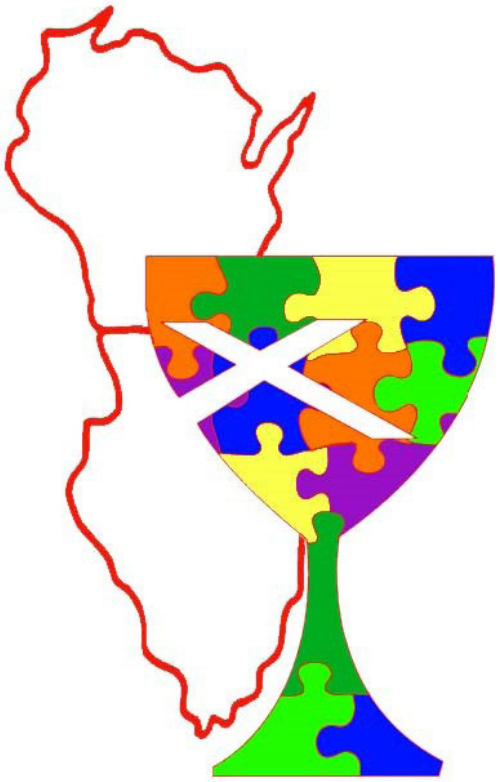


ANNUAL REPORT

The Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin

Christian Church
CCIW
Illinois & Wisconsin
Together Making Disciples of Christ

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin

Purpose Statement

In the Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the purpose of regions is two-fold: *first*, to extend the ministry of Christ in mission, witness and service among the people and social structures of the region; and, *second*, to establish, receive, and nurture congregations in the Region, providing help, counsel, and pastoral care to members, ministers and congregations in their mutual relationships, and relating them to the worldwide mission and witness of the whole church.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be a region composed of healthy Disciples congregations, which are filled with fully devoted followers of Christ and active in vital ministries reaching from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth.

Mission Statement

Partnering with Disciples' congregations for healthy, vital ministry.

Values

- Engaged discipleship
- Meaningful authentic relationships
- Creative ministry
- Mission focused
- Multicultural and interconnected world-view

Continuing Priorities for 2011-2016

- Develop, implement and support a structure which includes regional elders.
- Engage ministry as coaches, consultants, brokers, pastors and prophets.
- Partner with Global Ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and United Church of Christ to develop and implement a Regional Global Church Partnership.
- Continue our work as pro-reconciling and anti-racist people. Our region seeks to be open and intentional about including all people at our local, regional and general gatherings, which reflect the diversity of God's true church, regardless of gender, race, age, size, ability, sexual orientation, income, or community.
- Encourage, provide training, and support the use of the best available contextually appropriate technology in regional and congregational ministries.

Reviewed and revised by the CCIW Long Range Planning and Visioning Committee, August 2013.



RA 2016 Schedule
"Heart Connections"

Friday, Oct 21
Clergy Lunch First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 700 S 6th St., Springfield
11:30 Gathering (child care provided) (tickets for Abe Lincoln museum on hand.)
12:00 Luncheon
12:45 Presentation by the Rev. Canon Albert John Keeney, Shalem Institute
Registration at hotel starting at 12 noon. Wyndham Springfield---City Centre Hotel 700 E Adams St. Springfield, IL
Check in is at 4:00 p.m.
2:00-5:00 p.m.
• CCIW Friday Film Festival at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 700 S 6th St., Springfield, IL with plenty of popcorn!
"Injustice Anywhere"
"Ink 180"
• Chance to go to Abraham Lincoln Library/Museum

5:30 p.m. Gathering Time at Wyndham Springfield---City Centre
6:00 p.m. Banquet: Awards
7:30 p.m. Worship with Rev. Denise Bell preaching (child care provided)
9:30 p.m. Moth Hour after-session (Where)

Saturday, Oct. 22
First Christian Church 700 S 6th St., Springfield
9:00 a.m. Morning worship with Rev. Bell
9:45 a.m. State of the Region I and Election of Officers
10:45 a.m. Break
11:00 a.m. State of the Region II
12 noon Lunch
(Break out for gathering of folks who want to be supportive of each other and LGBT Disciples.)
1:15 p.m. Mission First
3:00 p.m. Closing Worship and Installation of Officers.
(Child care provided from 8:45-12 noon and from 1-4:00 p.m.)

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin is Making Heart Connections.



Welcome to the gathering of congregations who are covenanted together in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin. We stretch from Milwaukee to Metropolis, Quincy to Danville. We are Urban Metro, Suburban, College towns, County Seats, Villages, and Rural congregations. We are diverse in language and culture; speaking Spanish, English, Korean, Burmese. We love Cardinals, Cubs, Sox and Brewers; even Bears and Packers. What holds us together is not a Regional Office(r), but a love for Jesus Christ and a desire to be his body each time we gather around his Table; prepared and ready to serve as his people in our neighborhoods, communities and world. Together We Are Disciples of Christ!

