

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, February 26, 2018



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: Mon.-Thurs. 6:30 am-4:30 pm
Closed Fridays

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

The Teachings of Jesus

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you." -- Matthew 5:11-12

During this season of Lent, we should devote meaningful time to read and contemplate the word of God in scripture. And where better to begin that journey than hearing again what many consider to be the very heart of who Jesus is - His teachings. This is especially true in the pluralistic world in which we live - as there are so many people of faith who may not confess Jesus as Christ; but do admire and strive to emulate Him in His teachings.

We know that the Sermon on the Mount is a central core of those teachings. Matthew's gospel fully commits three chapters to that sermon and American Author Richard Rohr calls it a blueprint for the Christian life. But among those three chapters, it's the first 12 verses that are perhaps best known and loved - The Beatitudes.

"Blessed are..." Those are the two words we recall and hold fast to. Who doesn't desire and even covet the thought of being blessed. But it's not just the blessing we hold fast to; it's the objects of those blessings, as Jesus confirms them on the wholly unexpected.

It's not blessed are the ultra-religious folk - it's blessed are the poor in spirit.

It's not blessed are the powerful - it's blessed are the meek.

It's not blessed are those who have the mightiest armies and the largest nuclear arsenals - it's blessed are the peacemakers.

Thus, we have been taught to seek after these attributes, in order that we might receive Jesus' blessings. But wait, there's more.

Verses 11 and 12 remind us that in the dominant culture - Rome in the time of Jesus, Western materialism in ours - these are not going to make those who seek Jesus' way very popular.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Insult and persecution is not exactly what we seek in our lives, is it? And we certainly don't find ourselves rejoicing over it.

But that's the other side of Jesus' two-edged sword of wisdom. That which we seek in the spiritual realm, is not necessarily consistent with the expectations of the worldly realm.

Lent is a challenging time in our spiritual journeys, isn't it? But thanks be to God for the blessings He gives us in the journey.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	02/18/18
General Fund	3,920.00
Building Fund	687.00
Week of Compassion	135.00
Weekly Needs: \$4,072.00 = Over \$535.00	

OFFERING	02/25/18
General Fund	3,126.00
Building Fund	272.00
Week of Compassion	283.00
CLOTH Fund	40.00
Weekly Needs: \$4,072.00 = Short (\$674.00)	



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

February 18, 2018	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	49
February 25, 2018	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	58



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger and Bob Lee in the Chapel Service.

JoAnn & Karen Mason; Peggy Mikas; Nancy Jennings; Marti Parker; Lesley Baker; Darb Dewar & Terri Tipton 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, FEBRUARY 28, 2018

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018

- 10:00 AM Set up FLC for Tom Kaker Memorial Reception
- 3:00 PM Memorial Service for Tom Kaker followed by Reception (S & FLC)

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

- 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)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018

- 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
- 7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018

- 8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting (The Porch)
- 11:30 AM Disciples Women Luncheon & Meeting (Angela Tolliver's Home)

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, MARCH 9-10, 2018

- 6:00 PM-10:00 AM Drumline Housing (FLC)

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018

- 10:00 AM Set up FLC for Chili Cook-Off
- Daylight Saving Time Begins tomorrow at 2:00 am.
- Set your clocks forward 1 hour before going to bed

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

- 2:00 AM Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 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 Chili Cook-Off Luncheon & Relay for Life Silent Auction (FLC)

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018

- 9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



WE NEED YOUR HELP



We need your help to set up the Family Life Center on Saturday, March 3, 2018, at 10:00 am for the Memorial Service and Reception for Tom Kaker.

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:

Burt Bond
Will Davies
Wayne English
Alyssa Fleming-Peggy Johnson & Donna Huggins' niece
Rhonda Janusch
Ronnie Johnson
Margie Kaker
Steve McGee
Eileen Pippin-Angela Tolliver's mom
Flora Roe
Vicki Rubis
Georgia Sanders
Bill Sholders
The family of Dewey Struck who passed away
Nancy Taylor
Kayla-Tommy Kaker's sister
Angela Kaker's co-worker's grandmother
Helen-Bev Sholders' friend
The Sanders' friend in Baytown
Bernice Williams' grandson

We Rejoice With:

Bryson Bonds
Last Chance Camp
Marti Parker-Wayne English's
daughter was in worship

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton, Bobbie Cockerham, Imogene Cottman,
Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, M'Lee Gonzales, Doreen Lewis, Karen Milburn, Carol Morris,
Kim & Shea Pulliam, Jack Stanley, Don Vardeman, Iris Wilson, Faye Wirsdorfer,
Needra Womack, Carole Wright & Pat Yarborough

Our country's leaders and world leaders

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





BIRTHDAYS

3/16	Vicki Rubis
3/19	Juanice Wichterich
3/21	Lynn Quarzenski
3/22	Virginia Reinier
3/23	Cori Anne Yowell
3/28	Tina Gregory
3/29	Tommy Bonds



HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Ann Miller

Greeters: Wayne English; Karen Willette

Communion Preparation: Jerry Hay

Attendance Registers: Richard Edmonds
Computer during Worship: Lyda Speirs

Children's Moment:

