

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, February 10, 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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Closed Fridays

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

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Valentine's Day

"Let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning, for in you I put my trust. Teach me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul" -- Psalm 143:8.

This Friday is Valentine's Day. However, here at First Christian Church, Valentine's Day is Saturday, February 15th as we will gather for our Valentine's Day Celebration beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. I hope you are planning to attend. Lots of good food, fun and Love will abound.

Signs of the season are all around us. From the mall to the restaurant to the florist to the grocery store, merchants are making every effort to focus our attention on that one four-letter word, "Love." As the people of God, we truly do want to make the most of every opportunity to act in love towards others -- whether spouse, children or grandchildren, neighbors or friends, co-workers or sweethearts.

But even as we share in the fun of the cards, flowers and chocolates, we might also want to stop for a moment to consider those who may feel unloved or even abandoned at this time of year: the young, single mom who can't make ends meet; our service men and women who are serving thousands of miles from home; the frail resident of a nursing home or assisted living facility; or the elderly men and women who have outlived their spouses and many of their friends. No matter what our stage or condition in life, all of us crave love. Without it, life is empty and often painful.

What a blessing, then, to know the unfailing love of our Savior, Jesus Christ! Scripture uses the term translated, "unfailing love," nearly three dozen times; each time, it describes the love of God, not that of any human being. Our love often flickers and sometimes even fails. Yet, despite our failures to love, despite our refusal to act in love at times, the love of our Lord toward us never, ever fails.

That unfailing love carried Jesus all the way to the cross, there to die for us. Now, that love flows through us, like a perpetual fountain. Refreshed day by day through the forgiveness and acceptance we enjoy in Christ, we become people who refresh others through the unconditional acceptance and love we show them. In our love, others come to know the love of Jesus. This is exactly what our Lord himself promised.

May our prayer in this season of love be that the Spirit of Christ continue to lead us to love one another, just as He has loved us. Happy Valentine's Day!

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

Offering	02/02/14
Gen. Fund	1,870.00
Build. Fund	607.00

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,250.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

February 2, 2014	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	49
February 9, 2014	
Chapel Service	3
Traditional	62



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger and Bob Lee in the Chapel Service.

Marjorie Armstrong; Hilda Rushing; Gage Baird; Katie Savinski; Kelly Sprowls; Fermin & Wilma Rodriguez; Margarita Rodriguez; Greta Eller; Larry & Needra Womack; Whitney & Victoria Slate; Isaiah Coble; Micaela & Emily Cronenberg; Tracy & Seth Sargent; Maya McGee; Joe Gamb; Jean Crawford 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, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

- 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (Meeting Room)
- 6:00 PM Cabinet Meeting (E)
- 7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2014

- 11:00 AM Disciples Women Meeting (Linda Cronenberg's Home)
- 7:00 PM Disciples Men Meeting (FLC)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2014

- 6:30 PM Disciples Men Decorate FLC for Valentine Celebration (FLC)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2014

- 6:30 PM Western Valentine Celebration (FLC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2014

WEEK OF COMPASSION SPECIAL OFFERING

- 8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
- 9:00 AM Prayer Group (E)
- 10:00 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship (S)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2014

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2014

WEEK OF COMPASSION SPECIAL OFFERING

- 8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
- 9:00 AM Prayer Group (E)
- 10:00 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship (S)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2014

- 9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



FEBRUARY HARVEST HOUSE

\$190.00

92 Pounds of Food!

Way to go FCC!!



The Power of Prayer



CONCERNS:

Jill Moore, a good friend of Angela Kaker, has been hospitalized with a strep infection in her arm.

Don & Kathy Welch's sister-in-law, Effie, passed away.

Rusty Best passed away.

Bill Stribling passed away.

Pennie Foster, Ronnie Johnson's friend, has breast cancer.

Jean Rubis is recovering at home and receiving therapy from knee replacement surgery.

Bill Carlton is recovering at home after having outpatient gall bladder surgery.

Cyndy Garrett is in Room #206 at Huguley Rehab after several falls and general weakness. They are running tests to find the problem.

Eddie Lile, Margie's son and Kaye Gregory's brother, had a hip replacement on Tuesday, February 11.

Billy Enochs has an appointment at MD Anderson.

Elizabeth Gamb will have gall bladder surgery on Thursday, February 13.

Tommy Kaker is having work related issues.

The family of the young TCU student killed last week. His father is friends with Wayne English.

Steve & Vicki Rubis are home with a stomach virus.

JOYS:

Carole Wright is now at Health South Rehabilitation Center, Room 306B in Ft. Worth. She may be discharged on February 14th.

Bill & Beverly Sholders celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary on February 6th!

Bryson Bonds is preparing for his Confession of Faith & Baptism.

Congratulations to the Rodriguez family, visitors from Denver, who were here for their son's military promotion on February 3.

Valerie Stuart introduced her new housemates Whitney, Victoria & Isaiah.

Sixth grader Bryson Bonds was selected to play a trombone solo at the 7th & 8th grade competition at Crowley Middle School. He received a Division 1 rating for his performance. Way to go, Bryson!!

Steve McGee is driving home from Virginia.

Flora Roe and her family are back home to stay.

Larry & Needra Womack came forward on 2/9/14 to transfer their membership back home with us. Welcome Home!

Continued Prayers for:

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

Our own military people:

GySgt Ky B. Gregory and his troops in Afghanistan, Lt Col Steve Storch, 1st Class Petty Officer James McGee, Landon Wheeler



LEARNING CENTER NEWS

We are busy learning all kinds of new and exciting things. The month of February is the month of Love, and we are learning how we show love to our friends. We are also learning the letters B, U & Z, the number 7, the color pink, and the shape of a heart.

