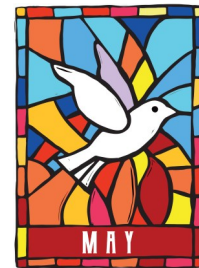




FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, April 28, 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

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

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

PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

A God Who Hears

"Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear."
Isaiah 65:24

I was talking with someone recently about a family crisis he was going through when he made this comment, "I just need God to hear me. I need to know that God is listening. Is that too much to ask for?"

Perhaps you've found yourself in the same situation. You've found yourself in a place where you are crying out to God, and the whole time you're wondering, is He even listening? Perhaps you've found yourself in a place along your journey where you are looking around and asking, "God, if you're supposed to be God, then why is _____ happening?"

If you have been there (or if you are there at this moment), you're in good company. The Scriptures are filled with people who struggled with these exact questions. We encounter people who, in the face of tremendous doubt, have cried out to God, "Where are you?"

The people of God have a term for these kinds of moments: *lament*. Lamenting is a deep cry of the soul, one that, in the face of present struggles, remembers the past goodness of God and cries out to Him to be faithful once again. It is a passionate plea, literally a "calling out" of God — "If you are who you say you are, and if you're the same God who has acted in the past... then where are you now?"

Time and again in the Scriptures, we come across people who cried out to God. They cried out to God because they knew that He had been faithful in the past, and that they needed Him to be faithful once again in the present. "God, where are you? I thought you were a loving God. Where's this loving God that I thought you were?" Perhaps you've asked the same kinds of questions. Perhaps someone has told you that these kinds of questions were a "lack of faith."

Yet the reality is this: when you and I ask hard questions of God, we are standing in the stream of this ancient tradition, one that is captured over and over in the Scriptures. It is in the asking of your honest, gut-wrenching questions—the ones filled with anger and frustration—that you are expressing a deep sense of faith. We cry out to God, in frustration and in anger, because we believe that He is the only One who can do something about it.

We believe, ultimately, that God is a God who hears. And it is this truth that gives us hope in the present.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike



Patti Barnaby, Marlene Baysinger, Lori Chernosky, Clint & Jodi Crawford, Fidel Estrada, Pat Crow, Joan Johnson, Jerry McDearmon, Barney, Emmy & Kelsey Nash, Dave, Bodie, Luke & Quinn Nash, Charlie O'Coyné, Wayne & Janay Roberts, Jabin Smythe and his daughter, Gwen Staiger, Karen Sturdivan, Austyn, Kevin & Nancy Taylor and our other regular visitors.

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



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

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

SUNDAY, MAY 4

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

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

THURSDAY, MAY 8

11:30AM Disciples Women at Dee Fields' home

SUNDAY, MAY 11

MOTHER'S DAY

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

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

OFFERING	4/20/25
General Fund	2405.00
Building Fund	535.00
Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 2940.00 = Short (\$687.00)	

OFFERING	4/27/25
General Fund	1485.00
Building Fund	135.00
Weekly Needs: \$3627.00 - 1620.00 = Short (\$2007.00)	

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

April 20, 2025	76
April 27, 2025	35



Choir Rehearsal

**5:00pm
Wednesdays
in the
Sanctuary**

APRIL HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

In April our church contributed \$385.00 towards
Harvest House needs.
THANK YOU!

Harvest House Sunday is May 4.

Current Needs Include: Peanut butter and jelly, Ravioli / SpaghettiOs, canned fruit, canned meat, pasta & sauce and condiments.



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.

PRAYER list

Those in Need of Prayer:

Richard Bryan's brother-in-law, healing.
Jack & Lolly Ellis traveling to Italy.
Donna Huggins' daughter-in-law, comfort.
Judy Janzen, hospitalized.
Mike and Joan Kearns, healing.
Steven McGee, healing.
John & Dottie Mehaffey.
Don Welch, healing.
Karen Willette's great-granddaughter, Eloise, healing.

