

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, November 13, 2017



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

Telephone: 817-295-4123
Fax: 817-295-0750

Sunday Schedule:

Chapel Worship 8:00 AM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Worship 11:00 AM

Website: www.fccburleson.org

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 6:30 am-4:30 pm
Closed Fridays

Learning Center Hours: Mon-Fri. 6:30 am-5:30 pm
Mike Kearns, Senior Pastor **Cell Phone:** 214-364-6453

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Terri Lester, Secretary

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival

Although the Season of Advent, our time of preparation for Christmas, begins on Sunday, December 3rd, it is time to think about The Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival held annually at University Christian Church in Fort Worth. For the last five years, as many of you remember, a large group of our members attended, and we had an absolutely wonderful afternoon together.

This year, we are again making plans for all who wish to attend to go as a group from the church. We will attend the 3:00 pm performance on Sunday, January 7, 2018. Reserved seat tickets are \$15 each and go on sale on Monday, November 27th. Like last year, we want to place an early order with University Christian Church so that we can sit as a group and have great seats. Therefore, there is a sign-up sheet in the foyer of the sanctuary for you to indicate your intention to be a part of our group attending the festival. Please sign up by Sunday, November 26th, so we can purchase tickets on your behalf. If you wish, you may also call Terri at the church or me on my cell (214-364-6453), and we will be happy to put your name on the list. You may pay for your tickets any time between now and December 31st. Checks should be made payable to First Christian Church with "Boar's Head Festival" noted in the memo field. I will distribute the tickets on Sunday, January 7th.

We will carpool from the Family Life Center parking lot at 1:30 pm and should be back at the church by 5:00 pm. The Family Life Center will be open immediately following our worship service for those who wish to bring a sack lunch and eat at the church prior to leaving for University Christian Church.

The Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival is a celebration of good over evil and is perhaps the oldest continuing festival of the Christmas season. It began as a holiday tradition in the grand manor houses of England, and was brought to America during colonial days.

A multi-generational cast and musicians of over 300 re-enact the ancient celebration which marks the end of the twelve days of Christmas. Also known as The Epiphany, the end of the twelve days traditionally claims that the Magi offered their gifts to the Christ Child.

The pageant is based on an old legend, that of an Oxford student who kills a wild boar when it interrupts his studies. When the church adopted the Festival, it gained a new, Christian significance: the wild boar, symbolic of evil is overcome by good through the teachings of Christ. Marching companies, in beautiful authentic costumes of Renaissance England, sing the ancient songs of Christendom, as they carry in the gaily-bedecked head of the wild boar, which is conquered by the innocent goodness of the Christ Child. The triumph of light over darkness is made graphic in the Christ Candle through its light and through the carvings on the wooden candleholder in the production.

The second part of the festival features the original Christmas story, as shepherds and Wise Men travel to Bethlehem to pay homage and to bring gifts to the Christ Child. The entire Chancel and Altar portions of the sanctuary are restructured for the festival.

Attending the one-hour Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival is an important annual tradition for Joan and me. I hope you will join us this year as we celebrate the season.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	10/29/17
General Fund	1,701.00
Building Fund	557.00
OFFERING	11/05/17
General Fund	6,305.00
Building Fund	1,325.00
Gas Royalties	287.30
OFFERING	11/12/17
General Fund	2,691.00
Building Fund	447.00
Doyle DePratter Memorial	100.00
Average Weekly Offering Needed: \$3,200.00	



<u>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</u>	
October 29, 2017	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	56
November 5, 2017	
Chapel Service	2
Traditional	65
November 12, 2017	
Chapel Service	3
Traditional	100





Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger and Bob Lee
in the Chapel Service.

JoAnn Mason, Karen Mason,
Peggy Mikas, Emmy Nash,
Kristin Prather, James Dennis,
Kim Lassiter, Will Davies, Aniya
Mason, James Wood, Shad Hajecate, Marti Parker,
Dr. OK & Jane Neal, Krystal, Conner, Ellie & Gracie
McGee, Darb Dewar & Terri Tipton, Kurt, Sandra,
Jacob & Leah Voss and our other regular visitors in
the Traditional Service.

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

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017
9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
6:00 PM Board Meeting (FLC)
7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017
THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING
8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
12:00 PM Sandwich Luncheon & Disciples
Women Dessert Auction (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2017
No Wednesday Activities Scheduled

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2017
HAPPY THANKSGIVING - Church Office Closed

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017
8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
9:00 AM Prayer Group (MR)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
12:00 PM Decorate Church for Advent &
Christmas with Soup/Stew Luncheon

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2017
9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



Thank You!



