

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, January 11, 2016



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: Mon.-Fri. 6:30 am-5:30 pm

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

What Do We Expect?

"I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you." -- Philippians 3:14-15

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." -- Ephesians 3:20-21

As we begin this new year, I ask "What expectations do we have for our lives and for our faith in 2016? What does God's plan for us look like for the coming year?"

When Paul wrote to the Philippians, he spoke of pressing forward for the prize of the high calling. Though he was physically content whether rich or poor, the apostle was not content with his spiritual condition, but was constantly seeking a deeper, more intimate and fruitful walk with the Lord. Paul had great expectations for his own lifetime, and he accomplished tremendous things. Yet, if he had known while writing his epistles that they would instruct and improve the lives of billions of people for 2,000 years, I think he would be saying to himself, "This I could never have imagined!"

The 19th century American evangelist, preacher and publisher D. L. Moody wrote, "We honor God when we ask for great things. It is a humiliating thing to think that we are satisfied with very small results."

Why do we honor God when we ask for great things, or expect more from Him? Simply because He is great, far greater than we can imagine, but also because we are made in His image. His greatness is glorified by what He performs through our lives. If we desire great things, it's because we're reflecting His awesome nature. It is in us by nature to seek more and greater things -- just as the Apostle Paul did. We should not be ashamed of it when our motives are pure, because our Lord will be glorified all the more. Not seeking fame or fortune, but the glory of Jesus crucified and risen, will be a lifetime of pressing forward, and accomplishing more than we ever could have imagined!

So, as we move into this new year, may we be intentional to allow our minds and our hearts to think and to dream of great accomplishments for Jesus. He Himself said through Paul that He is able to do exceedingly abundant things above all that we ask or think. So let's honor God by seeking the greatest things and then watch Him fulfill more than we could ever have imagined!

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	12/27/15
General Fund	2,816.00
FCC-Local Only	375.00
Building Fund	437.00
CLOTH Fund	17.00

OFFERING	01/03/16
General Fund	3,175.00
FCC-Local Only	105.00
Building Fund	707.00
CLOTH Fund	11.00

OFFERING	01/10/16
General Fund	3,099.00
FCC-Local Only	305.00
Building Fund	782.00
Cross in Narthex	173.17
Gas Royalty	37.14

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,200.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

January 3, 2016	
Chapel Service	3
Traditional	57
January 10, 2016	
Chapel Service	3
Traditional	65



Visitors and Guests

Bob Lee & Roy Fries in the Chapel Service.

Pat Powell; Marjorie Armstrong; Angela Tolliver; Iris Wilson; Kristin Prather; James Dennis; Don & Carolyn Vardeman; Dr. Ken & Jane Neal; Jack & Sylvia Pape; Hilda Rushing; Austyn Taylor; Charlie Kuehlem; A'ishah Amatulah 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, JANUARY 13, 2016

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2016

8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting-Elks Diner
6:00 PM Disciples Women Installation-Spring Creek Barbeque

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2016

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
No Line Dance Class

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2016

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2016

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
No Line Dance Class

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2016

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



JANUARY HARVEST HOUSE

34 Pounds of Food

\$130.00 in Monetary Donations

Harvest
HOUSE

The Power of Prayer



Because our newsletter is now online, we will no longer be listing specific conditions.
Thank you for your continued prayers for all.

Those in Need of Prayer:

Sue Bannister
Marlene Baysinger
Diane Chilton
The family of Juanita Edmonds who passed away
 Juanita is Richard Edmonds' Mother
Kenny English
Wayne English
Pat Guinty
Betty Grisham
Karen Moore
Flora Roe
Karen Willette
The family of Larry Womack who passed away
Bonnie, Doreen Lewis' cousin
Kaitlyn, Joe & Elizabeth Gamb's granddaughter

We Rejoice With:

Angela Tolliver-joined our church
family on January 10, 2016
TCU Win!!

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton, Diane Chilton,
Bobbie Cockerham, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, M'Lee Gonzales, John Higginbotham,
Chance & Wesley Kaker, Deana McCoy, Christal McGee, Karen Milburn, Dorothy Nash,
Troy Smith, Needra Womack, Greg 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

JOINT BOARD/CABINET MEETING



THURSDAY
JANUARY 28
6:00 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER

DISCIPLES WOMEN

DINNER and INSTALLATION MEETING

Thursday, January 14, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Spring Creek Barbeque
13125 S. I-35, Burleson

**ALL LADIES OF THE CHURCH AND
THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED!**



DISCIPLES MEN BREAKFAST AND MEETING

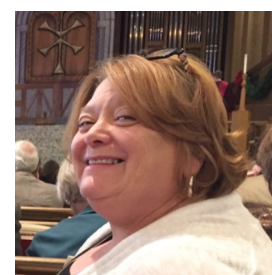
Thursday Jan. 14, 8:30 a.m.

Elks Diner
344 SW Wilshire Blvd, Suite B
Burleson

ELKS DINER

"MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK"

THANK YOU to everyone who helped
last Saturday to put away decorations
and set up the Family Life Center.



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