

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, May 28, 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

Choosing to Follow Jesus

"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?" - Matthew 5:43-47

When we choose to follow Jesus Christ, we are choosing to do things His way. He wants us to love people with His love, and this kind of love goes so far as to love even our enemies. As an example, consider this story that describes something that happened during World War I. The story was told by an old colonel in the Austrian Army:

I was commanded to march against a little town on the Tyrol and lay siege to it. We had been meeting stubborn resistance in that part of the country, but we felt sure that we should win because all of the advantages were on our side. My confidence, however, was arrested by a remark from a prisoner we had taken. "You will never take that town," he said, "for they have an invincible leader."

"What does that fellow mean?" I inquired of one of my staff. "And who is this leader of whom he speaks?"

Nobody seemed able to answer my question, and so in case there should be some truth in the report, I doubled preparations.

As we descended through the pass in the Alps, I saw with surprise that the cattle were still grazing in the valley and that women and children (yes, and even men) were still working in the fields.

Either they are not expecting us or this is a trap to catch us, I thought to myself. As we drew nearer the town we passed people on the road. They smiled and greeted us with a friendly word and then went on their way.

Finally, we reached the town and clattered up the cobble paved streets, colors flying, horns sounding a challenge, arms in readiness. Women came to the windows or doorways with little babies in their arms. Some of them looked startled and held their babies closer, then went quietly on with their household tasks without panic or confusion. It was impossible to keep strict discipline and I began to feel rather foolish. My soldiers answered the questions of children and I saw one old warrior throw a kiss to a little golden-haired tot on a doorstep. "Just the size of Lisa," he muttered. Still no sign of an ambush. We rode straight to the open square which faced the town hall. Here, if anywhere, resistance surely was to be expected.

Just as I had reached the hall and my guard was drawn up at attention, an old white-haired man, who by his insignia I surmised to be the mayor, stepped forth, followed by ten men in simple peasant costume. They were all dignified and unabashed by the armed force before them-the most terrible soldiers of the great and mighty army of Austria.

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OFFERING	05/19/19
General Fund	1,529.00
Building Fund	400.00
Learning Center Utilities	1,000.00
Weekly Needs: \$4,146.00 - 2,929.00 = Short (\$1,217.00)	
OFFERING	05/26/19
General Fund	1,420.37
Building Fund	415.00
Rae McGowan Memorial-Bldg Fund	60.00
Weekly Needs: \$4,146.00 - 1,835.37 = Short (\$2,310.63)	



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

May 19, 2019	60
May 26, 2019	64



Visitors and Guests

Donna Gilley; Lexi Hales; Ed Pappert;
Austyn Taylor; Hensley Mehaffey;
Emmy Nash; Nick Danelski;
Marlene Baysinger; Gracie McGee; Will Davies;
Karen Parker; Grace Ann Parker and our other
regular visitors.

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

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
12:00 PM Elders' Meeting (MR)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2019

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019

10:00 AM Set up FLC for Pentecost Potluck
Luncheon

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019

PENTECOST SUNDAY

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
12:00 PM Pentecost Potluck Luncheon (FLC)

MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



**RELAY FOR LIFE
GARAGE SALE
TOTAL RAISED**

\$1,279.57



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He walked down the steps straight toward my horse's side, and with hand extended, cried, "Welcome, brother!" One of my aides made a gesture as if to strike him down with his sword, but I saw by the face of the old mayor that this was no trick on his part. "Where are your soldiers?" I demanded.

"Soldiers?" Why, don't you know we have none?" he replied in wonderment, as though I had asked, "Where are our giants?" or "Where are your dwarfs?"

"But we have come to take this town."

"Well, no one will stop you."

"Are there none here to fight?"

At this question, the old man's face lit up with a rare smile that I will always remember. Often afterward, when engaged in bloody warfare, I would suddenly see that man's smile and somehow, I came to hate my business. His words were simple: "No, there is no one here to fight. We have chosen Christ for our Leader and He taught men another way."

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

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:

Roy Cronenberg
Will Davies
Barbara Gallagher-Pat Powell's cousin in OK
Kaye Gregory
Carol Gunn
Donna Huggins
Pam Mason
Karen Moody-Janie Rudolph's sister-in-law
Richard Petton-Pat Sartori's neighbor
Jean Rubis
Janie Rudolph
Pat Sartori
Darrell Tolliver
Kathy Welch
Darb Dewar's sister

We Rejoice With:

Congratulations to Ralph Biggs on the birth of his great-granddaughter, Kathleen Marie Ethetton, born on May 14, 2019, weighing 7 lbs, 12 oz and 20 inches long.
Brent Davis joined our church family on Sunday, May 26, 2019.
Ky & Tina Gregory celebrated their 18th Wedding Anniversary on May 26, 2019.
Lacy McGee Oldham
Angela Tolliver's nephew
Iris Wilson's granddaughter
A successful & fun Game Night!
Jean Crawford, Becky Hoover, Carol Morris, Jane & OK Neal & Valerie Stuart were all back in worship!

