

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, April 14, 2014



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:

Chapel Worship	8:00 AM
Sunday School	10:00 AM
Worship	11:00 AM

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817-295-4123	817-295-0750

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 6:30 am-4:30 pm
Closed Fridays

Learning Center Hours: Monday-Friday-6:30 am-5:30 pm

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Listening For God's Voice

"He is not here; for he has risen" -- Matthew 28:6

By the time we arrive at the tomb with Mary Magdalene, early-really early on that first Easter morning, only a week has passed since that triumphant Palm Sunday entrance into Jerusalem. But what a difference the days between Palm Sunday and Easter have made. There are no cheering crowds, no waving branches. Now we join a few silent women setting out in the gray dawn to perform the last sad rites at the tomb.

The day that chanted human history was not a public occasion, but a private one. The day when everlasting life broke into earthly time began not with celebration but with tears.

This is still the way Easter breaks into our lives-when we least expect it, when all seems lost. That's when the stone rolls away and the angel speaks, not only to Mary Magdalene, but to us as well. It is here, at the tomb on that first Easter morning when we come to understand that "death is swallowed up in victory."

If it seems too good to be true, this joy that invades our hearts, it seemed so on the first Easter morning too. Mary Magdalene could not believe what her eyes were telling her; she took Jesus to be a gardener at work early among the graves. Preoccupied with her loss, she barely glanced at the figure standing before her on the path. She had a mournful task to fill and then she heard his voice, "Mary".

There in the first light of dawn, Mary stood still. That voice-that tone of loving involvement. This was the moment, the moment when Jesus called her by name, that Easter broke like the sunrise into her heart. It is how we recognize Him still. The risen Jesus calls us so personally, comes into our lives so individually, that with Mary Magdalene, we cry out in glad recognition.

And then we do what the women did on that first Easter Sunday. Dropping their spices and ointments, the burdens of their sad errand, they rushed to tell the others. They set the pattern, these women who were first at the empty tomb, the two-fold pattern of the Christian faith newborn that Easter morning, they met the living Jesus. And they brought the good news to those who grieved.

That's always our role, when it's Easter in our lives; to tell someone-to tell everyone-that He is risen. Let us join our voices together and proclaim, "He is risen! He is risen indeed!"

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

Offering	03/23/14
Gen. Fund	1,080.20
Build. Fund	130.00
CLOTH Fund	40.00

Offering	03/30/14
Gen. Fund	1,520.00
Build. Fund	1,459.00

Offering	04/06/14
Gen. Fund	3,305.00
Build. Fund	407.00
Baptistry Repair	180.00
The WARM Place	150.00

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,250.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

March 30, 2014	
Chapel Service	4
Traditional	68
April 6, 2014	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	43
April 13, 2014	
Chapel Service	4
Traditional	68



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger and Kim Morgan in the Chapel Service.

Jean Crawford; Lyle Owen; Charlie Kuehlem; Hilda Rushing; Iris Wilson; Sharon Jennings; Whitney Slate; Isaiah Coble; Jada and Chandon Rogers; Claudia Moreno and Anna Sophia; Joe Gamb; Marjorie Armstrong; Sharon Brown; Beverly Turner; Hernan, David & Iker Argüello; Betty Widmann; Ken Barber; Haley Huddleston and 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, APRIL 16, 2014

- 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
- 6:00 PM Board Meeting (FLC)
- 7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014

MAUNDY THURSDAY

- 3:00 PM Eggstravaganza for Learning Center (FLC)
- 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service with New Hope Fellowship (S) followed by refreshments and Fellowship with New Hope (FLC)

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014

GOOD FRIDAY

- 6:35 PM Carpool from FLC parking area for Good Friday activities
- 7:00 PM Good Friday activities with New Hope Fellowship-Cook out begins at 7:00 pm, Service begins at 7:45 pm
- 9:00 PM 24 Hour Prayer Vigil (C)

