

Prayer Concerns

Requests are left for 3 months, **the start date, month and year, is listed at the end of request.** Please notify the office of updates.

Our country and those serving in the military, those adjusting after service
Kevin Farrar—Breathing issues due to RA, RA flare-ups
His House Ministries
Kenn Filkins—Serious health issues
Hannah Grace Monroe—Continued prayers for her feedings and health 3/18
Jeannine Kelly (Therese Boucha's mother) - Parkinson's Disease 3/18
Gary Matheny (Dave's brother) - Hoping for a lung transplant soon 3/18
Ron Atkins (Pam Postma's brother) - Cancer treatment is working, no growth! Continuing treatments 9/18
Evelyn Henry—Health issues 7/18
Linda Gades (Nancy Earl-Wojo's sister) - Metastasized cancer, confusion 6/18
Brenda Brown—Health issues, that doctors would figure out how to help her 6/18
Therese Boucha—New treatment begun. Continued prayers for healing. 9/18
Therese wants to thank everyone for the meals, gifts, and help! 6/18
Gary Ferns (Mary Armstrong's bro) - Last scan stable! Prayers for continued healing 6/18
Gordon Earl (Bernard's brother) - Home recovering from stent surgery 7/18
Gary Korman (Friend of Dave Weir) - Health issues, would appreciate prayers 7/18
James Burton—At Army Boot Camp. Prayers for courage and strength in the Lord 7/18
Ed Boso—Back pain 8/18
Gail Mullins (Ed Boso) - Diagnosed with diabetes 8/18
Peg Pifer (Dan Smart's mother-in-law) - Recovering from a stroke 8/18
Evelyn Henry, Terry Lawson, Lee Lawson, and Patty Jones—Family issues 8/18
Nancy LeGreve—Recovering from spinal surgery 8/18
Ardis Bruno—In Tendercare Room B6 for PT after surgery, would like visitors 8/18
Cathy Abramson—Liver and kidney transplant, difficult recovery 8/18
Jennifer Veum—Having cancer treatment 8/18
Rachael Jones (the Henry's granddaughter) - Strength to stay drug and alcohol free and turn to God, trying to get her children back 8/18
Joanne Arbic (Anne Abbott's sister) - Stent placement and serious health issues 10/18
Tanya Moore (Phyllis Miller)—Cancerous brain tumor removed, to Detroit hospital for chemo 9/18
Leslie Belleau (Judy Vert) - Pancreatic cancer, starting radiation 10/18
McKenzie Monroe—Matt and Leslie Monroe's new daughter, in Marquette NICU 10/18

If you would like a visit from an elder or one of the ministers, please call the church office at 632-6511.

Welcome to First Church of Christ! Announcements for October 14, 2018

Today:

Sunday School—9:00 am
Worship Service—10:00 am
Kid's Church—10:30 am
Mid & Hi School Youth Group—6:00 pm

Wednesday:

Worship Team Practice—5:45 pm



All Church 6 Week Sunday Class "Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference?" September 16 to October 28 at 9:00 am. Come and see how prayer helps us see reality from God's point of view. **Topics include:** The View From Above; Why Pray?; Keeping Company With God; How To Pray; Prayer Problems; Does Prayer Change Anything?



Lunches needed! Our youth are going to **Fusion** in Lansing November 2-4. If you can make a bagged lunch for one of the students or make cookies for the ride home, please sign up in the lobby. Please include a sandwich, small bag of chips, a piece of fruit, and something sweet. **Please have a church November 2nd morning.**



Downtown Trick or Treat is October 26th! Please sign up in the lobby if you can donate a bag or two of candy or would like to help downtown! We will be handing out information on FCOC and inviting people to church!



Ladies Prayer and Bible Study meets Thursdays at 10:00 am at FCOC All ladies invited! We are studying "Leading a Life of Balance"



His House Christian Fellowship meets on Thursdays at 8:00 pm at the Crow's Nest at LSSU! Our LSSU Staff: Matt Monroe, Jessy Stark, and Adam Steinhauer.



We need bakers! FCOC provides treats for His House meetings! If you can help, please sign up at the News Table! The students really appreciate your baking skills!

General fund giving last week: \$2,263.00. Weekly requirements: \$4,283.56

PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN:

There are "Quiet Books" in a basket by the AV room door in the lobby.

Nursery at 9:00 and 10:00, located off the lobby.
10:00 Service —This week: Corbiere Next week: LeBlanc
Children: Education Classes—9:00 am Jr. Church—10:30 am
Downstairs and straight through. See above schedule for Family Sundays.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child gives donated items to children across the world who would have no knowledge of Christ's love for them without this special ministry. **Boxes are provided! Pick up a gift tag and box at the display with ideas for gifts.** Choose from a boy or girl and different age groups. Please add a \$9 check made out to Samaritan's Purse for shipping.

Boxes are available at the display in the lobby and are due the week of November 12th!



Fusion is now Great Lakes Weekend!

at Great Lakes Christian College in Lansing
November 2-4, for grades 6-12.

Registration fee is covered by FCOC!

Students will need money for 2 meals and activities TBA.

Sign up in the lobby, and registration is on the FCOC Youth Page on Facebook. Fill out the both forms and return to Zack.

See Zack for more information!



Community: Silent Hearts of the EUP invites you to participate in the "Wave of Light" at the Hospice House Garden, 308 W. 12th Ave. at 6:30 on Monday, October 15th to light a candle and honor your baby's memory.

For more info or to RSVP, email Margaret Swedene at margaretswedene@gmail.com

Letters of encouragement needed!



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Great Lakes Christian College
6211 W. Willow Hwy
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We will share addresses of our college students and those in the military who may need encouragement!

Mission of the Month

His House Paper Products

Items needed: Napkins, paper plates, toilet paper, paper towels, plastic silverware, trash bags

Please place donations in the tub on the News Table in the lobby.

Prayer Problems: Unanswered Prayer

John 11

Fifth in the series *Prayer: Does it make any Difference?*

Have you ever asked God for something and felt like you were ignored? We tend to think God has a hearing problem. But it turns out we are the ones with a listening problem.

There are legitimate reasons why some prayers seem to be disregarded. Through delayed answers, or even unanswered prayer, God is often unexpectedly growing us!

1. Delay can display God's glory (verses 4, 15)
2. Delay can drive home a lesson (verses 22-27)
3. Delay can deepen our testimony (verse 38-45)

God is not deaf. He knows what He is doing, even when we do not get what we ask for. Let's not be deaf to what He wants to share with us. Had Lazarus been healed and not died at that time, one of the most marvelous statements of Jesus might never have been recorded: "Take off the grave clothes and let him go!" (John 11:44)