

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, April 13, 2020



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 10:00 AM
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

The Kingdom of God

"But we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block for Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength." - I Corinthians 1:23-25

Brokenness. Humiliation. Weakness.

This is not the image that we want to embrace in the Messiah, is it? We want strength. We want power. In other words, we want an empire.

The force that ruled the known world in the day of Jesus was the Roman Empire. Supposedly bringing about a universal reign of peace, it ruled by force, and by oppression. Taxation. Military occupation. Extortion. Corruption. Crucifixion.

Often we forget what the cross symbolized in the landscape of the first century world. It did not symbolize forgiveness. It did not symbolize sacrifice and love. It symbolized oppression. It symbolized domination. The cross was the way the Roman Empire dealt with political insurrectionists. It was a show of force. To be crucified was to be humiliated, de-humanized. Crucifixion was so hideous that it took centuries before the Church would visually express it in art.

The Romans did not crucify Jesus as a sacrificial offering. They crucified Him because He was dangerous.

In a world ruled by the most powerful empire in the world, the most dangerous thing you could do is proclaim that a new King and a new kingdom were being birthed right in the midst of the Roman Empire and Caesar.

Jesus came to inaugurate a kingdom - one not built through oppression and domination, but one propelled by love and compassion. And His way was the way of the cross. The cross was the triumph of the kingdom of God - the putting on display of the kingdom kind of life.

A kingdom of hope over a kingdom of despair.

A kingdom of freedom over a kingdom of bondage.

A kingdom of liberation over a kingdom of oppression.

A kingdom of generosity over a kingdom of greed.

A kingdom of love over a kingdom of power.

A kingdom of light over a kingdom of darkness.

Thanks be to God for bringing forth His kingdom brought forth through His only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	03/29/20
General Fund	850.00
Building Fund	380.00
Weekly Needs: \$3,972.00 - 1,230.00 = Short (\$2,742.00)	

OFFERING	04/05/20
General Fund	4,160.00
Building Fund	1,760.00
The WARM Place	225.00
Gas Royalties	91.35
Weekly Needs: \$3,972.00 - 6,011.35 = Over \$2,039.35	

OFFERING	04/12/20
General Fund	5,210.00
Building Fund	350.00
The WARM Place	150.00
Harvest House	155.00
Weekly Needs: \$3,972.00 - 5,560.00 = Over \$1,588.00	



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

March 29, 2020 - No Service due to Corona Virus

April 5, 2020 - No Service due to Corona Virus

April 12, 2020 - No Service due to Corona Virus



Visitors and Guests

No Services due to Corona Virus.

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

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

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2020

No Wednesday Activities

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020

No Sunday Activities

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2020

No Wednesday Activities

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020

No Wednesday Activities

MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2020

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



APRIL HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

\$270.00 in Cash Donations



The City of Burleson and Johnson County **HAVE AMENDED THE MANDATORY "STAY AT HOME" ORDER EFFECTIVE THROUGH APRIL 30TH** (see the City of Burleson website or the Johnson County website for details). Therefore, all activities at the church have been cancelled until the "Stay At Home" order is lifted. **Again, all activities at the church are cancelled until the "Stay At Home" order is lifted.** Our secretary, Terri Lester will be working from home and can be reached on her cell at 817-296-2388 or by email at terri@fccburleson.org and as always, Pastor Mike can be reached at 214-364-6453.

Kyle Reynoso and Pastor Mike posted an Easter Sunday video that is available on the FCCB Facebook page. Please click the link below and make sure you're added to the church Facebook group. If you have any questions or need assistance in viewing the post, contact Kyle Reynoso at 636-290-6765.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/175431884924/>

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or unmet needs, please contact your Elder or Pastor Mike on his cell at 214-364-6453. You are all in our prayers during these difficult days.

Further schedule changes will be announced by emails, phone calls, newsletters, and Facebook postings.

