

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, August 25, 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.

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Sunday Schedule:

Chapel Worship 8:00 AM

Sunday School 10:00 AM

Worship 11:00 AM

Website: www.fccburleson.org

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

Making Time For Prayer

"We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ." --

I Thessalonians 1:2-3

Looking at the calendar, our Labor Day holiday comes as early as possible this year - next Monday, September 1st. The holiday has unofficially come to be the mark of the end of summer, although we certainly know that there are many summer-like days still ahead of us here in North Texas. It's kind of like a second Groundhog Day isn't it? The groundhog comes out, sees his shadow and retreats back into the ground signaling several more weeks of summer - at least for us.

As we know, the federal holiday Labor Day, to be observed on the first Monday each September, was signed into law by President Grover Cleveland in 1894 and dedicated to the social and economic achievements of workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country. We typically celebrate the holiday with parades, family cook-outs and often squeezing in a late season vacation weekend. For me personally, my strongest Labor Day memory was September 3, 1961, when my parents and I spent the night in the gymnasium of a local Baptist Church in Corpus Christi as Hurricane Carla barreled into the Texas coastline.

Although not a religious holiday, Labor Day is still an excellent reminder of how we are called to live out our Christian faith through our endeavors. As the Apostle Paul wrote in his first letter to the Thessalonians, we remain dedicated to our works of faith and our labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Recently, I came across a prayer I believe is appropriate for Labor Day, written by the 16th-century church reformer John Calvin. I share it with you as we each continue on our journey of faith, witnessing to the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

"My God, Father and Savior, since you have commanded us to work in order to meet our needs, sanctify our labor that it may bring nourishment to our souls as well as our bodies.

Make us constantly aware that our efforts are worthless unless guided by your light and by your hand.

Make us faithful to the particular tasks for which you have bestowed upon us the necessary gifts, taking from us any envy or jealousy at the vocations of others.

Give us a good heart to supply the needs of the poor, saving us from any desire to exalt ourselves over those who receive our bounty.

And if you should call us into greater poverty than we humanly desire, save us from any spirit of defiance or resentment, but rather let us graciously and humbly receive the bounty of others.

Above all, may every temporal grace be matched by spiritual grace, that in both body and soul we may live to your glory. Amen."

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

Offering	08/17/14
Gen. Fund	3,119.51
Build. Fund	1,327.00
Faith Matters	2,185.00

Offering	08/24/14
Gen. Fund	1,346.00
Build. Fund	452.00
Faith Matters	10.00
Habitat for Humanity	333.00

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,200.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

August 17, 2014	
Chapel Service	3
Traditional	60
August 24, 2014	
Chapel Service	3
Traditional	64



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger
in the Chapel Service.

Greta Eller; Mary Jo Coates; Barney & Emmie Nash; James Wood; Angelica Victoria; Ralph & Mariel Biggs; Hilda Rushing; Marjorie Armstrong; Iris Wilson; Nola West; Andy Prather; Nancy & Austyn Taylor; Barbara Warren; Linda Robinson; Jessica Carlton; Beverly Turner 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.

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY September 7, 2014

Please bring breakfast items such as cereal, pasta, mac n cheese, canned goods, and items for school lunches such as fun fruits and snacks.



CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2014

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2014

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)

9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)

10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes

11:00 AM Worship (S)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2014

LABOR DAY - Church Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014

9:30 PM Ladies Bible Study (MR)

7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2014

2:00 PM 90th Birthday Celebration for
Jack Gregory, Sr. (FLC)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2014

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)

9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)

10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes

11:00 AM Worship (S)

12:00 PM Elders' Meeting (MR)

4:00 PM Line Dance Class (FLC)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



PLEASE REMEMBER!

- ◆ TURN OFF ALL LIGHTS
- ◆ AIR CONDITIONING/HEATERS
- ◆ SET THE ALARM
- ◆ LOCK ALL DOORS

BEFORE LEAVING THE BUILDING.



The Power 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.

Those in Need of Prayer:

Michael Reed Barker-Kaye Gregory's Half-Brother
Family of Tom Brunson
Bill Carlton's Grandson
Dorothy Carlton-Bill Carlton's Sister-in-Law
Diane Chilton
Elizabeth Gamb
Bill Gunn's Family
Family of Dick Marshall
Deana McCoy
Flora Roe
Carole Wright
Friends at Trinity Mission
Teachers, Administrators & Students in all school districts
Unspoken Prayers

We Rejoice With:

Mary Jo Coates
Wayne & Anne English
Dewey Struck
Nola West
Rain

Continued Prayers for:

Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton, Diane Chilton, Cindy Cox, Bobbie Cockerham, Doyle DePratter, Anne English, Cyndy Garrett, Brooke Hester, John Higginbotham, Mindy Luck, Christal McGee, Dick Nash, Danny Rubis, Jean Rubis, Jennifer Spradlin, Juanita Stewart, 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

Will not meet this Sunday, August 31, 2014.

We will see you at our next class on
Sunday, September 7, 2014 at 4:00 pm.

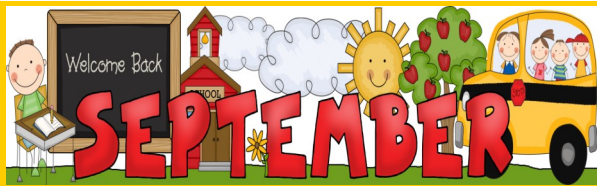
FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Families are welcome too!

