WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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On May 20, 2012, we will recognize and honor the graduates of our church. Jessica Hebenstreit, Kyle McReynolds, and

Forrest Schultz will graduate from high school. Matt Thompson will graduate from college. If you know of any others, please give their names to Darrell Vandervort. As these young people prepare for the next steps in their lives, let us join together and pray for them and ask God's guidance and protection into the future.

Last summer I invited people to offer suggestions (topics, Scripture passages, or themes) for the sermons of summer. Once again I am asking for any requests you may have. Please email them to pastor@fcc-wr.org or write them down and give them to me on any Sunday. I would like to have any suggestions in hand by the end of the month so that I can prepare them for sermons in July and August. You had some very good ideas last summer. Can you do it again?

On the last Sunday of May, we will celebrate the holy day of Pentecost. This is the day that the disciples were powerfully visited by the Holy Spirit. It is also considered the birthday of the church. Before this day, the followers of Jesus were mourning and considering going back to their old lives as fishermen, merchants, and other jobs. Suddenly, they dropped any consideration of going back to their old lives and committed themselves to traveling the known world telling everyone about their time with Jesus. Most often they cared for the people they met before they ever told a story about healing some first.

They found the motivation to not be shy and fearful, but confronted all those who wished to silence them and shared hope with all those who were on the outside of the society. Philip

met with a eunuch. Paul and Peter met with Gentiles. Thomas traveled all the way to India. These people had traveled less than 100 miles from their homes until this point in their lives.

Pentecost might be a time to consider how much our faith has changed our lives and where we might have been. We have encountered the presence of the Holy Spirit. We have been guided, prodded and occasionally smacked upside the head with the Divine 2X4.

The same word that we translate from Hebrew as "spirit" is also the word as "breath". God breathed the breath of life into each of us, breathed his spirit into us. We have the same potential as the Apostles, the potential to share faith and bring wholeness to the people we meet. We have the potential to take the same risks that they took and thus bring the light of hope to people living in the darkness of despair and hopelessness.

Happy Birthday to the church and Happy Birthday to the power that turned ordinary people into Apostles.

Shalom, Darrell

CMF BREAKFAST

Our next breakfast will be on May 5th.

MAY ELDERS & DEACONS

Listed below are the Elders and Deacons scheduled to serve in May. The Elders are Irv Shaw and Jerri Bosarge. The Deacons are Sean Palmer, Angela Hebenstreit, Ted Cook, & Mike Hurlbert.

MAY SERMONS & SCRIPTURE



CWF GRACE GROUP

We met on Thursday, April 19th. Eleven ladies attended. The nominating committee reported that the following ladies have agreed to be officers for the coming year: President: Brenda McReynolds, Vice President: Lois Crawford, Secretary: Judy Barnickel, Treasurer: Sharon-Kay Duncan, Study/Worship: Winona Smith. We hope to have a Service Chairman by next meeting. Installation of officers will be at our June meeting.

Winona Smith gave the study/worship program. It was based on the 5th Beatitude "Greatly Honored Are Those Who Show Mercy" The scripture was Matthew 5:7.

After our meeting, refreshments were served by Billie Milliken.

Our yard sale profit was \$523. We appreciate everyone who helped us in so many ways. Thank you.

THE LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch group met at the Golden Corral on April 11th. Those attending were Carl Shaw, Juanita Gunnin, Brenda & Denny McReynolds, Nadine & Curtis Scaggs, Winona Smith and Lois Crawford. They will meet again on May 9th. Everyone is invited to join them for food and fellowship.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER

Dennis Ray McReynolds Jr. is the firstborn son to Dennis and Brenda McReynolds. He was born on June 2, 1963 in Salina, Kansas. He has been referred to as, little Denny, Denny Ray and Denny. He loves to be known as the #1 son. (This is an on-going family joke between him and his younger brother, Brian.)

He is currently working at RAFB as a Barrier Crew Leader. He maintains aircraft arresting systems, generators and diesel fire pumps. He loves to work on cars, home projects and wood working projects.

Denny has three beautiful children. Chase and Samantha are from his first marriage. Chase and Jenna have given him two beautiful granddaughters. "Pop" loves spoiling Kaitlyn and Kaylea. Samantha is also married. She and Casey live in Morgantown, West Virginia and visit often. Kyle is his youngest. He is a senior at WRHS, 2nd degree Black Belt and will be joining the reserves after graduation. Denny and Dawn will be married 21 years on June 11th.

In his own words, Denny said that he grew up at First Christian Church in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida. He is now happy to call First Christian Church of Warner Robins his home.

Find Treasure Today

Find something today for which you can be sincerely grateful and show your appreciation. Find someone today whom you can encourage and lift them up. Find a task today that needs to be done and take it upon yourself to do it. Find something you can learn today and add it to your knowledge. Find something you can enjoy, and take pure delight in it. Find a few moments of quiet peace and just let yourself be. Find a challenge and let it energize you. Find something new and creative to wonder at and Find something timeless venerable to respect. There is treasure in every moment, around every corner. Look for it. Find Be it. Fill today with special Live it. treasures, every chance you get.

Ralph Marston

May 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	2	3	4	8:00 Men's Breakfast
Chi Rho/CYF 4:00	7 Cabinet & Board Meeting 6:45 & 7:30 Sarah Cook	8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00 Ruth Griffith	1:00 Lunch Bunch Golden Corral	10 Janice Fentem	11 Nadine Scaggs	12 Mary Ann Glover
MOTHER'S DAY Chi Rho/CYF 4:00 CCF meets	14	8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	16 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE Tyler Hurlbert	17 CWF Grace 7:00 p.m.	18	19
20 HONORING OUR GRADUATES Fellowship Dinner 6:00	21	8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	23 Beth Bickley Steven & Sue Kidd	24	25 CCF Lock-In Dale & Judy Barnickel	26
27 PENTECOST SUN. Chi Rho/CYF 4:00 Food Pantry items	28	8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel Bible Study 7:00	30 Greg Holmes	31 Darrell & Marsha Vandervort		

JESUS

Read at least the first two lines. Never thought of it!

Jesus died over 2000 years ago.
No one has ever referred to him as the late Jesus, not even the heathens.
Nowhere has He EVER been referred in the past tense! He is the Living God!

"May God Smile at You Today."

CHURCH PANTRY NEEDS

8 oz. coffee cups
Paper Towels
Toilet Tissue
Large Divided Plates
Dish Soap
Spray kitchen cleaner
39 Gallon trash bags
Juice Boxes (kids)

SAFE HOUSE NEEDS

Laundry Soap
Dish Soap
Fabric Softener
Paper Towels
Toilet Tissue
Cleaning supplies

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