

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)
Monday, January 8, 2007



The purpose of this church shall be as revealed in the New Testament: to win people to faith in Jesus Christ and commit them actively to the church; to help them grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ that increasingly they may know and do His will, and to work for the unity of all Christians.

Sunday Schedule:

Early Worship	8:15 AM
Sunday School	10:00 AM
Traditional Worship	11:00 AM
Youth Fellowship	5:00 PM

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Office Hours Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 am-2:00 pm

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A NOTE FROM PASTOR LAURA

This is my first article of the new year. I don't know about you, but I usually have trouble writing the new year on checks and other papers for about 2 weeks and then I get adjusted. Even the smallest change, like writing one little number differently on a piece of paper, can take time to get used to. As a congregation, you have been through a tremendous amount of change over the past year. You have had much to get used to; and there is more change to come. BUT, my prayer for you as we begin ministry together in this new year is that you will trust that God is here. God goes with us through these changes, and while they certainly aren't all easy ones, they can be good. Remember Paul's assurance, "all things work for the glory of God for those who trust God." Let's exercise our trust muscles this year and open ourselves mentally and spiritually to the wondrous possibilities God might lead us to discover. Change can be scary or exciting. Change will come. It's up to you to decide how to feel about it. Starting the new year with a sense of hope and excitement about what the future holds is a great way to warm up those trust muscles. Let's all give our faith a "workout" and encourage one another to grow in grace and truth, to build our spiritual muscles and glorify God.

Blessings,
Pastor Laura

DEACON TRAINING

There will be Deacon Training on Sunday, January 28th immediately after the 11:00 am service.

JOINT BOARD/CABINET MEETING

Saturday, January 20th

8:00 AM

(please note time change)

We should be finished by 12:00 Noon

DISCIPLES MEN RETREAT MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

February 23rd-25th
Glen Rose, Texas

Please contact Richard Land
(817) 447-0154, Steve Rubis
(817) 295-8263 or one of the
Disciples Men for more information

Offering 12/17/06

Gen. Fund 4,163.45
Build. Fund 542.00

Offering 12/24/06

Gen. Fund 4,186.20
Build. Fund 717.00

Offering 12/31/06

Gen. Fund 2,938.25
Build. Fund 802.00

Offering 1/07/06

Gen. Fund 8,211/00
Build. Fund 555.00
Family Life Center Use 25.00

December Contributions \$21,108.55
December Expenses \$21,308.29

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

December 17, 2006 - Early 9
Traditional 90
December 24, 2006 - Early 9
Traditional 112
December 31, 2006 - Early 7
Traditional 90
January 7, 2007 - Early 9
Traditional 105

Visitors and Guests

Bob Lee; Marlene Baysinger; Jerry Gladeland; & Austin & Gina Kirscht in the early service.

Lauren Traylor; Iris Wilson; Gina Prather Lively; Robyn Lively; Andy & Kristin Prather; Carl & Betty Ludtke; Imogene Cottman, Dave, Kim, & Shea Pulliam; Jo Stephens; Jim & Juanita Sharp; Stefani, Nevil, & Nicholas Williamson; Nicole & Phillip Altimus; Rick, Kris, Ryan, & Anna Cheek; Juan & Juelisse Morales & family; Pam Canavan;

Ryan Galbreath; Billie Herring; Karen Appel; M'Lee Turner; & our other regular visitors in the Traditional Service.

We were happy that they worshipped with us and trust that they found inspiration, fellowship and love.

CALENDAR**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2007**

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

7:00 PM Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2007

7:00 PM Disciples Women Installation Dinner - Fire Mountain

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2007

8:15 AM Early Service (C)

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Traditional Worship (S)

5:00 PM Youth Fellowship

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2007

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

1:00 PM FCC Friends - Deana McCoy's Home

7:00 PM Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2007

7:00 PM Board Meeting (E)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2007

8:00 AM Joint Board/Cabinet Meeting

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2007

8:15 AM Early Service (C)

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Traditional Worship (S)

5:00 PM Youth Fellowship (E)

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2007

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

(E) Education

(C) Chapel

(S) Sanctuary

(FLC) Family Life Center

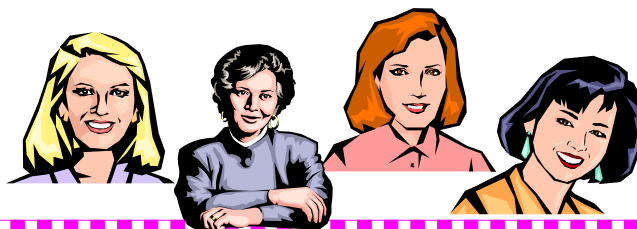
**DISCIPLES WOMEN
INSTALLATION MEETING**

Thursday, January 11, 2007

7:00 PM

We will have dinner at Fire Mountain. All ladies of the church are invited to attend.

For more information, please call Sandra Hay (817) 297-9905 or Ann Gartman (817) 426-3364





The Power of Prayer

CONCERNS:

Luke Nash please continue prayers for him.

