

# Faith News

**‘Encourage one another daily,  
as long as it is called Today.’ - Hebrews 3:13 (NIV)**  
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**YOU'RE INVITED!!!!**

**for Worship in person or online!**

Experience the warmth and community of our church, whether you join us in person or from the comfort of your home. Our worship services are designed to inspire and uplift, featuring heartfelt messages, beautiful music, and a welcoming atmosphere.

**In-Person Services:** Join us every Sunday at 10am. We look forward to seeing you!

**Online Services:** Tune in live every Sunday at 10am or watch past services.

Link: [Our Sermons - First Christian Church \(fccnewton.org\)](http://fccnewton.org)

No matter where you are, you are always welcome here. Come and be part of our faith-filled journey!

## FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH — NEWTON, IOWA

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### Office Hours

Monday 9:00am- 1:00pm

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### First Christian Church Staff

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Organist—Greta Wallace

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# Need to Know

## Choir Performances

Join us for a special moment during our church service as the First Christian Church Choir performs a beautiful song!

We look forward to seeing you on  
Sunday October 13th  
&  
Sunday October 27th

## Fall Bible Clubs Party

**You're Invited**

**For some extra fun this fall!!!**

**Bible Clubs is going to the  
Christian Conference Center**

**on Wednesday**

**October 23rd**

**@ 5:30pm**

**(All are welcome)**

## Elders

The Elders of First Christian Church

provide guidance, wisdom, and support

Their commitment to prayer, Community, and the mission of FCC is truly inspiring.

Our elder team is here for you!

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Steve Barnett 641-521-2829

Vicki Gunsaulus 641-521-5428

## **Dear Friends and Community Members,**

We want to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude for your unwavering support and generosity towards our Blessing Box. Your contributions have made a significant impact on the lives of many in our community, providing essential items to those in need.

Remember, the Blessing Box is more than just a collection of items; it is a symbol of our community's compassion and unity. By giving, you are not just providing food or supplies; you are offering dignity, respect, and a sense of belonging to those who need it most.

Let's keep this spirit of giving alive. Together, we can make a difference, one donation at a time. Thank you for being a beacon of hope and for showing that, in our community, no one is ever alone.

With heartfelt thanks,  
First Christian Church



# Up coming Events and Activities

## Mission Coalition

The annual McCann Center Market Day will be held on Saturday, October 19 from 9 am to 2 pm. Mission Coalition churches will have a bake sale during the Market Day. Any homemade baked goods should be taken to McCann Center between 8:00 and 8:30 am. Proceeds from the sale will be given to a local non-profit organization yet to be determined.

## CWS/CROP WALK

The 2024 Church World Service CROP Hunger Walk will take place on Sunday afternoon, October 6 at 2 pm. 25 % of the funds raised will remain in Jasper County and divided among the four food pantries. The walk will begin on the west side of the Courthouse in Newton. Pre-registration will begin at 1:30 pm. Maps of the route will be distributed that afternoon to first-time walkers if they'd like one. The approximate 3 mile walk will go east on First Ave. E., turn south on E. 17th St. S., turn north on E. 4th St. S. A reception for the participants will be held following the walk at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 223 E. 4th St. N. Please use the parking lot entrance. Thank you in advance for agreeing to walk and/or financially support this most vital cause!

## Thank You

Dear Church,  
Thank you very much to all that helped with the planning, food preparation and donations for our dad, Ray Barnett's funeral luncheon. Please know he loved you all very much and valued your friendship and service to the church over the years. We appreciate you all and are humbled by your generosity and support during this difficult time.  
The Family of Rev. Ray Barnett

## Jim Southern Birthday

Praising God for 93 years!

You are invited to stop by and wish Jim a Happy Birthday Open House for Jim Southern on Sunday, Oct. 6. between 2 pm and 6 pm. Address is 1444 N 7th Ave E. No gifts please.

