



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)
Tuesday, July 21, 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- **Church Office:** 817-295-4123

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

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

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Sunday Schedule:

Sunday Morning Classes 10:00 AM

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM



FROM PASTOR MASON

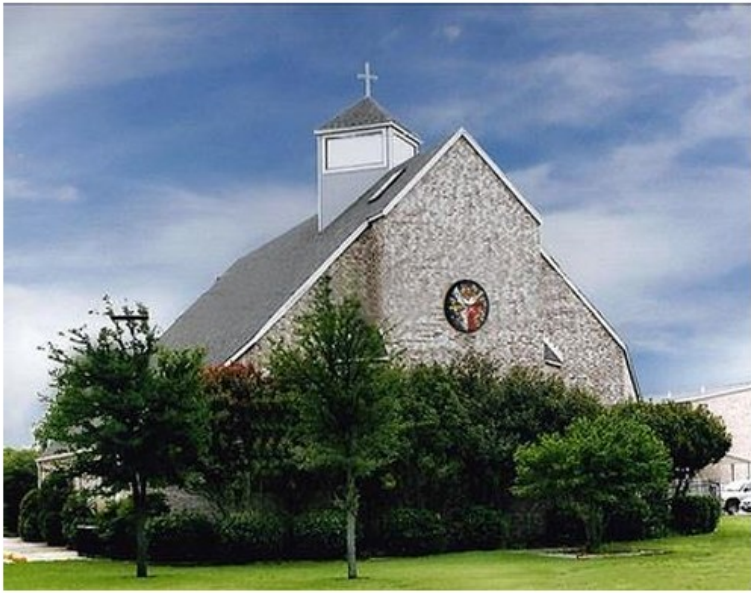
It has been a joy to get settled in as your senior pastor these last few weeks. With every transition like this there comes some awkwardness as we try to follow one another in this dance of faith and community. In the last month we have ventured together through sermons and songs, prayers and potlucks, and a few bible studies in Ephesians and Genesis. It has been a lot of fun to try and feel out the rhythm of First Christian Church Burleson and I know that when the summer months end, the rhythm will change again and we'll do our best to keep each other in time.

I want to say "thank you" to you all for your willingness to venture through Jesus's parables in Matthew with me these last few weeks. You'll be happy or maybe terrified to learn that we will keep going through these parables this week as we look at the parable of the mustard seed and the parable of the buried treasure – that's right, Jesus is going to lead us on a treasure hunt this week! These last two weeks we've talked about plants and seeds and weeds and birds and thorns and enemies and fire and reapers and I think at one point I brought up 3rd graders being my mortal enemies? Truthfully, it's been a bit of a blur, but I am excited to keep finding our way through these metaphors. I hope one thing that stuck with you from this last sermon is that "the kingdom of God is what the children of God need it to be." Again, this doesn't mean that the kingdom of God is wishy-washy or lukewarm, it means that God knows there is not a one-size-fits-all way to help all of God's children and so the way we get to the kingdom of God might look different for different people.

As we continue through Matthew and these parables, I want to put a question to you all. What is your favorite parable that Jesus tells in the New Testament? Are you a fan of the parable of the Sower or do you find more meaning in the parable of the lost sheep? I'd love to know this week or next so we can continue to have great conversations about the stories that build our faith. Once we know what the foundations of our faith look like together maybe we can start imagining where we want our faith to take us. Do we want our faith to grow deeper in knowledge about what the Bible says? Do we want our faith to take us out of our comfort zone and into the world? Wherever the answer is for you, I am excited to go there with you over the next few months.

One of the biggest pieces of wisdom that is given to ministers stepping into new positions is "don't change anything for the first 6 months." I think that this is pretty good advice because it helps remind the minister that they are a guest in someone else's home first before they get to become a part of that family. I intend on following this advice with you, as I feel I have so much to learn about how FCC Burleson operates and likes to get things done. I also want to make sure that I get to know everyone a bit more, whether you are here every Sunday or homebound, before we make any big adjustments. Even when changes do start happening, I don't intend on changing anything without it being a collaborative effort. I also want to make the invitation now that if I am doing something that you do or don't like – please, please, please let me know! The first rule of this position is to care for you all and I can't do that if I don't know what is or isn't working.

I also know that we are excited to look at growth opportunities and strategies and I want to encourage you that one of the best ways to find ways to grow is to ask someone from the outside what they want to see in a church. Evangelism can be a scary word but we are evangelists for things all the time! If you have a mechanic or a plumber that you like and trust you're probably pretty quick to recommend them to family and friends! Church can be the same way. It doesn't always have to be around people's faith lives, it might be as simple as your neighbor has seemed down lately and church and lunch might be a good way to get them out of the house for a bit. Everyone wants to be in community and we have a good community here to be a part of. I am excited to see it strengthen and grow!



First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) cordially invites you to attend the Installation Service for our new pastor, the Reverend Mason Wagner. We rejoice that the Lord has led our new pastor to lead our congregation and we are looking forward to celebrating this occasion as a family of God.

Join Us! Sunday, August 9, 2026 at 11 a m
First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
601 SW Johnson Ave, Burleson, TX
Reception to follow in the Family Life Center

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.



Elders Meeting
on Sunday, August 2nd
Right after worship



Those in Need of Prayer:

Peggy Barnes, healing
Lolly Ellis, recovering from surgery.
Collin Gregory, healing.
Tommy Kaker, job search.
Rev. Mike Kearns, recovering from surgery.
Michelle McCrory, recovering from injury.
Bev Sholders, recovering from injury.