As we gather in 2016, I am happy to report that for three years we have had surplus budgets, And---
We continue to nurture candidates for ministry, ordaining three already this year.
We continue to send children, youth and adults to Camp at Camp Walter Scott and Pilgrim Park.
We support new congregations in formation:

- Big Life Community Church in Oswego has purchased a new facility for ministry and has graduated to fully recognized status.
- Root and Branch in Logan Square continues to be creative in reaching out to Young Adults seeking a meaningful faith experience.

We launched New Day 2016 is an offering of the Regional church to help your congregation create an atmosphere open to God's transforming power.
Our PRAR Team continues to call us into a new identity in Christ---Pro-Reconciling/Anti-Racist identity that recognizes the need for justice and reconciliation among God's diverse and beloved people. Grants were awarded to Parkway Gardens Christian Church and 15th Avenue Christian Church.
As good stewards of your resources, we moved out of 1011 N. Main St and have been welcomed at First Christian Church, 401 W. Jefferson St., Bloomington.
Our Youth gathered in Summit and Mid-Winter.
We initiated Mission First Grants and awarded seven to our congregations as they seek to engage their communities in vital ways.
We said goodbye to our beloved Rev. Dr. Christal Williams who has now moved on to become the Regional Minister in Tennessee.
We hired Peggy O'Neal as our fulltime Office Administrator.
We are seeking a part time Pastor to our NAPAD congregations and Pastors
We are in the midst of a Study and Discernment process for our future staffing needs.

God has blessed us. Our desire is to share those blessings in ways that make thriving "heart connections."





Regional Assembly Youth Schedule

October 21st
Youth Registration and Hotel Check-In at 7:00pm
Worship 7:30pm at Hotel
Film Festival and Video Gaming Luxury Limo Style Theatre at FCC 9:00pm
Evening devotional before heading back to the hotel.

October 22nd
Breakfast 7:30am/Head to FCC at 8:30am
Youth Mission Project 9am-noon
Lunch at church noon
Mission First Discussion 1:15pm
Worship 3:00pm

2015 By the Numbers

Region Resources		Use of Resources	
Disciple Mission Fund	$ 249,573	Personnel	$ 337,523
Christmas Offering	$ 42,298	Administrative	$ 66,740
Camp & Programs	$ 135,803	Camp & Programs	$ 110,838
Interest & Endowment	$ 304,913	Travel	$ 19,224
Annual Fund	$ 55,047	Committees & Boards	$ 10,122
The Christian	$ 230		
Honoraria & Other	$ 8,275		
	$ 796,139		**$ 544,477**

Resources Summary for 2015

The ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin are supported by gifts both past and present. The largest source of support for the region is Disciples Mission Fund, the common fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Gifts received to Disciples Mission Fund (DMF) support ministries across the shared life of the church and reach to partners around the globe. CCIW receives 40% of DMF funds received from churches and individuals in our region.

Special Day offerings allow Disciples to give with specific intention through the year. The Christmas Offering supports the work of the Regional Church and all funds raised through the Christmas Special Day Offering remain in the region where they are given.

CCIW received $ 291,871.00 from DMF and the Christmas Offering. We are also grateful to the individuals and churches who have contributed to endowments and the Annual Fund of the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin. Your partnership in the ministries of the region is appreciated!

	2015	2014	Change
Disciples Mission Fund	$ 249,573	$ 254,031	- 1.8%
Christmas Offering	$ 42,298	$ 46,427	- 8.9%
TOTAL	**$ 291,871**	**$ 300,458**	**- 2.9%**

Moderator's Message



Welcome to the 2016 Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin's Regional Assembly:" Heart Connections!

It is a distinct privilege and pleasure to serve as your moderator of the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) for a second term. We have actively embraced working toward "Together Making Disciples" through deepening discipleship, expanding authentic relationships and reinvigorating our mission to be a "movement towards wholeness" in a fractured world. We are indeed Disciples (disciples) of Christ whose mission is serve God's people from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth!

Your board has served the Christian Church in the Illinois and Wisconsin region with specialized expertise, commitment, passion and commendable stewardship. Our financial health has been significantly strengthened through your generous support through Disciples Mission Fund(DMF), the Annual Fund, Special Offerings and Endowment gifts. We thank for your faithful stewardship.

We have partnered with Disciples congregations and nurtured new church starts. We were blessed to transition Big Life Community Church from "church in formation" status to established church standing! We thank the entire board leadership, the New Church Establishment Committee Ministry and the many congregations who have undergirded the new church start process. We continue to advocate on behalf of new churches, established churches and churches in proactive transformation. CCIW has been at the forefront of implementing Mission First! The Region has called the CCIW churches to identify a church-wide, shared mission focus, provided grant funding to financially support initiatives and is encouraging congregations to share their sense of call to God's Mission in a collaborative manner.

