

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, June 25, 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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A NOTE FROM PASTOR LAURA

Many of you heard me mention on Sunday just how proud I was to be a part of a group of faithful and dedicated leaders who spent half of their Saturday meeting up at the church to work, listen and pray that God would reveal God's will and direction for our church for the coming years. Having recently spent some time in a non-congregational setting, I know what it's like to be dog-tired when you come home at night, to need your weekend time for laundry, chores and maybe a little rest. So, I have an even greater appreciation for the ones whose love of God and church is great enough that they would sacrifice that precious time to come and help uncover a Godly vision and direction for this, Christ's church.

They did identify six primary goals for our church's ministry. These will be reported on at the end of the next Board Meeting and endorsed by the Board. After that, they will be presented to you, the congregation as a whole to affirm and commit to support and live out in our common ministry together. Some blessed and wonderful things about this church will remain the same. There will also be places where we will experience change. That change might even, on occasion, be uncomfortable; but we will be in it together out of our commitment to faithful witness and service to God.

I am excited to be your minister and to stand with you at the threshold of this new portion of the journey of faith here at First Christian Church.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Laura

There is a Business Docket & Program for the 2007 General Assembly "Share The Feast" on the table in the foyer if you would like to see it. Please do not remove it from the table, as this is the only copy that we have.



2007 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FORT WORTH, TEXAS
JULY 21-25, 2007

Please see the bulletin board in the Education Wing for information on how to be a part of the Massed Choir for the opening worship service for the General Assembly. There are many other opportunities for you to serve as volunteers at the General Assembly. Please visit the website below to see how you can volunteer.

You can register on line and get more information at www.disciples.org/ga

Offering 6/10/07

Gen. Fund	2,502.00
Build. Fund	442.00

Offering 6/17/07

Gen. Fund	4,045.25
Build. Fund	382.00

Offering 6/24/07

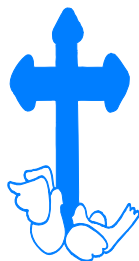
Gen. Fund	1,953.00
Build. Fund	452.00

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

June 17, 2007 - Early	6
Traditional	76
June 24, 2007 - Early	7
Traditional	76

Visitors and Guests

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



Greg McGowen; Ted Holton; Carl & Betty Ludtke; Bernie, Mary, Sarah, Brea, & Sam DeSessa; Mike & Erin Drybola; Iris Wilson; Imogene Cottman; Greta Eller; Dave, Kim, & Shea Pulliam; Tony Priest; Laurie & Magunn Carroll; Billy Gunn; Rick, Kris, Ryan, & Anna Cheek; & 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, JUNE 27, 2007**

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

SUNDAY, JULY 1, 2007**HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY**

8:15 AM Early Service (C)

9:00 AM Elders' Meeting (E)

10:00 AM Sunday School

12:00 Noon Cabinet Meeting (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2007

Fourth of July - Church Office Closed

SUNDAY, JULY 8, 2007

8:15 AM Early Service (C)

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Traditional Worship (S)

5:00 PM Recycle Round-Up

MONDAY, JULY 9 2007

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

(E) Education (C) Chapel
(S) Sanctuary (FLC) Family Life Center



Please remember that the church office is usually closed on Fridays. If

there is information that needs to be received by someone (pastor or other leader) by Sunday and it's past Thursday, please telephone us.

You can reach Laura at home at (817) 282-0184 or in an emergency on her cell phone at (817) 909-1304. In this way, we can improve follow through in our communication and meeting ministry needs on Sunday mornings.

PLEASE REMEMBER!

As you enjoy summer and vacations, please don't let your offering go on vacation with you! Remember to continue to support the church's continued ministries while you are away.

NEW ADDRESSES FOR:

Brian & Michelle McCrory
112 SE Harris
Burleson, TX 76028

Larry & Needra Womack
24619 Lakecrest Run Drive
Katy, TX 77493





The Power of Prayer

CONCERNS:

Bob McLaren had medical tests and will meet with doctors to determine course of treatment.

Lori Kiper had surgery at Harris Downtown.

