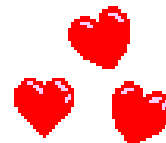


# FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)  
Monday, February 10, 2025



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](http://www.fccburleson.org)

**Office Hours:** Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 am-4:00 pm  
(closed Fridays)

**Church Office:** 817-295-4123

Mike Kearns, Senior Pastor **Cell Phone:** 214-364-6453

**E-Mail:** [pastormike21@hotmail.com](mailto:pastormike21@hotmail.com)

Melissa Powell-Secretary **E-Mail:** [secretary@fccburleson.org](mailto:secretary@fccburleson.org)

## PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

### Basics Are Important

*"Therefore I intend to keep on reminding you of these things, though you know them already and are established in the truth that has come to you." –2 Peter 1:12*

The story has been told of an old ship captain. Every morning the captain would walk into his office, approach a locked desk drawer, take a key out of his pocket, unlock the drawer, take out a book, read and then replace the book and re-lock it in the drawer. He would then go about his duties for the day. For years, the captain's lieutenant watched him go through this daily ritual.

Upon the captain's retirement, the lieutenant was promoted to become the new captain. As part of the changing of the ship's command, the old captain handed over the key to the desk drawer and said, "Guard your ways well, sir, that you follow the advice given in the book. If you do so, you will succeed.

The new captain couldn't wait to see what the book contained that had so inspired the old captain and provided so much wisdom all of those years. He anticipated finding the words of another great sea captain, perhaps those of a great philosopher, or even the wisdom of the Scriptures. So he rushed right away to the office, unlocked the drawer, pulled out the book, and opened it. In the book he found only one page with writing upon it. On that page were two sentences:

"Port is left."

"Starboard is right."

This story is a simple reminder of how some of the basic things in life cannot be overlooked. Living as a Christ-follower is no different. While the Scriptures do challenge us to move towards maturity in our faith, the call to remember the basics is also found. There are some very basic components of the Christian life that we should remind ourselves of repeatedly in order to make sure that we don't forget and move away from important areas like simple, loving devotion to Christ.

Today, reflect for a moment on how your life might be different if every day when you wake up you remind yourself of the basic truth that you are dead to sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus. This kind of daily reminder might just make a world of difference!

Blessings and Peace,  
Pastor Mike





Welcome Guests

Joe Bash, Marlene Baysinger, Pat Crow, Felicity Gregory, Joan Johnson, Jerry McDearmon, Charlie O'Coyne, Janay & Wayne Roberts, Bill Smythe's daughter & grand-daughter, Gwen Staiger, Karen Sturdivan, Duncan Welch and our other regular visitors.

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

| <b>OFFERING</b>                                       | <b>1/26/25</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| General Fund                                          | 2155.00        |
| Building Fund                                         | 80.00          |
| Week of Compassion                                    | 10.00          |
| Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 2235.00 = Short (\$1392.00) |                |

| <b>OFFERING</b>                                    | <b>2/2/25</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund                                       | 6552.00       |
| Building Fund                                      | 335.00        |
| Harvest House                                      | 400.00        |
| Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 6887.00 = Over \$3260.00 |               |

| <b>OFFERING</b>                                       | <b>2/9/25</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| General Fund                                          | 1347.00       |
| Building Fund                                         | 80.00         |
| Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 1427.00 = Short (\$2200.00) |               |

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| January 26, 2025 | 46 |
| February 2, 2025 | 50 |
| February 9, 2025 | 45 |



*Choir Rehearsal*  
5:00pm  
*Wednesdays*

### CALENDAR

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- 9:30AM Women's Bible Study (MR)
- 5:00PM Choir Practice (S)
- 6:00PM Cabinet Meeting (MR)

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- 8:30AM Disciples Men Breakfast @ Ol' South Pancake House
- 12:00PM Disciples Women @ Lynn Dover's home
- 5:30PM Kindred Montessori Meet & Greet (FLC)

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- 10:00AM Sunday School (MR)
- 11:00AM Sunday Worship (S)
- 12:00PM Valentines Luncheon

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- 9:30AM Women's Bible Study
- 5:00PM Choir Practice (S)
- 6:00PM Board Meeting (FLC)

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



Many years ago, the chivalrous Disciples Men began sponsoring a nighttime Valentines party which included music, fun, thought and frivolity.

This year, you may have heard the rumor...

