

THE CHRISTIAN CALLER

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from the Stewardship Group

June 2018



“...You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ”

Matthew 22:36-39
NKJV

“Practice makes perfect,” we have been told. The more we perform an action, the easier it becomes and the better we come at it. Whether it’s hitting a ball, baking a pie, or building a house—the more we repeat the steps the more we build those skills. The same is true with the skills of loving our neighbor. If we don’t practice it daily, we lose the opportunity to improve at it, and we lose the chance to be someone’s angel in a moment of need. Below are 101 ways to practice this love and get better at it.

Here are 101 ways to give either your time, money, energy, or talents:

1. Offer to watch someone’s kids.
2. Make a contribution to your local church.
3. Call a homeless shelter and ask what their current need is.
4. Commit to giving to others this Christmas.
5. Bake something and give it to an elderly person.
6. Call a single mother and ask if she needs anything.
7. Give a favorite book to someone who might benefit from the topic.
8. Stop and ask the name of someone who looks down and out.
9. Leave a large tip.
10. Send a ‘just because’ gift to a young couple.
11. Host a baby shower.
12. Slip an anonymous envelope with money under someone’s door.
13. Send a care package to a missionary.
14. Send a card to one of the children in your neighborhood.
15. Take your kids to the park, just like you promised.
16. Take a day off work to spend with your family.
17. Buy extra groceries and drop them in a donation or pantry box.
18. Call a local children’s home and ask what their current needs are.
19. Build something for someone.
20. Do a craft and give it to someone.
21. Offer your services to someone for free (carpenter, mechanic, plumber).
22. Volunteer to help serve a meal at your local shelter.
23. Send a check to your favorite charity.
24. Cook a meal and find someone to share it with.
25. Take an evening and visit someone in the hospital.
26. Write a card that expresses three things you like about someone.
27. Send a thank you card to your church leaders.
28. Start to fund a scholarship for church camps or other worthy causes.
29. Help fix something for someone who is disabled.
30. Say a prayer for the poor in your community.
31. Get a list of local non-profits charities. Pray for each by name.



Board Meeting Highlights

General Board Meeting April 8, 2018

Present: Judy Owens, Kevin Deibert, Al Joyner, Sallie Eason, Doris Briley, Christine Dempsey, Gina Langston, Mary Steinbauer, David Whitley, Velinda Moore, Marah Walker, Josh Walker, Lou Ann Wiley, Horace Wiley, Miriam Lewis, BJ Lawrence, Bert Smither, Amy Church, Wes Flake, Harold Flanagan, Leslie Church. Jean Suggs.

EDUCATION: Will be providing desserts for the Baccalaureate Service on June 3.

PROPERTY & GROUNDS: Motion made, seconded and passed that makes Christine Dempsey the project manager for purchase and installation of kitchen dishwasher. 14 'yes' votes, 4 opposing.

OUTREACH: Breakfast for Farmville Benevolent Ministries Golf Tournament on May 18. (rain date Thurs, June 7)

WORSHIP: THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the outdoor services in April!

MEMBERSHIP: Covered Dish May 16, and community-wide Covered Dish June 20.

DWM: Auction on 5/19.

CMF: Churchwide Breakfast on June 24 from 8:30—10am.

MINISTER REPORT: After lengthy discussion, it was agreed the church would light all candles to let the disenfranchised know we are an all-inclusive church of reconciliation by advertising our identity on FB and the website. The discussion is to be continued....

Next Board Meeting—June 10

DWM

I have been in contact with Equipment Plus. Our rep is out of the country until late next week. He did reply back to me to state he would contact me as soon as he returned and we would get moving on it. I told him, I would like the project to be completed before end of summer, if possible. That didn't seem to be an issue for him.

We have the General Meeting scheduled for June 16th 10:00 - 11:30. Installation of new officers will take place at this time.

Dogwood Festival did well. We raised funds for purchasing a new Ainsley's Angels chair. Check out the pics!

Christine Dempsey, DWM President

CMF

CMF serves coffee and pastries at 9:30 every Sunday morning -- enjoy coffee and pastries and stay for Sunday School!

CMF restored and upgraded an old handicap ramp for a local citizen.

We held the annual Fish/Shrimp Stew dinner on Tuesday May 1 serving a large group of community members.

During the May Meeting Keith and Laura gave a very nice presentation about their dog training program.

Because the next scheduled meeting happens to fall on Fathers Day the June meeting has been pushed to Sunday June 24. That morning we will be serving breakfast for the entire church membership between 8:30 and 10:00.

Wes Flake, CMF President

In Our Prayers

Prayer needs:

Mabel Bowen, Larue Brinson, Ann Byrd, Marie Cowan, Dave Davis, Melissa Davis, Cissy Deas, Bud Eason, Jean Ellis, Annie Gurganus, Bobby Hodge Sr, Janie Joyner, Caleb Knox, Betty Lewis, Joyce Letchworth, Shane Miller, Camilla Murphrey, Beth Norville, Joan Smith, Myrtle Sugg

In service to our country:

Jameson Cowan, Glen McDustrell, Zach Murphy, Jake Nicholson, Col. E. Patton Davis Jr, MD

Membership

WNS Calendar:

June 20	COMMUNITYCOVERED DISH
July 18	COVERED DISH

Our next covered dish supper is Wednesday, June 20. We are inviting our friends from several other ministries and community members so we will likely have a lot of visitors. Please plan on making an extra dish or two and attending to welcome our guests!

The Membership Committee is going to be handing out Popsicles up and down Main Street on June 16 at 1pm via wagon. If anyone would like to join us in our walk, please contact Marah Walker and let her know you are coming.

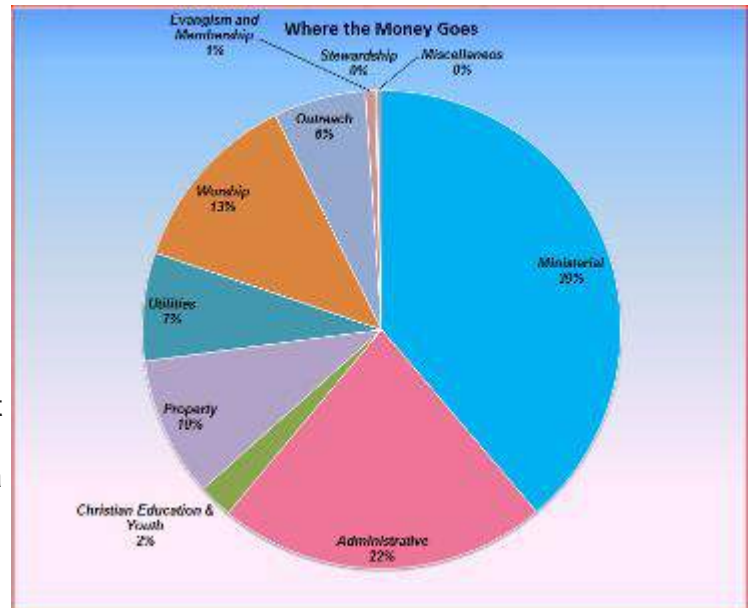
Please be sure to introduce yourselves to our newest members!!!

David Pruette and

Tammy Bridges— who joined by statement of faith.



- 32. Clean out your closets and make a donation to the Salvation Army or Goodwill.
- 33. Call a church leader and ask what needs to be done, cleaned, or fixed.
- 34. Buy a gift card and give it to a random person.
- 35. Purchase an extra movie ticket and give it to someone just because.
- 36. Pay for the toll for the vehicle behind you.
- 37. Buy a meal for someone else at the restaurant.
- 38. Host a group of college students in your home.
- 39. Men could offer to take a teen boy without a dad at home out for an afternoon.
- 40. Pay for a hotel for someone who could really use a break.
- 41. Write a list of ways your church could be reaching out to the poor in your community and around the world.
- 42. Volunteer to work with helping and implementing the list generated from the point above.
- 43. Organize a fundraiser.
- 44. Buy a Bible for someone who does not have one.
- 45. Offer someone a job.
- 46. Write your favorite Bible verse and email it to some friends as an encouragement.
- 47. Teach a Bible class.
- 48. Host a small group study in your home.
- 49. Fast for a day and give the proceeds to an organization that helps the poor.
- 50. Look at a friend's Amazon Wish List and get them something just because.
- 51. Make something special for your kids.
- 52. Buy one Christmas gift for someone else for every gift you buy for your own family.
- 53. Pay for a newspaper advertisement and write an encouraging message.
- 54. Leave a comment on a blog you enjoy. Thank the writer for his time and effort.
- 55. Anonymously pay for someone's utilities.
- 56. Write a mentor thanking them for their influence.
- 57. Ask someone how you can pray for them.
- 58. Send a care package to a college student.
- 59. Have a family event where you go without and use that money to help someone.
- 60. Go on a short term mission trip.
- 61. Take your kids along on a mundane trip to the store or shops.
- 62. Fast for a meal and give the money to a charity.
- 63. Donate an old vehicle.
- 64. Buy bulk and give half of it away.
- 65. Teach someone a skill for free.
- 66. Buy essential baby products and take them to a women's shelter.
- 67. Ask your church benevolence if they've had any requests.
- 68. Give your old equipment away when you upgrade.



