

# The Communicator

First Christian Church, Russellville, KY September 2019  
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Autumn begins on September 23 this year. This bit of information from the internet may simply reaffirm what you already know: “Earth’s two hemispheres will receive the sun’s rays equally. Night and day will be approximately equal in length. The name ‘equinox’ comes from the Latin for equal and night. But, since Earth never stops moving around the sun, these days of equal sunlight and night will change quickly.”

For us here in southern Kentucky, it will be hard to think of Autumn on September 23rd when the average high temperature is still 81. But Autumn is still a reminder that we are less than a month away from our average first frost October 21. Autumn is meant to remind us that God has provided markers to help us remember changes that take place in our lives. Things don’t stay the same. With each change in the seasons, we can look back and marvel at what is new and what is no more. Think about the careers that did not exist ten years ago. I love to look back and see how things were 20 or 30 years ago. September 23, 2019 will come and go and before we know it, September 23, 2020 will be upon us and once again we will begin to think about autumn.

I am reminded of Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 which begins “For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven; a time to be born, and a time to die, a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted...” We often take for granted the wonder and workings of our world that God created for us to enjoy. We hardly note the passing of the equinoxes or the solstices. We don’t even think about the intricacies of it all and how fragile this world is and yet how enduring and magnificent. We move through each day and talk about how hot or how cold it is without remembering the same conversation a year ago. We become so wrapped up in the here and now that we ignore the workings of the universe and the passage of time or the changing of the seasons. Part of this may be due to our ability to be insulated from these changes today. We can watch our favorite programs on our own schedule rather than natural time (thank God for DVR) and we don’t have to fret about above average or below average temperatures. We can almost become persuaded that we are in control and are indeed masters of our own fate.

Almost persuaded that we are in control? Until we read and ponder Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 or other wonderful scriptures that remind us of the wonders of God’s world and that we are His creation. Nothing that we have in this world came from us. Everything comes from God. Just remember, we live in a world that belongs to God, given to us for enjoyment, so take time to enjoy Autumn!!!

Pastor Bill

## Happy Labor Day

Labor Day is an annual holiday to celebrate the economic and social contributions of workers to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of the country. In the United States, Labor Day is a federal holiday observed on the first Monday of September.

September 11th **National Day of Service and Remembrance** is the culmination of efforts, originally launched in 2002 that promotes community service on 9/11 as an annual and forward-looking tribute to the 9/11 victims, survivors, and those who rose up in service in response to the attacks.



### Bible Study

#### The Unshakeable Truth

Tuesdays: Sept. 3, 10, 17

Thursday: Sept 26

Make Plans to Attend,

Bring a friend or family member

All Are Welcome

### Potato Bar

Sunday, September 15

Lunch provided to Congregation

By Ray & Paula



(Fundraiser for BRADD)



*September 8th-special music by: Denny Lynn, Martha Foster, Joan Ferris*

#### First Christian Church

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Sunday School: 9:30 am

Worship Service: 10:45 am

#### Veterans Program

at First Presbyterian

Tuesday, September 24th

#### BOARD MEETING

SUNDAY

September 15th

#### Serving in September 2019

**Elders:** Ray Clark, Jesse Tapp

**Deacons:** Paige & Peyton Vanzant, Evelyn Driver

**Greeters:** Volunteers

Prayer Concerns:			
Danny Anderson	Jean Gragg	Micky Hicks	Lana & Bud Lawson
Bob & Patricia Hedges	Donna Riley	Jean Kirkpatrick	Lauren Riley Stafford
Connie Brown	Ken Mercer	Sara Grayson	Donna Greer
Cindy & Paul	John Blandford	Lori McClure	Katlyn
Joyce Parrish			