Thank you for your continued support. We still have bills during this time. Your offerings can be mailed to: First Christian Church, P.O. Box 57, Burleson, TX 76097 or to our treasurer Peggy Johnson, 117 NE Timber Ridge Dr., Burleson, TX 76028 or through your bank's online payment system.

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:

Nick Danelski - Carol Morris' son
Cyndy Mauldin - Dorothy Nash's niece
The family of David McKeever who passed away-David is Pat Sartori's cousin's husband
Mark Robinson - Vernon Fields' nephew
Bill Sholders
Robert & Debra Townzen
The family of Frenda Tolliver who passed away-Frenda is Angela Tolliver's mother-in-law
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 and Desiree Lester, Terri Lester's daughter-in-law.

We Rejoice With:

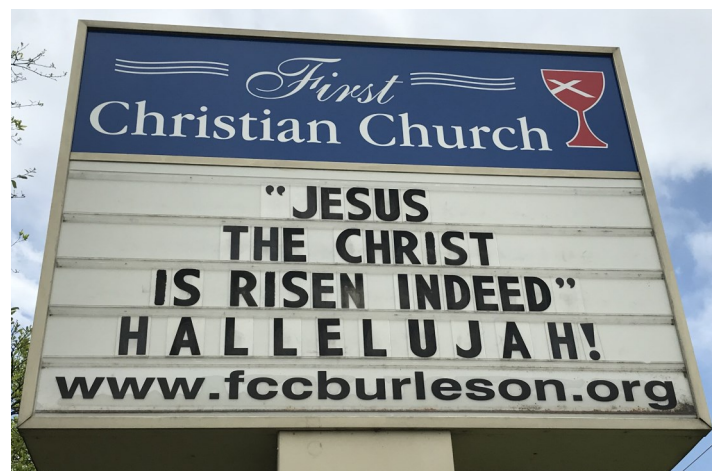
For the ability to worship together online during this Covid-19 crisis.

Continued Prayers for:

Sue Bannister, Suzanne Barton, Jack Gregory, Sr., Betty Grisham, Jerry Hay, Becky Hoover, Judy Janzen, Brad King, Kim Lassitor, Darrell Tolliver, Ivan Walker, Needra Womack, Pat Yarborough & Joy Young

Our country's leaders and world leaders

Our own military people:
MSgt Ky B. Gregory, Lt Col Steve Storch



Thanks to Richard Bryan for always making sure we have the most creative signs!

The WARM Place

Grief Support Center for Children

Donations In Honor Of

In Honor Of

The Warm Homes provided by our parents!

In Honor of Wayne English's 90th Birthday!
Our Children & Grandchildren:
Matthew & Samantha Findley
Spencer, Leann, Walker & Findley Maxwell
Hernan, Natalie, David, Iker & Matias Argüello

Our Parents, Children & Grandchildren:
Jack Gregory, Sr.
Collin, Tiffanie, Isaac & Felicity
Ky, Tina, Ky Jr., Keira, Kolt & Kali
Cody & Laura

Our Children, Grandchildren & Great Granddaughter:
Tommy, Angela, Wesley & Jessica Kaker
Chance & Teagan Kaker
Steven & Rhonda Janusch

Larry & Pam Mason

Given By

Richard & Mary Bryan

Pat & Carol Findley

Jack & Kaye Gregory, Jr.

Ronnie & Peggy Johnson

Becky O'Neal



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Our Parents:
Margie McLendon Lile
Ruby Miller Gregory

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

Our Parents:
Peggy Kelley
James Lester

Larry's Sister:
Sandy Mason

Our Grandson:
Grayson Land Oldham

My Sweet Husband:
Gary Murray-he's been in heaven for 11 years

My Husband:
Heinz Wichterich

Given By

Jack & Kaye Gregory, Jr.

Ronnie & Peggy Johnson

Scott & Terri Lester

Larry & Pam Mason

Steve & Diana McGee

Marilyn Murray

Juanice Wichterich