The DePratter family sends heartfelt thanks for the phone calls, cards, flowers, visits, food, and to the ladies in the church who provided the food and served it at Doyle's service. It was wonderful. Thank you!! To the beautiful service from Pastor Mike and the beautifully decorated church, his precious wife Joan, who with him helped me make it through the sad times. He was always there when my family needed him. Doyle loved him so. Thank you to my church family whom I love!

God's Blessing to all of you,
Bonnie and Family

The Power of Prayer



Because our newsletter is now online, we will no longer be listing specific conditions.
Thank you for your continued prayers for all.

Those in Need of Prayer:

John Alson
The family of Mariel Biggs who passed away
The family of Doyle DePratter who passed away
Wayne English
Ann Lecroy Evans-Pat Sartori's friend
Ken & Gloria Gibbs-Sue Bannister's brother & sister-in-law
Kaye Gregory
Tommy Kaker
Martha Jane Lane
Jeannette McDermott-Pat Sartori's mother
Mark & Christine McMichael-Pat Sartori's sister & brother-in-law
Jane Neal
Eleen Phippen-Angela Tolliver's mother
Michel Rubis
Pat Sartori
Needra Womack
Angela Tolliver's Aunt Bess
Angel-Valerie Stuart's friend
Theresa-Pene Enochs' daughter

We Rejoice With:

Bethany Bonds
Kaye Gregory was back in worship
Ann Miller joined our church on
November 5, 2017
Bill & Cyndy Taylor were back in
worship
Angel-Valerie Stuart's friend
20 Veterans were recognized in
worship on Sunday, November
12th.

Continued Prayers for:

Marjorie Armstrong; Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill & Ruby Carlton,
Bobbie Cockerham, Roy Cronenberg, Doyle & Bonnie DePratter, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham,
M'Lee Gonzales, Karen Milburn, O.K. & Jane Neal, Kim & Shea Pulliam, Jim Sargent, Jack Stanley,
Don Vardeman, Iris Wilson, Needra Womack, Carole Wright & Pat Yarborough

Our country's leaders and world leaders

Our own military people:
GySgt Ky B. Gregory, Lt Col Steve Storch

NOVEMBER HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

59 Pounds of Food
\$202.00 in Cash Donations

Also collected by Disciples Women were 15
bottles of shampoo and conditioner!

Dear First Christian Church,
Thank you so very much for your ongoing support.
We could not do what we do without you.

Jennifer Woods
Executive Director

Harvest
HOUSE

You are Invited to a Thanksgiving & Christmas Craft & Bake Sale!



Mariposa
155 Elk Drive, Burleson
November 18th, 9 am to 3 pm

Don't like to bake? We'll have those Thanksgiving pies and Christmas Fudge plus other goodies of the holidays. Shop for those unique Christmas gifts made by the Craft Class. The Craft Class will benefit from the proceeds for future supplies.

We'll also be raffling off a Thanksgiving Center-piece made by Patricia Sartori. Tickets are 2 for \$1.00.

For questions call
Patricia Sartori 682-367-2911



A HUGE Thank You to all who donated candy, money or their time to help with Boo Bash this year. A fun time was had by all, and we could not have done it without all your help!!



2018 PROPOSED BOARD MEMBERS

Jack Gregory, Jr. (3 year term)
Jerry Hay (3 year term)
Jim Sanders (3 year term)
Mike Toole (3 year term)
Peggy Johnson, Treasurer (1 year term)

2018 PROPOSED DEACONS

Ronnie Johnson (2 year term)
Peggy Johnson (2 year term)
Angela Kaker (2 year term)
Marilyn Murray (2 year term)
Jim Sanders (2 year term)
Georgia Sanders (2 year term)
Mike Toole (2 year term)

2018 PROPOSED YOUTH DEACON

Bryson Bonds (1 year term)



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Help decorate for Advent and Christmas after worship on November 26th.

There will be a soup/stew luncheon for all of those who volunteer! If you would like to contribute something, crackers, cheese, desserts are always welcome.





Sponsored by Disciples Women

*Proceeds go to church, community
and worldwide projects we support.*



**This is our only fundraiser of the year -
so thank you for being generous**

**Sunday ♦ November 19 ♦ in the FLC
After the 11:00 am Worship Service**

POINSETTIAS

Name _____

Phone _____

Quantity _____

_____ @ \$10.00 each = _____

In Honor Of: _____

In Memory Of: _____

Please turn in this order form
along with payment to Terri Lester
in the church office by Sunday,
November 26th.



THANKSGIVING OFFERING NOV 2017

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of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)



SUNDAY ♦ NOVEMBER 19, 2017



**The PPRC Meeting originally scheduled for
Wednesday, November 22, 2017,
has been rescheduled due to the
Thanksgiving holiday.**

**PPRC will meet on Wednesday, November
29, 2017, at 1:30 in the Meeting Room.**