Joys:

Dorothy Nash celebrated her 90th birthday!
Jerry McDearmon returned to worship with us.
Many visitors for Easter Sunday Worship!

Continued Prayers for:

Sue Bannister, Barbara Bond, Bonnie DePratter, Wayne English, Sterling Grisham, Carol Gunn, Jerry Hay, Dan & Lois Hockman, John Mehaffey, Ann Miller, Dorothy Nash, Flora Roe, Georgia & Jim Sanders, Pat Sartori, Pat Sartori's brother, Paul Drahushuk, Barbara Warren, and Iris Wilson.

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



Right
after
Sunday
Morning
Worship
in the
Family
Life
Center!

BRING YOUR BEST TEX-MEX!

Donations are always welcome to help buy paper goods, plastic ware, coffee, etc.



Cabinet Meeting Reminder

Wednesday
May 14
6:00PM
in the Meeting Room

MOM
Happy Mother's Day

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**

Disciples Women Meeting

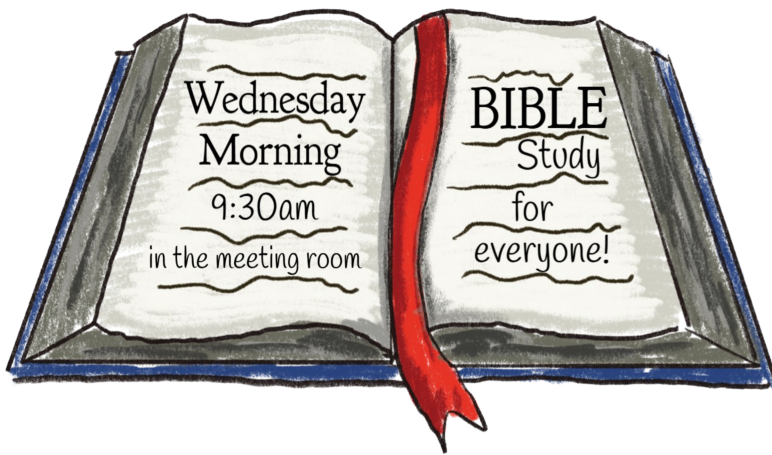
Thursday, May 8
@ 11:30AM

Dee Fields' home
825 Alexandria Lane, Joshua
817-793-8844

Hostess Helpers: Mary Bryan
Study & Worship: Mary Bryan

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
Financial Donations for
Summer Camp Supplies



Reminder There will be an **ELDERS** Meeting right after worship on Sunday, May 4



Worship Leader– Karen Willette
 Greeters– Ronnie Johnson, Don & Kathy Welch,
 Scripture Readers–
 4 Mary Bryan
 11 Lynn Dover
 18 Dee Fields
 25 Carol Findley
 Elders– Richard Bryan, Jack Gregory
 Team 4 Deacons–
 Lolly Ellis, Vicki Rubis, Don Welch, Kathy Welch



DON'T FORGET the BOARD MEETING!
 Wednesday, May 21
 At 6:00pm
 in the Family Life Center.



May 7	Taunja Carlisle
May 8	David McDonald
May 8	Kathy Welch
May 19	Carol Findley
May 19	Ky Gregory
May 21	Joan Johnson
May 24	Flora Roe
May 25	Jerry Hay
May 27	Steve McGee
May 29	Mary Bryan

— LOOKING AHEAD —

DISCIPLES WOMEN FUNDRAISER

This year during our fellowship luncheons, Disciples Women will auction off one dessert with the funds going toward this year's Outreach Projects.

*At the May 18th Salsa Sunday Potluck, the dessert will be **MARY BRYAN'S FAMOUS CHOCOLATE PIE!***

Come prepared to bid generously on this crowd favorite!!



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.



*Happy
Mother's
Day!*

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



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May 2025

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18 10:00am Sunday Morning Classes 11:00am Worship 12:00pm Salsa Sunday Potluck	19	20	21 9:30am Wednesday Morning Bible Study 5:00pm Choir Practice 6:00pm Board Meeting	22	23	24
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