

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, October 23, 2023



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: 6:30 am - 5:30 pm

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Be Patient in Judgment

"Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get."-- Matthew 7:1-2

Ask a person to describe a fruit tree during each of the four different seasons and you'll receive four very different answers. In winter, a barren tree exists. In spring, the tree will have leaves and colorful blossoms. In summer, a tree full of fruit is seen. And, in autumn, the tree is fading in color and its leaves are falling. If a person is asked to describe the tree at a certain time of the year, he or she will describe it based on its current condition; however, that description, although accurate at the time, is not the whole story. The tree changes through the different seasons and the person would have to be patient in order to see the tree in all its seasons to capture a complete description.

The same notion can be applied to how we judge people in times of conflict. What we may describe at any given point may be an accurate description, but may not reflect the whole story. Both circumstances and people change.

The specific situations in which people find themselves often influence their behaviors in other areas of their lives. For example, conflict at home or trouble at work may overflow into one's private life. Perhaps we tend to make judgments too quickly, reacting or overreacting in ways that aren't based on the big picture, but rather the "season" we may encounter in another's life experiences.

Sure, some of our interactions with people require snap judgments. But most do not. We would do well in these instances to withhold judgment until we gain a more complete understanding of what is really going on.

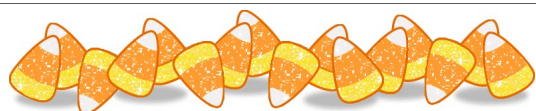
In the Bible, we read that Christ-followers are to be cautious, patient, and forgiving when it comes to judgment. How we judge others will determine how we will be judged.

Think about your own life for a minute. It's likely you've found yourself in situations where you have not been at your best and have fallen short of Christ's teachings in word or action and someone has called you to account, based on what you have done or said. Completely understandable. But it's likely that you do not want others to judge you based solely on one incident.

Even so, may we be people who are careful in judgment, patient, and forgiving, giving others plenty of grace when they, so often like ourselves, don't measure up to how they ought to live. Let's always look to gain a better understanding of what might lie underneath the surface when we experience conflicts with others.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	10/08/23
General Fund	2,740.00
Gas Royalties	85.28
Weekly Needs: \$4,070.00-2,825.28 = Short (\$1,244.72)	
OFFERING	10/15/23
General Fund	586.00
Building Fund	55.00
Weekly Needs: \$4,070.00-641.00 = Short (\$3,429.00)	
OFFERING	10/22/23
General Fund	1,703.00
Building Fund	570.00
Learning Center Utilities	1,000.00
Weekly Needs: \$4,070.00-3,273.00 = Short (\$797.00)	



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

October 15, 2023	47
October 22, 2023	38



Visitors and Guests

Kay Daly; Felicity Gregory; Lexi Hales;
Jerry McDearmon; David & Susan
McDonald; Shannon Mehaffey; Angela
Sanders; Karen Sturdivan; Kelby Vastine
and our other regular visitors.

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



Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 am on
Sunday, November 5.
Set your clocks **BACK** 1 hour before going to bed
Saturday night, November 4.

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2023

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023

10:00 AM Adult Sunday School (FLC)
11:00 AM Worship (S)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2023

ALL SAINTS DAY

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023

9:00 AM Disciples Women Day Retreat
(Vicki Rubis' Home)

Daylight Saving Time Ends at 2:00 am tomorrow.
Move your clocks **BACK** 1 hour before going to bed
tonight.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

2:00 AM Daylight Saving Time Ends

10:00 AM Adult Sunday School (FLC)

11:00 AM Worship (S)

12:00 PM Elders' Meeting (MR)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

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

6:00 PM Cabinet Meeting (MR)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting
(The Porch)

6:00 PM Disciples Women Meeting (FLC)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

CONSECRATION SUNDAY

VETERANS' RECOGNITION

THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING

10:00 AM Adult Sunday School (FLC)

11:00 AM Worship (S)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



DISCIPLES MEN BREAKFAST AND MEETING

Thursday, November 9
8:30 am

THE PORCH
140 S. Wilson, Burleson



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:

Laurie Carroll-Carol Gunn's daughter
Briar Rose Danelski-Janie Rudolph's great-granddaughter
Peggy Johnson
Scott Lester-Terri Lester's husband
Christal McGee
Karen Parker-Kaye Gregory's sister
Pat Sartori

We Rejoice With:

Joan Kearns was in worship.
Thanks for decorating for Fall in the church building.
Thanks to the men who helped Dee Fields clean out and organize the FLC storage room.

Continued Prayers for:

Sue Bannister, Suzanne Barton, Bonnie DePratter, Lenny Findley (friend of Pastor Mike), Betty Grisham, Sterling Grisham (Steve & Vicki Rubis' great-nephew), Carol Gunn, Jerry Hay, Eric McGee (Steve & Diana McGee's great-nephew), Flora Roe, Pat Sartori, Susan Shaha (former Hughes Middle School Principal), Darrell Tolliver, Barbara Warren, Shelby Weldon, Karen Willette, & Iris Wilson

Our country's leaders and world leaders

DISCIPLES WOMEN MEETING

Thursday, November 9
6:00 p.m.

