

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, PIKEVILLE, KENTUCKY

April 26, 2009

Earth Stewardship Sunday

"Our mission is to love God, to love others, and to lead others to Jesus Christ."

Ministers: All Members of the Church

Dr. Chuck Summers, Pastor	Carli Jo Deskins, Worship Leader
Melanie Potter, Choir Director	Ernie Rogers, Song Leader
Dena Gibson, Pianist	Pete Wolford, Organist
Dee Branham, Children's Director	

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign and pass the attendance pad in your pew.)

*STRIKING OF THE HOUR (Please stand when the chimes begin.)

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Acolytes

*PRAISE HYMN No. 33
"How Great Thou Art"

*INVOCATION Carli Jo Deskins

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (use "sins" rather than trespasses)
Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

FELLOWSHIP HYMN Insert
"Worthy of Worship"

CHILDREN'S SERMON (Children's Church to follow)

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Colossians 1:13-17 Elder Blake Robinson

Elder: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

HYMN OF COMMUNION No. 638
"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

COMMUNION MEDITATION

The Lord be with you;
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRAYERS OF BLESSING

Elders

THE LORD'S SUPPER

All Christians

(All those who claim Christ as Lord are encouraged to celebrate His Supper with us.
Partake of the Bread as it is passed, but hold the Cup that we may share in unison.)

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

TITHES & OFFERINGS

*THE DOXOLOGY Congregation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHORAL ANTHEM *"Creation Will be at Peace"*

SERMON TEXT Genesis 1:1-5; Psalms 104:24 Pastor

SERMON "The Who, How and Why of Creation" Pastor

HYMN OF INVITATION No. 59
"This Is My Father's World"

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG Congregation

He is Lord, he is Lord!
He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord.

POSTLUDE

*The congregation will stand.
Nursery facilities available.

*The sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God
in honor of and appreciation for Pete Wolford by Randy Roberts.*

ELDER OF THE WEEK

4/26-5/2

5/3-5/9

Thelmer McClanahan (437-1997)

Randy Roberts (205-7054)

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Needed Weekly for General Fund \$ 4,570.50

Received April 19 for General Fund \$ 3,809.00

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship
	3:30 PM	Creation Celebration
Monday	5:00 PM	Youth Gathering
	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting
Wednesday	3:15 PM	Wednesday's Wonderful Worship
	6:00 PM	Vespers
	7:00 PM	Choir Practice
May 3	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a special Creation Celebration service this afternoon at 3:30 in the sanctuary. Chuck will be showing several multi-media presentations featuring the beauty of God's creation. Plan to join us and to invite others to come as well.

Today is Pete Wolford's last day with us as our organist. We will certainly miss him and appreciate all he has done for us the past two years. A reception for Pete will be held this afternoon following the Creation Celebration service.

There is an Elders Meeting scheduled for tomorrow at 7:00 PM.

We are pleased to announce that Dee Branham has agreed to become our new children's director. We welcome Dee to this position and encourage everyone to pray for Dee as she begins her work with our children.

Wednesday's Wonderful Worship will meet Wednesday at 3:15 p.m.

Wednesday night during Vespers we will continue our new study on the Book of Acts. All who are able are invited to participate. Vespers begins at 6:00 p.m.

Today is the last day to order a First Christian Church t-shirt. If you want a shirt stop by the "shirt table" in the fellowship hall after the service today.