

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, January 9, 2017



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 (beginning 8/15/16): Mon.-Thurs. 6:30 am-4:30 pm
Closed Fridays

Learning Center Hours: 6:30 am-5:30 pm Mon.-Fri.

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

The Season of Epiphany

"And the word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth." - John 1:14

Epiphany is celebrated on the twelfth day of Christmas, January 6th and is the oldest festival day of the church year. The word "epiphany" means "to show" and it refers to the demonstration of the glory of God in sending Christ into the world. Traditionally, Epiphany is the time of the visit of the Magi, also known as wise men or the Three Kings.

Epiphany, in some ways, is an "expansion" of Christmas. It increases our understanding of our Savior in our faith and lives. At Christmas we commemorate a historical event, the birth of Jesus. The Epiphany, however, commemorates no event but is a season where we discover and celebrate the true significance of the coming of Jesus, the Christ, the Messiah. The idea of the Epiphany is that the Christ, who was born in Bethlehem is recognized by the world. He was manifested as God, and the world recognizes him as God. In the season of Epiphany the humble and helpless baby Jesus is revealed to us as the mighty and merciful Savior God.

We follow the wise men guided by a divine star to worship the King of all people in all the world. We hear the testimony of the Father at Jesus' baptism. "This is my Son, whom I love, with him I am well pleased." We watch Jesus do only things that God can do: turn water into wine, heal the sick, and raise the dead. We walk up the mountain with Peter, James and John and witness the Transfiguration of Jesus, beholding His glory and brilliance as God. Wow!

And all the while Epiphany happens again. In us. The glory of God is revealed in our lives, shining in the dark places and making them glow with the brilliance of promises made and kept. The saving forgiveness of God is revealed in our lives, cleansing sin and purifying us for service to our Lord. The strength of God is revealed in our lives, girding us up to stand firm through times of trouble and to take leaps of joyful faith into uncharted days and months ahead. That's Epiphany.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."-- John 3:16. Thanks be to God for His boundless love.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	12/25/16
General Fund	1,803.00
FCC-Local Only	305.00
Building Fund	707.00
Christmas Offering	70.00

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General Fund	3,630.00
FCC-Local Only	50.00
Building Fund	1,232.00
Christmas Offering	10.00

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,200.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

December 25, 2016	
No Chapel Service	
Traditional	56
January 1, 2017	
No Chapel Service	
Traditional	50
January 8, 2017	
Chapel Service	3
Traditional	65



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger & Roy Fries in the Chapel Service.

JoAnn Mason; Karen Mason; Robert & Virginia Popiel; Hyla Finlayson; Will Davies; Joy Young; Doreen Lewis; James Dennis; Kristin Prather; Charlie Kuehlem; Riley Conyers; Andrew Tvardzik; Alexis Garcia; Melissa Goelner; Darb Dewar & Terri Tipton; Bob & Janet Evans; Toni Loeffler & Brian Evans; Richard, Stacy & Sam Kearns; Collin, Tiffanie, Isaac & Felicity Gregory; John & Dottie Mehaffey; 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 11, 2017

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
6:00 PM No Cabinet Meeting
7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017

8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting (The Porch)
6:00 PM Disciples Women Dinner & Installation (Mary Bryan's Home)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2017

10:00 AM Set up FLC for Soup/Stew Luncheon

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2017

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 Soup/Stew Luncheon (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
6:00 PM No Board Meeting
7:00 PM Choir Practice

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2017

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2017

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



JANUARY HARVEST HOUSE

52 Pounds of Food

\$174.00 in Cash 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:

Roy Cronenberg
Pat & Carol Findley
Francine Forman, Joan Kearns' daughter
Len Gerstner, former member
Melissa Goelner
Donna Huggins
Denise McAlister & family-Kaye Gregory's cousin
Diana McGee's Aunt Pat
Flora Roe
A co-worker of Steve Rubis whose brother passed away
A friend & co-worker of Steve Rubis passed away
Valerie Stuart
The family of Jim Welch who passed away. Jim was
Don Welch's brother.
The family of Richard Yarborough who passed away in Hillsboro.
Jacob & Justin, grandsons of Iris Wilson

We Rejoice With:

Bill & Carol Gunn celebrated
their 55th Wedding Anniversary!
Jack & Kaye Gregory celebrated
their 43rd Wedding Anniversary!
Charlie Kuehlem joined FCC on
January 8, 2017.
Virginia Popiel joined FCC on
January 1, 2017.
Darb Dewar & Terri Tipton
celebrated their 11th Wedding
Anniversary!
Valerie Stuart
Lyle Rudolph graduated from law
School.

Continued Prayers for:

Marjorie Armstrong; Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton,
Bobbie Cockerham, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, M'Lee Gonzales,
Karen Milburn, O.K. & Jane Neal, Needra Womack & Carole 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

JOINT BOARD/CABINET MEETING



THURSDAY
JANUARY 26
6:00 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER



SOUP/STEW LUNCHEON

Sunday, January 15
12:00 PM

Please bring your favorite soup, stew,
salad, bread, cornbread, crackers or
dessert and join us in the Family Life
Center as we enjoy some good food,
fun and fellowship.



Saying "thank you" seems so inadequate when expressing my appreciation for all the hospital visits, cards, phone calls, text messages, flowers and plants and especially prayers during my recent illness, hospitalization, recuperation and follow-up treatment at home. I'm still on antibiotic treatment for the infection I was diagnosed with, but as soon as my doctors give me the "all clear" report I hope to be back in worship with my church family. Your expressions of love and your prayers have meant so much to me and my family, and again, I say Thank You!



Flora Roe

DISCIPLES WOMEN DINNER AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Thursday, Jan. 12, 6:00 p.m.

Mary Bryan's Home
216 SW Taylor, Burleson
817-295-3390

*Carpool from the FLC
parking lot at 5:45 p.m.*



DISCIPLES MEN BREAKFAST AND MEETING

Thursday, January 12
8:30 a.m.

NEW MEETING PLACE

THE PORCH
140 S. Wilson
Burleson

The Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival



January 8th
University
Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Fort Worth

