



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, February 24, 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

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

Church Office: 817-295-4123

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Melissa Powell-Secretary **E-Mail:** secretary@fccburleson.org

PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Tunnel Vision

“Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them” – Mathew 11: 4-5

I was thinking the other day about blinders. You’ve probably seen a horse wearing blinders before. They are used to keep the horse’s eyes focused on its destination, by preventing them from seeing anything but what is immediately in front of them. Without those coverings, the horse can become easily distracted. With blinders, the horse is only aware of what is ahead of it. For horses, blinders are useful.

Sometimes, people wear blinders too. They aren’t physical blinders, mind you, but ones of the heart and mind that serve to focus our attention. These blinders can serve a positive role, but, oftentimes, they are negative, especially when we become focused on our problems and miss the bigger picture of what God is doing.

For an example, the Gospel of Matthew relates a story about John the Baptist. From prison, John the Baptist sends his disciples to ask Jesus if he is the One. As a result of his ministry, John had been thrown into prison. Now, this same man who clearly recognized Jesus as the Messiah, suddenly couldn’t see past his own circumstances. His circumstances had blinded him to the bigger picture, causing him to doubt who Jesus was. Jesus’ response to John’s question is found in Matthew 11. He told John’s disciples to report to him what they had seen. In essence, Jesus was asking John to remove the blinders caused by his circumstances; to see beyond his cell walls and realize all that Jesus was doing.

What is your vision like? Is it hard to see God working because you have blinders on? Is it hard to believe or trust or take steps of faith because all you can see is what’s right in front of you? Sometimes life is not as you thought it would be and you’ve put blinders on and can only see life based on your circumstances. Maybe you wonder why God isn’t working in your life or showing Himself to you anymore. Perhaps you need to stop wondering where God is and take off the blinders that hinder your vision. Understand that our circumstances never change who God is. Our challenge is to trust God even in the midst of our circumstances.

When you doubt or find it difficult to trust God, know that He wants to help you take off your blinders. Don’t get trapped in your circumstances and lose sight of who you know the Lord to be.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike



Joe Bash, Marlene Baysinger,
Lori Chernosky, Pat Crow,
Joan Johnson, Jerry
McDearmon, Charlie O'Coyné, Janay &
Wayne Roberts, Gwen Staiger, Karen
Sturdivan and our other regular visitors.

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

OFFERING	2/16/25
General Fund	835.00
Building Fund	815.00
Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 1650.00 = Short (\$1977.00)	

OFFERING	2/23/25
General Fund	5480.00
Building Fund	135.00
Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 5615.00 = Over \$1988.00	

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

February 16, 2025	45
February 23, 2025	46

CALENDAR



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

- 10:00AM Sunday School (MR)
- 11:00AM Sunday Worship (S)
- 12:00PM Elders Meeting (MR)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

FIRST DAY OF LENT

- 9:30AM Women's Bible Study (MR)
- 5:00PM Choir Practice (S)
- 6:00PM Ash Wednesday Service (S)**

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

- 10:00AM Sunday School (MR)
- 11:00AM Sunday Worship (S)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

- 11:30AM Disciples Women Meeting
@ Kathy Welch's home

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



Choir Rehearsal
5:00pm
Wednesdays
in the Sanctuary



IS COMING!

GET READY to serve your best recipe, at the
MARCH Luncheon and Chili Cook Off!

SUNDAY MARCH 16TH

@ 12 Noon

Sunday,
MARCH 9th!



PRAYER list

Those in Need of Prayer:

John Mehaffey, healing at home.
Georgia Sanders, improving.
Pat Sartori's brother, Paul Drahushuk, healing.

Joys:

Aiden, Diana McGee's homebound student is now cancer free!

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, Nola West and Iris Wilson.

* Email your prayer request to
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



March 16

Vicki Rubis

March 19

Juanice Wichterich

March 21

Lynn Quarzenski

March 28

Tina Gregory

March 29

Tommy Bonds

FEBRUARY HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

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 chili.



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.



ASH
Wednesday

Worship Service March 5th at 6pm

Ash Wednesday marks the start of the Lenten season leading up to Easter on April 20.

The ashes symbolize both death and repentance. During Lent, we spend time praying, fasting, and giving, reminding us of Jesus' sacrifice on Good Friday and His resurrection on Easter and making it even more meaningful.

Cabinet Meeting Reminder

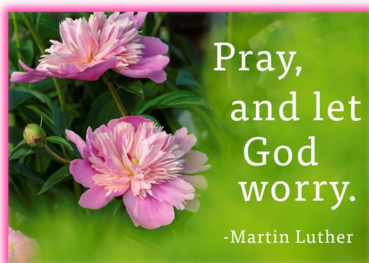
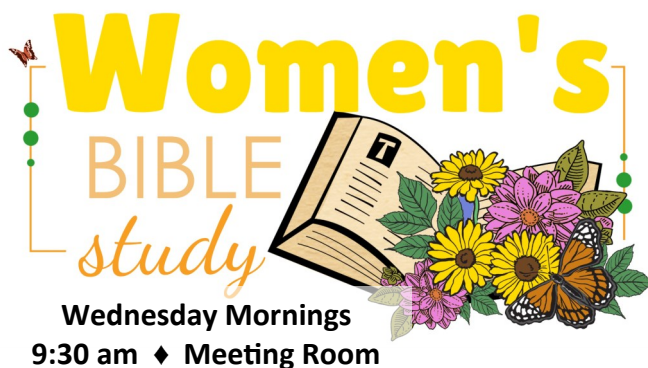
Wednesday
March 12
6:00PM
in the Meeting Room



DON'T FORGET the
RESCHEDULED
BOARD MEETING!
Wednesday, February 26
6:00pm



Worship Leader— Richard Bryan
Greeters— Angela Sanders, Bev Sholders,
Mike Toole
Scripture Readers—
2 Susan McDonald
9 Diana McGee
16 Steve McGee
23 Marilyn Murray
30 Mike Toole
Elders— Jack Gregory, Steve McGee
Team 2 Deacons—
Barbara Bond, Jane Rudolph, Diana McGee,
Mike Toole



Disciples Women Meeting
Thursday, March 13
@ 11:30AM



Kathy Welch's home
213 Hillside Dr. West, Burleson
817-235-4391

Helpers: Dee Fields
Study & Worship: Angela Tolliver
For those needing a ride from home,
contact Lynn Dover 817-645-2264
We will carpool from FLC at 11:15AM

Service Project for Center for ASD
\$5 donations for Reams of Copy Paper



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

March 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23 10:00am Sunday Morning Classes 11:00am Worship	24 Newsletter Published	25	26 9:30am Women's Bible Study 5:00pm Choir Practice 6:00pm Rescheduled Board Meeting	27	28	1
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