

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, July 8, 2019



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

Finding Places of Silence and Solitude

"Be still, and know that I am God!" - Psalm 46:10

We live in a world filled with noise, don't we? It seems like everywhere we turn, it is increasingly more difficult to find places of silence and solitude in our lives. Television. Smartphones. Laptops. Tablets. It is almost as if we are addicted to noise - and afraid of the silence.

Why is it that we fill our lives with noise? Why is it that we are afraid of silence? And more importantly, is there a connection between a lack of hearing God's voice and the lack of silence in our lives?

Often, noise is our drug of choice. We self-medicate ourselves with noise because we are afraid of silence. Silence has a way of stripping us bare of all pretenses, forcing us to take a good long look in the mirror of our soul. For some of us, this is just too painful, just too raw for us to face. So, we surround ourselves with noise, thinking that the longer we can drown out the voices, perhaps they might go away. But they rarely do.

When we turn to the Scriptures, we find that they are filled with people who heard from God. They connected with God in ways that were life-changing and pretty much every one of those was in a moment of silence or solitude. God rarely speaks in the storm, one passage says - He is the gentle whisper.

Silence. Solitude. These were regular rhythms Jesus had as a part of His life. They were not merely luxuries Jesus enjoyed - they were central rhythms of His life. In times of sorrow, in times of busyness, in times of stress, in times of reflection - Jesus often found the time to get alone, seeking out places of silence and solitude. This was not merely Jesus' way of getting a break - He was demonstrating something deeper. He was modeling the reality that at our very core, we were created with hunger for silence and solitude.

Jesus knows this. This is why I believe He said, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." He is inviting us to embrace His rhythm - and in this rhythm, to find rest for our weary souls. The question is this: Can we truly find this kind of rest if we do not find places of silence and solitude?

Maybe, for most of us involved in the noisy, day-to-day business of life, it's time to stop - and listen.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	06/30/19
General Fund	1,637.50
Building Fund	432.50
CLOTH Fund	30.00
Gas Royalties	93.16
Weekly Needs: \$4,146.00 - 2,163.16 = Short (\$1,982.84)	

SUMMER

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

June 30, 2019	66
July 7, 2019	66



Visitors and Guests

Will Davies; Ed Pappert; Ashton Rose; Marlene Baysinger; Lexi Hales; Don & Donna Gilley; May, Pam & Tom Reynoso; Richard Petton; Hensley Mehaffey; Gabby Schram and our other regular visitors.

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

First Christian Church,

Your continued support and generosity has allowed us to serve over 400 children this month (June) with our summer food program. You make such a difference.

Thank you,
Harvest House Staff



CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2019

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
NO Cabinet Meeting

THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2019

8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting
(The Porch)
11:30 AM Disciples Women Luncheon & Meeting
(Lolly Ellis' Home)

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2019

10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:30 AM Worship (S)
12:00 PM Celebrate Our Flag Fried Chicken &
Apple Pie Luncheon (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2019

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
NO Board Meeting

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019

10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)

MONDAY, JULY 22, 2019

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



DISCIPLES MEN BREAKFAST AND MEETING

Thursday, July 11, 2019
8:30 a.m.

THE PORCH
140 S. Wilson, Burleson



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:

Sue Bannister
The family of Dena Barker who passed away
Dena is Kaye Gregory's half brother Chris' mother
Brent Davis
Barbara Gallagher-Pat Powell's cousin
Tommy & Wesley Kaker
Stephanie McGee
Brynn Moore-daughter of former member Lindsay Comer Matthews
Shea Pulliam-the Welch's granddaughter
Pat Sartori
Sharon Vick-Mary Bryan's college roommate
Needra Womack
Pat Worrell

We Rejoice With:

Ann Gartman
Don & Donna Gilley came forward to join our church family on July 7, 2019
Teagan Kaker
Dedication of Abel Orion Reynoso Reynoso family here to share in Abel's dedication
Darrell Tolliver
Families or individuals are back who have been traveling or have been ill.

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, John Bowman, Will Davies, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, Becky Hoover, Joan Kearns, Brad King, Eric McGee; Carol Morris, OK & Jane Neal, Karen Parker, The Vardeman Family, Ivan Walker; V.J. Welch, Iris Wilson, Faye Wirsdorfer, Needra Womack, Carole Wright & Pat Yarborough

Our country's leaders and world leaders

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
BURLESON

The Cabinet, Board, PPRC, and
Stewardship Committees will not meet
during the month of July.



DISCIPLES WOMEN LUNCHEON & MEETING

Thursday, July 11, 2019
11:30 a.m.
Lolly Ellis' Home
2020 Trailwood Drive, Burleson
817-295-5705

Hostesses:
Mary Bryan, Janie Rudolph, Lolly Ellis
Study & Worship: Carol Findley

Bring Blessing Box Offering,

*Carpool from FLC parking lot at
11:00 a.m. Need a ride?
Call Peggy Johnson at 817-295-7420.*

**Harvest House Service Project:
Dog & Cat Food in Small Bags**

BURLESON FIRE DEPARTMENT

BLAZIN' THE STATION

Benefiting Harvest House and
Little Red School House!



Saturday,
July 27
10 am-2 pm
828 SW Alsbury
Burleson

Bring gently used and new school uniforms,
brand new socks and underwear for boys and
girls of all sizes
(Kindergarten through High School).

Bounce Houses, Food Trucks,
Meet the Firemen,
even get on a fire truck!

You can drive through and drop your items off
or stay and have some fun!

DONATE TO
HARVEST HOUSE'S
LITTLE RED SCHOOL
HOUSE



*Bring to the church and place in the
Little Red School House.*

For boys and girls of all age groups:
Kindergarten through High School
Uniforms - All Sizes
Polo Shirts (White, Navy, Black, Red)
Shorts/Skirts (Khaki, Navy, Black)
White Socks, Underwear

Deadline to bring to the church is July 21st.
You can also donate online at:
www.yourharvesthouse.org

CELEBRATE OUR FLAG FRIED CHICKEN & APPLE PIE LUNCHEON

Sunday, July 14, 2019
Family Life Center
Immediately following
worship. Wear **Patriotic
Colors** to church!

If you have not signed
up to bring anything,
call Dee Fields at 817-
295-4664 and she will
tell you what we need.

Tables are already set
up so we will not meet
on Saturday.

Thank you for your do-
nations. All monies go
to replenishing our
kitchen supplies.