In our Bible journey we are learning about how Jesus calms the storm, how Jesus fed thousands with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish, Jesus walks on the water, and Mary & Martha. In Science we are making butter, moon sand, goop and soap!

Our current enrollment is 50!

ATTENTION MEN OF THE CHURCH



This Saturday is the Western Valentine Celebration. Hopefully you have made plans to come and enjoy a delicious BBQ supper and have a fun night out. In the meantime, we can use your help. This Thursday, at 7:00 pm, we will be finalizing the program. Please come to the Family Life Center. It doesn't matter if this will be your first time to attend. Also, on Friday night at 6:30 pm, we'll meet at the Family Life Center and decorate. Again, we can use everyone's help both nights. If you have any questions, please give Richard Bryan a call at 817-295-3390.

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Board of Directors and the Staff of Disciples Crossing would like to thank you for your support through prayer and monetary donations throughout 2013. The \$4,463.04 that you donated to the camp was very much appreciated. Without your kindness and the generosity of the many churches that support the camp, Disciples Crossing, would be hard pressed to keep its doors open.

This past year we had 4,460 campers come through the gates. Were it not for the blessings that you provided, many of these campers would not have had the opportunity to attend a retreat or summer camp at Disciples Crossing.

Again, thank you for your generous financial donation and for your spiritual support. Please continue to keep the camp and its staff in your thoughts and prayers throughout 2014.

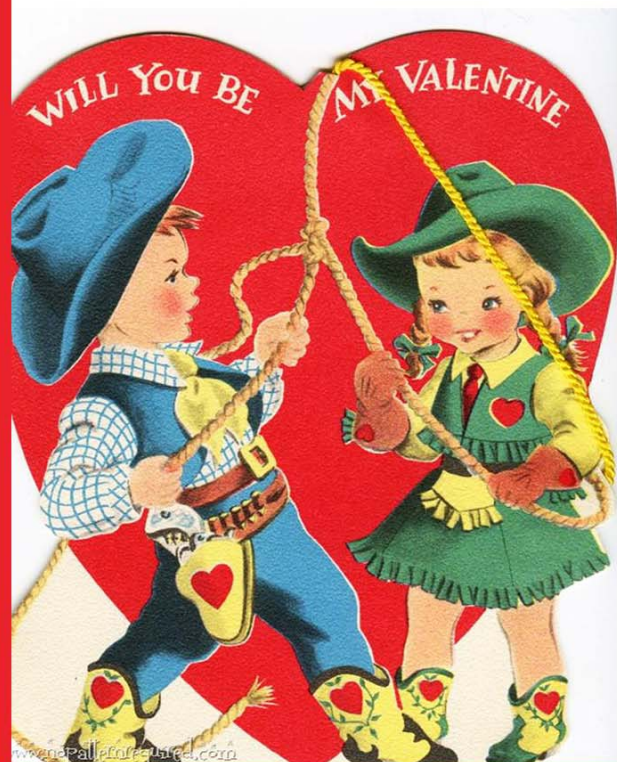
Thank you,

Matt Chandler
Executive Director



		THANK YOU FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH FAMILY
		Disciples Women would like to thank everyone for your support of our fundraising and outreach projects. Your generosity and our offerings, allowed us to give the following in 2013:
Burleson Harvest House	700.00	
Week of Compassion	500.00	
Basic Mission Finance	500.00	
First Christian Church, Burleson		
Meals for 50th Anniversary	660.00	
Roy Cox Memorial C.L.O.T.H. Fund	400.00	
Paper Goods / Office Supplies	155.00	
Honorarium - Cyndy Garrett	25.00	
Brooke Hester Family	365.00	
Disciples Crossing - Future is Now Campaign	300.00	
Burleson Holiday Friends	250.00	
Heifer International - Water Buffalo	250.00	
Disciples Women of the Christian Church — Blessing Boxes	133.86	
Johnson County Meals on Wheels	200.00	
Dallas/Fort Worth Airport Interfaith Chaplaincy	150.00	
Need for Burleson HS Student	150.00	
National Fire Safety - School Program	51.00	
Total	\$4,789.86	

A WESTERN VALENTINE CELEBRATION



1st Christian Church Family Life Center
Saturday, February 15
6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

BBQ SUPPER

Catered by Roscoe's Smokehouse

ENTERTAINMENT FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

Introductory Welcome by Marshal Matt Dillon

TICKETS ON SALE

January 26 - February 10

Couples - \$25.00

Single Men - \$12.50

Single Ladies - Free as our Guests

Sponsored by Disciples Men



We're Doing Something New!! DISCIPLES WOMEN MEETING

Thursday, February 13

*Meet at the Family Life Center parking area at 11:00 am
and carpool to Linda Cronenberg's home for this month's meeting.*

3505 Brett Jackson, Crowley, TX 76036

817-297-0070

Linda and Carol Findley are our hostesses. Kaye Gregory will give the Study and Worship.

2014 Yearbooks will be handed out.

If you need a ride to the church, contact
Marion Higginbotham on her cell
so arrangements can be made.

(817-454-0736)

All ladies of the church and
their guests are invited.

Bring Your Offering & Service Project Items

We are still collecting personal items to send
to Ky Gregory and his troops in Afghanistan.

Items include Q-Tips, liquid hand soap,
deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste,
dental floss, saline packets for neti pots,
hand wipes, foot powder, lip balm, razor blades
(especially razor blades for Gillette Fusion ProGlide).