Our regional staff has worked with compassion, innovation, excellence and great stewardship in the execution of their ministerial duties. The CCIW leadership has supported the CCIW churches through pastoral care, the Search and Call process, offering of spiritual workshops such as "The Journey" & "New Day", facilitation of conflict as well as re-visioning of mission. This year, we celebrated in "grand fashion" the sending forth of our beloved Rev. Dr. Christal L. Williams from CCIW to the Tennessee Region. We affirmed her seventeen (17) years of strong leadership in Regional Ministry serving the Chicago Metro Region, youth ministry, Disciples Women and Interfaith partnerships. Our youth and young adult ministries flourished under her spiritual leadership. We are thankful for her contributions to the CCIW Region and prayerfully support her in the call as Regional Minister and President for the Tennessee Region.
I am very grateful for the faithful leadership represented in our region and thank each member for his or her commitment to the phenomenal success of our region. I value our evolving relationship(s) and applaud your commitment to the overall mission of the Christian Church!

We celebrate a rich history as being the priesthood of all believers focused on "Together Making Disciples". Can you imagine the collective accomplishments this ministry of 167 years? Can you dream of the masses accepting the call of being fully engaging disciples of Christ? Can you envision the power of Mission First to transform lives? I am challenging you to fully embody Christian discipleship in its fullness and richness by making "Heart Connections". Let us "SOAR" and become "ONE" so that the polar star of Christian Unity will come to fruition.

God's blessings and peace,
Rev. Cheryl P. Jackson

2015 Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism Grants

15th Avenue Christian Church of Rock Island $1500 for Rise Up! Garden
Park Manor Christian Church of Chicago $ 500 for School for kids
Parkway Gardens Christian Church of Chicago $2000 for MOMs summer camp program for children

Guidelines for Grants are available at cciwdisciples.org

Mission First Grants
$2000 each

Grace Community Christian Church, Aurora, for neighbor ministry "Safety, Health and You."
First Christian, Bloomington, for neighbor ministry to homeless purchase of a washing machine and dryer.
Centennial Christian Church, Bloomington for Wednesdays at CCC.
United Christian Church, Country Club Hills for ministry with your neighbors at Zenon J. Sykuta Elementary School.
First Christian, East Moline for "Helmet of Hope" ministry with veterans.
First Christian, Galesburg for "Quad City Area Children's Food Program
First Christian, Macomb for Alternative VBS community outreach.

Urban Metro Grants

UMGrants meet these criteria: grants are to be given from the Urban Metro Fund to support min¬istry specific to a clear Vision and Intent to engage the community for the sake of transforming the congregation. (Not to support mortgage payments or staff.) For more information contact one of the Officers of the Region.

Christian Church of Villa Park $2000 for Love Your Neighbor Day
Jackson Boulvard Christian Church of Chicago $2000 for "embrace community culture, encourage positive self-worth, and biblical literacy."

Support from Endowments

The work of the Region was enhanced by over 120,000 in support for specific ministries and operational needs from endowment and permanent funds. These funds represent ongoing support of the region and its ministries. All Saints Fund, which includes Russell Hall; Camp Walter Scott Endowment; Congregational Development Endowment Fund for new church; University Christian Church Trust for new church Bloomington/Normal; CCIW Endowment which supports operations

Gifts to Disciples Mission Fund

Out of 135 congregations in the Region, 88 contributed to the mission of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) through Disciple Mission Fund in 2015. These gifts support a variety of ministries (72) in Illinois and Wisconsin and around the world. CCIW is receives 40% of each dollar given to DMF; 100 % of the Christmas Offering; 50 % each of Pentecost and Reconciliation Offerings. From planting new congregations in Illinois and Wisconsin, to providing disaster relief and supporting sustainable development, your congregation's gifts to DMF make a difference and are a witness to the ministry we share

	2015	**2014**
Disciples Mission Fund		
Church Gifts to DMF	$574,606.00	$581,344.00
Blessing Boxes	$6,877.00	$8,010.00
Easter	$43,491.00	$44,140.00
Pentecost	$29,654.00	$29,699.00
Thanksgiving	$27,105.00	$26,372.00
Christmas	$42,298.00	$46,427.00
Mission Offerings		
Week of Compassion	$83,396.00	$91,992.00
Designated Week of Compassion	$34,870.00	$18,368.00
Reconciliation	$23,398.00	$24,026.00
Designated Reconciliation	$235.00	$125.00
Other Offerings		
Designated Operating	$166,784.00	$140,883.00
Designated Capital	$14,927.00	$3,294.00

The Legacy Continues

Reading through the list of endowments supporting the work of CCIW gives a glimpse into our history. Pre-vious generations left a legacy that allows the church of today and tomorrow to continue to do our work. We may not know the names of the individuals or congregations, but we do know the purpose of their gifts.

The Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin is grateful for all the gifts received in 2015 as reflected in this year's Annual Report. We also give thanks for the legacy of those who gave of themselves in time, talent and treasure. Their legacy continues through the work of these funds. Information on establishing permanent funds that will provide perpetual support to the ministries of the Re-gion and your church can be obtained through the Christian Church Foundation. Learn more by contacting Rev. Enrique Ocasio at 1.800.668.8016.

Contributions to any of our four CCIW Endowments (All Saints Fund, Camp Walter Scott, Congregational Development, or CCIW) can be made through CCIW. Contact Rev. Scott Woolridge at 309.828.6293.

Nominations for 2016-2018 Regional Church Council Officers and Representatives

Moderator: Kelly Ingersoll (C, Ordained, Pastor at First Christian, Macomb)
Moderator Elect: Marla McElroy (AA , Laity, First Christian, Bloomington)
Past Moderator: Cheryl Jackson (AA, Commissioned, United Christian Church Country Club Hills, Olympia Fields)
Treasurer: Sarah Todd (C, Laity, Centennial, Bloomington)
Secretary: Kip Haydn (C, Ordained, Centennial, Bloomington)
Long Range Vision and Planning Chair: Bill Crowl (C, Retired-Ordained, Arlington Heights)
Regional Assembly Chair: Mason Fitch (C, Laity, FCC Peoria)
At Large 2018: John Bender (C, Laity, Union Avenue Litchfield) filling an unexpired term
At Large 2022: Mitchell Butler (AA, lay, Park Manor)
At Large 2022: John Sowers (C, Ordained, Rushville First)

Moderator



Rev. Kelly Ingersoll has been an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) since 1993. He has served pastorates in Oklahoma, Indiana, Kentucky and Missouri prior to arriving at First Christian Church in Macomb, Illinois in August of 2012. He has also served as a keynoter and worship leader at many denominational youth events throughout the country, including our own Summit. Kelly has been married to Anne almost 20 years. They are the proud parents of dogs Moose and Mollie. Born and raised in the state of Oklahoma, he is fan of the OU Sooners. Kelly graduated Phillips University in 1989 and Christian Theological Seminary in 1993.

Moderator Elect



Marla McElroy is a member of First Christian Church in Bloomington, Illinois, where she serves as an Elder and participates in the choir. A fourth generation Disciple, she most recently served the Region as Treasurer, and previously was the Finance Committee Chair. Prior to relocating to Bloomington, she served as a member of the General Board and the Administrative Committee of the General Board. Marla is an IT Manager, as well as a Certified Personal Trainer and owner of Marz Fitness. Marla earned a Bachelor's Degree from Truman State University, and an MBA from the University of Kansas. In her spare time, Marla enjoys watching sports and traveling.

Past Moderator



Reverend Cheryl P. Jackson is currently Transitional Senior Pastor at United Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Country Club Hills. Previously, Rev. Jackson was Minister-at-Large at Jackson Blvd. Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Chicago and a member of the Storytelling Ministry at Park Manor Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Chicago. Rev. Jackson is currently responsible for all aspects of pastoral/spiritual support for United Christian's congregation. Prior to serving United Christian, Rev. Jackson was a full-time college professor and Health Information coordinator at College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Rev. Jackson is currently pursuing her Master of Divinity at the University of Chicago. She received her Master of Arts from Governors State University, her paralegal from Roosevelt University, her Bachelor of Science from Louisiana Tech University and her Registered Health Information Administrator's (RHIA) certification from the American Health Information Management Association and her Professional Transition Specialist (PTS) from the Interim Ministry Network. She is a commissioned minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Treasurer



Sarah Todd is a Senior Development Engineer at Caterpillar, Inc in Peoria, IL. She received a Bachelor's degree from Bradley University in 2000 and an MBA from Bellevue University in 2012. At work, Sarah serves as the facility coordinator for the annual United Way campaign.

Sarah is a fourth generation Disciple. As a youth at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canton, she was active in the youth group serving on the leadership team for several years and participating in mission trips within the United States and to Honduras. She also served as a junior deacon and attended Camp Walter Scott for 10 years. As an adult, Sarah has continued to participate in mission trips and has returned to Honduras two additional times. She has also served as a camp counselor.

Sarah is a member of Centennial Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Bloomington. There she is the Board secretary, coordinator for the McLean County CROP Hunger Walk, and a member of the Praise Team. Previously she has also served on the Membership and Christian Education committees. Currently Sarah is serving her second year on the CCIW Regional Finance committee.

Sarah is married to Aaron. They have two daughters: Chloe (4 ½ years) and Emilia (10 months). Her hobbies include reading, music, watching football with her husband and spending time with her family. Sarah and her family live in Danvers, IL.