**Valentine's Day has been moved to Sunday, February 16th and you're invited to join us in the Family Life Center right after worship!**

***Each of you will be our Valentine!***



No potluck dish required, all food and drinks will be provided by the Disciples Men.

The fare will be sandwiches, chips, and fixin's. Dessert will include Valentine cookies and candy. We feel sure you will enjoy the process, and after your plate is filled, you may be seated to enjoy a program of entertainment.

We GUARANTEE that you will enjoy the event!

***Please, join us- Sunday 2-16 at 12:00 Noon!***

# PRAYER list...

## Those in Need of Prayer:

John Mehaffey, healing.  
Doreen Lewis, healing.  
Pat Sartori's brother, Paul Drahushuk, healing.  
Carol Gunn's daughter, Nola West, healing.

## Continued Prayers for:

Suzanne Barton, Sue Bannister, Bonnie DePratter, Sterling Grisham, Carol Gunn, Jerry Hay, Dan & Lois Hockman, Ann Miller, Dorothy Nash, Flora Roe, Pat Sartori, Bill Smythe, Darrell Tolliver, Barbara Warren and Iris Wilson.

\* Email your prayer request to  
[secretary@fccburleson.org](mailto:secretary@fccburleson.org) or call (817)295-4123

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



## Steps to a Happier Life

### Don't think of problems as difficulties-

Think of them as opportunities for action.

### After you've done your best with a situation-

Avoid speculating on the outcome. Forget it and go on to the next thing.

### Keep busy-

Keeping your 24 hours a day busy with these three ingredients: work, recreation and sleep.

### Don't concern yourself with things you can't do anything about-

Arm-chair generals don't win battles, but they do have nervous breakdowns.

### Don't put things off-

Putting off an unpleasant task until tomorrow simply gives more time for your imagination to make a mountain out of a possible mole hill- more time for anxiety to sap your self confidence.

### Get things off your chest-

But don't continually put out your woes and anxieties to other people. You don't want their sympathy, but their understanding. Talking about your troubles continually only makes it easier for you to feel sorry for yourself.

### Get up as soon as you wake up-

If you lie in bed, you may use as much nervous energy living your day in advance as you would in the actual accomplishment of your day's work.

### Arrange your schedule so you won't have to hurry-

Hurry, a twin brother to worry, only helps shatter your poise and self confidence, and contributes to fear and anxiety.

### If a project seems overwhelming, break it into simple steps of action-

Then take these simpler, smaller steps, like rungs on a ladder, one at a time, until you've reached your goal.

### Most importantly, know the ONE who is the Author of Life- God Himself -

You can know God best through His Son, Jesus Christ, who said, "I am come that you might have life, and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

- Author Unknown

## FEBRUARY HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

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In February our church contributed 6 lbs of food and \$400.00 towards Harvest House needs.

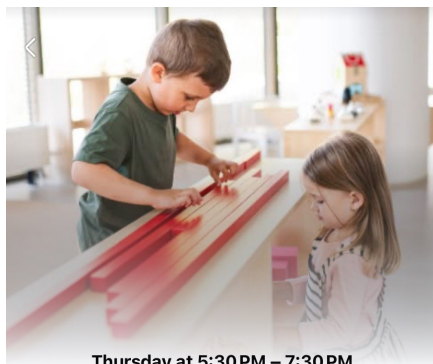
THANK YOU!

Harvest House Sunday is March 2

Current Needs Include: Peanut butter and jelly, Ravioli / SpaghettiOs, canned fruit, canned meat and chilli.



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.



Thursday at 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM  
**Kindred In the Making: A Sneak Peek**

Public - Event by Kindred Montessori Academy

★ Interested

👤 Going

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Come show your support for the  
**KINDRED MONTASSORI SCHOOL**

beginning at FIRST CHRISTIAN in August 2025.

Come and meet school director, SARAH ROSS and her caring staff on Thursday, Feb.13 at 5:30-7:30PM in the FAMILY LIFE CENTER.

