

WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE



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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Sunday School: 10:00am

Worship: 11:00am

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By the time you read this, we will have completed our first Fall Festival. On Oct. 1, we are holding a Fall Festival for the Pre-K through 3rd graders and their families of Miller Elementary. There are going to be games and food and all sorts of fun for the people coming to the church. This is the first event since we completed the Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation program.

I am reading a book that referred to churches like ours stepping forward out of our comfort zones as going out into the mission fields, out on the edge. This triggered a connection to the heritage of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Our church began on the frontier of this nation.

We are back on the frontier of our church in Warner Robins. With this as inspiration, I have prepared sermons for the month of October looking at the core of our denomination for guidance as we move into the frontier. Rather than traditional sermons, there will be time for thoughts and dialogue as we explore how our founders looked at the Bible, focused upon communion, structured the church, dealt with challenging issues that might divide, and looked at other denominations.

Alexander Campbell and his father, Thomas, lived and ministered on the western border of Virginia and Barton Stone in the heart of the Kentucky frontier pulled together people who were out on the edge, beyond the familiar they had known before. The world in which they lived was

dangerous, challenging, and even frightening. They needed a place to gather and people upon whom they could count on, not people who would look down on them or judge them as less than others. Sound a bit familiar? Aren't we in a similar world today?

We grew up as a denomination in this world. Yes, we didn't always get it right, but we did our best in that time. We can do the same by remembering from where we came. I hope you will participate in an exploration of our heritage.

Shalom, *Darrell*

PATH TO SHINE

Path To Shine, is a ministry program developed by the Episcopal Church. All Saints Episcopal Church, Faith Lutheran Church, and our congregation are involved in this program with Westside Elementary students. This program provides tutoring, activities, and opportunities for children who are on the cusp of failure or success. We have a core of people involved as tutors, providing food, and other rolls. Please keep this program in prayer as it approaches its kick-off day in November.

CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS

On Sunday, Oct. 23rd and Monday, Oct. 24th we will be having photos taken for our new church directory. Lifetouch is helping us make this directory and will be in the Fellowship Hall taking pictures. During this time we will also be collecting food for a

local food pantry. The more people we have photographed the more benefits we get for our directory. Also, for every family photographed Lifetouch will contribute enough for four meals to the food pantry that we support.

Every family photographed will get a free 8X10 photo. If you bring in a donation of food, you receive a coupon that gives a discount for the purchase of extra pictures. There is also a discount up front because we are doing our photography in October.

If you have not made an appointment, please do make an appointment. You can do so at church or by visiting www.apl.lifetouch.com and selecting, Georgia, Warner Robins, and First Christian Church and then selecting a time to be photographed.

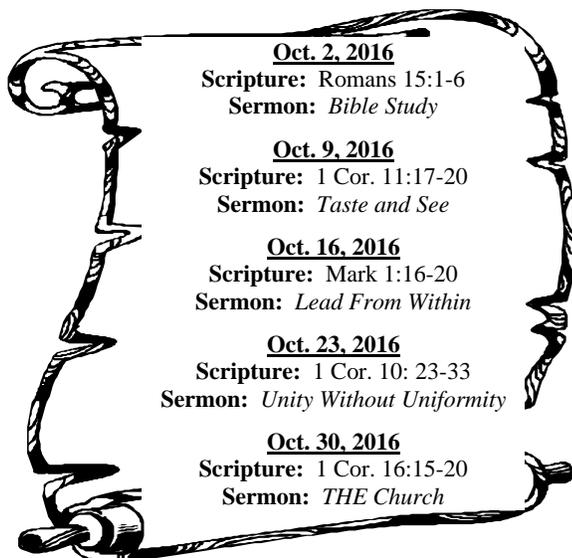
OCTOBER ELDERS & DEACONS

Listed below are those serving in Sept:

Elders: David Von Almen
Ann Von Almen

Deacons: Wayne Scaggs
Savanna Gowin
Gidget Hurlbert
Mike Hurlbert

OCTOBER SERMONS & SCRIPTURE



DW GRACE GROUP

The ladies have been very busy this year. Our annual retreat project to make pillowcases for the children at the Children's hospital in Atlanta was a whopping success. (See the last page.)

We will continue to collect school supplies for the Family Promise backpack program. Please drop any donations in the Narthex box. We will be putting together these bags soon. Items needed are:

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| Paper | Pencil bags |
| Pencils | Folders |
| Crayons | Highlighters |
| Washable markers | Colored pencils |
| Glue sticks | Tape |
| Pens | 1 inch binders |
| Composition notebooks | |
| Small packages of tissue | |
| Small bottles hand sanitizer | |

(The Dollar Tree has most of these items.)

KITCHEN SUPPLIES

- Paper Towels – most needed
39 gal garbage bags 13 gal trash bags
Small dessert plates Kleenex
16 oz. plastic glasses Dish Soap
Spray kitchen cleaner Napkins
Divided oblong foam plates

SAFE HOUSE SUPPLIES

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| Cleaning Supplies | Dish Soap |
| Laundry Detergent | Fabric Softener |
| Glass cleaner | Furniture Polish |
| Divided foam plates | Toilet cleaners |
| 8 oz. foam coffee cups | Napkins |

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Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

You're blessed when you're content with just who you are--no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought. Matt. 5:5

The Message

FALL FESTIVAL 1
1:00-5:00
Christopher Von Almen

2 <i>Mike & Gidget Hurlbert</i>	3	4 8:00 a.m. Breakfast at Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	5	6	7	8
9	10 <i>Scott & Juliet Nolde</i>	11 8:00 a.m. Breakfast at Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	12	13 Radio Club Meeting 7:00	14	15
16 Fellowship Dinner 6:00 p.m.	17 <i>Greg Ladzinske</i>	18 Breakfast at Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00 <i>Jannet Thompson</i>	19	20 DW Grace Group 7:00	21	22
23 PHOTOS TAKEN <i>John & Jeannetta Stokes</i>	24 PHOTOS TAKEN	25 Breakfast at Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00 <i>Norbert Duncan</i>	26 Prayer Shawl Group 7:00	27 Bariatric Group Mtg. 7:00	28 <i>Ann Von Almen</i>	29 <i>Angie Hebenstreit</i>
30 <i>Madison Robertson</i>	31 <i>Curtis Scaggs</i>					

DW GRACE PILLOW CASE PROJECT

As you can see, we collected and made over 300 pillowcases this year & 41 pillowcases from Retreat. These will be added to those collected from the DWF from churches all over the state and given to the hospital. These pillowcases are given to the children receiving treatments. They are a much needed comfort item. Thanks to all the women for collecting materials, sewing and getting the pillowcases ready for Retreat.

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