Regional Assembly Planning Committee

Robin Spurling, Chair
Brenda Culver
Rebecca Anderson
Mason Fitch
Yvonne Gilmore

Regional Assembly Team

Melissa Ebken
Joyce Snodgrass
Cheryl Jackson
Kelly Ingersoll
Al Keeney
Denise Bell
Larry Hamilton
Beth Rupe
Amy Wharton
Carl Lowery
Chris Baker
Jean Wallace
Karon Alexander
Dave Philis
Greg Kieswetter

Staff

Tracy Armstrong, RA Support
Jeff Dulyea-Parker
Terri Grove
Peggy O'Neal
Scott Woolridge
Teresa Dulyea-Parker

2016 Regional Church Council
Cheryl Jackson, Moderator
Kelly Ingersoll, Moderator Elect
Brenda Culver, Secretary
Marla McElroy, Treasurer
Terry Foland, Past Moderator
Representative from the following:
Hank Anderson, Finance
Vacancy, New Church
Mike Dixon, Marketing & Development
Evan Williams, Personnel
Karon Alexander, PRAR
Esther Shelton-Smith, Ministry Committee
Katherine Bryant Graves, Long Range Vison & Planning
Two appointed by the Ministry Leadership Team:
Robin Spurling

At Large:
Roberto Romero, 2016
John Bender, 2016
Beth Rupe, 2018
vacancy, 2018
Winston Simmonds, 2020
Alejandra Rubio, 2020

Ministry Leadership Team 2016 made up of Chairs of Committees
Kelly Ingersoll, Moderator Elect, Chair
Beth Rupe, PRAR
Vacancy, New Church
Rex Kibler, Outdoor Ministry
Bruce Fowlkes, Eureka
Kris Culp, DDH
Sharon Patton, Ecumenical Witness
JoAnn Hull, Disciple Women
Robin Spurling, RA Chair
Jennie Churchman, Deepening Discipleship
RYC, Anna Pace
Mission, Jean Wallace
Young Adults, Hannah Fitch,

Committee on Ministry

Our Region Starts New Disciples Churches!
We work in the denomination's vision of 1,000 new church starts in 1,000 different ways by the year 2020. Bringing new believers to the faith is our goal, reaching neighborhoods, towns and cities we have not reached.

Our Regional Committee on Ministry meets three times a year in Chicago, Bloomington and Eureka with candidates for ministry. Currently, there are 177 active clergy, 79 retired clergy; serving congregations 97; chaplaincy 8; interim ministry 6; Higher Ed 5; Campus Ministry 2. 95 are male, 82 female. We have 37 actively in care for Ordination, or seeking a Commission. We have 25 on Extended Commissions.

This year there were four ordinations: Bryan Burris with Eureka Christian Church; Nathan Kibler with Jacksonville Central Christian Church; Mary Runge with Galesburg First Christian Church; and Danielle Cox with Downers Grove First and Houston, Texas First.

The Committee does the following:
a) Meet regularly to nurture, encourage and certify candidates for Ordained or Commissioned Ministry.
b) Review and update the Policy and Criteria for the Ordering of Ministry for the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin ensuring that standards meet and/or exceed the minimum standards of the General Commission on Ministry.
c) Recruit and assign Mentors for Commissioned Ministers.
d) Recruit and assign prayer partners for all seminary students under our care.
e) Review annually and certify the standing of all ordained and commissioned ministers under our care.
f) Insure that Healthy Boundary training is provided on an annual basis with 4 year cycle of Healthy Boundaries, Ethics, Clergy Self-care, Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism.
g) Keep confidential records concerning candidates for ministry.





Fearless Faith: Courage in Community 2016 Camping Season

This has been a wonderful camping season! Not counting our family camps we had 229 campers, which was awesome! I got to see so many kids experience camp for the first time and I know from their camp experience, they're hooked on God and camp. First, it's amazing to see how God has worked through camp, moved through our program, moved through our volunteers, and has moved through our campers. God was certainly on the move in our community. I want to also thank our campers, thank you for coming to camp this year, thank you for registering, and for those of you who took a chance at coming to camp for the first time thank you for taking that leap of faith. My hope is that you encountered God during your week, made friends, had fun, and was spiritually fed. I also want to thank each and every one of our volunteers, thank you for taking the time out of your summer to pour the love and grace of Christ into the youth our region. Thank you for the long hours, the headaches, and the heartaches, but I think we can all agree that for all troubles we may encounter in our week, we have formed a community to fall back on, a loving God to comfort, and a whole lot of moments that make everything worthwhile. Thank you all for your hard work. It is my hope that all you campers from this year tell your friends about camp and we see our camps grow ever more next year. Volunteers, please consider returning next year for our camping season.

See you all next year!
Jared Reno

Thank you to everyone who made this year's summer camping program a success, and for welcoming me with open arms to Camp Walter Scott. My husband, Bob, and I moved to Camp Walter Scott at the beginning of the year, and every day, we are learning something new about the camp and about how special of a place it is. There is a lot to learn, so thank you for all of your support and encouragement!

