

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

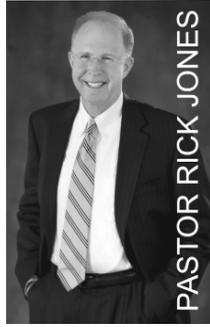
Sunday, November 25, 2018

Dear Friends of Faith,

It was wonderful to welcome 125+ to our 23rd ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER last Monday. We are truly a blessed family of God!

What a joy it is to welcome you to FCC this morning. It is our fervent prayer that you will not only feel exceedingly welcome, but that you will sense the presence of the LORD as we worship Him in Spirit and in Truth!

We love and appreciate each one of you!



PASTOR RICK JONES

Please turn off the ringers on your cell phones. You are welcome to text PR a question 314-607-1424.



CHRIST THE KING!

As we sit in church this morning, our Earth is spinning 1,000 miles per hour at our planet's equator. Not only are we spinning but our planet is orbiting our sun at 67,000 miles per hour. We are about to celebrate another trip around the sun on January 1, 2019.

But there is more. Our solar system is moving 43,000 an hour through the universe toward the bright star Vega in our galaxy—the Milky Way. And our Milky Way Galaxy, one of 100 billion Galaxy's in our Universe is moving towards a place of immense mass that Scientists have called The Great Attractor.

Civilizations and Cultures each have their own significant dates and traditions. While we in the West will celebrate the New Year on January 1, in the far East the Chinese will celebrate their new year on our February 5—incidentally for them 2019 will be the "Year of the Pig." Egyptians begin their New Year in early September. Recently it was September 11.

If you were asked, "To what civilization or culture do you belong?" how would you answer? Some may reply, "I'm a part of Western Civilization." Others may say "I'm American." A few here may say, "I'm a proud part of the red-neck culture!"

Yet for all who name the name of Christ, on every continent, in every nation, of every language and every family—we who are Christ's are first and foremost citizens of heaven. "Our citizenship is in heaven, from whence we look for the Savior, the LORD Jesus Christ." Philippians 3:20.

Because we love the United States of America—her ideals, her constitution, and her laws—we celebrate Independence Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, and Thanksgiving.

But if we did not live in the United States, we who are Christ's would still observe those significant moments when Eternity intersected with

Time and God revealed Himself to us.

We remember Christ's Birthday—that day when God wrapped himself in flesh and was physically "with us." Emmanuel! For four weeks we anticipate His birth in a Season we have called Advent.

We remember Good Friday—that day Christ became our Passover Lamb and died for our sins—and many have set aside 40 days (excluding Sundays) to consider the profound reality and personal implications of our Lord's Passion.

We remember Resurrection Day—that wonderful day when Christ triumphed over death.

We remember Ascension Day—when our Lord ascended to heaven promising He will return.

We remember Pentecost Sunday—the day those first disciples were born of the Spirit and the Church of Jesus Christ was born.

And while we anticipate the return of Christ, we look to His Word Revealed—The Bible for Truth, we listen to His Word Spoken—The Spirit of Christ bearing witness with our spirits, and we follow His Word example—"thy Kingdom come, thy Will be done!" is our desire.

Around the World today, Christians will remember today as the last Sunday before the Season of Advent—the four weeks leading up to the celebration of Messiah's birth. In one sense it is the end of the Christian year. How then should the Church of Christ close her year? WITH CONFIDENCE AND CONVICTION AND COURAGE DECLARING CHRIST IS THE KING!

The Psalmist, King David saw Him, "1 The LORD is King; he has put on splendid apparel; the LORD has put on his apparel and girded himself with strength. 2 He has made the whole world so sure that it cannot be moved; 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting 6 Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness adorns your house, O LORD, for ever and for evermore." (Psalm 93:1-6).

Representative Democracy is the best form of government for fallen men to rule fallen men. But King Jesus Christ is the superlative governor for He alone is God and He is Good. His rightful place is King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. Though men may deny His reality, refuse His authority, and reject His generosity—salvation through sanctification—He is still Christ the King!

CONFIDENT THAT CHRIST IS KING? ARE WE LIKEWISE CONVICTED HE IS KING? Is our prayer "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done," a nice fantasy or a commitment—our resolve?