Allene Haldy

Bob Huddleston has esophageal cancer.

Christopher Roe, Earl & Flora Roe's oldest grandson, left Tuesday January 2nd, for Iraq. He will be there 6 months to 1 year. Please pray for his safety.

Earl Roe started a new round of chemotherapy on Thursday, January 4th.

Heinz Wichterich, Juanice Wichterich's husband, had carotid artery surgery.

Willie Lewis, Ann Gartman & Juanice Wichterich's brother-in law, had surgery for a colon tumor.

The family of Edith Gregory who passed away. Edith was Jack Gregory, Sr.'s sister-in-law and Jack Gregory, Jr.'s aunt.

Cal Miyatake's father passed away in December. They are friends of Ryan & Michelle Sholders.

Ruth Linzy passed away unexpectedly on Monday. Our prayers go to the Linzy/Gerstner families.

JOYS:

Kira Perdue's EKG was normal. She is the granddaughter of Rodger & Judy Isom.

Bill Gunn, the Gunn's grandson, graduated from basic training at Ft. Sill.

Mary Louis Pace was able to be in worship. Continue prayers for her health.

Anne English is doing well following a car accident in December.

Iris Wilson's son-in-law graduated from college in December.

Kristie Taliaferro Gibson is going to give birth to a baby girl sometime in May.

Jerry Yowell was back in the service on Sunday, December 31st.

Continued Prayers for

Darlene Pettis, Dick Nash, Ruth Linzy, Steve McGee, Erma Uptgraft, Donna Jenkins, Earl Roe, Sharon Lewis, Nelda Bruce, Our country's leaders and world leaders

Our own military people:

Sgt. Ky B. Gregory, Major Steve Storch, Wesley Hayley, Tom Brunson, Sr. Airman Cody Gregory, Brenda Wiegert, Max Koller, Jeremy McGee, Matthew Land, Jennifer Ross, Pvt. Andrew McGee

Our own Reservists:

Tina Gregory, Jason Ross

Thanks again to our great carolers. Bill, Doc, Jerry, Paul, Richard Bryan, & Richard Land for making the Christmas season brighter. Your visit is welcome and so appreciated.



Mary Louise Pace

To the Rescue! Our youth group, the adult Land's and McGee's worked for several hours one Sunday afternoon. They raked and sacked all the leaves in my front yard and back yard.



Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Mary Louise Pace

**ARE YOU A YOUNG ADULT
(MARRIED, SINGLE, KIDS, NO KIDS)
WHO WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH OTHER
YOUNG ADULTS?**

No, this is not a dating ad....

but, we are making plans for young adults to meet as a group for study, fellowship and fun...maybe on Sunday evenings. You will decide! Watch the newsletter and your mailbox or e-mail for more information. In the meantime, if you have questions, ideas or thoughts, contact Jack and Kaye Gregory at 817-295-0009 or Kara Meller at 817-295-8970.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Just a reminder that all Board Meeting Minutes are posted on the glass bulletin board in the hall. Please take a minute to read these so you can keep up to date on the happenings at FCC!

TRINITY-BRAZOS AREA Leadership Event

University Christian Church
2720 South University Drive
Ft. Worth, TX 76109
Phone: (817) 926-6631

Saturday, January 27, 2007
8:30 am - 2:30 pm

WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

Church Friends: Learn how to keep your homebound members connected to the church and each other. (Morning only)

Congregational Care: Explore ways to offer nurture and care for people as they get acquainted with the church & experience various health care & emotional needs. (Afternoon only)

Disciples and the Bible: Focuses on Disciples Biblical interpretation from Stone and Campbell to the present. (Afternoon only)

Congregational Conflict: Provides help in identifying types of conflicts as well as to offer suggestions of containing & resolving destructive conflicts. (Afternoon only)

Journeyland: Rotation Model for children's education. (Morning only)

Extreme Church Makeover: Church growth & revitalizing the church for the 21st century. (Morning & Afternoon)

Mission Trips: Will share ways a congregation can organize mission trips & will share experiences of the Nicaragua Mission Trip. (Morning & Afternoon)

Innovations in Worship: Strategies to make worship energetic, relevant and inspirational. (Morning & Afternoon)

Starting Justice Ministries in Your Church: Explore a model for church ministry in which both prayer and justice action are seen as complementary practices by which we live out our faith.

Disciples Elders-More than Prayers: Focuses on the role of Disciples Elders in the life of the congregation.

Parish Nursing Ministry: Focuses on how Parish Nursing promotes whole health within the faith community. The workshop will cover what is it, how to get started, ministry in local church, and organizing a local Disciples Parish Nurse Network.

Registration Fee is \$15.00 per person (*\$12.00 for groups of five or more persons registering from the same congregation. Must register as a group and pay with one church check*). Registration Deadline: January 18, 2007. Late fee of \$3.00 added after that date.

Registration forms are available on the table in the foyer. Please turn in all registration forms and fee (please make all checks to FCC) to the church office and we will write one check from the church. If you have any questions, please call the church office.