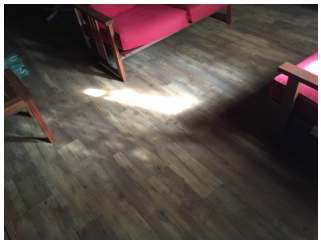


Laura Williams
Camp Host

Camp Walter Scott Improvements

With the generous donations and support from the Rekindle Foundation, Kloberdanz, and various churches and individuals, we were able to make the following improvements to Camp Walter Scott this year:

- Expanded basketball court
- Renovated infirmary
- New flooring for the cabins
- New tables and chairs for the dining hall
- New printer for the office
- Wall built in the outdoor pavilion to enclose storage area
- And many other small repairs that needed to be taken care of!







2015 Summer Camp—By the Numbers
Total Number of Campers: 260
Total Number of Directors: 18
Total Number of Counselors: 32
Total Camp Offering: $985.82



Top 20 DMF

Church Name	City	2015 DMF	2014 DMF
Central Christian Church	Decatur	72,329.00	71,352.00
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	31,250.00	31,000.00
First Christian Church	Pekin	21,500.00	21,500.00
First Christian Church	Bloomington	21,200.00	25,025.00
Union Avenue Christian Church	Litchfield	20,874.48	17,082.81
First Christian Church	Paris	20,280.06	18,247.50
First Christian Church	Moline	19,895.71	14,216.96
Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	18,695.02	20,935.80
Central Christian Church	Danville	18,017.18	23,783.36
First Christian Church	Canton	18,000.00	17,000.00
First Christian Church	Gibson City	15,791.13	16,976.80
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	15,666.67	14,333.33
First Christian Church	Peoria	15,453.00	5,883.00
First Christian Church	Rushville	12,836.51	10,145.20
United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	12,011.39	6,864.70
First Christian Church	Macomb	11,600.00	8,575.00
Coldbrook Christian Church	Cameron	9,673.75	8,200.00
First Christian Church	Galesburg	9,389.67	12,407.04
First Christian Church	Sullivan	9,240.00	9,240.00
Mackinaw Christian Church	Mackinaw	8,871.58	11,115.07

Top 20 Per Capita

Church Name	City	Avg Worship		2015
Union Avenue Christian Church	Litchfield	94	$ 549.76	51,677.37
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	144	$ 326.26	46,981.10
Central Christian Church	Decatur	289	$ 296.99	85,829.14
First Christian Church	Paris	174	$ 258.39	44,960.14
Christian Church of Arlington	Arlington Heights	63	$ 251.31	15,832.39
First Christian Church	Moline	140	$ 246.31	34,483.09
First Christian Church	Pekin	126	$ 236.98	29,860.05
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	110	$ 228.41	25,124.75
Lomax Christian Church	Lomax	45	$ 226.20	10,179.00
First Christian Church	Gibson City	94	$ 217.87	20,479.55
First Christian Church	Peoria	115	$ 212.91	24,485.00
First Christian Church	Rushville	91	$ 204.18	18,580.35
Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	161	$ 201.33	32,414.02
First Christian Church	Lawrenceville	42	$ 189.53	7,960.25
United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	73	$ 186.21	13,593.42
First Christian Church	Canton	141	$ 177.74	25,061.00
First Christian Church	Macomb	111	$ 177.61	19,714.23
Community Christian Church	Lincolnshire	89	$ 166.74	14,840.00
Christian Church of Villa Park	Villa Park	31	$ 147.39	4,569.00
Central Christian Church	Danville	147	$ 139.65	20,529.18

Top 20 Special Day Offerings

Church Name	City	2015 Spec Day	2014 Spec Day
First Christian Church	Moline	10,302.12	7,340.08
First Christian Church	Paris	7,617.55	7,150.70
Central Christian Church	Decatur	6,225.33	6,160.05
First Christian Church	Bloomington	5,119.00	4,203.45
Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	5,034.00	6,610.00
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	4,272.50	3,920.00
First Christian Church	Rushville	4,124.84	2,212.53
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	3,975.00	5,143.00
First Christian Church	Peoria	3,971.00	3,943.00
Christian Church of Arlington	Arlington Heights	3,827.76	1,501.00
Union Avenue Christian Church	Litchfield	3,790.56	3,422.00
First Christian Church of Sterling	Sterling	3,692.00	2,467.00
First Christian Church	Sullivan	3,156.00	3,577.00
First Christian Church	Springfield	3,111.39	4,512.69
University Place Christian Church	Champaign	2,877.00	1,988.00
First Christian Church	Metropolis	2,835.50	2,681.75
First Christian Church	Creve Coeur	2,565.70	3,565.00
Sunnyland Christian Church	Washington	2,359.30	2,177.00
15th Avenue Christian Church	Rock Island	2,117.00	3,276.00
Central Christian Church	Danville	1,940.00	2,331.00