Joys: Two new great granddaughters for Vernon & Dee Fields.

Collin Gregory family attended potluck luncheon.
Karen Willette welcomed a 2nd great grandson!

Continued Prayers for:

Marlene Baysinger, Bonnie DePratter, Paul Drahushuk, Wayne English, Vernon Fields, Sterling Grisham, Carol Gunn, Jerry Hay, Dan & Lois Hockman, Joan Johnson, Ann Miller, Flora Roe, Georgia & Jim Sanders, Pat Sartori, Rev. Bill Smythe, Ron Struck, Barbara Warren, Don Welch, Juanice Wichterich, Iris Wilson and Wynell (Dorothy Nash's sister).

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



Nathan Brooks (Katie Wagner's brother)
Lori Chernosky, Jodi Crawford, Pat Crow,
Betty Jareles, Jerry McDearmon, Shannon
Mehaffey, Rev. Mason, Katie, Charlotte &
Juniper Wagner and our other regular
visitors.



Welcome Guests

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

OFFERING	7/12/26
General Fund	2110 .00
Building Fund	660.00
Gas Royalties	170.25
Harvest House	25.00

Weekly Needs: \$3108.00 – \$2940.25 = (\$167.75) short

OFFERING	7/19/26
General Fund	1860.00
Building Fund	55.00

Weekly Needs: \$3108.00 – 1915.00 = (\$1193.00) short

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

July 12, 2026	40
July 19, 2026	44



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.

**Did you know we have an
Adult Sunday School Class?
Come just a bit earlier, 10 a.m.**

**Enjoy some coffee
and Bible Study
in the Chapel.**



WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

9:30AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (MR)

SUNDAY, JULY 26

10:00AM Sunday Morning Classes (C)

11:00AM Sunday Worship (S)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

9:30AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (MR)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

10:00AM Sunday Morning Classes (C)

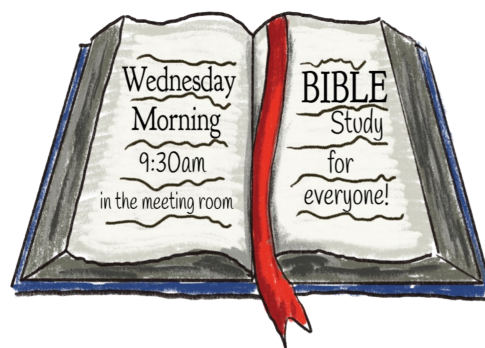
11:00AM Sunday Worship (S)

12:00PM Elder's Meeting (MR)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

9:30AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (MR)

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



Honored to Serve

Worship Leader– Jack Gregory

Greeters– Jane Rudolph, Angela Sanders

Scripture Readers–

2 Jack Gregory

9 Angela Kaker

16 Tommy Kaker

23 Diana McGee

30 Steve McGee

Elders– Richard Bryan, Karen Willette



Disciples Women Meeting

Thursday, August 13

11:30 am

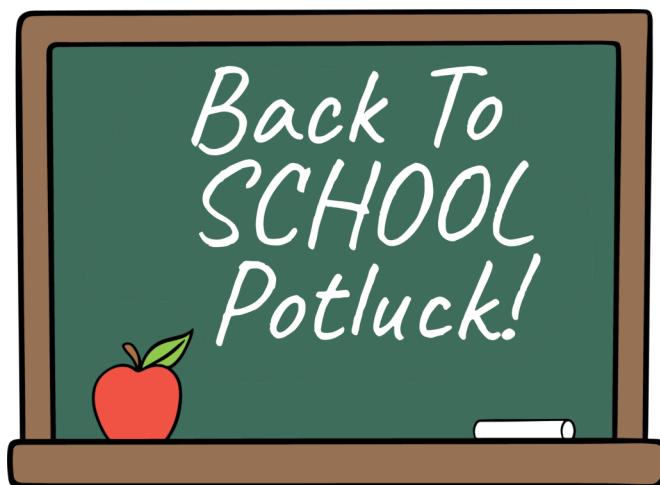
At Dee Bash's home
616 Charles Ct. Burleson
(817)996-8032

Happy Helpers: Angela Kaker & Kaye Gregory
Study: & Worship: Lynn Dover

Meet at the church parking lot at 11:00 to carpool.

Donations for the Center for ASD
Hand Sanitizer

Are you ready for another potluck?



AUGUST 16th

JULY HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

In July our church contributed **\$425.00** and **28 lbs. of food** towards the Harvest House needs. **THANK YOU!**

Harvest House Sunday is August 2.

Current Needs Include: Canned goods (fruit, vegetables, beans, soups), pasta, rice, peanut butter, cereal, oatmeal, snack packages (crackers, granola bars, fruit cups), shelf stable milk or juice.



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.

REMEMBER!!

JULY is a **MFM** **MEETING-FREE MONTH**

No meetings for Elders, Board or Cabinet during the month of JULY.



BIRTHDAYS!

Dottie Mehaffey	August 11
Jack Gregory	August 15
Jessica Kaker	August 19
Matthew Hindman	August 23
Terri Lester	August 25
Donna Huggins	August 27
Natalie Arguello	August 29
Lynn Dover	August 31

Here's Your Sign!



Pick up your free First Christian Church Sign Today!

Pick up your yard sign after Sunday worship or stop by the church office Mon-Thurs- 8-4 and help get the word out about our wonderful church!