## Couples Wedding Shower

Join us in Celebrating Victoria Jordan and Joe Militello Wedding Shower on October 5th from 1—3p.m. All are welcome to celebrate!

## Blessing of the Mats

Monday October 14<sup>th</sup>

1:00pm at FCC

“ Looms of Love ”

# → Get Involved ←

## Choir

Come share your musical talents and make joyful melodies together! We look forward to seeing you there!

Every Wednesday @ 7:00p.m.

In the Fellowship Hall

## Christian Women's Fellowship

All women are invited for a time of fellowship, study, and service.

Thursday October 17th @ 6:30p.m.

In the Fellowship Hall

## Worship Committee

Be apart of the behind the scenes

Join the Worship Committee

Next meeting is on October 8th @ 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

## Connect Committee

Connect with your friends at church along with the community in fun activities.

Next Meeting is on October 10th @ 6:00pm in the Narthex.

## Spotlight on Our Cub Scouts

The Cub Scouts, part of the Boy Scouts of America, is a program for young boys and girls in kindergarten through fifth grade. Their mission is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

The Cub Scouts engaging in fun and educational activities that promote leadership, community service, and personal growth. From camping trips community service projects, these young scouts are learning valuable life skills and making a positive impact in our community.

We are grateful for their enthusiasm and the joy they bring to our church. Let's continue to support and encourage them as they grow and learn.

Our pack #356 meets  
every Tuesday @ 6:00p.m  
In the Fellowship Hall

## → Get Involved (Continued) ←

### Member Breakfast

Start your day with a delicious breakfast and great company at Perkins Restaurant.

Thursday October 10th 9:00a.m.

Location: Perkins Restaurant, 1505 W 19th St S, Newton, IA 50208

We look forward to seeing you there!

### Mat Mondays — Looms of Love

This heartwarming resourcefulness program involves the entire community.

Coming together to create sleeping mats for those who find themselves homeless. Volunteers process plastic shopping bags into these durable mats, providing comfort and warmth to those in need. It's like a cozy hug wrapped in recycled love! And guess what?

Your contribution could make a significant impact! Let's weave some kindness together!

Every Monday From 1-3p.m.

In the Fellowship Hall

### Our Puppets Ministry

We are excited to highlight our Puppets Ministry at First Christian Church! This creative and engaging program uses puppetry to share important messages, stories and songs with our congregation, especially the children in a fun and memorable way.

We are grateful for the dedication and creativity of our puppeteers.

Their work not only entertains but also educates and uplifts our congregation.

Let's continue to support this wonderful ministry as they bring smiles and spiritual growth to all.

The Puppets Ministry meets every Wednesday @ 5:00p.m.

In the Puppets Class Room  
**You're invited to participate**



# All Things Bible Clubs ←

## Connecting Faith and Fellowship

Bible Clubs are off and running! We meet every Wednesday evening for food, fun and fellowship. Join us to learn more about how God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit are part of our every day lives.

**About Bible Club:** Our Bible Club is a welcoming community where we explore God's Word, share insights, and grow together. Join us every Wednesday evening for engaging discussions and prayer. As we celebrate faith, friendship, and fellowship.

## Wednesday's Bible Club Agenda

5:00pm Puppets Practice

5:30pm Bible Club Meal

6:00pm—7:00pm Classes

7:05pm Choir

All are encouraged to participate

**The Puppets Ministry  
meets every Wednesday  
at 5:00p.m. In the  
Puppets Class Room**

**Fall Bible Clubs Party  
at the Christian  
Conference Center on  
October 23  
@5:30pm**

## Meal Menu

Menu subject to change

### October 2nd

Macaroni & Cheese

Green Beans

Carrots, Celery & Dip

Fruit & Cookies

### October 9th

Pizza Boats

Chips

Corn

Tossed Salad

Fruit & Cookies

### October 16th

Pulled pork / Bun

Chips

Baked Beans

Carrots, Celery & Dip

Fruit & Cookies

### October 30th

Chili or Tomato Soup

Crackers

Carrots, Celery & Dip

Fruit & Cookies

### October 23rd

The Christian  
Conference Center

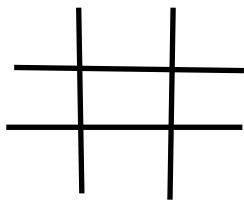
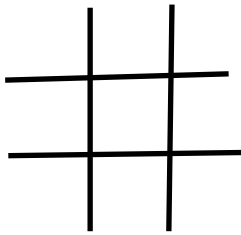
at 5:30pm

