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From the Pastor's Heart

First Christian Church Would Like To Give Scott Wishard A Normal Life...

Scott has been given a chance for a kidney transplant from the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Hollywood, CA.

We have received a donation of a brand new 32 inch Sony Smart TV. We are raffling off this television to raise funds to help Scott and Dolo travel to CSMC from January 9th—12th, for lab testing and qualification for this life saving procedure.

CSMC is the only hospital that does this specialized transplant with antibody procedure.

Would you like to help Scott, a brother in Christ, who has zero functioning kidneys and lives from one dialysis to the next? If so, please buy a raffle ticket for \$5 each. You can pick one up any Sunday this month in the narthex. Raffle tickets are non-tax deductible per the IRS.

We are conducting the drawing for the TV at the end of our 9:30 am combined service on January 29th.

You may be asking "what if" the Lord answers our prayers and Scott is a candidate? Our church will try and help to raise \$25,000 for the Wishards. A committee has been formed and poised to move ahead with this project. It is not a closed committee and we will be seeking additional members.

If you have any questions you may contact: Pastor Steve, Dolo and Scott Wishard, Nancy and Steve Huckaba, Charlotte Castle, Candy Tate, Doris Webb and Bev Beeler.

We Are the First Christian Church,
Pastor Steve

Singles @ First

The Singles @ First Group will meet for a movie night on **Saturday**, January 7th from 6-8 pm at the church. Popcorn will be provided and please bring a drink to share.



We extend our deepest sympathy to Bill Hardin and Tammy Rentschler on the passing of their father, Aaron, (88) on December 30th.

Scholarship Awardees

In May 2016, Permian Basin Area Foundation sent 2016-2017 letters of award for the Laura Catherine Van Gundy Young Memorial Scholarship to the following First Christian Church members: Madelyn Dunn, Troy Lane, Heather Hinton, and Paul Weber.

All men are invited to the Men's Breakfast on Saturday at 7 am.



Serving Communion

Sunday, January 8

8:30 am — John Armstrong, Steve Ballinger, John Greathouse, Jim Long, Don Inman, Tim Buford, Tim Cyr,

10:30 am — Jeff and Amy Maninfior, Nick Maninfior, Bob Morgan

Sunday, January 15

8:30 am — John Armstrong, Steve Ballinger, John Greathouse, Jim Long, Don Inman, Dan Cunningham, Tom Dickerson, Steve Lane

10:30 am — Herb Ault, Max Betty, Donica Brand, Chanon Fine

Church Attendance

December 25: One Service: 111

January 1: One Service: 147



Building Fund balance:
\$254,114.54

2017 Offering Envelopes

The 2017 Offering Envelopes are available to pick up in the narthex. This will be the last Sunday they are out in the narthex. Please use your offering envelope that is provided, it helps the treasurer and assistant treasurer count the offering more efficiently. Thank you.

Church Life

Friday, January 6

5 pm De-Decorate

Saturday, January 7

7 am Men's Breakfast

6 pm Singles @ First Movie Night

Sunday, January 8

8:30 am Traditional Worship Service

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

5-7 pm FROG/ROCK Group Meetings

Monday, January 9

10-11:30 am Staff Meeting

6 pm Trustees Meeting

7 pm Church Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 10

7 am Prayer Time

Wednesday, January 11

9 am "Crafts Are Us" Group

5:15 pm Bell Choir Practice

6 pm Chancel Choir Practice

6 pm Mid-Week Outlet Program

7 pm Praise Team Practice

Sunday, January 15

8:30 am Traditional Worship Service

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

5-7 pm FROG/ROCK Group Meetings

Monday, January 16

Office Closed—Martin Luther King Birthday Observed

7 pm Christian Ed. Meeting

Tuesday, January 17

7 am Prayer Time

Wednesday, January 18

9 am "Crafts Are Us" Group

5:15 pm Bell Choir Practice

6 pm Chancel Choir Practice

6 pm Mid-Week Outlet Program

7 pm Praise Team Practice



The Permian Basin Area Foundation invites members of First Christian Church to apply for the **Laura Catherine Van Gundy Young Memorial Scholarship**. Established in 2012 in loving memory of Mrs. Young by her grandson and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Randal Decker. This scholarship honors her legacy of care and concern for others. Mrs. Young was an active member of FCC for many years.

Scholarships are awarded to members of FCC who attend **U of I, Urbana-Champaign; EIU, Charleston; or Lincoln Christian University, Lincoln** (Christian ministry majors only). Recipients must be enrolled in a course of study that culminates in a bachelor's or advanced degree in one of the following fields: Engineering or sciences, Medical sciences or services, Christian ministry or Business.

To apply for the **Laura Catherine Van Gundy Young Memorial**, go to www.pbaf.org and click on **Apply for Scholarships** in the upper right-hand corner. This will direct you to **Scholarships—General Information**. Applicants are encouraged to review *Scholarship Application Process, Application Process Guidelines, and Frequently Asked Questions* prior to beginning the application process. Next, click on **Apply Here** at the bottom of the General Information page. You will be instructed to create a user account for AcademicWorks, the Foundation's online scholarship management system.

To ensure consideration for the **Laura Catherine Van Gundy Young Memorial Scholarship**, be sure to identify **qualifying academic institutions and areas of study listed above which are applicable to you** and select **I am a member of FCC, Mattoon, Illinois** under the heading **Qualifying Criteria for Certain Foundation Scholarships**. Required transcripts are mailed to 200 N. Loraine, Suite 500, Midland, Texas 79701; emailed to scholarships@pbaf.org; or faxed to 432.617.0151. **Deadline for application and supporting documents to be received by the Foundation is March 31, 2017.** For more information, contact the scholarship office at the Foundation, 432.617.3213 or scholarships@pbaf.org.

Qualifying students currently receiving the **Laura Catherine Van Gundy Young Memorial Scholarship** are not required to complete a new General Scholarship Application. They will receive an invitation to apply for renewal in January and are required to complete the Renewal Application.

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