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Welcome Guests

Please take a moment to fill out the Welcome Card in front of you. You can drop it off at our Connection Center or in the black boxes in the lobby.

We are glad you are here!

Be a part of what God is doing through first**Christian**.

thrive

"...life to the full." - John 10:10

Join us Wednesday for the worship and prayer night. Join us for each of the next 4 Sundays. Receive a Thrive booklet this Sunday. See Tim's article inside.

THRIVE
All Church Event
THIS Wednesday
March 4
6 - 7 p.m.
NIGHT

Look What's Coming!



WHAT HAPPENS S Women's Bible Study ~ Tomorrow!

A new spring Bible study begins tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. "When Women Say Yes To God" by Lysa TerKeurst is a 6 week study. The workbook is \$6. The final sign up at the Connection Center is Sunday, February 22 or call the Church Office at 402-371-5734.

Boyz II Men 2015 ~ March 6-8

This weekend for dads and sons gives a closer look into what God is doing in your lives. We look at our lives through the Bible, time with God, each other, and other guys. This camp offers a variety of activities; including a group challenge course, 200 acres of land, trap and target competitions, and laser tag. Cost: \$100 per father/son.



(includes lodging, 5 meals, facilities, and supplies). For more information or to sign up contact Marshal at fccmarshal@conpoint.com or 402-371-5734.

Family Night Supper ~ March 8

Family Night Supper is on Sunday, March 8, 6-7:30 p.m. The purpose of this is to get together, get to know new people, eat great food, and to discuss all of the



upcoming summer programming and calendars. I do no need a little bit of help with the food. I need all families with students in grades 6-8 to bring a dessert and families with students in grades 9-12 to bring a side. The Church will be supplying fried chicken. If you have any questions, please call Marshal Hardy at the church office or fccmarshal@conpoint.com.

Soup with the Staff ~ March 15



Are you new to FCC? We would like you to treat you to lunch! Join us following the 11 a.m. service, Sunday, March 15. Tim and other staff will introduce themselves and share briefly about their ministries. We want to get to know you too. Mark your calendars now. To let us know you are coming

Women of Faith Lincoln, NE August 28-29, 2015



- •FRIDAY 7-10 p.m. | SATURDAY 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- •\$85 through FCC available starting today in the lobby. There are 125 tickets.
- •\$114 through WOF and tickets are almost sold out.
- •For more information there is a sign up table in the lobby
- •Contact the church office or Molly Bradley at 402-860-2681 or Shannon Lamb at 402-515-3213 with further questions.

Pray For Each Other

Dave Domina - recovery
Ashley Campbell, granddaughter of
Judi Carlson - paralyzed
Logan Drabek, grandson of Judi
Carlson - surgery recovery
Ron Hilkemann - stroke recovery
Randy Rodenborg - recovery
Karen Smith - medical testing
Bev Utley - surgery recovery
Cheryl Weinrich - surgery recovery

Ken Werner - knee surgery recovery

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Made to Thrive

If you are new this is a great Sunday to join us. We are starting our Thrive Vision Campaign and along with it a series of messages. If you are our guests you get to overhear a kitchen table conversation. The next 4 weeks we will be having family meetings and you will get to hear what is going on in this family. This will put you in a great position to decide if you want to be part of what God is doing in and through FCC. You will hear our heart for sharing Jesus with our friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors in northeast



Nebraska. You will hear biblical foundations of sacrifice, generosity, and love. You will hear that each and every one of us was made to thrive.

If you are a regular I strongly encourage you to be with us each of the next four Sundays. We have been dreaming, planning, praying, and discerning where God is leading us and I am excited about what I will share with you. You will hear about the mission and vision of FCC. You will hear about next steps of creating a space that will better enable us to welcome and invite those God is drawing to Himself. You will hear about the lives God has made us for and people he has made us to be. God has made us to thrive, for His glory, to accomplish his mission.

I am excited about faith muscles that God will build as we humble ourselves, pray, and respond. I am excited about the faith he will plant in those we know and those we have yet to meet. I am excited about sharing God's love with one couple, one person, one child at a time. I can't wait to share it with you.

Thriving together as God designed,



FCC Families



Congratulations on your Baby Dedication

Last Sunday, February 22, we had the honor of dedicating **Emma Rose**, daughter of **Lester** and **April Anson**. Emma is also welcomed by her brothers, **Blaine** and **Parker**. Lester and April dedicate themselves to raise Emma to know and love Jesus.