Special Menu

# Kids Corner

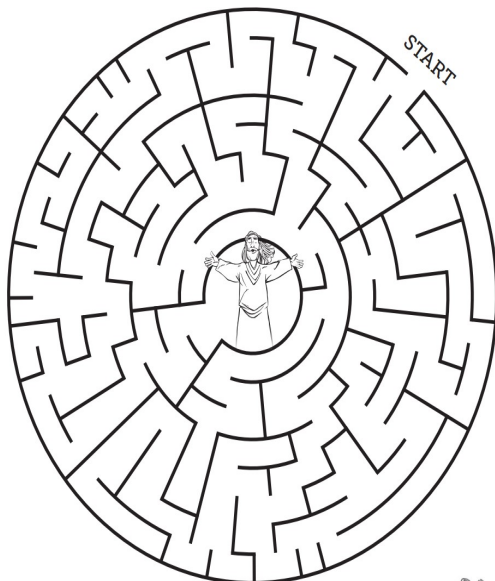
"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalm 118:24:



## JESUS TEACHES HOW TO PRAY

Follow the path to Jesus.



## JESUS TEACHES HOW TO PRAY



Discover the hidden words.



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### Word Bank

WEAPON  
JESUS  
PRAYER  
KINGDOM

FATHER  
HEAVEN  
ENEMY  
PROVIDE

GOD  
JOHN  
BAPTIST  
BREAD



# Discover the Heart of Our Community at First Christian Church, Newton!

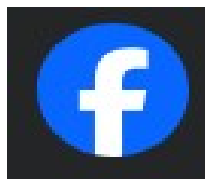
Welcome to the online home of First Christian Church in Newton, IA! Our website is your gateway to everything happening in our vibrant church community.

Whether you're looking for information on our worship services, upcoming events, or ways to get involved, you'll find it all here.

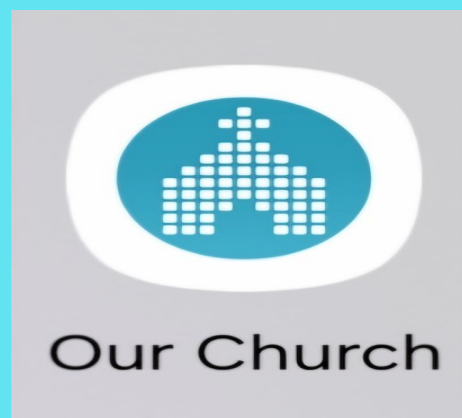
## Why Visit Our Website?

- **Stay Updated:** Get the latest news and updates on church events, programs, and special services.
- **Connect with Us:** Learn about our various ministries, including the choir, Bible Club, and community outreach programs.
- **Support Our Mission:** Find out how you can contribute to our mission through volunteering and donations.

Visit us at [www.fccnewton.org](http://www.fccnewton.org) and become a part of our growing family. We look forward to connecting with you!



Like us on Facebook!  
[www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)



## Download the FCC APP!

### Instructions

To download an app, you need to:

- Open the app store (Google Play Store or App Store).
- Search for the app by typing its name or keyword into the search box.
- Select the app from the search results.
- Tap Install (or get and then install) beside the app.
- Wait for the app to download and tap Open to launch it.
- Enter Newton and FCC Church will pop up - click on Our Church

Enjoy!



# Photo Gallery

