

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, July 27, 2015



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

Summer Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 am-2:00 pm
Closed Fridays

Learning Center Hours: Closed for the Summer

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Learning to be Generous

"God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work." -- 2 Corinthians 9:8.

I recently read the story of a father who took his son to McDonald's and bought him a supersized order of French fries. On the way home, those fries smelled so good, he reached over and took one little French fry out of his son's carton and ate it. His son got all upset and said, "Dad, you can't have that one. These are my fries!" The father immediately had three thoughts:

"First, my child has forgotten that I am the source of all fries. I took him to McDonald's. I placed the order. I paid for the order. I handed them to him and I'm driving him back home. The only reason he got any fries was because of me, the Great Fry Giver!"

"Second, my child doesn't realize I could take the fries away in a second if I want to. Or, on the other hand, I could buy him an entire truckload of fries if I wanted to, because I have the power to do either."

"Third, I didn't need his fries. I could easily get my own. I could buy myself a hundred cartons of them if I wanted to. I just wanted him to learn to be unselfish."

Those three lessons are the same ones God wants us to learn so that we can be generous with other people. First, God wants us to remember that He is the source of everything we have. We would have nothing -- we wouldn't even be alive -- if it weren't for God's boundless generosity. God chose to create each of us and give us everything we have and need. Second, God is certainly capable of taking it all away from us in an instant, or He could double it, because He's got the power. Third, God doesn't need the resources He has entrusted to us. God surely wants us to learn to be unselfish and generous as we grow in our faith.

So what happens when we start becoming a more generous person? The Apostle Paul tells us in his second letter to the Corinthians, "God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

God is telling us through the Apostle Paul that if we will practice generosity, He will give us everything we need plus more so that we will have enough to share with other people. God is looking for a channel like a straw, and when He finds it -- when He finds someone who is willing to say, "God, use me to be a blessing to other people" -- He just starts pouring blessing after blessing through it.

Therefore, as we learn to be generous with others out of the abundance that He has given to us, God will bless us more than we can ever imagine.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	07/19/15
General Fund	1,769.00
FCC-Local Only	560.00
Building Fund	1,097.00
CLOTH Fund	15.00

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,200.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

July 19, 2015	
Chapel Service	4
Traditional	57
July 26, 2015	
Chapel Service	4
Traditional	63



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger in the Chapel Service.

Greta Eller; Hilda Rushing; Erika Silberman;
Iris Wilson; Ellen Finet; James Dennis;
Betty Grisham; Marjorie Armstrong;
Ed & Karen Willette; 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, JULY 29, 2015

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2015

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)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2015

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2015

No Set up of FLC needed for Luncheon

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2015

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 Fellowship Luncheon (FLC)

4:00 PM Line Dance Class (FLC)

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2015

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

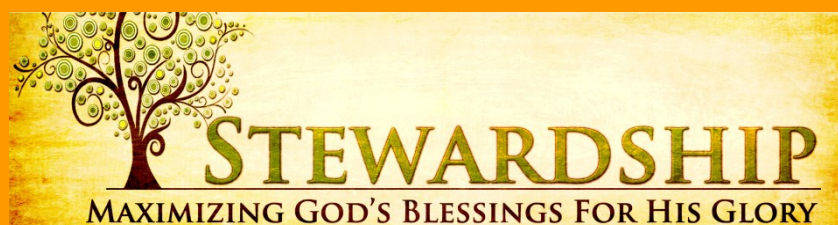
(E) Education (C) Chapel
(S) Sanctuary (FLC) Family Life Center
(MR) Meeting Room



"When You're Gone...Our Bills Go On."

We still need everyone's help through the year...even when you are on vacation.

Your Stewardship Committee



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:

Suzanne Barton
Ruby Carlton
Stan Gamb-Joe Gamb's Brother
Bo & Jessica Hester-Brooke Hester's Parents & Family
John Higginbotham
The family of Francis Lewis
Ray Maxon
Deana McCoy
Flora Roe
Linda Swan
Barbara Warren
Carole, Roseann & Barrett Wright
Needra Womack

We Rejoice With:

Barbara Bond's 79th Birthday!
Ellen Finet-Pene Enochs' Cousin
Jean Rubis' 87th Birthday!
Bernice Williams' Birthday

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton, Diane Chilton,
Bobbie Cockerham, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, John Higginbotham,
Chance & Wesley Kaker, Mindy Luck, Deana McCoy, Christal McGee, Karen Milburn, Dick Nash,
Dave & Cheryl Tinker, Barbara Warren; 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



LINE DANCING CLASS

Sundays at 4:00 PM
In the Family Life Center

Families are Welcome!



Remember Elders, Board, Cabinet &
Stewardship Committee Meetings
will not be held during July unless there
is a called meeting.

AUGUST



BIRTHDAYS

8/2	Rae McGowan
8/6	Andy Penney
8/15	Jack Gregory, Jr.
8/15	Mindy Sansom
8/18	Angie Stanton
8/19	Jessica Kaker
8/23	Matthew Hindman
8/24	Maya McGee
8/25	Terri Lester
8/27	Donna Huggins
8/28	Imogene Cottman
8/29	Natalie Argüello
8/30	Needra Womack



August

HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Larry Womack

Greeters: Burt & Barbara Bond

Communion Preparation: Margie Lile

Attendance Registers: John Higginbotham

Children's Sermon:

02 Jack Gregory, Jr.

09 Kaye Gregory

16 Diana McGee

23 Dorothy Nash

30 Jim Sanders

Scripture Reading:

02 Mary Bryan

09 Richard Bryan

16 Elizabeth Gamb

23 Jack Gregory, Jr.

30 Kaye Gregory

Deacon Team: Roy & Linda Cronenberg;

Ronnie & Peggy Johnson

Serving at the Table: Mary Bryan;

Jack Gregory, Jr.





DISCIPLES WOMEN EVENING POOL PARTY and BABY SHOWER HONORING TIFFANIE GREGORY

Thursday • August 13 • 6:00 p.m. at Linda Cronenberg's Home
3505 Brett Jackson, Crowley • 817-201-8074

Hostesses are Marion Higginbotham, Joan Kearns, Lolly Ellis & Linda.
Janie Rudolph and Iris Wilson will present the Study and Worship.

*If you need a ride to the church, contact Mary Bryan at 817-295-3390.
Be at the Family Life Center parking lot at 5:30 p.m. to carpool.*

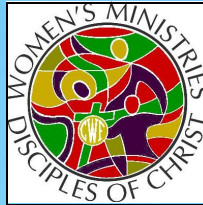
NOTE TIME - 6:00 p.m.

Bring a salad or a dessert with a serving spoon. Bring a towel if you plan on swimming.

ALL LADIES OF THE CHURCH AND THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED!

Gift ideas for Felicity Kaye Gregory

Items most used and needed include:
disposable diapers, unscented wipes,
baby laundry detergent,
baby toiletries, bibs, burp cloths,
receiving blankets, Avent bottles,
Dr. Brown bottles, Diaper Genie refills,
sleepers (any size), gift cards.



Bring Items for the FCC Learning Center

Wipes, Kleenex, Reams of Paper
Healthy Snacks: *Pudding Cups, Fun Fruits,*
Goldfish Crackers - Cheez-Its - Animal Crackers,
Cereal such as Fruit Loops - Cheerios
Socks Sizes - Baby, 3-6 Months & 6-12 Months
Toys for 2 New Classrooms
Ages Infants to 24 Months



**DISCIPLES MEN
BREAKFAST AND MEETING**
Thursday August 13, 8:30 a.m.

Elks Diner
344 SW Wilshire Blvd
Suite B, Burleson

ELKS DINER



ELDERS' MEETING
August 2
Noon (MR)



**Join Us For
Sunday
Morning
Classes**
10:00 am

Children's Class
Meets across from
the Chapel

Adult Class
Meets in the
Family Life Center

**Adult Fellowship
Bible Study**
Meets in the
Chapel



Thank you to everyone who
offered suggestions for
sprucing up our buildings
and grounds. The Church
Board has voted to contract
out some of the work in the
main building. Pardon our
dust (and paint smell) as we
begin the renovations.

If you have any questions
about what is being done,
please contact
Roy Cronenberg,
Buildings/Grounds
Ministry Team Leader.



LINE DANCE LESSONS

Line dancing is
toe-tapping fun!

Join us on
Sundays
at 4:00 pm
in the
Family Life
Center.



**PRAYER
GROUP**
Sundays
9:00 am
in the
Meeting
Room.



**Ladies
Wednesday
Morning
Bible Study**
every week at
9:30 am
in the
Meeting Room



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



August 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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) No Choir Practice for the Summer				1
2 HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY 12:00 PM - Elders' Meeting (MR)	3	4	5	6	7	8 No Set-Up of FLC for Luncheon
9 12:00 PM - Fellowship Luncheon (FLC)	10 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	11	12 6:00 PM - Cabinet Meeting (MR)	13 8:30 AM - DMF Breakfast & Mtg - Elks Diner 6:00 PM - DWF Pool Party & Baby Shower for Tiffanie Gregory- Linda Cronenberg's Home	14	15
16	17 6:30 AM - First Day of FCCLC 2015-2016 Year	18	19 6:00 PM - Board Meeting (FLC)	20	21	22
23	24 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	25	26 6:00 PM - Stewardship Meeting (MR)	27	28	29
30	31					