Our Deepest Sympathies

Our hearts at FCC go out to the family of **Tori Moser**. Tori's grandmother, Irene Knutson, passed away a few weeks ago. Keep **Tori**, and Irene's family, in your thoughts and prayers.



Preparation Information for Easter Season



Time Change

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead on Saturday, March 7! It reminds us of how spring is just around the corner!

Easter Services

Join us for Easter services!

There will be three identical services with children's programming available at each service.

April 2 ~ Maundy Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

April 5 ~ Easter Sunday
7:45 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11 a.m.



Nebraska Christian College

Nebraska Christian College (NC), is exclusively focused on *Creating Church Leaders*. That is why they are intentional about providing their students with sound Biblical instruction, partnered with profound practical experiences working in churches, and with insight that is gleaned from practitioners currently serving in their fields of ministry. First Christian has been blessed through our partnership with Nebraska Christian since its beginning. First Christian has sent several students to be trained for ministry at NC who are now serving in ministry

throughout the world. Currently, 6 of our FCC staff members are graduates of Nebraska Christian College.

Your designated giving will assist NC in providing high quality up-to-date ministry training resources.

Yearly Goal: \$11,250 www.nechristian.edu



Logan Greenfield, former FUEL Student, recent NC graduate

Northwest Haiti Christian Mission

At Northwest Haiti Christian Mission (NWHCM), our mission is simple: to serve the people of the Northwest Haiti. Our passion is partnering with local churches in Northwest Haiti to bring the people in this region out of spiritual, physical and social poverty to demonstrate love for all. Through these churches, we serve thousands of people each year through programs like schools, feeding programs, medical care, church planting and agricultural development.

We are driven by our faith in Jesus Christ to serve with the poor and oppressed of Haiti because we love them and we believe God loves them too. In every community we serve, we hope that our work becomes a tool for healing and strengthening people's relationships with God. We are dependent on people like you to make it happen.

Your designated giving provides sponsorships for the community of LaPlaine. These sponsorships fund the school and pastoral care for this rural community. It also assists NWHCM with their roots program for mission development.

Yearly Goal: \$12,500

www.nwhcm.org



One of seven LaPlaine school teachers

Children's Youth Ministry

TAM.





Wednesday Evening Children's Programming
Lil' K (3yrs - Pre K) 6-7:30 p.m.
JAM Clubs (K - 4th grade) 6-7:30pm
Kristi Carmichael, Children's Minister
402-371-5734 or fcckristi@conpoint.com

Wednesday Middle School Programming
5th - 6th Grade, Afterschool 2-4 p.m.
Marshal Hardy, Youth Minister
402-371-5734 or fccmarshal@conpoint.com

Sunday Evening Student Programming 6th - 8th Grades, 6-7:30 p.m. 9th - 12th Grades, 7-8:45 p.m. Marshal Hardy, Youth Minister 402-371-5734 or fccmarshal@conpoint.com

Children & Youth Classes

Nursery- fully staffed 9:15 & 11 a.m. Birth to 2 years West Hallway

Preschool 9:15 & 11 a.m. 2-3's & 4-5's

West Hallway

Elementary School 9:15 & 11 a.m.

K through 4th grade North Hallway

Middle School 9:15 a.m.

5th & 6th grade

Chapel: South Hallway

Jr. / Sr. High (FUEL) Class 9:15 a.m.

7th through 12th grade Chapel: South Hallway

Adult Bible Classes 8 a.m.

Subject: Revelation Chapel: South Hallway Subject: 1 Corinthians Fuel Room: North Hallway

Worship Services

Piano | LuAnn Watson
Electric | Josh Bleich
Drums | Zach Fuoss
Bass | Grant DeFor
Vocals | Melinda Cooper, Allen

Stateler
Worship Leader | Greg Springer

Lead Ushers

9:15 a.m. | **Jeff Warren** 11 a.m. | **Dick Field**

Songs

Today Is The Day | Paul Baloche Thrive | Casting Crowns Christ In Me | Tim Timmons 'Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus

Elders' Phone Numbers



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Kristi Carmichael
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February 22, 2015

Attendance

Worship: (281, 210) 491 Sunday School: 210

Worship plus Sunday School: 701

Total attendees: 596

General Fund

Budgeted weekly: \$12,316 Received: \$12,381 Budgeted ytd: \$98,528 Received ytd: \$89,178

Debt Service

Needed Weekly: \$2,600 Loan Payment: \$11,300 Received this week: \$1,650

Mission Giving

Missions this week: \$1,774 Missions ytd: \$12,455