



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)
Monday, January 12, 2026



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.

Address: 601 SW Johnson Ave., Burleson, TX 76028

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 57, Burleson, TX 76097

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)

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

What Do We Expect?

"I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you."

-- Philippians 3: 14-15

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

-- Ephesians 3:20-21

As we begin this new year, I ask "What expectations do we have for our lives and for our faith in 2026? What does God's plan for us look like for the coming year?"

When Paul wrote to the Philippians, he spoke of pressing forward for the prize of the high calling. Though he was physically content whether rich or poor, the apostle was not content with his spiritual condition, but was constantly seeking a deeper, more intimate and fruitful walk with the Lord. Paul had great expectations for his own lifetime, and he accomplished tremendous things, yet if he had known while writing his epistles that they would instruct and improve the lives of billions of people for 2,000 years, I think he would be saying to himself, "This I could never have imagined!"

The 19th century American evangelist, preacher and publisher D. L. Moody wrote, "We honor God when we ask for great things. It is a humiliating thing to think that we are satisfied with very small results."

Why do we honor God when we ask for great things, or expect more from Him? Simply because He is great, far greater than we can imagine, but also because we are made in His image. His greatness is glorified by what He performs through our lives. If we desire great things, it's because we're reflecting His awesome nature. It is in us by nature to seek more and greater things -- just as the Apostle Paul did. We should not be ashamed of it when our motives are pure, because our Lord will be glorified all the more. Not seeking fame or fortune, but the glory of Jesus crucified and risen, will be a lifetime of pressing forward, and accomplishing more than we ever could have imagined!

So, as we move into this new year, may we be intentional to allow our minds and our hearts to think and to dream of great accomplishments for Jesus. He Himself said through Paul that He is able to do exceedingly abundant things above all that we ask or think, so let's honor God by seeking the greatest things and then watch Him fulfill more than we could ever have imagined!

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike



Mason Avent, Marlene Baysinger, Pat Crow, Lenney Findley, Joan Johnson, Jerry McDearmon, Mikayla Newsom, and our other regular visitors.

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

OFFERING	12/28/25
General Fund	2760.00
Building Fund	80.00

Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 2840.00 = short (\$787.00)

OFFERING	1/4/26
General Fund	9,913.94
Building Fund	330.00
Front Line Equine	200.00
Harvest House	370.00
Center for ASD	300.00

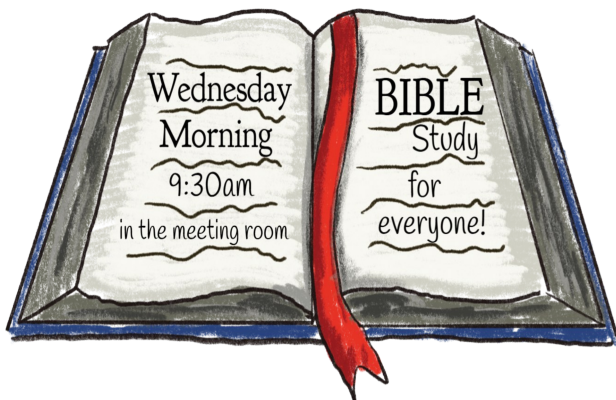
Weekly Needs: \$3108.00 - \$10,243.94 = over \$7135.94

OFFERING	1/11/26
General Fund	2505.00
Building Fund	100.00
Gas Royalty	152.86
Classroom Rent	200.00

Weekly Needs: \$3108.00 - \$2957.86 = short (\$150.14)

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

December 24- Christmas Eve	64
December 28	34
January 4, 2026	40
January 11, 2026	39



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14

- 9:30AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (MR)
- 5:00PM Choir Practice (S)
- 6:00PM Cabinet Meeting (MR)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

- 10:00AM Sunday Morning Classes (C)
- 11:00AM Sunday Worship (S)
- 12:00PM Birthday Bash Potluck (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

- 9:30AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (MR)
- 5:00PM Choir Practice (S)
- 5:45PM Board Meeting (MR)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

OFFICER INSTALLATION

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

- 9:30AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (MR)
- 5:00PM Choir Practice (S)

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



JANUARY HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

In JANUARY our church contributed \$370.00 and 29 lbs. of food towards Harvest House needs.

THANK YOU!

Harvest House Sunday is FEBRUARY 1.

