

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, January 22, 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

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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

We Are One Body in Christ

“For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.” -- Romans 12:4-5

Here, in the 12th chapter of the Apostle Paul's letter to the early Christians in Rome, he affirms a great truth about how we, as followers of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, are in relationship with one another as members of the one body in Christ. He says that “we are members one of another.” It was true for those early Christians as they learned what it meant to be “the church” and it is true for us today. Our witness to the good news of Jesus Christ is strengthened as we live in community with one another—each offering our God-given gifts through this community of faith—First Christian Church—so that together we enable Christ's light to shine brightly from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth.

As we boldly move into our ministry together in 2018, our Church Board and Cabinet will meet in joint session on Thursday evening to review and calendarize our planned activities and ministerial programs for the coming year.

This congregation is richly blessed to have so many members who have committed their time and their talents to serving in various leadership positions for 2018. Although the members of our Church Board and our ministry team leaders who serve on the Cabinet do not encompass all of those who serve in leadership roles in the church, I want to lift up and express my gratitude to those who will come together Thursday evening working together as the one body of Christ through the life of this congregation.

Serving on the Church Board for 2018 are: Karen Willette, Chair; Mike Toole, Vice-Chair; Flora Roe, Secretary; Peggy Johnson, Treasurer; and Kim Bonds, Jean Crawford, Jack Gregory Jr., Jerry Hay, Marilyn Murray, Janie Rudolph, Jim Sanders, Kathy Welch, and Juanice Wichterich.

And the ministry team leaders serving on the Cabinet for 2018 are: Steve McGee, Building; Mary Bryan, Education; Jim Sanders, Evangelism; Richard Bryan, Grounds; Cordelia Fields, Fellowship; Vernon Fields and Angela Tolliver, Membership; John and Dottie Mehaffey, Outreach; Don Welch, Stewardship; and Kaye Gregory, Worship.

Working together—that's what it is all about! It has been said that we only learn who we are in relationship. We only learn our true identity in community. The opportunity to grow both personally and spiritually is by connecting with others for fellowship and ministry. Through the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) we affirm our understanding that we collectively are called to a “priesthood of all believers” and that the call to witness and ministry is to be heard by all of us.

In Paul's letter to the Romans he emphasizes that each of us have different gifts according to the grace given to us and that as we commit those gifts to our identity as the one body of Christ, the value of community is seen.

For example, my ears only function and fulfill their purpose by being connected to my body. If my ears were cut off and lying on the ground, what's the value? Nothing, because they can't hear anything.

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OFFERING	01/14/18
General Fund	3,245.00
Building Fund	382.00

Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,850.00



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

January 14, 2018	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	49
January 21, 2018	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	51

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Same goes with my nose and eyes – If they're not connected to my body, what's their purpose? They don't have a purpose, because they can't smell or see anything by themselves.

In the same way, as we are connected to the church, we gain insight into our purpose, our role and our function. Our connection to this community of faith nurtures our understanding of our value and meaning. Our value, our use, our purpose, and our identity become apparent in relationship to the Body of Christ – the Church.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger and Bob Lee in the Chapel Service.

JoAnn & Karen Mason; Jordyn Ethetton; Peggy Mikas; Lesley Baker; Will Davies; 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, JANUARY 24, 2018

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018

- 6:00 PM Joint Board/Cabinet Meeting (FLC)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018

- 8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
- 9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
- 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
- 11:00 AM Church Officer Installation (S)
- 11:00 AM Worship (S)
- 12:30 PM Preschool Committee Meeting (MR)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2018

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2018

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)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5-7, 2018

MINISTERS WEEK-BRITE DIVINITY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018

- 8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting (The Porch)
- 11:30 AM Disciples Women Lunch & Meeting (Mary Bryan's Home)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018

- 10:00 AM Set up FLC for Luncheon

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018

- 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 Italian Fellowship Luncheon (FLC)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2018

- 9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



JOINT BOARD/CABINET MEETING



**THURSDAY
JANUARY 25
6:00 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

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:

Larry Atkins-Peggy Mikas' family
Burt Bond
Nelda Boots-Lori King's mom
Imogene Cottman-Kathy Welch's mom
Jean Crawford
The family of Jeane Eaves who passed away-a friend of the Gregory's
Richard & Genna Edmonds
Vernon & Dee Fields
The family of Brandy Hay who passed away-granddaughter of
Jerry & Sandra Hay
John Houston-Darb Dewar's brother-in-law
Tom & Margie Kaker-Tommy Kaker's parents
Jason Lenz-co-worker of Diana McGee
Jill Pippin-Angela Tolliver's sister-in-law
Howard Purvis
Mary-Pat Findley's aunt
Marilyn Murray's friend

We Rejoice With:

Bethany Bonds
Bryson Bonds
Richard Kearns' 33rd Birthday!
OK & Jane Neal were in worship!
Jim Sanders was in worship!
Bill Sholders was in worship
Karen Willette's 80th Birthday!