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69. Get someone a magazine subscription.
 70. Do a free car wash.
 71. Spend an afternoon doing random acts of kindness.
 72. Hand out free water on a hot day.
 73. Volunteer to help the youth or elderly at church.
 74. Take a young mother out to eat.
 75. Have a garage sale where all items are free.
 76. Give clothes your kids have grown out of to someone in need.
 77. Buy medical supplies for a third world country.
 78. Plant a garden and give your produce away.
 79. Do a police ride along and ask the officer what the community needs are.
 80. Share seeds from your garden.
 81. Coordinate a carpool.
 82. Organize a buying co-op.
 83. Make a coupon book of services.
 84. Overpay someone for a job well done.
 85. Tip somewhere tipping isn't expected.
 86. Offer to buy a meal for a stranger.
 87. Offer spare change when someone's fumbling through their purse.
 88. Take an elderly person's car for a check-up, safety inspection, etc.
 89. Give an increased percentage for an unexpected income.
 90. Bake a batch of cookies for your neighbors.
 91. Double the recipe, freeze a meal, and take it to someone who is grieving.
 92. Anonymously cut grass for a neighbor. (Do a good job!)
 93. Email an encouraging quote or Bible verse to a friend or co-worker.
 94. Volunteer at a Big Brother or Big Sister program.
 95. Organize a community barbeque.
 96. Play a free concert in your neighborhood.
 97. Help with Vacation Bible School.
 98. Bake a loaf of bread for your boss.
 99. Write a blank cheque for \$100 and wait for God to reveal an opportunity to use it.
 100. Buy a product from a small business owner.
 101. Participate in a school fundraiser.
- BONUS: Give someone a hug. (moneyhelpforchristians.com)

Practice, practice, practice!



June Birthdays

Linda Hodge	June 3
Eliza Watson	June 4
Cindy Barrow	June 7
Piper Dudley	June 10
Jason Yester	June 10
Kaelee Watson	June 11
Stephen Bryant	June 12
Gene Eason	June 16
Gloria Flanagan	June 18
Katharine Griffiths	June 23
Suzanne Jones	June 24
Cathy Tomkiewicz	June 24
Miriam Lewis	June 26
Jackie Bulpett	June 27
Nora Church	June 29
Jessica Bulpett	June 30
Melissa Bulpett	June 30
Kathryn Marengo	June 30

June Anniversaries

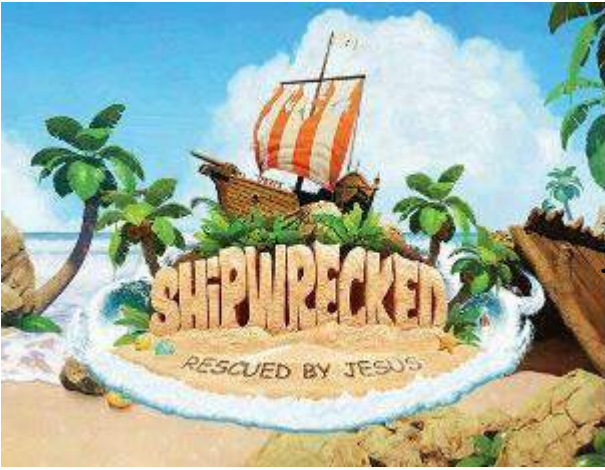
Dave & Eunice Davis	June 1
Bruce & Melody Dail	June 11
John Redden & Miriam Lewis	June 11
Cathy & Joe Tomkiewicz	June 13
Chester & Beth Norville	June 16
Chester & Jean Ellis	June 25
LaRue & Emmitt Brinson	June 26
Gene & Sallie Eason	June 29

GIVING MADE EASY

Your bank will do the work for you! Just sign up with your bank's 'auto pay' feature, and your bank will mail a check to FCC on a regular schedule—whether it's weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, or something else.

