:** Rev. Dr. James Brewer-Calvert **Holy Scriptures:** Romans 12 and 1 Corinthians 11: 17-26 Elders: Yolanda Lewellyn and Ruth Lutz **Deacons:** Mark Ranney, Wiley Harris, Jasmine Heath, Steve Oliver **Leaders from Gentle Spirit** Christian Church: Pastor Paul Turner, Lance Helms, Billy Pabst **Greeters: TBA**



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Jackson

Welcome Home!

First Christian Church of Decatur



Fall Festival and Chili Cook-off

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

Location is on-site at the church

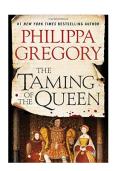
Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

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

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

nancvoliver1@bellsouth.net.



First Christian Church Book Club

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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. First Christian's Church of Decatur's Book Club is reading The Taming of the Queen by Phillipa Gregory. Next gathering is October 22 at 7 p.m.

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

See you Sunday morning for meaningful, informative, and uplifting spiritual formation!

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 3rdthrough 5th grade.

Nursery is available for infants up to 3 years old

<u>Adult Classes</u> Gather Sundays from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.:

Pathfinders Class is listening to "Freedom-The View From A Roman Jail by Dr. Fred Craddock.

Transforming Series -- Short Term course will be based on the book <u>We Wait You: Waiting on God in Eastern Europe</u> by Taryn R. Hutchison. The class meets in the Church Parlor with Rev. Lynn Trapp teaching. Books are available.



Now 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! 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.

Lost and (Not Yet) Found

On Monday my car keys disappeared here at work. I really need my yellow key ring with one key on it and the push button remote. You might have picked it up because it looked like your keys. If you can keep

me in mind when you're traveling around in the building; I would appreciate it. Sherry Davis

Grape Juice for Communion

The church is getting low on grape juice for communion. If you think about it when you go to the store, we would appreciate it. Sherry Davis

Did you meet and greet...? Recent Visitors

We are delighted to welcome friends and neighbors who recently visited to worship God here, including: Josh Alexander, Cathy Archibald, Rose Bianco-Szymanski, Ashley Buchannan, Jennifer Esposito Randy Finley, Mary Jane Goins, Kayla Harriott, Christine Jetta, Rhonda Lederer, Maria, Mary Ellen Merrill, Irene Muturi, Weldon Sailors, 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:

Oct. 4:	The Brewer-Calverts
Oct. 11:	Robbin Brown
Oct. 18	
Oct. 25:	
Nov. 1:	
Nov. 8:	
Nov. 15:	
Nov. 22:	
Nov. 29:	

Watching Our Figures

Sunday, 9-27-15 Worship Participation Church Offerings Church Offsets Reconciliation Offering **52** \$1,422.74 \$ 600.00 \$ 131.00