CCIW Congregational Giving 2015/1014

Church Name	City	2015	2014
Christian Church of Abingdon	Abingdon	2,614.25	2,652.00
First Christian Church	Albion	2,942.00	3,381.79
First Christian Church	Arcola	169.14	1,138.38
Christian Church of Arlington	Arlington Heights	15,832.39	14,156.93
Arrowsmith Christian Church	Arrowsmith	5,514.60	7,170.40
Vine Street Christian Church	Arthur	6,430.25	5,711.00
Grace Community Christian Church	Aurora	3,437.70	2,382.85
Bellflower Christian Church	Bellflower	2,503.00	2,863.00
First Christian Church	Bement	-	10.00
First Christian Church	Benton	3,532.63	2,732.00
First Christian Church	Bethany	2,074.28	2,316.07
Centennial Christian Church	Bloomington	5,799.06	5,728.00
First Christian Church	Bloomington	32,284.22	37,216.92
First Christian Church	Blue Mound	1,088.28	9,785.00
Central Christian Church	Bourbonnais	5,024.98	5,873.00
Cameron Christian Church	Cameron	2,787.55	3,633.70
Coldbrook Christian Church	Cameron	10,061.01	9,832.32
First Christian Church	Canton	25,061.00	21,457.00
First Christian Church	Carbondale	6,744.99	6,184.75
Carlock Christian Church	Carlock	6,673.00	6,528.00
First Christian Church	Carthage	6,884.03	7,574.01
First Christian Church	Casey	919.00	965.50
First Christian Church	Centralia	2,792.56	5,100.73

University Place Christian Church	Champaign	12,357.39	14,599.73
Disciples of Christ Community	Champaign	575.00	500.00
Chandlerville Christian Church	Chandlerville	1,115.00	297.00
Chapin Christian Church	Chapin	1,605.00	1,533.50
Old State Road Christian Church	Charleston	779.00	525.00
Hometown Christian Church	Chicago	1,802.00	1,571.00
Jackson Blvd Christian Church	Chicago	-	-
Park Manor Christian Church	Chicago	6,725.64	10,133.61
Spanish Christian Church	Chicago	-	-
University Church (D of C)/UCC	Chicago	2,546.75	3,766.25
Root and Branch Christian Church	Chicago	3,204.75	-
First Christian Church	Chicago Heights	370.00	1,076.00
Clayton Christian Church	Clayton	266.00	406.00
Colfax Christian Church	Colfax	-	-
United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	13,593.42	7,714.68
First Christian Church	Creve Coeur	9,156.75	10,452.75
Cuba Christian Church	Cuba	210.00	536.00
Central Christian Church	Danville	20,529.18	26,976.86
Central Christian Church	Decatur	85,829.14	84,034.03
Crestview Christian Church	Decatur	475.00	616.00
Prairie Avenue Christian Church	Decatur	1,095.00	3,152.00
Chicago Christian Church	Des Plaines	-	825.00
First Christian Church	Dixon	2,736.33	2,301.97
First Christian Church	Downers Grove	3,811.00	2,870.00
First Christian Church	Du Quoin	6,225.00	7,867.00

First Christian Church	East Moline	90.00	153.83
Eureka Christian Church	Eureka	46,981.10	49,224.53
Livingstone Christian Church	Evanston	1,400.00	600.00
Flanagan Christian Church	Flanagan	-	55.00
Frederick Christian Church	Frederick	370.00	529.00
First Christian Church	Galesburg	15,532.51	18,597.29
Gerlaw Christian Church	Gerlaw	-	144.82
First Christian Church	Gibson City	20,479.55	22,782.68
First Christian Church	Girard	1,953.50	2,927.00
Sherburnville Christian Church	Grant Park	-	-
Central Christian Church	Havana	-	-
First Christian Church	Henry	4,867.14	2,968.50
First Christian Church	Hillsboro	419.00	320.92
First Christian Church	Hoopeston	1,870.01	4,013.08
Christian Church of Illiopolis	Illiopolis	8,052.11	7,904.31
Ipava Christian Church	Ipava	574.64	426.00
Central Christian Church	Jacksonville	32,414.02	33,102.28
Lynnville Christian Church	Jacksonville	512.00	1,145.00
First Christian Church	Keithsburg	450.00	-
First Christian Church	Knoxville	1,045.00	1,772.00
First Christian Church	Lawrenceville	7,960.25	9,064.00
Illinois Street Christian Church	Lewiston	1,776.48	2,176.20
Church of Christ Uniting	Lexington	-	5,712.87
Community Christian Church	Lincolnshire	14,840.00	18,486.75
Union Avenue Christian Church	Litchfield	51,677.37	34,996.39

