

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, October 14, 2019



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

Devoted to Generosity

"Be devoted to good works and acts of charity." - Acts 9:36

Our God is a generous God - a God who has been revealed in Jesus as the One who deeply and passionately loves us. Our God is a God of transformation - who changes us, and through us, changes the world. This is good news to share with others. Last Sunday, under the guidance of our Stewardship Committee we began our 2019 Annual Stewardship Campaign with the theme "Devoted to Generosity". Over the next several Sundays during worship we will hear heartfelt "Stewardship Moments" from members of our congregation. Also, each Sunday, our worship bulletins will include an insert that will lead us to consider how we see and understand stewardship as one of the cornerstones of our journey of faith.

I think our stewardship campaign theme "Devoted to Generosity" calls us to consider what really matters in our daily lives and how we respond as faithful stewards. As we measure what really matters, we are challenged to do remarkable things for God. We know that to follow our Lord and Savior Christ Jesus and share the "Good News" of the gospel requires the investment of our spiritual gifts as well as the investments of our financial resources, our time, our talent and our energy. And we also know that because of these investments we make through the ministry and mission of First Christian Church we truly make a difference in the lives of others. The gifts we bring are so much more than money - they become the real workings of ministry.

The practice of generosity is a faith discipline. It is the mark of a growing faith and a deeper walk with Christ. As a community of faith here at First Christian Church, we remain deeply committed to being genuine Disciples of Christ - seeking to be fed spiritually and to actively engage the world where its deepest needs meet our abilities, and with God's help, to create positive change.

In the coming weeks you will receive a letter from our Stewardship Committee regarding our Annual Stewardship Campaign along with an "Estimate of Giving" form and a "Time and Talent" Commitment form. These forms are also available in the church foyer. Between now and Consecration Sunday, November 10th, I encourage you to intentionally, carefully and prayerfully consider the commitments you will make in support of our ministry and mission together here at First Christian Church in 2020. You may return the completed forms to the church by placing them in the offering plate during our worship service; or by returning them to the church office. By returning the "Estimate of Giving" form in a sealed envelope, be assured that the information is held in strict confidence by our Church Treasurer, Peggy Johnson.

Sunday, November 10th, is Consecration Sunday when we will ask God's continued blessings on First Christian Church and the commitments of our resources that we have made through the church for 2020. That Sunday, during the 11:00 am worship service, we will also have a special recognition of all our veterans who are in attendance. Immediately following worship, we will gather in the Family Life Center for our Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. I hope you are planning to be a part of this important day in the life of our church.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	09/29/19
General Fund	1,730.00
Building Fund	40.00
Reconciliation Special Offering	65.00
Weekly Needs:	\$4,146.00 - 1,770.00 = Short (\$2,376.00)

OFFERING	10/06/19
General Fund	6,824.34
Building Fund	1,470.00
Reconciliation Special Offering	105.00
Weekly Needs:	\$4,146.00 - 8,294.34 = Over \$4,148.34



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

September 29, 2019	62
October 6, 2019	61
October 13, 2019	63



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger; Ed Pappert; Will Davies; Richard Petton; Lexi Hales; Chloe Janzen; Emmy Nash; Chris Pidgeon; Dan & Lois Hockman and our other regular visitors.

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



CRAFT FAIR!

November 16th
9:00 am-2:00 pm

In the Café of
Mariposa Apartments
155 Elk Drive
Burleson

It is open to the public so bring your family and friends for some fun Christmas shopping. You will see original jewelry made by our very own Marilyn Murray, ornaments made by the craft class and our own Pat Sartori as well as many other holiday items and baked goods!



CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019

10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)
4:00 PM Zero Birthday Party for Carol Findley, Tiffanie Gregory, Flora Roe, Bev Sholders & Valerie Stuart (Jane Rudolph's Home)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (MR)
6:00 PM Stewardship Committee Meeting (MR)
7:00 PM Choir Practice (S)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019

6:00 PM Boo Bash (The BRiCK)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 16, 2019
6:00 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER

PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST POTLUCK LUNCHEON

THANK YOU



Thank you so much to everyone for participating in our Pumpkin Carving Contest Potluck! A great time was had by all and our winners were fantastic!

The Fellowship Committee

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:

The family of Moize Adney who passed away
Moize was Angela Tolliver's friend
Virginia Adney-Angela Tolliver's friend
Ky Gregory
Minnie Harding-grandmother of Pastor Mike's daughter-in-law, Stacie
The family of Jim Lester who passed away-Jim is
Terri Lester's father-in-law
Steve McGee
Luke Nelson-Lacy McGee's new baby
Lacy (McGee) & Bud Oldham
Sam Packard-Pat Findley's friend
Kim Proctor-Pat Powell's friend
Bill Sholders
Brenda Tolliver-Angela Tolliver's mother-in-law
Virginia Walker VanNoy-Bonnie DePratter's friend
Barbara Warren
Denise-Jane Neal's friend
Barbara-Jane Neal's friend
Gina-the Gunn's daughter
Dan-Pat Powell's son
Christal McGee's friend's mother passed away-Prayers for their family

We Rejoice With:

Kent Kilmer-Bonnie DePratter's son-in-law
Melissa Pugh & Doug McElroy wedding
Congratulations to Bill & Bev Sholders on the birth of their new great-grandson, Kaeson Pat Worrell
The Disciples Women Retreat in Athens, Texas!

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, John Bowman, Will Davies, Jack Gregory, Sr., Betty Grisham, Becky Hoover, Jessica Kaker, Joan Kearns, Brad King, Kim Lassitor, Margie Lile; Eric McGee; Carol Morris, OK & Jane Neal, Karen Parker, Darrell Tolliver, The Vardeman Family, Ivan Walker, V.J. Welch, Iris Wilson, Faye Wirsdorfer, Needra Womack, Carole Wright & Pat Yarborough

Our country's leaders and world leaders

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



HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

26 Pounds of Grocery Items

\$550.00 in Cash Donations



CHOIR PRACTICE
WEDNESDAY
7:00 PM
In the Sanctuary

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 6, 2019



BOO BASH

SATURDAY ♦ OCTOBER 26 ♦ 6-8 PM

The Bryan's **ORANGE VOLKSWAGEN** will be transformed into a **JACK-O-LANTERN** and be our First Christian Church booth at BOO BASH to be held at the BRick this year. We need volunteers to help pass out candy. We have plenty of candy left over from last year. *(Yes, the expiration date is still good!)* Questions? Ask Mary Bryan or Jim Sanders.



PRAYER-BEARS FOR COOK CHILDREN'S

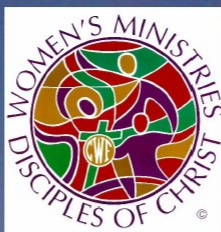


Thank you to all who donated bears. We collected 60! Also, thanks to Richard and Mary Bryan who delivered them safely to Cook Children's Medical Center.

PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

- 1st Place — OK Neal
- 2nd Place — Bash/Gabe Reynoso
- 3rd Place — Richard Bryan





**DISCIPLES
WOMEN
RETREAT**
Disciples Crossing
Athens, Texas
Sept. 27-29



Left of Frame: Alesha Walker, Carolyn Vardeman, Wynell Ogden, Linda Cronenberg. *Frame:* Beth Hindman, Barbara Bond, Peggy Johnson, Juanice Wichterich, Donna Huggins, Jane Rudolph, Lynn Dover. *Right of Frame:* Joan Kearns, Dorothy Nash. *Kneeling:* Michelle McCrory, Mary Bryan, Angela Kaker, Leslie Daniels, Tiffanie Gregory, Dee Fields, Kaye Gregory. *Saturday Chauffer:* Richard Bryan

