

First Christian Church

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Culmination of Bazaar preparations approaches

The Ninth Annual Buttons and Bows Bazaar is practically here! The Bazaar takes place on Friday, November 13 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday, November 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Don't worry if you haven't had a chance to help with the Bazaar so far; there are still many opportunities for willing servants to lend a hand! Baked goods are still needed for the bake sale that is a huge part of the Bazaar (no cream pies please!),

cards and posters are available to hand out to friends, family and coworkers to help promote the Bazaar and workers are always needed before, during and after the Bazaar.

Workers are wanted all day on Thursday, November 12 to help set up the sanctuary for the Bazaar - there is a sign-up sheet in the church lobby. Workers are needed throughout the day on both Friday and Saturday to help keep the Bazaar running smoothly, and muscle men

are especially needed Saturday after the Bazaar wraps up to help return the sanctuary to working order for services on Sunday. Also, quilts are wanted to decorate the sanctuary and display the crafts. If you have quilts you're willing to donate for the Bazaar weekend, please have them at the church on Sunday, November 8, and make sure they are clearly marked with your name so they can be returned to you after the Bazaar wraps!

As you can see, there is still a lot to be done! Feel free to bring crafts from home before the Bazaar, and, as always, your prayers are welcomed and encouraged! This is a big annual event in the life of our church that brings people into our church from the community, so let's show them what we can accomplish by the grace of God!

On November 20 at 10 a.m. an evaluation meeting will be held to discuss this year's Bazaar.

Capital Fund Campaign Results

After much prayer, many hours of effort, amazing joy of service, and a laugh or two along the way, a successful Capital Campaign has come to a close. Though a few pledges continue to come in, the results have been tabulated. As of October 15, we have pledged \$277,898 over the next three years.

Many thanks go out to all of you who served so tirelessly over the last few weeks and to all who so generously pledged your resources to support our Seven-Days-A-Week Church! To God be the glory!

Rita Geoffrion
Capital Campaign Chair

Special Thanksgiving Offering

Your gifts to the regular Thanksgiving Offering will benefit our 17 colleges and universities and 10 seminaries and divinity houses. Disciples of Christ churches everywhere participate in the special Thanksgiving Offering in November. For decades now, Disciples have been providing resources to further the education of Disciple students at Disciple institutions of Higher Education.

Here at First Christian we have a Scholarship program to help with college costs for our members. This fall, Clay Thomason and Jason Johnson received monies to help in their higher education. If you wish to give to this fund, please enclose your contribution in the envelope marked "Scholarship Program" or write "Scholarship Program" on your check.

Offerings will be taken up in the November 8 and November 15 services.

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