Jerry Yowell is home from the hospital.

Charlsie Lyle, Wilma Taylor's sister, broke her femur and has had her leg reset.

Navae Ledbetter, a teacher at Taylor Elementary, will possibly have a kidney and liver transplant. She has also had a heart attack.

Cody Gregory had back surgery on June 22nd. He is dealing with pain and numbness.

Bill Gunn, the Gunn's grandson, has been found and he is unharmed.

John Higginbotham begins treatment on Friday (6/29) for circulation. He will have daily treatments for 7 weeks.

Zoetta Struck, Peggy Johnson's step-mother, had by-pass surgery.

Kathy Rector, Jerry Hay's sister, had by-pass surgery.

James Allen, a friend of the DePratter's, is recovering from critical injuries from a fall.

Juanita Stewart, Onita Holton's sister, is having medical problems.

Janie Dann is not well.

JOYS:

Kerry & Karen Moore celebrated their anniversary with a vacation in the Bahamas.

Continued Prayers for

Jerry Yowell, Lee Carter, Darlene Pettis, Dick Nash, Steve McGee, Donna Jenkins, Sharon Lewis, Nelda Bruce, Mary Louise Pace, 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, PFC Andrew McGee, SR James McGee, PFC William Gunn

Synopsis of June 21 Board Meeting

We will be hosting a guest minister from the Disciples General Assembly who will be preaching here on July 22nd, followed by a pot luck fellowship lunch. Everyone is encouraged to attend any or all of the General Assembly, which is in Fort Worth. The proposed By-Laws are ready for review by an attorney if we can have it done for \$100. BISD has not made a decision about using our facilities for daycare. Financial committee reported that our building note will come due in November with interest rate increase. We are checking our options.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara Bond, Secretary

*You are invited to a Reception
Honoring Ralph and Evelyn
Marr's 70th Wedding Anniversary
on Friday, June 29th
from 4:30 - 6:00 pm at Club-
house at The Court Yards at
River Park. 3201 River Park
Drive. Ft. Worth. TX 76117.*

*Please RSVP to Evelyn Marr
(817) 295-2384.*

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank everyone who helped with Vacation Bible School. It could not have been done without you. A **BIG THANK YOU** goes to Brenda Land. Her organizational skills and hard work were invaluable in helping Avalanche Ranch be successful. To everyone, I truly appreciate everything you did to make VBS successful and enjoyable for the children. I know that they had a great time.

With all my love,
Onita Holton



We would like to thank Flora Roe from the entire church for the generous donation to purchase all of the linen tablecloths for the Family Life Center. We are deeply grateful. It will make the tables look beautiful.

Thank you, Flora, for your generosity,
Your Fellow Church Members



Thank you! My family and I are very blessed to have you as our Church Family. Thank you for my "0" birthday celebration and all the other kindnesses you share.

Love,
Kathy Welch

WHEN IS THE FALL ROUND-UP?

SUMMER SERVICE SIZZLE!

(say that three times fast)

Starting this Sunday and running through the end of August, we will have a service project where we will collect items for school kits for Church World Service. Church World Service is an ecumenical, well-respected service organization that provides emergency aid as well as opportunities for growth and roads out of poverty in places all over the world. If you want to know more about them, go to their website at www.churchworldservice.org. There will be collection boxes placed in different parts of the church for you to bring your donated items. Each kit needs to contain the following new, unused items-1-pair blunt end scissors, 3-70 page spiral bound notebooks of ruled paper, 1-12" ruler, 1-pencil sharpener, 6-new pencils with erasers, 1-box of 24 crayons.

Each of these kits is to be placed in a 12" x 14" finished cloth bag with cloth handles and a Velcro snap or button closure. I wonder if we have a seamstress or two in the church who might hit the dollar a yard tables at Wal-Mart and make those bags for us.