First Christian Church
601 SW Johnson Ave, Burleson
Family Life Center

Hostesses:

Janie Rudolph, Angela Sanders,
Dorothy Nash

Study & Worship:
Angela Tolliver

*Need a ride?
Call Mary Bryan
817-517-9748*

*Harvest House
Service Project:
Cornbread mixes and soups*

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**

HARVEST HOUSE SUNDAY November 5

Current needs include pinto beans, canned corn, carrots, peas, and mixed vegetables, canned tomato products, peanut butter, hamburger helpers 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 HARVEST HOUSE.



A FRIENDLY Reminder

CABINET MEETING
Wednesday, November 8 ♦ 6:00 PM
Meeting Room



BIRTHDAYS

11/3	Emily White
11/4	Keira Gregory
11/14	Taylor Kaker
11/15	Vernon Fields
11/16	Bryson Bonds
11/17	Monna Vogan
11/20	Rylee Houghton
11/21	Elisabeth (White) Danelski
11/22	Charlie Kuehlem
11/22	Tricia White
11/26	Iris Wilson
11/30	Kolton Gregory



HONORED TO SERVE

Worship Leader: Mary Bryan

Greeters: Donna Huggins, Ronnie Johnson

Scripture Reading:

05 Richard Bryan

12 Lynn Dover

19 Wayne English

26 Dee Fields

Deacon Team: Dee Fields; Donna Huggins;
Tommy & Angela Kaker

Serving at the Table: Lolly Ellis, Steve Rubis



Your Nominating Committee is working hard to fill positions on the Board and Deacons. If you or someone you know would like to be considered for one of these positions, please call one of the members listed below:

Mary Bryan, Kaye Gregory, Ronnie Johnson,
Vicki Rubis, and Kathy Welch



DISCIPLES WOMEN DAY RETREAT

Saturday, November 4, 2023

9 am - 5 pm

\$25 Per Person

(Includes Breakfast & Lunch)

Vicki Rubis' Home

435 W Bethesda Rd, Burleson

Deadline to Register & Pay is

October 29.

Watch for more details.

Retreat Committee:

Mary Bryan, Dee Fields,
Kaye Gregory, Peggy Johnson,
and Vicki Rubis

**be
the
CHURCH**



**STEWARDSHIP
CAMPAIGN**

Consecration
Sunday
November 12

connect grow serve give

CRAFT FAIR & BAKE SALE At Mariposa, Elk Drive

Saturday, December 2nd

9:00 am-2:00 pm

All crafters selling homemade items, wood items,
centerpieces, angels wreaths, pillows, etc.

Plus, our Annual Bake Sale Goodies!

Also this year we have someone making BBQ
sandwiches, plus you get a bag of chips and bottle
of water for sale.

Come do your Christmas shopping with us!



Monthly Potluck Luncheon
October 15, 2023
First Christian Church, Burleson



OUR 2023 PUMPKIN
DECORATING WINNERS
1st Place — Lexi Hales (center)
2nd Place — Kelby Vastine (left)
3rd Place — Shannon Mehaflay (right)



FCC BURLESON,

I can not begin to put into words how thankful I am for all of the donations. You all have been so selfless and generous. I am overwhelmed with gratitude. I can never thank you all enough, but hopefully this is a good start. From the bottom & top of my heart, thank you.

Seriously, thank you.

all my gratitude,
Shelby Weldon ♡



Shelby

Bethany



Shelby continues to be on our prayer list as she searches for a kidney donor. In the meantime, donations are still appreciated. Please check out Shelby's and Bethany's webpage for ways to donate to Shelby or purchase items to help those with kidney disease. www.thekidneybeanclub.com.

Honoring Dr. Wayne R. English as Elder Emeritus



Wayne & Anne English

On Sunday, November 19, 2023, during our worship service, help us celebrate a significant event in the life of this congregation by bestowing the honor of Elder Emeritus upon Dr. Wayne R. English (Doc). Wayne is a beloved member of our congregation. He has served this church faithfully and diligently throughout the years. A few months ago, Wayne retired as an active and long time member of the church's Elders. We are so happy to recognize Wayne as an Elder Emeritus and hope you will join us for this wonderful day.



The Elders of
First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Burleson, TX

Mary Bryan, Richard Bryan,
Lolly Ellis, Jack Gregory,
Kaye Gregory, Steve McGee,
Steve Rubis, Don Welch,
Karen Willette



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 HARVEST	Regular Sunday Activities: 10:00 am - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Worship (S) Regular Wednesday Activities: 9:30 AM - Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study (MR) 5:00 PM - Choir Practice (S)		1	2	3	4  Turn your clocks <u>BACK</u> 1 hour before going to bed tonight.
5 HOUSE SUNDAY ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 2:00 AM - Daylight Saving Time Ends 12:00 PM - Elders' Meeting (MR)	6	7	8 6:00 PM - Cabinet Meeting (MR)	9 8:30 AM - DMF Breakfast & Meeting (The Porch) 6:00 PM - Disciples Women Meeting (FLC)	10	11 
12 CONSECRATION SUNDAY VETERANS RECOGNITION	13 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	14	15	16	17	18
19 11:00 AM - Honor Dr. Wayne English as Elder Emeritus (S & FLC) 12:00 PM - Thanksgiving Luncheon (FLC) THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING	20	21 10:00 AM - FCC Single Ladies Meeting (Dorothy Nash's Home) 6:00 PM - Board Meeting (FLC)	22	23  Church Office Closed	24	25
26 12:00 PM - Decorate Church for Advent & Christmas- Soup/Stew Luncheon for Volunteers	27 9:00 AM - Newsletter Published	28	29	30		