Lomax Christian Church	Lomax	10,179.00	9,478.00
Long Point Christian Church	Long Point	-	186.00
Mackinaw Christian Church	Mackinaw	10,184.92	13,277.57
First Christian Church	Macomb	19,714.23	15,071.38
First Christian Church	Marion	4,203.90	4,408.00
Marshall Avenue Christian Church	Mattoon	1,992.32	2,353.33
First Christian Church	Maywood	-	-
Mechanicsburg Christian Church	Mechanicsburg	-	-
First Christian Church	Metropolis	5,945.52	5,659.23
First Christian Church	Moline	34,483.09	27,886.64
Memorial Christian Church	Moline	-	-
Barneys Prairie Christian Church	Mount Carmel	563.56	390.13
First Christian Church	Mount Carmel	25,124.75	23,218.33
Timewell Christian Church	Mount Sterling	75.00	100.00
First Christian Church	Mt Sterling	4,131.87	1,822.37
New Bedford Christian Church	New Bedford	301.00	103.00
Niantic Christian Church	Niantic	7,736.47	6,155.11
New Covenant Community	Normal	-	1,044.00
First Christian Church	Olney	1,342.00	944.06
Oreana Christian Church	Oreana	-	289.10
Big Life Community Church	Oswego	2,150.00	2,350.84
First Christian Church	Paris	44,960.14	32,078.36
First Christian Church	Pekin	29,860.05	29,404.94
First Christian Church	Peoria	24,485.00	12,767.67
Glen Oak Christian Church	Peoria	10,531.64	10,868.70

Memorial Christian Church	Peoria	2,073.97	1,719.00
First Christian Church	Petersburg	2,439.00	3,197.00
Pine Creek Christian Church	Polo	821.00	513.00
First Christian Church	Pontiac	3,675.00	3,575.00
First Christian Church	Princeton	1,710.00	375.75
First Christian Church	Quincy	8,604.23	8,881.82
Bethany Park Christian Church	Rantoul	1,489.00	1,936.00
First Christian Church	Robinson	899.74	706.45
First Christian Church	Rock Falls	1,325.00	1,325.00
15th Avenue Christian Church	Rock Island	5,985.50	8,993.70
Second Christian Church	Rockford	900.00	900.00
First Christian Church	Rushville	18,580.35	14,269.73
First Christian Church	Springfield	12,498.55	15,574.69
Parkway Christian Church	Springfield	5,644.63	1,829.00
Korean Christian Church	Springfield	-	-
First Christian Church of Sterling	Sterling	8,510.70	11,024.72
First Christian Church	Sullivan	18,637.00	18,566.00
Tallula Christian Church	Tallula	3,058.00	3,010.00
Davis Memorial Christian Church	Taylorville	2,270.00	3,308.00
Ursa Christian Church	Ursa	14,030.24	13,627.72
First Christian Church	Vandalia	2,408.87	1,915.12
Christian Church of Villa Park	Villa Park	4,569.00	3,993.00
Atwater Christian Church	Virden	830.00	1,001.00
First Christian Church	Virden	745.84	1,647.00
First Christian Church	Walnut	4,437.00	4,106.00

Washburn Christian Church	Washburn	3,406.07	5,342.91
Sunnyland Christian Church	Washington	9,455.30	9,092.00
First Christian Church	Watseka	1,920.00	905.00
First Christian Church	White Hall	315.00	420.00
First Christian Church	Winchester	-	-
First Christian Church	Janesville	4,431.67	885.24
The Iglesia Cristiana	Milwaukee	6,606.00	6,159.00

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New Church

Big Life Community Church in Oswego and Iglesia Cristiana de Milwaukee have both graduated from congregation in formation to fully recognized congregations of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin. And, Root and Branch Church sends this Ministry Moment

"In July Root and Branch began its partnership with the Night Ministry, a Chicago non-profit started by a group of churches in the 1970's that provides housing, health care, and human connection to youth and adults struggling with poverty or homelessness. After some "town hall meetings," and then meetings with a smaller team of people who were interested in leading our church on service and justice, the Night Ministry was chosen because of its faith connection, its deep experience and track record, and the fact that a large number of people from our church would be able to participate.

In July, a group of about 15 Root and Branchers gathered to prepare food to be distributed with the Health Outreach Bus. Six people took the food and distributed it, in the midst of one of the most torrential downpours of the summer. Tom, relatively new to Root and Branch and very motivated to get our church involved in service work, shared a beautifully understated testimony the following week in church. He said he spoke with a man who told him the sandwiches and trail mix he was handed were the first thing he had eaten that day. If you were really paying attention, you could have heard the stoic and unexpressive Tom's voice crack when he related that.

While our current plan is to do this monthly - during the summer we dropped the third service for "summer hours" in order to emphasize we wanted as much participation as possible - for three months and then have the team evaluate whether this work is a good fit for our congregation, there is no doubt that a hunger for service and justice, for bringing a taste of the Kingdom of Heaven into the midst of our neighbors in Chicago, has begun and is growing. It is inspiring, encouraging, and I'm so grateful. Hallelujah."

Disciple Women

Announcing Spring Event 2017.
*Date: March 25, 2017
*Place: Chiara Center in Springfield, IL
*Theme: "Freedom: Promise & Struggle"
*Scripture: Psalms 146
*Keynote Speakers: Dr. Marti Steussy and Rev. Cheryl Jackson

*Costs: Early registration fee is $35.00 per person. Deadline for early registration is February 1, 2017.

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