MY PASTORAL CHALLENGE: This is a church that professes a love of children. Let's show that love for children we will never meet, but who will be able to go to school because of our generous hearts. I'm setting a challenge for you to collect enough items for **50 school kits**. We will, as a church family, assemble these kits at our fellowship dinner in September and pray for the children who will receive them. If you collect enough for 50 or more kits, I will personally pay for the shipping and buy the ice cream for our fellowship time when we put the kits together. I thought about dying my hair a funny color or something like that, but then you'd be stuck with looking at me like that long after the humor of it wore off. So instead I decided to go for the shipping donation and the ice cream.

In Christ,
Pastor Laura

OK - if you did 100 kits, I might dye my hair pink - it's my favorite color anyway!

POT LUCK DINNER JUST A REMINDER!



JULY 22ND WILL BE OUR POT LUCK DINNER. THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL BE JOINING US. WE WILL NOT HAVE THE SANDWICH LUNCHEON ON JULY 1ST. SO - MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH! IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL VICKI RUBIS (817) 295-8263.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/3 Ky Gregory, Jr.
7/4 Mindy Luck
7/7 Dottie Huddleston
7/9 Natalie Rubis
7/13 C.J. Stevenson
7/17 Jack Ellis
7/17 Sharon Matzner
7/18 Richard Edmonds
7/19 Bernice Williams
7/19 Denise Kramer
7/21 Jean Rubis
7/21 Darlene Pettis
7/25 Leann (Findley) Maxwell
7/26 Barbara Bond
7/27 David Pulliam
7/28 Bob Huddleston
7/29 Tommy Kaker
7/30 Caden Vastine

JULY HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Richard Bryan

Greeters: Clint Bourland,

Juanice Wichterich

Acolyte Attendant: Cyndy Garrett

Communion Preparation: Beverly Sholders

Attendance Books: John Higginbotham

Children's Sermon: Karen Moore

Scripture Reading:

01 Richard Bryan

08 Peggy Johnson

15 Richard Bryan

22 Karen Moore

29 Richard Bryan

Deacon Team: Jason & Kara Meller,

Doyle DePratter, Rae McGowan

Serving at the Table: Faye McLaren,

Burt Bond

Children's Church:

01 Kim/Bethany Bonds

08 Mary Bryan/Christal McGee

15 Vicki/Natalie Rubis

22 Kara Meller/Stephanie McGee

29 Dorothy Nash/Jody Land

Nursery Assistant:

01 Kathy Welch

08 Jody Land

57 Carol Gunn

22 Wilma Taylor

29 Jody Land

The Rev. Dr Joseph Jeter, Jr., who is an Eagle Scout and Professor of Preaching at Brite Divinity School will be speaking at the National Association of Christian Church Scouters, a group of adult members associated with The Boy Scouts of America that was organized in 1991. The Association is sponsoring a breakfast at 7:00 am on Saturday, July 21, 2007, at the First Christian Church, Sixth and Throckmorton Streets in downtown Fort Worth.

Reservations can be made by contacting Terry Smith at (817) 838-2222 or smithrt@swbell.net. The breakfast costs \$20.00 payable at the door. Walk up visitors are welcome, but reservations would be appreciated.



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



July 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY 9:00 AM - Elders' Meeting (E) 12:00 Noon - Cabinet Meeting (FLC)	2	3	4 9:00 AM - Fourth of July Parade <i>4th of July</i> Church Office Closed	5	6	7
8 5:00 PM - Recycle Round-Up	9 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	10	11	12 7:00 PM - Disciples Women Meeting (E) 7:00 PM - Disciples Men Meeting (C)	13	14
15	16	17	18 12:00 PM - FCC Friends (E)	19 7:00 PM - Board Meeting (E)	20	21 General Assembly Ft. Worth July 21-25
Trinity-Brazos Area JYF II Camp - July 16-20						
22 11:00 AM - Linda McCrae-Guest Speaker 12:00 Noon - Pot Luck Luncheon (FLC)	23 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	24	25	26	27	28
General Assembly-Ft. Worth July 21-25						
29 4:00 PM - Youth to The Gathering	30	31	Regular Sunday Activities: 8:15 AM - Early Worship 10:00 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Traditional Worship Regular Wednesday Activities: 9:30 AM - Ladies Bible Study			