LEARNING CENTER NEWS

We are in our second week of our year in the Learning Center. This year has been our smoothest start so far! We still have a limited number of openings in a few classes. So if you know someone looking for childcare, please have them give us a call.





BIRTHDAYS

Linda Cronenberg	9/2
Jack Gregory, Sr.	9/5
Brandon Ptak	9/5
Maxine Lee	9/12
John Higginbotham	9/13
Wade Bryan	9/23
Steve Rubis	9/24
Scott Vastine	9/24
Steve Hindman	9/24
Dick Nash	9/25



Thank you to my church family for all the calls, cards and prayers during my recent health problems. Because of you, I am doing much better now and hope to be back in church soon.

I Love You All,
Needra Womack



HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Mary Bryan
Greeters: Sandra Hay; Margie Lile
Acolyte Attendant: Diana McGee
Communion Preparation:
 Marion Higginbotham
Attendance Registers: Mary Bourland
Children's Sermon:
 07 Diana McGee
 14 Mary Bryan
 21 Richard Bryan
 28 Wayne English
Scripture Reading:
 07 Angela Kaker
 14 Diana McGee
 21 Steve McGee
 28 Don Welch
Deacon Team: Tommy & Angela Kaker;
 Don & Kathy Welch
Serving at the Table: Jack Gregory, Jr.;
 Wayne English



YOU ARE INVITED

Help us celebrate **JACK GREGORY, SR's** 90th birthday on
Saturday, Sept. 6th.



First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
601 SW Johnson Ave., Burleson, TX 76028
Family Life Center - 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Come and Go - No Presents, Please.

Contact Jack, Jr. if you have any questions.
JackGregoryJr@aol.com
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**Habitat
for Humanity®**

Habitat for Humanity is an international, non-governmental, and non-profit organization, which was founded in 1976. This is a Christian ministry that has addressed the issues of poverty housing all over the world by building "simple, decent, and affordable" housing. This Fall, Disciples of Christ churches in our area will be providing manpower and funds toward a housing project in Fort Worth.

If you were unable to give a special offering to help support this ministry last Sunday, you will have another opportunity this Sunday, August 31, when we will again pass the Blessing Basket during worship. You can also mail your donation to First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), PO Box 57, Burleson, TX 76097. Write checks to First Christian Church and designate for Habitat for Humanity.

Choir Practice Resumes

Wednesday, September 3
7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

EVERYONE IS WELCOME
TO JOIN US



Sing for
joy in
the
LORD

Sunday Morning Classes

10:00 am

We are growing and need more room so beginning next Sunday, August 31, Sunday Morning Classes will be in these locations:

Children's Class taught by Mary Bryan will meet in the meeting room next to the Chapel. It has windows!

The Adult Class lead by Kaye Gregory will meet in the Family Life Center.

The Fellowship Bible Study lead by Steve McGee will remain in the Chapel.

PRAYER GROUP

Sundays, 9:00 am (MR)

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays, 9:30 am (MR)

DISCIPLES WOMEN MEETING

Thursday, September 11, 11:30 am

Juanice Wichterich's Home

325 Fox Lane, Burleson - 817-295-1502

Barbara Bond and Juanice are hostesses. Juanice will present the Study and Worship.

Need a ride? Call Marion at 817-454-0736 or carpool from FLC parking lot at 11:15 am.

All ladies of the church and their guests are invited.

Bring Your Offering & Personal Items for Harvest House

DATE REMINDERS

Sandwich Luncheon & Dessert Auction — October 12
Women's Retreat in Athens — October 24-25-26



Just Desserts...

and Sandwich Luncheon



Sunday ■ October 12 ■ After the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service ■ In the FLC



Come to the Family Life Center for a complimentary Sandwich Luncheon followed by our Annual Dessert Auction.

*Sponsored by Disciples Women.
Proceeds go to church, community,
national, and worldwide projects we support.
This is our only fundraiser of the year -
so thank you for being generous.*



**Mark Your
Calendars!
October 12**



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



September 2014



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day  Church Office Closed	2	3	4	5	6 2:00 PM - 90th Birthday Party for Jack Gregory, Sr. (FLC)
7 HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY 12:00 PM - Elders Meeting (MR)	8 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	9 6:30 PM - PPRC (MR)	10 6:00 PM - Cabinet Meeting (MR)	11 11:30 AM - Disciples Women Meeting-Juanice Wichterich's Home 7:00 PM - Disciples Men Meeting (C)	12	13 10:00 AM - Set up FLC for Luncheon
14 12:00 PM - Fellowship Luncheon (FLC)	15	16	17 6:00 PM - Board Meeting (FLC)	18	19	20
21	22 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	23	24	25	26	27
28 Reconciliation Special Offering	29	30	Regular Sunday Activities: 8:00 AM - Chapel Worship (C) 9:00 AM - Prayer Group (E) 10:00 AM - Sunday School Classes 11:00 AM - Worship (S) 4:00 PM - Line Dance Class (FLC)		Regular Wednesday Activities: 9:30 AM - Ladies Bible Study (MR) 7:00 PM Choir (S)	