

Welcome to First Christian Church. Thanks for including time with God and with us this weekend. It's always my hope that our time together will be life changing for those that walk through our doors. I'm also hopeful that whether you came with the anticipation of hearing from God or not, that you somehow you will.

Our current message series is called, ***TOXIC - Things that Poison the Heart***. The foundation this message series is built upon are the words of one of Israel's ancient kings known as the wisest man to have ever lived. In his book of wise sayings called Proverbs that's found in the middle of the Old Testament of the Bible you would find these words, ***Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.*** (Proverbs 4:23 NIV 1984) If a well spring becomes polluted or poisoned, everything that flows from it is toxic and everyone it flows to has the potential of being harmed.

This weekend we will look at the poison of guilt. Guilt is not always obvious to others but ever present for the man, woman, girl or boy whose heart is poisoned by it. Anthony de Mello wrote, "When you are guilty, it is not your sins you hate but yourself." Peter McWilliams says about guilt, "Guilt is anger directed at ourselves." Guilt is to the heart what the warning light is to your cars dashboard.

I believe most people want the poison of guilt detoxed from their heart and most certainly want the relief from its ever nagging presence. Guilt reminds us that we are not innocent, that we are at fault and to blame.

I hope you walk away from our time together with hope and relief if the poison of guilt has found it's way into your heart. I pray you will find the peace you long for in knowing that the God that we have gathered to worship today is forgiving, merciful, and extends undeserved grace.

Pastor Randy



Leading People to Trust God

When You Learn to Trust God – You will Love Him

When You Learn to Trust God – You will Honor and Obey Him

When You Learn to Trust God – You will Serve Him and Others

When You Learn to Trust God – You will want others to Trust Him too

Welcome

*God of Wonders
Yesterday, Today and Forever*

Prayer of Praise

Announcements

*Be the Centre
Savior, Like A Savior Lead Us*

Celebration of Communion

Down at the Cross

Message Series: *Toxic – Things that Poison the Heart*

Today's Message: *The Poison of Guilt*

Prayer

Leaving with a Song

I Will Follow You

May 17, 2015

8:15 AM 10:45 AM

(Please check one)

FCC Communicator

Place in one of the offering plates at main entry doors.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

My information has changed.

First Time Guest

Regular Attender

Member

Information request:

Becoming a Christian

Baptism

Membership

Student Ministry

Small Group Bible Study

Have the Pastor contact me.

Include me in email announcements

Include me in prayer chain updates

Communication preference:

Phone Text email

Nursery Available (6 weeks- 2 years)

Children's Church: 3 years to 2nd grade
(During 10:45 AM service)

Assisted Listening Devices are available.
Please see the greeter if you need one.

If you have a **change of address, phone number, or email**, please inform the church office so we can keep our records up to date. If we do not have your email address and you would like to be included on church-wide emails, forward it to fcckearney@aol.com.

Reminder: The bulletin announcement deadline is noon on Wednesday. **Email** announcements to fcckearney@aol.com.

Giving to the general & mortgage fund:
Please provide separate checks for the general fund and the mortgage fund. Contact Jack Barr at barrthree@aol.com or 816.797.0877 with any questions.

Prayer Request: _____

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Current Message Series...



THINGS THAT POISON THE HEART

TOXIC

Recognize and Remove Hidden Dangers

Above all else, guard your heart,
for everything you do flows from it.
Proverbs 4:23 NIV