

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, October 12, 2020



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.

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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

Learning Center Hours: Mon-Fri. 6:30 am-5:30 pm

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

FAITHFUL - HOPEFUL - LOVING

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen." - I Peter 4:10-11

The church's stewardship committee, led by Don Welch, will be launching our Annual Stewardship Campaign next week, which will conclude on Consecration Sunday, November 8th. The committee will be sharing stewardship campaign information with you over the next several weeks encouraging you to prayerfully consider how you will be able to support the mission and the ministries of First Christian Church for 2021 by the sharing of your time, talents and financial resources so that we can continue to proclaim the good news of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth.

Throughout our faith journey, we receive several invitations. From the invitation to make our confession of faith to the invitation to care for the poor and the sick, the homeless and the ignored, and many others in need, our life in this community of faith is full of invitations.

Over the next several weeks, our Annual Stewardship Campaign with the theme of "Faithful, Hopeful, Loving" will invite each of us to be intentional about how we respond to the variety of invitations we receive and how those invitations spur us along in our faith development.

Jesus invites us to bring all that we are and all that we have when we become a follower, a disciple of Christ. It is a journey that is meant both to form us more into the image of Christ through the disciplines of study, worship, prayer, service, and generosity; as well as to strengthen us in becoming powerful agents for the good that God is doing in our world.

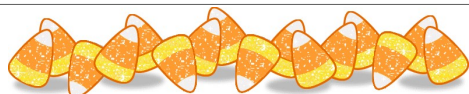
When we make an intentional decision about what we bring before Christ, we extend a blessing of health and wholeness to all of creation, because we are certain that this is ultimately what God desires. The world is broken and hurting and we are called to be a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. We can be agents of grace if we are generous in our response to the invitations that are presented to us.

Our faithful commitment of our time, our talents and our financial resources is one way we are invited to respond to Christ's invitation. This year's campaign "FAITHFUL, HOPEFUL, LOVING" is designed to prepare us for determining our investment in the ministry and mission of First Christian Church for next year. I hope and pray that each of you will be intentional about responding to this important invitation by returning the 2021 pledge card and the time and talent form that you will receive soon in the mail to the church by Consecration Sunday, November 8th. All financial commitment information is kept strictly confidential by our church treasurer, Peggy Johnson.

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OFFERING	10/04/20
General Fund	4,020.00
Building Fund	790.00
Bill Sholders Memorial	200.00
Weekly Needs: \$3,972.00 - 5,010.00 = Over \$1,038.00	

OFFERING	10/11/20
General Fund	5,500.00
Building Fund	1,385.00
Weekly Needs: \$3,972.00 - 6,885.00 = Over \$2,913.00	



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

October 4, 2020-No Service due to Corona Virus
24 Participated in Drive Up Communion

October 11, 2020-No Service due to Corona Virus
22 Participated in Drive Up Communion



Visitors and Guests

No Services due to Corona Virus.

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

FOLLOW THE
GUIDELINES

NEW PROCEDURE



Since the daycare has started and we now have children in the building, we have requirements that need to be followed according to CDC and Licensing guidelines for anyone entering the building.

As of today, anyone coming into the building needs to come to the "Church Office" doors BEFORE you go anywhere else, including the Family Life Center. Everyone must wear a mask, your temperature will be taken and logged in with your name.

To My Church Family,

Thank you for all the prayers and cards during Bill's passing. He loved his church family and also singing in the choir.

We feel so blessed and grateful to be a part of such a loving and caring church.

Bev and the
Sholders Families



Please Note: this schedule may change due to the changing restrictions regarding the COVID-19 Virus.

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2020

No Wednesday Activities

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020

9:00 am-11:00 am Drive Up Communion
(Gregory Street Parking Lot)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2020

6:00 PM Board Meeting (FLC)

No Other Wednesday Activities

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

9:00 am-11:00 am Drive Up Communion
(Gregory Street Parking Lot)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2020

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

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After Consecration Sunday, Peggy will provide the Stewardship Committee with estimate of giving totals so that they can construct a "BAD" (balanced, achievable and defendable) budget for 2021 that will first go to the church board for consideration and approval on Wednesday, November 18th and then to the congregation for approval on Sunday, December 6th.