You get to be sure that even if you have to miss a Sunday or even if you left your checkbook at home this week, your giving goes on and your church can continue its work.

More and more of our members are using this hassle-free method to keep up with their giving. Check it out!



COMMUNITY VBS

June 10—14

6-9pm

First Baptist Church
Registration forms
available at our office



BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

6:30pm

Sun June 3

Service

& Reception

First Christian
Church in
Farmville

Farmville Benevolent Ministries



GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thurs, June 7

8:30am or 1pm

\$70/person

4-person Superball

Continental Breakfast and
Lunch provided (12-1)



Fri, June 1



Sunday
June 10

3pm

Join us at

Simply

Natural

Creamery

in Ayden for some

delicious fun!

WE ARE
Meals On Wheels
so no senior goes hungry.

Mon, June 25—Fri, June 29



Coffee & Pastries
Every Sunday

9:30am Fellowship Hall



DWM

- Running chair for Ainsley's Angels
- Farmville Fun Run





CMF

- Fish Stew Night!
- Handicap Ramp Work



June Servants

Elders: Judy Owens HE; Mary Steinbauer
Deacons: Wes Flake HD; Jackie Bulpett, David Whitley, Josh Walker, Marah Walker
Offering Trustee: Paul Bryant

*If you are unable to serve,
please contact someone
to take your place.*



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

June 20—COMMUNITY COVERED
DISH

July 16—COVERED DISH

Church Staff

Rev. Kevin Deibert	Senior Minister <i>pastor@fccfarmville.org</i>
Timothy Price	Director of Music <i>music@fccfarmville.org</i>
Kim Griffiths	Church Administrator <i>office@fccfarmville.org</i>
Julia Beamon	Nursery Attendant

Church Office: (252) 753-3179

Regular Office Hours:

9 am—3 pm, Mon—Thurs, 9am—12pm Fri

Also by appointment.

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Mission of First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

Farmville, North Carolina

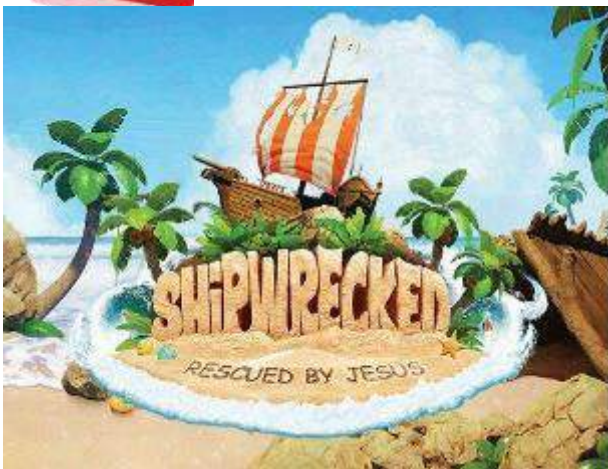
It is the mission of First Christian Church (DOC) of Farmville, NC to provide an environment where all who come can learn, fellowship, worship, and grow spiritually closer to God. We will fulfill our greater obligation to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ by being of service to the members of our community and to the world. Our efforts will be done in the name of Jesus Christ.



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COMMUNITY VBS

June 10—14 6-9pm

First Baptist Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>June</h1>		SUNDAYS 9:30 Coffee & Pastries 10a Sunday School 11a Worship			1 11 Soup Kitchen	2
		3 5p Choir practice 6:30p Baccalaureate Service & Reception	4	5	6	7 8:30 Farmville Benevolent Ministries Golf Tourn.
10 8a Elders mtg 3p Simply Natural Creamery 5p Choir practice 5p DWM Exec. mtg 6p Ministry Teams 7p General Board mtg	11	12	13	14	15	16 10-11:30 DWM General Mtg 1p Popsicle Wag-on on Main St
		Sun, June 10—Thurs, June 14		6-9pm VBS at First Baptist		
17 FATHER'S DAY 5 Choir practice	18	19 7 Trustees mtg	20 6 COMMUNITY COVERED DISH	21	22	23
24 8:30—10 Churchwide Breakfast	25	26 6:30 Cub Scouts	27	28	29	30
		MEALS ON WHEELS		Mon, June 25—Fri, June 29		