Current Needs Include: Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti & Sauce, Canned Tomato Products, Canned Soup, Chicken Broth



If you prefer you can give a monetary donation by placing it in the basket marked Harvest House on the white table in the back of the sanctuary. Please make checks payable to First Christian Church and designate Harvest House.



Those in Need of Prayer:

Joe Bash, continued healing.
 The family of Harvey Ellis, a faithful visitor and faithful Facebook follower, passed away 1/9/26.
 Janet Evans, healing.
 Judy Janzen, healing.
 Diana McGee's sister, Karen Parmley, healing.
 Bev Sholders, continued prayers.
 Bill Smythe, continued prayers.

Joys: Christmas Eve Service had 64 attendees!

Continued Prayers for:

Bonnie DePratter, Paul Drahushuk, Wayne English, Sterling Grisham, Carol Gunn, Jerry Hay, Dan & Lois Hockman, Ann Miller, Flora Roe, Georgia & Jim Sanders, Pat Sartori, Bill Smythe, Barbara Warren, Juanice Wichterich and Iris Wilson.

* Email your prayer request to secretary@fccburleson.org or call (817)295-4123

Board Meeting Reminder
Wednesday, January 21



Now meeting in the Meeting Room
 At 5:45PM.

JANUARY
 2026
Honored to Serve

Worship Leader– Mike Toole

Greeters– Don & Donna Gilley, Ronnie Johnson

Scripture Readers–

4 Karen Willette

11 Richard Bryan

18 Lynn Dover

25 Dee Fields

Elders– Mary Bryan, Lolly Ellis

Team 4 Deacons–

Lolly Ellis, Don Welch, Kathy Welch



January 9

Lolly Ellis

January 10

Onita Holton

January 10

Richard Bryan

January 12

Marilyn Murray

January 13

Karen Willette

January 16

Donna Gilley

January 18

Linda Robinson

January 20

Jane Rudolph

January 27

Ronnie Johnson



REMINDER
CABINET MEETING
Wednesday, January 14
at 6:00 pm in the
Meeting Room



COME MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE WITH US!
Wednesdays at 5:00PM

We are Live streaming from Facebook now, so you can enjoy the service every Sunday.

"Like" the First Christian Church Burleson page in order to view the service at 11:00 am or later as we will save the video to that page.

facebook **LIVE**



BIRTHDAY BASH POTLUCK

January 18, 2026

12:00 PM

(Right after worship)



**Bring your best potluck and let's
CELEBRATE!**

Sunday, January 25

**2026 FCCB Officer Installation
will take place during the
morning Worship Service.**

**Thank you to all who volunteer
and help with the important
ministries of our fellowship!**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Please designate offerings and place in the offering plate on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

You may also mail your offerings to the church (PO Box 57, 76097), mail to church treasurer (Peggy Johnson), or use your online banking services.



Dear Church Family,

Thank you to all who purchased poinsettias, in honor or in memory of loved ones, to complete the decor in our Church for the Advent Season. During the past few days, poinsettias were delivered to each of the persons on our continued prayer list. I especially appreciate those who donated plants for this project, and I extend a huge thanks to Mary and Richard Bryan, Steve McGee, and Don Welch for assistance to bring joy and bless those whom we visited.

Love in Christ,
Kathy Welch
Membership



**On a cold winter morning,
Holy Spirit, enfold me
in the warmth
of your love.**

DISCIPLES WOMEN INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

January 8, 2026

Congratulations to the new Disciples Women Officers for 2026.



President: Dee Bash
Vice President: Donna Huggins
Secretary: Lyda Speirs
Treasurer: Lolly Ellis
Study & Worship: Peggy Johnson
Hospitality: Dee Fields
Parliamentarian/Past Pres.: Lynn Dover



Disciples Women meet the 2nd Thursday of the month.
Time and places vary but we announce them ahead of time in the newsletter, weekend announcements, email and Facebook.
All women and their guests are invited.



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

January 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 10:00am Sunday Morning Classes 11:00am Worship	29	30	31	1	2	3
4 EPIPHANY SUNDAY HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY 10:00am Sunday Morning Classes 11:00am Worship 12:00pm Elders Meeting	5	6	7 9:30am Wednesday Morning Bible Study 5:00pm Choir Practice	8 11:30am Disciples Women Meeting	9 9:00am Put Away Advent & Christmas Decorations	10
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