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, John Bowman, Will Davies, Elizabeth Gamb, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, Becky Hoover, Brad King, Eric McGee; Carol Morris, OK & Jane Neal, The Vardeman Family, Ivan Walker; V.J. Welch, Heinz Wichterich, 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



POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Sunday, June 9
Family Life Center

Our potluck luncheon is Sunday, June 9, immediately following the 11:00 am service.

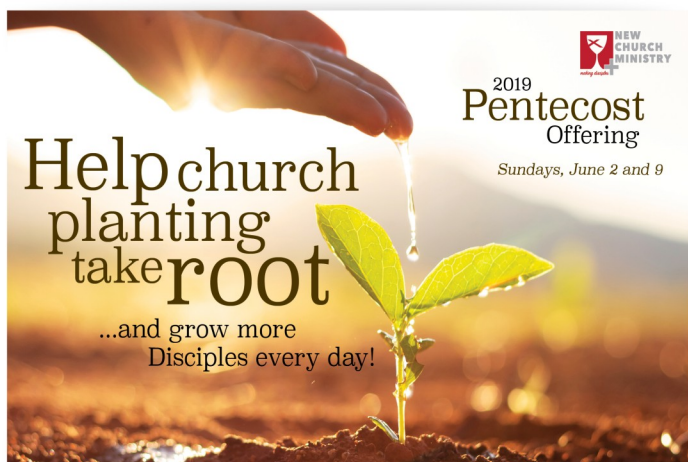
We'll celebrate Pentecost-the birthday of the church.

A sign-up sheet is in the foyer for food.

If you are able, please come help set up on Saturday, June 8 at 10:00 am.

Donations are greatly appreciated.

Money goes toward purchases of paper goods, condiments, tea, coffee, etc.



NEW CHURCH MINISTRY

2019
Pentecost
Offering

Sundays, June 2 and 9

DISCIPLES WOMEN SALAD SUPPER & SWIM PARTY

Thursday, June 13, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

Linda Cronenberg's Home
3505 Brett Jackson, Crowley
817-201-8074

Hostesses:

Carol Findley, Peggy Johnson,
Bernice Williams & Linda

What to Bring:

**Salad Dish to Share, Items for
Harvest House, Blessing Box
Offering, Swimsuit/Towel**

*Carpool from FLC parking lot at
5:30 p.m. Need a ride? Call
Peggy Johnson at 817-295-7420.*

**Harvest House Service Project:
Personal Items**

Please Note: 6 PM Meeting Time



BIRTHDAYS

6/1	Melissa Pugh
6/1	Paul Holton
6/2	Pat Findley
6/6	Pam Mason
6/13	Cyndy Garrett
6/23	Sue Bannister
6/23	Judy Janzen
6/26	Don Welch
6/26	Jean Crawford
6/26	Wesley Kaker
6/28	Joan Kearns

DISCIPLES MEN BREAKFAST AND MEETING

Thursday, June 13, 2019
8:30 a.m.

THE PORCH
140 S. Wilson, Burleson



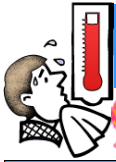
HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Karen Willette
Greeters: Carol Findley, OK Neal, Margie Lile
Communion Preparation: Rhonda Janusch;
 Peggy Johnson
Attendance Registers: Bill Gunn
Computer during Worship: Lyda Speirs
Children's Moment:
 02 Ann Miller
 09 Dorothy Nash
 16 Disciples Women
 23 Mary Bryan
 30 Richard Bryan
Scripture Reading:
 02 Mike Toole
 09 Barbara Warren
 16 Don Welch
 23 Kathy Welch
 30 Juanice Wichterich
Deacon Team: Vernon & Cordelia Fields;
 Marilyn Murray; Mike Toole
Serving at the Table: Steve McGee;
 Don Welch

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY June 2, 2019

Needs include Mac n Cheese, jelly, peanut butter,
canned ravioli, refried beans, snack foods such as fun
fruits, fruit rollups, cheese and crackers, pretzels,
animal crackers, etc.



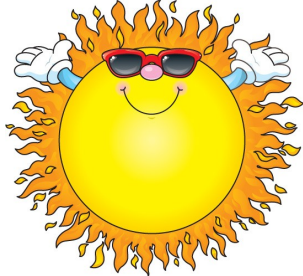


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June 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Regular Sunday Activities: 10:00 AM - Sunday School Classes 11:00 AM - Worship (S)		Regular Wednesday Activities: 9:30 AM - Ladies Bible Study (MR) 7:00 PM - Choir Practice (S)				1
2 HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING 12:00 PM - Elders' Meeting (MR)	3	4	5	6	7	8 10:00 AM - Set up FLC for Pentecost Potluck Luncheon
9 12:00 PM - Pentecost Potluck Luncheon (FLC) PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING PENTECOST SUNDAY	10 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	11	12 6:00 PM - Cabinet Meeting (MR)	13 8:30 AM - Disciples Men Breakfast & Mtg (The Porch) 6:00 PM - Disciples Women Swim Party (Linda Cronenberg's Home)	14	15
16 	17	18	19 6:00 PM - Board Meeting (FLC)	20	21	22
23	24 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	25	26 6:00 PM - Stewardship Meeting (MR)	27	28	29
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