## Cabinet Meeting Reminder

**Wednesday**  
**February 12 at**  
**6:00PM**  
**in the Meeting Room**



Honored to Serve  
in FEBRUARY

**Worship Leader**– Mary Bryan

**Greeters**– Angela & Tommy Kaker, Susan McDonald

**Scripture Readers**–

2 Peggy Johnson

9 Ronnie Johnson

16 Angela Kaker

23 Tommy Kaker

**Elders**– Richard Bryan, Lolly Ellis

**Team 1 Deacons**–

Dee Fields, Donna Huggins, Tommy Kaker, Angela Kaker

## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

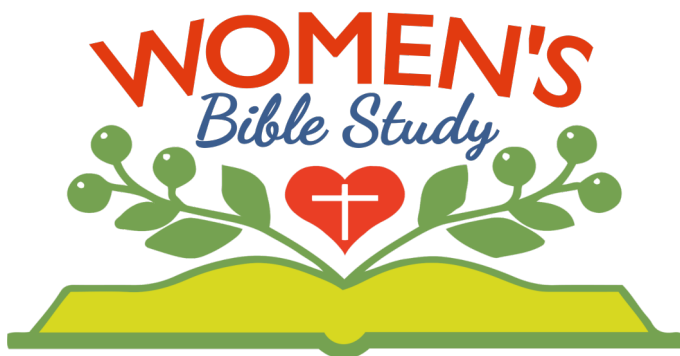
February 10 Bethany Bonds  
February 11 Bonnie DePratter  
February 11 Ann Miller  
February 12 Dee Fields  
February 13 Carol Gunn  
February 18 Dee Bash  
February 20 Diana McGee  
February 24 Gwen Staiger  
February 24 Brenda Yowell

## **DISCIPLES MEN** **BREAKFAST AND MEETING**

**Thursday, February 13**

**8:30 am**

**at Ol' South Pancake House**  
**225 E. Renfro St., Burleson**



**Wednesday Mornings**  
**9:30 am ♦ Meeting Room**

## **Disciples Women Meeting**

**Thursday, February 13**

**@ 12:00PM**

**Lynn Dover's home**  
**136 SE Gardens Blvd. Burleson**  
**817-645-2264**

**Helpers: Pat Crow, Dee Bash**

**Study & Worship: Kathy Welch**

*For those needing a ride, contact Lynn Dover*

**817-645-2264**

**We will carpool from FLC at**  
**11:45AM**

**Service Project for Center for ASD**  
**13 gallon trash bags**



**DON'T FORGET !**

**Wednesday, February 19**

**Board Meeting at 6:00pm**





# FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



## February 2025

| Sunday                                                                                                                     | Monday                               | Tuesday   | Wednesday                                                                                           | Thursday                                                                                                                                 | Friday    | Saturday  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>26</b><br>Officer Installation<br>10:00am Sunday Morning<br>Classes<br>11:00am Worship                                  | <b>27</b>                            | <b>28</b> | <b>29</b><br>9:30am Women's<br>Bible Study<br>5:00pm Choir<br>Practice                              | <b>30</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>31</b> | <b>1</b>  |
| <b>2</b><br><b>HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY</b><br>10:00am Sunday Morning<br>Classes<br>11:00am Worship<br>12:00pm Elder's Meeting | <b>3</b><br>Newsletter<br>Published  | <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b><br>9:30am Women's<br>Bible Study<br>5:00pm Choir<br>Practice                               | <b>6</b>                                                                                                                                 | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>  |
| <b>9</b><br>10:00am Sunday Morning<br>Classes<br>11:00am Worship                                                           | <b>10</b>                            | <b>11</b> | <b>12</b><br>9:30am Women's<br>Bible Study<br>5:00pm Choir<br>Practice<br>6:00pm Cabinet<br>Meeting | <b>13</b><br>8:30am<br>Disciples Men<br>Breakfast<br>12:00pm<br>Disciples<br>Women Meeting<br>5:30 Kindred<br>Montessori<br>Meet & Greet | <b>14</b> | <b>15</b> |
| <b>16</b><br>10:00am Sunday Morning<br>Classes<br>11:00am Worship<br>12:00pm Potluck Luncheon                              | <b>17</b><br>Newsletter<br>Published | <b>18</b> | <b>19</b><br>9:30am Women's<br>Bible Study<br>5:00pm Choir<br>Practice<br>6:00pm Board<br>Meeting   | <b>20</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>21</b> | <b>22</b> |
| <b>23</b><br>10:00am Sunday Morning<br>Classes<br>11:00am Worship                                                          | <b>24</b>                            | <b>25</b> | <b>26</b><br>9:30am Women's<br>Bible Study<br>5:00pm Choir<br>Practice                              | <b>27</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>28</b> | <b>1</b>  |