

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)
Monday, April 12, 2021



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:
Sunday School
Worship 11:00 AM

Website: www.fccburleson.org

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 am-4:00 pm
Closed Fridays

Learning Center Hours: Mon-Fri. 6:30 am-5:30 pm
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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Come and Be There

"The Lord said to Moses 'Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.'"
- Exodus 24:12

At first glance, this fascinating portion of scripture looks like God is merely calling Moses to climb the mountain in order to receive the laws and commandments God has for his people. But there is something so much bigger going on.

The phrase "wait there" in this text is better translated by the phrase, "be there" or "exist there". So, this has led scholars over the years to wrestle with what Moses is actually being asked to do. Is God calling him to climb the mountain to merely get the tablets of stone, or is He asking of Moses something much more profound?

In essence, God is asking Moses to climb the mountain, not only to collect the tablets of stone, but to come up and be there - to exist there. He is asking Moses to come up and to be fully awake, fully alive, and fully present with God in that moment. He is asking Moses to live fully awakened to the fact that he is in the very presence of God, the creator and sustainer of all, in the here and now.

God knows that we live our lives at a breathless pace, rushing from one place to another. In essence, what God is saying to Moses is simply this: "Don't miss it. Don't miss what is going on all around you. Don't be so focused on somewhere else that you miss the very moment that you are in." Like Moses, our tendency would be to climb the mountain, thinking the whole time about what might be on the top, only to reach the top, thinking about what might happen when we get back down. All the time, we miss the mystery of the present moment.

What would it look like to live a life that is fully present? What would it look like to see God all around us, to live in the mystery of the present moment? How would that change our perception of what is important in this life?

As we ponder these questions, we should ask God to awaken us to who we are and what we are doing in this world. We should ask God to help us not to be looking forward to something or somewhere else, but to help us not to miss the importance of the present moment and to not miss seeing God's hand at work in our world.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	03/28/20
General Fund	1,280.00
Building Fund	370.00
The WARM Place	270.00
Easter Special Offering	160.00
Weekly Needs: \$4,063.00-1,650.00 = Short (\$2,413.00)	

OFFERING	04/04/20
General Fund	8,385.50
Building Fund	1,955.00
The WARM Place	25.00
Easter Special Offering	3.00
Harvest House	337.80
Gas Royalty	126.21
Weekly Needs: \$4,063.00-10,466.71 = Over \$6,403.71	



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

March 28, 2021-Palm Sunday	46
April 4, 2021-Easter Sunday	68
April 11, 2021	40



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger; Jeff Baysinger; Peggy Verdery; Emmy Nash; Pat Crow; Vivianne Leigh Maske; Lauren Wichterich; Dan & Lois Hockman; Robert & Virginia Popiel; and our other regular visitors.

We were happy that they worshipped with us and trust that they found inspiration, fellowship and love.

APRIL HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

25 Pounds Food

\$337.80 Cash Donations



Please Note: this schedule may change due to the changing restrictions regarding the COVID-19 Virus.

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021

No Wednesday Activities

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021

11:00 AM Worship (S)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021

6:00 PM Board Meeting (FLC)

No Other Wednesday Activities

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021

5:00 PM FCCLC Pre-K Graduation-
3's & 4's only-Reservations Required
(FLC)

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021

11:00 AM Worship (S)

MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



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AND OFFERINGS

You can bring your offerings to the church for Sunday worship and place in the offering tray in the sanctuary. If you prefer, you can designate offerings and mail to the church (PO Box 57, 76097), or mail to church treasurer Peggy Johnson, or use your online banking service.



FOLLOW THE
GUIDELINES

CURRENT PROCEDURE

When visiting the church building during the week, please come to the "Church Office" doors BEFORE you go anywhere else, including the Family Life Center. Everyone must wear a mask. Your temperature will be taken and logged in with your name.