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2014

- 9:00 PM 24 Hour Prayer Vigil Ends

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2014

EASTER SUNDAY

- 9:30 AM Easter Brunch (FLC)
- 11:00 AM Worship (S)

No Chapel Service, Prayer Group, Sunday School or Line Dance Class

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2014

- 9:30 PM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
- 7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2014

- 8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
- 9:00 AM Prayer Group (E)
- 10:00 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship (S)
- 2:00 PM FCC Learning Center End of Year Program (S)
- 4:00 PM Line Dance Class (FLC)

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2014

- 9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



The Power of Prayer



Those in Need of Prayer:

Because our newsletter is now online, we will no longer be listing specific medical conditions.

Thank you for your continued prayers for all.

Mary Jo Coates
Annie Cromwell
Ed Findley
Bill Gunn
Bill & Carol Gunn's 2 great granddaughters

Bob Lee
Grace McGee
Heinz Wichterich
A Father

We Rejoice With:

Natalie Argüello & family
Ken Barber
Bryson Bonds
Sharon Brown

Ky Gregory
Relay for Life
Beverly Turner
Betty Widmann

Continued Prayers for:

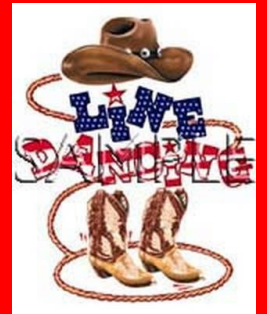
Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton, Diane Chilton, Bobbie Cockerham, Doyle DePratter, Billy & Penny Enochs, Cyndy Garrett, Brooke Hester, John Higginbotham, Mindy Luck, Christal McGee, Dick Nash, Winnie Rasco, Flora Roe, Danny Rubis, Jean Rubis, Jennifer Spradlin, Juanita Stewart, Carol Wright, Greg Wright, Roseann Wright, Our country's leaders and world leaders

Our own military people:

GySgt Ky B. Gregory, Lt Col Steve Storch, 1st Class Petty Officer James McGee, Landon Wheeler



LINE DANCING CLASS
SUNDAYS AT 4:00 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER
Families are welcome too!
Will not meet on Easter Sunday



LEARNING CENTER NEWS



This is a very busy month for us. We are continuing our learning of letters, colors and shapes. This month we are focusing on the letters Y, D & V, the color orange and the diamond shape. On our Bible journey we are learning the events of Holy Week, and we are going to make Resurrection Buns. We will have our spring party and egg hunt on Thursday, April 17th, followed by a trip to the Eggstravaganza, hosted by First Christian Church. The Learning Center will be closed on Good Friday, April 18th. We have had Donuts with Dad this month and Mr. Larry Womack, Ventriloquist, will be returning again this year with his Magical Wipe off Erase Board! We still have spots available in our infant, wobbler and toddler rooms. Our two's, three's and pre-k classes are all full!



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

APRIL 17

MAUNDY THURSDAY

3:00 PM Eggstravaganza for Learning Center (FLC)

7:00 PM-Maundy Thursday Service (S)

With New Hope Fellowship

Refreshments and Fellowship with New Hope
in the FLC following the service

APRIL 18

GOOD FRIDAY

6:35 Carpool from FLC parking area for Good Friday
activities

7:00 PM-Good Friday Activities with New

Hope Fellowship-8 Davis Road, Crowley, TX 76036

Hot dog cookout begins at 7:00 pm

Good Friday Service begins at 7:45 pm

9:00 PM-24 Hour Prayer Vigil Begins (C)

APRIL 19

9:00 PM-24 Hour Prayer Vigil Ends

APRIL 20

EASTER SUNDAY

9:30 AM-Easter Brunch (FLC)

11:00 AM Worship Service (S)

No Chapel Service, Prayer Group, Sunday School or
Line Dance Class

APRIL HARVEST HOUSE



**20 POUNDS OF FOOD
\$240.00 IN DONATIONS**