If CHRIST is KING is He King of our affections?
If CHRIST is KING is He King of our relationships?
If CHRIST is KING is He King of our resources?

Time? Possessions? Money?
If CHRIST is KING is He King of our identity?

Who we present ourselves to be?
How we present ourselves to be?
Whose we present ourselves to be?

e His glory among the heathen; Ho
that we may give thanks to thy holy



His name
holy name
praise!

Spiritual. Biblical. Loving.



FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2018

Welcome to FCC!

We trust you sense God's presence and that you feel very welcome here.

Please let us know how we may help you.

11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP
& SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR PRE-SCHOOL-HIGH SCHOOL
FREE NURSERY AVAILABLE OFF THE ENTRYWAY

6:00 p.m. EVENING PRAISE



- THE APOSTLES CREED -

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; descended into the grave, the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

Scriptures of the Month

Each month we are encouraging God's people to memorize a passage of Scripture
23 Sing unto the Lord, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation. 24 Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations...worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. 34 O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever..

I CHRONICLES 16:23-34

FCC NEWSLINE

Important Announcements and Updates

+ THANK YOU FOR COMING TODAY! Please introduce yourself and let us know how we might keep in touch and help you
+ THANK YOU FOR GIVING TO THE LORD! Your generous offerings are important as we raise money for the van repair in addition to bills. Thanks for praying and giving.

Month of Nov.	Monthly Need	2018 Total	2018 Goal
\$7,410.00	\$10,000.00	\$120,722.00	\$150,000.00

We pray you will consider giving today. You may give to our PayPal account using email FCCStLouisMO@gmail.com.

+ SCENES FROM MONDAY EVENING! THANKS TO THE GREAT COOKS AND GREAT FAMILY OF GOD!



THOSE WHO PLAY INSTRUMENTS are urged to bring them to play for Sunday services. We would love to have a small orchestra playing with the congregation and for special services.
INTERNET & LIVESTREAMING EXPLODING There has been a tremendous increase in those viewing our services via Livestreaming and those who watch our archived services. Most weeks there are over 200 people watching. Our equipment is very basic and we need to invest in better technology Thank you Ron Feger, Billy Barnes, Connor Bowen, Dustin Dodson, and Joe Gober

FCC PRAYER

Reports of Answered Prayers and Your Requests

- JOIN IN PRAYING THAT THE SERVICES TODAY WILL BE BLESSED BY GOD and that hearts will be changed by the power of Christ within!
- JD GILLHAM is at GARDEN VIEW ASSISTED LIVING.
- Pray for SISTER GRAHAM'S precious family.
- BILLY BARNES' UNCLE GLEN passed away. Services were yesterday in Farmington.
- BILLY BARNES' MOTHER DEE fell and broke her hip.
- JANE FEGER'S SISTER
- HEATHER EVAN'S FATHER
- STEVE AND PEGGY SUE ROBINSON appreciate our prayers. She fell and broke both ankles.
- ANN MATLOCK
- BEAU DODSON has a new pacemaker.
- CHRISTY DODSON
- GABRIEL JAMES
- REBECCA GOBER
- RUTH GEORGE is HOME!
- NEIL GOODRICH
- YVONNE MASON
- JENNIFER FEGER'S family.
- HEATHER EVANS
- AL LOCKHART
- BETTY JO HENDRICKSON
- SANDY WILSON
- GRANNY FARMER
- SIS. BEVERLY NELSON
- PRAY FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH. And remember the Christians in Pakistan.
- SHARON NICKELSON
- THE FINANCIAL NEED OF THE WORK is large. Help us pray.
- PRAY FOR THE USA!
- PRAY FOR REVIVAL!

EVENTS

Monday, November 19, 2018
THANKSGIVING DINNER
Bridgeton Community Center - 4201 Fee Fee, 63044
7:00-8:30PM

Monday, November 19, 2018
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY
Give Thanks with a grateful heart!
11 AM & 6PM



Sunday, December 16, 2018
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS
"O What A Wonderful Child!"
11 AM & 6PM



Sunday, December 23, 2018 - 6pm
TEEN CHRISTMAS PLAY