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton,
Bobbie Cockerham, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, M'Lee Gonzales, Doreen Lewis, Karen Milburn,
Carol Morris, O.K. & Jane Neal, Kim & Shea Pulliam, Jim Sargent, 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



FEBRUARY ITALIAN FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

Sunday, February 11
12:00 PM



Watch for sign up sheets in the foyer soon for more information and
to sign up for what you want to bring!



Disciples Women Giving-2017

Burleson Harvest House	\$1,000.00
Week of Compassion	500.00
Disciples Mission Fund	500.00
Salvation Army	200.00
Meals on Wheels	300.00
SOS	100.00
Burleson Fire Dept (Fire Safety Program)	50.00
Heifer International	250.00
DFW Chaplaincy	150.00
Holiday Friends	250.00
First Christian Church	
FCC Learning Center Staff Gifts	170.00
Supplies for Church luncheons	115.00
Christmas Lit Outdoor Star (birthday fund)	217.00
Harvest House Gift Basket (auction)	40.00
Diana McGee (Parent Hurricane Help)	400.00
Blessing Boxes	263.40
Disciples Crossing (A gift)	250.00
Smile Train	250.00

Total \$5,005.40



HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

February 4, 2018



Please bring canned goods, rice, beans, Mac n cheese, peanut butter & jelly, snacks such as goldfish crackers, Cheez-Its, fun fruits, etc and personal hygiene items to stock the shelves.

JANUARY HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

37 Pounds of food

\$153.00 in cash donations

February

BIRTHDAYS

2/4	Bill Sholders
2/6	Virginia Popiel
2/7	Georgia Sanders
2/7	JoAnn Mason
2/8	Marlene Baysinger
2/8	Kim Bonds
2/10	Terri Tipton
2/10	Bethany Bonds
2/11	Ann Miller
2/11	Bonnie DePratter
2/12	Carole Wright
2/12	Cordelia Fields
2/13	Carol Gunn
2/17	Beth Hindman
2/20	Diana McGee
2/24	Brenda Yowell



Trinity-Brazos Area Disciples Women's Spring Retreat

April 27-29

The theme this year is "By Our Love"
(Inspired by John 13:35)



Grey Zachary will be the
keynote speaker and
song leader.

To register, please go to
tbadwm.com

February

HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Steve McGee

Greeters: Burt Bond, Juanice Wichterich

Communion Preparation: Lolly Ellis

Attendance Registers: Vernon Fields

Computer during Worship: Lyda Speirs

Children's Moment:

04 Jack Gregory

11 Mary Bryan

18 Kaye Gregory

25 Wayne English

Scripture Reading:

04 Wayne English

11 Dee Fields

18 Vernon Fields

25 Jack Gregory

Deacon Team: Diana McGee, Mike Toole,
Don & Kathy Welch

Serving at the Table: Richard Bryan,
Karen Willette



MINISTERS WEEK-BRITE DIVINITY SCHOOL

February 5-7

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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VALENTINE'S DAY

February 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)					
4 HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY 12:00 PM - Elders' Meeting (MR)	5	6	7	8 8:30 AM - Disciples Men Breakfast & Mtg(The Porch) 11:30 AM - Disciples Women Luncheon & Mtg (Mary Bryan's Home)	9	10 10:00 AM - Set up for Italian Luncheon
	Ministers Week (Brite Divinity School)					
11 12:00 PM - Italian Fellowship Luncheon (FLC)	12 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	13	14 6:00 PM - Cabinet Meeting (MR) 7:00 PM - Ash Wednesday Service (S)	15	16	17 7:00 PM - Valentine's Party hosted by Disciples Men (FLC)
18 Week of Compassion Special Offering	19	20	21 6:00 PM - Board Meeting (FLC)	22	23	24
25 Week of Compassion Special Offering	26 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	27	28 6:00 PM - Stewardship Meeting (MR)	Happy Valentine's Day		