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:

Jack Ellis
Tommy Kaker
Doug McElroy-Melissa McElroy's husband
Truett Oldham-Lacy (McGee) Oldham's baby
Eileen Pippin-Angela Tolliver's mom
Brittany Roberts-FCC Learning Center Assistant Director
Terri Tipton
Carol-Bev Sholders' friend
Naomi-Bev Sholders' friend
Marlene-Val Stuart's friend

We Rejoice With:

Pat & Carol Findley-Honduras
Tina Gregory celebrated her 40th
Birthday on March 28th!
Ronnie & Peggy Johnson
Wesley Kaker

The health and safety of all nurses, doctors, all health care providers as well as first responders as we go through the Covid-19 crisis. Including our members and friends Bethany Bonds; Dave & Adrienne Nash, Dorothy Nash's son and daughter-in-law; Colin Cronenberg, the Cronenberg's son, Desiree Lester, Terri Lester's daughter-in-law, and Jeff Yowell, Brenda Yowell's son

Continued Prayers for:

Sue Bannister, Suzanne Barton, Betty Grisham, Carol Gunn, Jerry Hay, Becky Hoover,
Doug McElroy, Terri Tipton, Darrell Tolliver, Ivan Walker, Needra Womack,
Pat Yarborough & Joy Young

Our country's leaders and world leaders



We are so excited to be back in worship services in our sanctuary at 11:00 am, and would love to have you with us next Sunday.

Because everyone's safety is a top priority for us, we will have a shortened service of 30-35 minutes. We are asking everyone to wear masks, and recommend social distancing except for family groups.

Please stay home if you are ill or have been exposed to someone with Covid-19.

We have a table in the sanctuary that has a place to put your offering and pick up pre-packaged Communion that you will take to your seat. You can also pick up an Order of Worship and an activity kit for children, which are both on the table.



BOARD MEETING

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WEDNESDAY ♦ APRIL 21
6:00 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER

The WARM Place

Grief Support Center for Children

Donations In Honor Of

In Honor Of

Jack & Kaye Gregory

All who have lost loved ones this year

The English Children

Our Children & Grandchildren:

Michael & Zach Ellis

Laurel, Joey, Joseph & Jacob Fritz

Collin, Tiffanie, Isaac, Felicity
Ky, Tina, Ky Jr., Keira, Kolt & Kali
Cody & Laura

Our Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren:

Tommy, Angela, Wesley & Jessica Kaker

Chance, Teagan & Taylor Kaker

Steven & Rhonda Janusch

Ronnie & Peggy Johnson, Margie Kaker,
Chance, Teagan, Taylor Kaker
Sara Juarez, Breanna & Brylee
Wesley & Jessica Kaker

Jean Rubis & Betty Grisham

My Children & Grandchildren

J.C. & Ruby Toole

Our Children & Grandchildren

Given By

Richard & Mary Bryan

Lynn Dover

Dr. Wayne English

Jack & Lolly Ellis

Jack & Kaye Gregory, Jr.

Ronnie & Peggy Johnson

Tommy & Angela Kaker

Steve & Vicki Rubis

Beverly Sholders

Mike Toole

Don & Kathy Welch





The WARM Place
Grief Support Center for Children
Donations In Memory Of



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Given By

Susan Bond

Barbara Bond

Margie Lile, Jack Gregory, Sr.,
Annie Cromwell, Diane Chilton, Sharon Vick,
Ralph Biggs, Genna Edmonds

Richard & Mary Bryan

Anne English
Wayne & Louise English, Sr.

Dr. Wayne English

Our Parents:
Buddy & Nell Ellis
Orson & Martha Hendrick

Jack & Lolly Ellis

Our Parents:
Margie Lile
Jack, Sr. & Rubye Gregory

Jack & Kaye Gregory, Jr.

Our Parents:
June & Opal Johnson
Tom & Syble Cloud
Dewey & Zoetta Struck

Ronnie & Peggy Johnson

Tom Kaker, Opal Johnson, Tom & Syble Cloud
Corky & Margaret Horn, Dewey Struck

Tommy & Angela Kaker

Bob & Jo Kearns
Francis & Cecelia Lyons

Mike & Joan Kearns

Our Parents:
Peggy Kelley
James Lester

Scott & Terri Lester

Dalton Grisham & Michiel Rubis

Steve & Vicki Rubis

Bill Sholders
Elmer & Mercedes Newlin
Earl & Mary Sholders

Beverly Sholders

In Memory of Family & Friends

Barbara Warren

Our Parents

Don & Kathy Welch

Heinz Wichterich

Juanice Wichterich

Ed Willette
My Dear Friend, Will Davies

Karen Willette