

JULY SERVING SCHEDULE

ELDERS

- Wilma Deskins, Gerald Deskins
Captain

ELDER OF THE WEEK

- Randy Roberts 07/13 - 07/19
- Blake Robinson 07/20 - 07/26
- Ernie Rogers 07/27 - 08/02
- Tom Thompson 08/03 - 08/09
- Terry Trimble 08/10 - 08/16

**SERVING
DEACONS/ ELDERS for JULY**

- Oscar Thompson • Cathy Bartley
- Tom Thompson • Steve Huffman

GREETERS

- Oldendick Family 07/20
- Dorothy LaFon & Maggie Trimble . . 07/27

2008 ATTENDANCE REPORT

July	6	13	20	27
Sunday School	22	17		
Worship Total	75	78		



2008 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND	
Needed as of July 13	\$ 115,305.55
Received as of July 13	\$ 103,728.72

Please contact a replacement if you are unable to serve. If you know of someone needing home communion, contact the appropriate Elder of the Week.



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For the past couple of weeks we have been giving special attention to the subject of worship. For both personal and professional reasons worship has been something I've given a lot of attention to over the years. I have read many books on the subject. One of my favorite books on worship is by Warren Wiersbe and is entitled Real Worship. Please give careful consideration to the following passage from this book: *"...our English word worship simply means 'worth-ship.' We worship that which is worthy. 'You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power' (Rev. 4:11). 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain' (Rev. 5:12). Man is not worthy of worship, and certainly the idols that man makes are not worthy. Only God is worthy of our worship. What a person worships is a good indication of what is really valuable to him. When you consider all of the words used for worship in both the Old and New Testaments, and when you put the meanings together, you find that worship involves both attitudes (awe, reverence, respect) and actions (bowing, praising, serving). It is both a subjective experience and an objective activity. Worship is not an unexpressed feeling, nor is it an empty formality. True worship is balanced and involves the mind, the emotions, and the will. It must be intelligent; it must reach deep within and be motivated by love; and it must lead to obedient actions that glorify God. Worship is the believer's response of all that he is—mind, emotions, will and body—to all that God is and says and does. This response has its mystical side in subjective experience, and its practical side in objective obedience to God's revealed truth. It is a love response that is balanced by the fear of the Lord, and it is a deepening response as the believer comes to know God better."* With these words in mind, how would you rate yourself as a worshiper? How would you rate our church? It is my hope and prayer that somehow, someday, God will receive the worship He deserves from all of us. Truly, He is worthy of our worship! Wouldn't you agree?

Dr. Chuck Summers

****The Board has approved the installation of new windows on the back sides of the church and the replacing of the exterior back doors to the kitchen and utility room. The estimated cost for this is \$7,250.00. At its July meeting the Board decided to proceed with this project immediately. You can help offset the cost to the church by making a special donation to the Capital Improvement Fund.****



The youth will meet at the church, Saturday, July 19 @ 5:15 pm. Please let Jason know, ASAP, if you will be attending.

Eastern Kentucky EXPO Center
Saturday, July 19
Featuring: Pillar, Storyside B, Stellar Kart, & Daloren Grey

A Free Concert will also be held in the City Park, Friday, July 18 @ 7:00 pm, featuring VII Days Away, Among the Thirsty, Alohym, & Saving Penny.

The Senior Adults have planned a lunch trip for Tuesday, July 22 to the Breaks Interstate Park Lodge. We will leave the church at 11:00 for a time of fun, fellowship, & food. Please sign up on the sheet provided on the bulletin board across from the kitchen if you plan to attend or call the church office.



(Camp Begomi), at Pound, VA, will be July 20-25. The Youth will be leaving right after services on Sunday, July 20, & returning on Friday, July 25, in the early afternoon. Only snack money needed. Camp is being paid for by the church.

A Youth Swim party at the Pastor's house will be held Monday, July 28th. The Youth will meet at the church at 3:45 pm and will return to the church around 8:00 pm.



Looking Ahead: The Youth are planning an overnight trip to Cincinnati, Ohio on August 8 & 9. They will be attending a Cincinnati Reds Baseball Game & Kings Island. Please attend Youth Group on Monday Nights at 6:00 pm. to join in the fun!



VESPERS
6:00 PM

Each Wednesday night our church holds a Vespers service. Unfortunately, very few attend. I'd like to give you three good reasons for coming to Vespers. First, at this service we spend time praying for one another. Second, we also spend time each week studying the Bible. Our focus is always on what it meant then and what it means now. Third, at the end of each Vesper's service we share the Lord's Supper together. Prayer, Bible study and Communion, along with wonderful fellowship... I don't know of a better way to spend an hour on a Wednesday night (or any other night, for that matter). Please begin making Vespers a part of your spiritual diet. You'll be glad you did!

Helping Hands is a ministry of the Pike County Ministerial Association. Every week Helping Hands is open seeking to help the needy in our community. The First Christian Church supports Helping Hands through your budget offerings and our pastor serves on the board of directors. But there are other ways you can support this ministry. You can donate good quality used clothing. You can also donate good quality used furniture. Another vital way you can help is by volunteering to work a few hours each month. There is always a need for volunteers. If you would like to help out, call Cindy Friend at 432-1349.

It won't be long until our Little Blessings Preschool will be starting back. On Wednesday, August 13, there will be a Back to School Party for the four year olds at Gatti's beginning at 11:00 a.m. That evening, there will be an Open House for the three year old students and their parents here at the church at 7:00. The three year olds will begin school on August 14; the four year olds will begin August 15. Please remember Ms. Dee and Ms. Debbie in your prayers as school starts back.



Have you checked out our new website yet? If not, you should. And even if you have, don't forget to keep going back to it as we will be adding new pictures and content periodically. Also remember that the website is a great way to introduce our church to someone so memorize the address so you can share it with others. It is www.pikevillefirstchristianchurch.org.



Dates to Remember

July 19	Youth going to July JAM at Expo	6:15 pm
July 20-25	Youth at Camp Begomi in Pound, VA	After Services
July 28	Youth Swim Party	3:45 pm
July 28	Elder's Meeting	7:30 pm
August 3	Worship Team Meeting	12:15 pm
August 10	Cabinet Meeting	5:00 pm
August 17	Organ Concert	3:00 pm