God has done and continues to do remarkable things through us and with us - things that matter! Your prayers and your participation are essential to helping us move forward on our journey of discipleship. We know that when the early church gathered, they did so with glad and generous hearts and that there was no need among them (Acts 2). We desire such a spirit of true community to be among us. I look forward to considering with you what it means for us to be FAITHFUL, HOPEFUL, AND LOVING, as we seek to be faithful disciples in this place.

Thank you for walking alongside me as a part of First Christian Church.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

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:

Barbara Bond

We Rejoice With:

For the ability to worship together online during the Covid-19 crisis.

The health and safety of all nurses, doctors, all health care providers as well as first responders as we go through the Covid-19 crisis. Including our members and friends Bethany Bonds; Dave & Adrienne Nash, Dorothy Nash's son and daughter-in-law; Colin Cronenberg, the Cronenberg's son, Desiree Lester, Terri Lester's daughter-in-law, and Jeff Yowell, Brenda Yowell's son

Continued Prayers for:

Sue Bannister, Suzanne Barton, Betty Grisham, Carol Gunn, Jerry Hay, Becky Hoover, Judy Janzen, Brad King, Kim Lassitor, Darrell Tolliver, Ivan Walker, Needra Womack, Pat Yarborough & Joy Young

Our country's leaders and world leaders

Drive Up Communion

Every Sunday
9:00 am-11:00am

NOTE NEW TIME

*Come to the
Gregory Street
Parking Lot*

*First
Christian
Church
(Disciples of Christ)*



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The board sub-committee, led by our board chair, Mike Toole, is reviewing the information compiled from the congregational surveys received about how and when to safely re-open the church. That committee will be meeting this week to develop a recommendation to the church board to be presented in the board's meeting on Wednesday, October 21st. We will keep you informed of the process and any decisions made by the church board.

The church's stewardship committee, led by Don Welch, will be launching our Annual Stewardship Campaign next week, which will conclude on Consecration Sunday, November 8th. The committee will be sharing stewardship campaign information with you over the next several weeks in our newsletters, with weekly stewardship moments in our worship services, by regular mail and e-mail all encouraging you to prayerfully consider how you will be able to support the ministries of First Christian Church for 2021 by the sharing of your time, talents and financial resources so that we can continue to share the good news of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth.

We continue to experience new, confirmed cases of the Corona Virus in many parts of the United States and here in Texas. Governor Abbott has required the use of face masks for anyone out in public in all counties with more than 20 confirmed cases, although as of August 17th, all religious services are exempt from mask mandates and occupancy limits. He is encouraging citizens to remain at home when possible and practice social distancing. Additional precautions should be taken by those most vulnerable – the elderly and those with underlying health conditions. We all must be very cautious and not become complacent believing that the risk to our health is diminishing. Therefore, **ALTHOUGH CHURCHES MAY NOW HOLD RELIGIOUS SERVICES WITH RESTRICTIONS AND STRICT PROTOCOLS IN PLACE, WE WILL NOT RESUME ON-SITE SERVICES OTHER THAN DRIVE-UP COMMUNION ON SUNDAY MORNINGS FROM 9 A.M. UNTIL 11 A.M. UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

On Sunday from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. DRIVE UP COMMUNION will be available at the church. Come to the Gregory Street parking lot near the glass doors that are closest to the sanctuary. A team of our members who have graciously volunteered will come out to your car, bring you communion and offer prayer.

Collin Gregory, Jack Gregory, and Pastor Mike are posting Sunday videos that are available on the FCCB Facebook page. Please click the link below and make sure you're added to the church Facebook group. If you have any questions or need assistance in viewing the post, contact the church office 817-295-4123.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/175431884924/>

If you don't have a Facebook account or access to Facebook, you can see the video by searching You Tube or see the Saturday email titled A Word from Pastor Mike and it has the You Tube link. As always, if you have any questions, concerns or unmet needs, please contact your Elder or Pastor Mike on his cell at 214-364-6453. If you don't know who your Elder is, contact Kaye Gregory at Email: jackgregoryjr@aol.com. You are all in our prayers during these difficult days.

Further schedule changes will be announced by emails, phone calls, newsletters, and Facebook postings.

Thank you for your continued support. We still have bills during this time. Your offerings can be mailed to: First Christian Church, P.O. Box 57, Burleson, TX 76097 or to our treasurer Peggy Johnson, 117 NE Timber Ridge Dr., Burleson, TX 76028 or through your bank's online payment system.

**BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 21, 2020
6:00 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER**