

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, May 23, 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.

Address: 601 SW Johnson Ave., Burleson, TX 76028

Telephone:

817-295-4123

Fax:

817-295-0750

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

Mike Kearns, Senior Pastor **Cell Phone:** 214-364-6453

E-Mail: pastormike21@hotmail.com

Terri Lester, Secretary

E-Mail: terri@fccburleson.org

Angie Stanton, Learning Center Director

E-Mail: angie@fccburleson.org

PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

We Don't Have To Forget

"We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose."
—Romans 8:28

We've heard this phrase over and over: "Forgive and forget". There's only one problem with it: We can't do it. It's impossible! We really can't forget a hurt in our life. In fact, we can't even try to forget it, because when we're trying to forget we are actually focusing on the very thing we want to forget.

Now, forgiveness is another matter. Jesus speaks clearly in the 6th chapter of Matthew's gospel when He says, *"For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."* We cannot receive what we are unwilling to give.

As noted above, the Apostle Paul in his letter to the Romans wrote, "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose." Paul does not say that all things are good, because all things are not good. There are many things in life that are evil. Not everything that happens in this world is God's will.

But God says He will work good out of the bad things in life if we will trust Him. When we come to Him and say, "God, I give you all the pieces of my life," He will return His peace for our pieces. He gives us peace in our hearts that comes from knowing that even if we don't understand the hurt in our life, we can still forgive, knowing that God will use that pain for good.

So, we don't have to forget the wrong that someone did to us. God says we don't have to forget it. We just have to forgive, and then see how He will bring good out of it.

That's a lot easier said than done. When we have been deeply wounded by the words or actions of another, often a deep resentment begins to fester within us. And if we cannot bring ourselves to forgive the one who caused the wounds, that resentment continues to grow.

Several years ago, I found a piece titled "Resent Somebody" that speaks to this very real danger in our lives. I encourage each of us to contemplate these thoughts as we strive to forgive those who have hurt us.

"Resent Somebody"

The moment you start to resent a person you become their slave. They control your dreams, absorb your digestion, rob you of peace of mind and good will, and take away the pleasure of your work.

They ruin your spirituality and nullify your prayers. You cannot take a vacation without them going along! They destroy your freedom of mind and hound you wherever you go. There is no way to escape the person you resent.

They are with you when you are awake. They invade your privacy when you sleep. They are close beside you when you eat, when you drive your car and when you are on the job. You can never have efficiency or happiness. They influence even the tone of your voice.

They require you to take medicine for indigestion, headaches and loss of energy. They even steal your last moment of consciousness before you go to sleep. So if you want to be a slave, harbor your resentments.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	05/08/16
General Fund	3,326.00
FCC-Local Only	305.00
Building Fund	857.00

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,200.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

May 15, 2016	
No Chapel Service	
Traditional	67
May 22, 2016	
Chapel Service	4
Traditional	67



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger & Bob Lee
in the Chapel Service.

Vernon & Cordelia Fields; Ann Miller; Kristin Prather; Dhanice Ororay; Lauren Dreyer; Ann Gartman; Barrett Danelski; James Dennis; Isaac Gregory; Bob & Mary Ann Erickson; Monty & Karen Owen; Charlie Kuehlem; Emmy Nash; Micah & Quinn Nelson 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.

NEWS FROM THE LEARNING CENTER

The last day of the Learning Center's 2015-2016 school year is Friday, June 1st. We are celebrating with several special days including Field Day, Water Day, and a Luau Party. At this time, we are full for the 2016-2017 school year, and have several people on the waiting list!



CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2016

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

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2016

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
4:00 PM Line Dance Class (FLC)

MONDAY, MAY 30, 2016

MEMORIAL DAY - Church Office Closed

TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2016

6:30 PM Roadrunners Square Dance
Practice (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2016

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
1:30 PM PPRC Meeting (MR)
6:00 PM Stewardship Committee Meeting (MR)
7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2016

FCC Learning Center Last Day-Closed for Summer

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2016

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, JUNE 8, 2016

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
6:00 PM Cabinet Meeting (MR)
7:00 PM Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2016

8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting
(Elks Diner)
10:00 AM Disciples Women Brunch & Meeting
(Kathy Welch's Home)

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2016

10:00 AM Set up FLC for Potluck Luncheon

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2016

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
4:00 PM Line Dance Class (FLC)

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2016

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



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:

Annie Cromwell
First Christian Church-Lake Jackson-Fire
Bill Gunn
Randy Gunn
Jan Janusch-Rhonda Jansuch's mother-in-law
Christal McGee
Casey Nash
Troy Smith
Richard & Pat Yarborough
Bill-Pene Enochs' friend

We Rejoice With:

Paul Holton & Carole Wright were
in worship
Wesley Kaker-Burleson High
School graduate & received a 2
year college scholarship
The Kaker family thanks everyone
for Graduate Recognition for
Wesley on Sunday, May 15th.
Relay for Life-Participants &
Supporters

Continued Prayers for:

Marjorie Armstrong; Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton, Diane Chilton,
Bobbie Cockerham, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, M'Lee Gonzales, John Higginbotham;
Karen Milburn, Dorothy Nash, 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, Landon Wheeler



HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY JUNE 5

Please bring items such as peanut butter and jelly, mac n cheese, ce-
real, spaghetti sauce & noodles, snacks such as fun fruits, goldfish
crackers, cheese-its, granola bars and cereal bars.

During the summer, the church office will
operate on a summer schedule. The office
will be open Monday-
Thursday from 9:00 am to
2:00 pm and closed on
Fridays.



The Stewardship Committee meeting originally
scheduled for Wednesday has been resched-
uled for Wednesday, June 1, 2016. It will
begin at 6:00 pm in the Meeting Room.





BIRTHDAYS

6/1	Melissa Brown
6/1	Paul Holton
6/2	Pat Findley
6/12	Anne English
6/13	Cyndy Garrett
6/15	Mariel Biggs
6/20	Doyle DePratter
6/26	Don Welch
6/26	Jean Crawford
6/26	Wesley Kaker
6/28	Joan Kearns



June

HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Mike Toole

Greeters: Tommy & Angela Kaker

Communion Preparation: Juanice Wichterich

Attendance Registers: Sandra Hay

Children's Moment:

05 Diana McGee

12 Dorothy Nash

19 Disciples Women

26 Angela Tolliver

Scripture Reading:

05 Don Welch

12 Mary Bryan

19 Richard Bryan

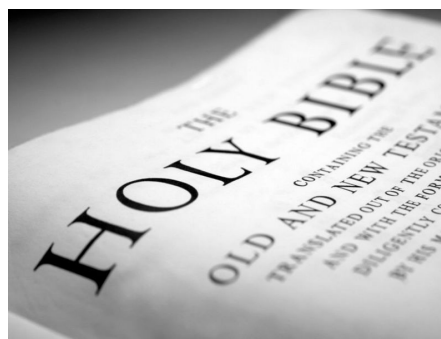
26 Wayne English

Deacon Team: Jerry & Sandra Hay;

Steve & Vicki Rubis; Bryson Bonds

Serving at the Table: Wayne English;

Bill Gunn



MEMORIAL DAY
Monday, May 30th
Church Office Closed



MEETING NOTICE!

The PPRC Meeting that was originally scheduled for Wednesday has been rescheduled to next Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 1:30 pm. We will meet in the Meeting Room.