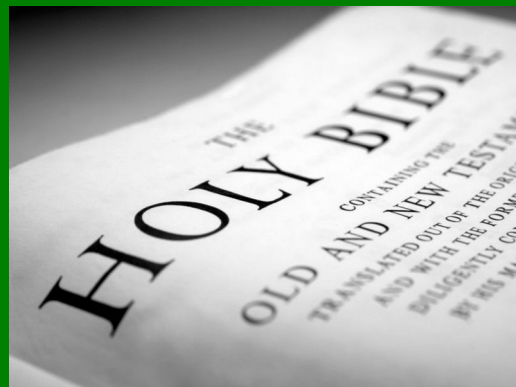
04 Karen Willette
 11 Richard Bryan
 18 Angela Tolliver
 25 Mary Bryan

Scripture Reading:

04 Carol Findley
 11 Bill Gunn
 18 Carol Gunn
 25 Jerry Hay

Deacon Team: Vernon & Dee Fields;
 Ronnie & Peggy Johnson

Serving at the Table: Jack Gregory;
 Dorothy Nash



HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

March 4, 2018



Please bring canned goods such as canned fruit and vegetables, dried beans, rice, pasta, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter & jelly, mac n cheese and personal hygiene items.

DISCIPLES WOMEN LUNCHEON AND MEETING

Thursday, March 8
11:30 a.m.

Angela Tolliver's Home
8116 CR 1016A, Burleson
817-447-9842

Hostesses:
Carol Findley & Angela
Study & Worship:
Kaye Gregory & Margie Lile

*Carpool from FLC parking lot
at 11:10 am. Need a ride?
Call Dorothy Nash at
817-295-4773.*

HARVEST HOUSE SERVICE PROJECT:
Canned Fruit



DISCIPLES MEN BREAKFAST AND MEETING

Thursday, March 8
8:30 a.m.

THE PORCH
140 S. Wilson, Burleson

Search
Committee

Angie Stanton, the Director of our Learning Center, will be resigning at the end of the school year. Therefore, a search committee has been developed to seek a new director. The committee consists of Mary Bryan, Linda Cronenberg, Lolly Ellis, Dee Fields, Vernon Fields, Ann Miller and myself. We will be working closely with Angie to find the best qualified candidate for the job. Your thoughtful prayers for this task are requested.

In Christ's Love,
Jack Gregory, Chair



Sign up to participate in Relay for Life held at North Texas Jellystone Park, on April 27, 6:00 pm to midnight.

**SILENT
AUCTION**

AND everyone

bring items for a Silent Auction to benefit Relay for Life to be held on March 11 during our Chili Cook-Off Fellowship Luncheon. Put items on the last rows in the Chapel as soon as possible so they can be organized for the auction.

Again this year, we are partnering with Chisholm Trail Optimist Club. Jim Sanders, Georgia Sanders and Dee Fields are co-chairing this event.



RELAY FOR LIFE
Luminarias are now available. There is a \$10 donation for each. Contact Jim or Georgia Sanders for more information.
Jim's Cell: 713-775-1012



And Third Annual

**MARION HIGGINBOTHAM
MEMORIAL CHILI COOK-OFF**

Sunday, March 11

Following Worship (FLC)

Volunteer to bring chili or other items that go with chili (cornbread, crackers, cheese, etc.) or desserts. A signup sheet is located in the foyer.

Please come help set up the FLC on Saturday, March 10, at 10:00 am. All help is appreciated.





FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



March 2018

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)				1	2	3
	Regular Wednesday Activities: 9:30 AM - Ladies Bible Study (MR) 7:00 PM - Choir Practice (S)				World Day of Prayer 	10:00 am - Set up for Tom Kaker Memorial Service & Reception 3:00 pm - Memorial Service & Reception for Tom Kaker (S & FLC)
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY 12:00 PM - Elders' Meeting (MR) THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT				8:30 AM - Disciples Men Breakfast & Mtg (The Porch) 11:30 AM - Disciples Women Luncheon & Mtg (Angela Tolliver's Home)	 Daylight Saving Time Begins - Set your clocks FORWARD 1 hour!	10:00 AM - Set up for Chili Cook-Off Luncheon 6:00 pm-10:00 am - Drum Line Housing
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
2:00 AM - Daylight Saving Time Begins 12:00 PM - Chili Cook-Off & Relay for Life Silent Auction (FLC) FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT	9:00 AM - Newsletter Published		6:00 PM - Cabinet Meeting (MR)			10:00 AM - All Church Workday 10:00AM-1:00 PM - Oratorical Contest (FLC)
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT			1:30 PM-PPRC Meeting (MR) 6:00 PM - Board Meeting (FLC)			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
<i>Palm Sunday</i> PALM SUNDAY 11:00 AM - Palm Processional (S) EASTER SPECIAL OFFERING	9:00 AM - Newsletter Published 		6:00 PM - Stewardship Meeting (MR)	3:00 PM - Set up FLC for Reception 6:30 PM - Maundy Thursday Service & Reception with New Hope Fellowship (S & FLC)	6:30 PM - 6:30 PM - Good Friday Service & Fellowship with New Hope Fellowship (New Hope Fellowship)	24 Hour Prayer Vigil 8:00 pm-8:00 pm