

HSBC Newsletter

MAY 2021

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Vital Signs

Year to Date (03.31.21)

Budgeted Offering: \$80,750.13

Received Offering: \$63,185.07

Budget Expenses: \$67,431.72

Average Attendance (2021)

Small Groups: 77

Views Online: 45

8:30 a.m.: 49

11:00 a.m.: 77



Romans 16:17-18

Now I urge you, brethren, keep your eye on those who cause dissensions and hindrances contrary to the teaching which you learned, and turn away from them. For such men are slaves, not of our Lord Christ but of their own appetites; and by their smooth and flattering speech they deceive the hearts of the unsuspecting.

Over the last few years, you have heard Pastor Garrett and myself speak multiple times on unity in the body of Christ. The opposite of unity is disunity, and here in Romans Paul gives a warning against individuals who would cause dissension and hindrance to the Gospel. If we are going to talk about being unified we need to also deal with those who cause disunity within the Body of Christ. We must realize that some individuals who think they are helping the body are actually causing dissension and are a hindrance to the Gospel.

So how do we know if we're being divisive?

- 1. A divisive person does not present the fruits of the Spirit. (Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.)
- 2. A divisive person is motivated by being right rather than acting in a Christ-like loving manner.
- 3. A divisive person has a dogmatic or legalistic approach to their Christian walk.
- 4. A divisive person distracts the church from the mission.
- 5. A divisive person crushes unity in the body of Christ.

Titus 3 tells us to warn these individuals that they are behaving in a divisive manner. If we truly want to see a unified church we must address disunity, and this difficult task is for every believer. Our vision/mission is to <u>H</u>onor God's Word, <u>S</u>hare the Gospel, <u>B</u>uild Believers and <u>C</u>are for Others. When disunity presents itself in the body, it is a hindrance to fulfilling our mission.

Pastor Steven

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BSU Update - Breathe Life

Thank you so much everyone for loving and supporting the BSU and helping us continue to be your missionaries to the Truman campus as we keep moving to bring the message of Jesus to every student on this campus that we love.

Spring has been encouraging in Jesus! Our conversations with the cheerleader coach and husband continue to progress and many conversations about faith, Jesus, and what it looks like to be a part of His mission are happening regularly. A sorority that uses our building continues to be blessed by us and so many who are helping leave them snacks each week. We have gotten to hang out and play tennis and get to know one of the girls more who is a leader in the sorority. Our students hosted an Easter celebration event that helped other students feel encouraged. And one of our students got to go to his first sunrise service that we did together on campus; that was really special for us all to see him get to experience this as a new believer.

Our students are planning another event before the semester ends. It has been encouraging to try and do some things that are still safe and yet limited so that we can still try to others connect to Jesus and his mission. It is a encouraging as we build momentum for not just the end of this semester, but more, for the coming fall and the hope of the possibilities of reaching our campus more as the vaccinations continue to progress. Thank you all for the many many prayers; they're so being used, and we are so grateful!!

We have seen some leaders arise in our community that are elevating the desire to reach lost people on our campus and to help believers connect to our mission of bringing the message of Jesus to our campus we love. We continue to get to have spiritual conversations with a couple of students who are not believers but who are trying to work it out, and are open in their journey of faith right now. And we are getting to see three students who gave

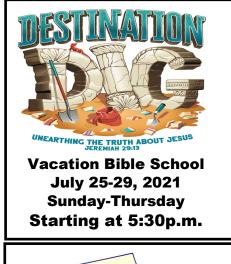
their life to Jesus, get to follow Him in baptism before the end of the semester, after a long wait because of covid. We are so excited to get to celebrate with them and our church family the life-changing relationship they now have in Jesus. And to just get a message from one of them that said "See you soon too! I can't wait to see who He wants me to be."

Love that she cherishes God's thoughts and heart and just wants to follow Himthat she is "all in"!

The best is yet to come in HIM,

Greg Xander

Campus Missionary TSU BSU





The Small Group/Sunday School year is drawing to a close. Some children will be "moving up" to new classes on June 6.

It's good to watch these amazing young people grow and change, both physically and spiritually. Of course, even as adults we are changing all the time (some physical changes are not so welcome)! However, we also should be "growing up" spiritually to become more like Christ.

How is your spiritual growth coming? Are you in a study of God's Word? In fellowship with other believers? Ministering to others? Sharing the Good News? I know a place that will support your spiritual development in all these areas—a small group! As we move into the new program year, this would be a great time to become involved in a Small Group. Let me know if you need help finding your place!

Elsie Rudd

A Note from our Associate Pastor

Church Family,

"Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day" (Psalm 96:1-2, ESV).

Brothers and sisters, we always have something to sing about. There are many times I don't feel like singing, and I know I don't sing enough. What about you? Consider singing today, this week, and this month. Just let it flow out of your heart to the Lord in prayer and praise. You will be blessed!

Job even says: "The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD" (Job 1:21b). No matter what, we have a Lord and Savior who deserves our worship and praise. He is always good! What a witness to have praise in our hearts and on our lips of the gratitude we have in Christ.

God is worthy of our praise!

Pastor Garrett

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You're Invited!

On May 23, Rick and Denise Brown are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary at First Christian Church in Macon.

2pm-4pm

May Birthdays

| Bright Cleaver | <u>5</u> | Patty Lyons | 11 | Julie Sneddon | 23 |
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| Jamey Sayre | <u>5</u> | Gracie Stitzer | 11 | Paxton Barnett | 25 |
| Kathy Brown | 7 | Zachary Stephens | 17 | Kay Shelby | 27 |
| Ben Athon | 9 | Desirae Bonnel | 18 | Justin Kues | 28 |
| Charles Porter | 9 | Max Walker | 19 | Heather McCollum | 28 |
| Kelsie Daniels | 10 | Ava Walker | 19 | Doris West | 28 |
| Alfreda James | 10 | Noah Walker | 21 | Rosa Banner | 30 |
| Jenna Thompson | 10 | Randy Cox | 23 | | |

(Missing birthday? Please contact the office to update.)



Some of the hymns that we sing during worship service are written because of one small event that influenced its author/composer. Others are written that are a result of some major event either in the church proper or affecting the church in some way. The hymn "The Church's One Foundation" was more of the latter – written during a time of theological conflict in mid-nineteenth century England.

According to the book "Then Sings My Soul" liberal views of the Bible from the European continent had begun crossing the English Channel and spreading thereafter throughout the Anglican Church worldwide. This liberal thinking was reflected in the views of a notable Anglican Bishop named John William Colenso. Because of his views, he was removed from his post but then sued the church and was reinstated by a London court of law. The result threatened the Anglican Church down to its foundations.

On the side of evangelical truth was Samuel Stone who served in the area around Windsor Castle. In 1866 he wrote a series of twelve hymns based on the twelve articles of the Apostles' Creed. The ninth hymn, "The Church's One Foundation" was based on the article which states: "I believe in the holy catholic (universal church): the communion of saints."

The next year the Anglican bishops gathered for a theological conference. The tone of the conference was set by this hymn as it was used as the processional hymn for the conference.

If you read the text of the hymn, you can easily see the Scriptural references in the words. Jesus Christ is indeed the Church's One Foundation.

See you in worship!

Jím Barnett
Traditional Music Minister

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11:00 am - ???

There are no income guidelines.

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SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY:

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service 9:45 a.m. Small Groups 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service or Join us on Livestream go to: hamiltonstreet.org



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