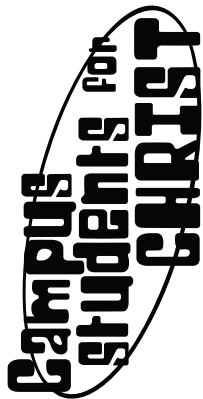


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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Hello friends! My name is Jesse Patton, and I am excited to be joining CSC as the new men's minister. I grew up in Mt. Sterling, IL, and graduated from Brown County High School, so it will be great to be back in west-central Illinois! I am also a graduate of Lincoln Christian University (BA General Ministry) and just recently finished a Master's degree at Bethel Seminary-St. Paul MN (MA in Christian Thought).

My wife, Brandi, will be teaching math at Macomb Junior High. We have been married for ten years and have three fantastic kids, Isaiah (5), Andrew (2), and Emily (6 months). We have spent the last 6 ½ years in Normal, IL, where I have served as the Children's & Youth Pastor at Jacob's Well Community Church.



Jesse and his family: Brandi, Isaiah (5), Andrew (2), and Emily (6 mo).

I am looking forward to connecting with students and the community and seeing the Good News of Jesus being lived out at WIU and in Macomb. I would love to hear from alumni as well, so please feel free to reach out to chat. Tell me all about your experience at CSC and what makes this such a rich ministry.

Just to give you all a bit more information about myself, I love watching sports (especially baseball- Go Cardinals!), traveling, and playing Nintendo Switch with our 5-year-old. I try to read 50 books each year (look me up on Goodreads!), and some of my favorite authors are Michael Crichton, A.J. Jacobs, Donald Miller, and Eugene Peterson. I really enjoy watching movies (I still subscribe to DVD Netflix, who does that any more?) and especially love seeing movies in the theater. I can't wait to be able to enjoy a flick at the

Rialto when they open up again. I also really enjoy trivia and was part of a team, Hashtag Blessed, that played weekly in Normal.

We are all excited to be in Macomb and closer to our extended family in Quincy and Mt. Sterling! We have heard so many encouraging things about CSC and can't wait to experience what God has in store for us together. Please pray for our family as we adjust to our new normal away from Normal. Looking forward to getting to know you all! Please send me a text or email, give me a call, drop by the office, take me to your favorite spot for wings or pizza, and let's get to know each other!

God Bless!
Jesse Patton

FROM THE DIRECTOR

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! 2 Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!" – Psalm 100:1-2

It feels so good to give a wholehearted shout to the Lord for all His goodness! He has blessed us so richly and so abundantly! He has called us to be His harvesters, and He has provided the means to accomplish His ends! In case you did not see it, God has led our board to hire Jesse Patton, originally from Mt. Sterling, IL, to join our team this January. We have already been so blessed by Jesse and his family being with us. In Jesse's opening sermon at CSC, he made the statement that the past few weeks have felt like a "slow moving tornado." In many ways it is an apt description of what this Christmas break felt like and what this semester has felt like so far; and it has been wonderful! In the span of a couple short months, we have hired a brand-new men's minister, moved their family from Normal to Macomb, resumed services for the spring semester (in person again), and have many events slated for the opening of our semester. While we still have COVID-19 restrictions in place, including stricter mask policies and limited service sizes, the fact that we are able to have more events, and more normal events again, feels like a whirlwind in itself. On top of that, our opening Sunday was standing room only and we had an online presence. We are so glad that our region in Illinois has moved to tier 1 mitigations and fervently pray that more restrictions will end so that we may make room for more students to join our family. The house itself even has more tenants this semester than it did last! It is so exciting to begin this season of harvest right off the heels of such a difficult season and we look forward to seeing how God grows the seeds that were planted then and are being planted now. We cherish your prayers and ask you to make a joyful noise to the Lord! My prayer, as I have stated much in the past, is that God is using the

difficulties of life to further prepare our hearts for His great work and to share His great love and provision. May we joyfully trust and obey His will and may we abundantly live the lives that He made us to live.



Your servants in Christ - Alicia, Avery, Jesse

CSC Women's Night at the Crafty Coop in Macomb!



**MORE PICTURES
FROM CSC**

OTHER HAPPENINGS

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHT UPDATES

Please celebrate these alumni updates with us!

Noah & Cruz Blake: Passed the bar exam and has a son named Atticus.

Rebecca Eden: Has a job as a 7-12th grade music teacher in Alwood, IL.

Tim Mottaz: Married Kim this year.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal year is July 1-June 30

	As of Jan. 2021	Budgeted
Church gifts:	\$33,803.67	\$58,000
Individual:	\$89,252.69	\$76,000
Rent Income:	\$33,189.98	\$33,000
Building Fund Accumulated Total Balance:	\$26,976.11	

PICTURES FROM CSC



The CSC Men at the Barn Party in October!

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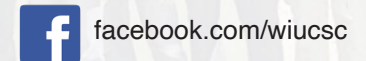
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