

FIRST CHRISTIAN TIMES

First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)

Monday, September 10, 2018



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:

Chapel Worship 8:00 AM

Sunday School 10:00 AM

Worship 11:00 AM

Website: www.fccburleson.org

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Closed Fridays

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

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PASTOR MIKE'S MOMENT

Help Me! I'm Stuck

*"Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.
Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." -- Philippians 2:4-5*

One day, a centipede walked by a tree where a wise old owl was perched. The owl asked the centipede, "You have so many legs! How do you know which one to move next?" The centipede froze in his tracks. He started thinking. He didn't know which leg to move so he couldn't move any. He cried to the owl, "Help me! I'm stuck!" The owl said, "My little friend, you are stuck because you are too focused on yourself. When you are focused on what is going on in the world around you, you have no thoughts about how to move. You simply move." The centipede looked out to the horizon and saw the sun setting. "How beautiful," the centipede said. Just then his legs were freed and he began to walk again.

It's been reported that the famous psychologist, Dr. Karl Menninger, once gave a lecture on mental health. During a question and answer session that followed his lecture, he was asked, "What advice would you give someone who felt a nervous breakdown coming on?" He replied, "Lock up your house, go across the railway tracks, find someone in need and do something to help that person."

Both the story and the anecdote above remind us that when we focus on ourselves - on our problems and circumstances - we can become inwardly paralyzed, preventing us from being everything that God intends us to be, including serving others effectively. We can freeze in our own tracks.

Following Christ is not primarily an exercise in introspection, but rather of reaching out to others and lovingly serving them in His name. In times when we find ourselves in tough situations, or feel sorry for ourselves for some reason, we can experience release from our anxiety by changing our focus to others and getting ourselves involved in serving. Routine self-evaluation is healthy. An obsession with one's self is not.

We all have tough times in our lives when we feel paralyzed by the weight of a difficult personal situation. When those times come, let us remember the Apostle Paul's encouraging words to the Philippians and shift our focus from ourselves to the Son of God and find someone we can serve in His name. The weight will seem lighter and we will start moving again.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Mike

OFFERING	09/02/18
General Fund	6,516.00
Building Fund	1,217.00
Gas Royalties	184.22
Weekly Needs: \$4,072.00 - 7,917.22 Over \$3,845.22	



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

September 2, 2018	
Chapel Service	1
Traditional	69
September 9, 2018	
Chapel Service	1
Traditional	58



Visitors and Guests

Marlene Baysinger in the Chapel Service.

Lynn Dover; Sally Bradley; Jordyn Ethetton; Kandice Lee; Emmy Nash; Jayce & Caden Davault; Kristin & Katheryn Weems; Darb Dewar & Terri Tipton; Will Davies; Ellie & Gracie McGee; 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.

CABINET MEETING

Wednesday,

September 12 6:00 pm

Meeting Room



**BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 19
6:00 PM
Family Life Center**

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018

8:30 AM Disciples Men Breakfast & Meeting
(The Porch)
11:30 AM Disciples Women Luncheon & Meeting
(Tiffanie Gregory's Home)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2018

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

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2018

Disciples Women Retreat - Athens, TX

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

8:00 AM Chapel Service (C)
10:00 AM Sunday Morning Classes
11:00 AM Worship (S)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

9:00 AM Newsletter Published

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



CCSW Regional Assembly 2018
Friday-Saturday, November 2-3
Central Christian Church - Austin



To register or receive more information about the Assembly and schedule go to ccsw.org/ra2018.

SEPTEMBER HARVEST HOUSE UPDATE

121 Pounds

\$359.00 Cash Donations

Harvest
HOUSE

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:

Burt & Barbara Bond
Jody Butler - the Gregory's friend
Richard Darman - Virginia Popiel's friend
Wynn Jones - Angela Tolliver's cousin's husband
Margie Kaker - Tommy Kaker's mom
The family of Bob Lee who passed away
John Mehaffey
Carol Morris
Luke Nash - Dorothy Nash's grandson
Flora Roe
Pat Worrell
Bonnie DePratter's long time friend
Melissa - Pat Powell's daughter

We Rejoice With:

Bryson Bonds
Jack Gregory, Sr. celebrated his
94th Birthday on September 5th!
Zero Birthday Party!
Linda Cronenberg celebrated her
70th Birthday on September 2nd!
Teagan Kaker weighs 6 lbs, 2 oz!
Rain!

Continued Prayers for:

Bobbie & Suzanne Barton, Burt Bond, Bill Carlton, Imogene Cottman,
Will Davies, Alyssa Fleming, Cyndy Garrett, Betty Grisham, John Houston,
Sara Juarez & Teagan Kaker, Brad King, Carol Morris, OK & Jane Neal,
The Vardeman Family, 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

LEARNING CENTER NEEDS

The Learning Center is in need of plastic grocery bags
and gently used clothing
for ages infant through kindergarten (all sizes are
needed). If you can help with
any of these things, please bring your items up and
leave them with Terri in the
church office or take them to
Amber in the
Learning Center office.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
BURLESON



ZERO BIRTHDAY PARTY

Sunday, September 2, 2018

Honoring Imogene Cottman, Linda Cronenberg,
Donna Huggins, Joan Kearns, Rae McGowan,
Jean Rubis and Pat Sartori




DISCIPLES WOMEN

Luncheon & Meeting

Thursday, Sept. 13, 11:30 a.m.
Tiffanie Gregory's Home
412 Bretts Way, Burleson
817-908-3081

Hostesses: Carol Findley,
Kaye Gregory, Becky Hoover,
Peggy Johnson & Tiffanie

Study by Carol Findley

Worship by Juanice Wichterich

*Carpool from FLC parking lot at
11:15 am. Need a ride? Call
Mary Bryan at 817-295-3390.*

**HARVEST HOUSE
SERVICE PROJECT:**
Canned goods
(not corn or green beans),
Laundry Soap, Personal Items



2018 DISCIPLES WOMEN RETREAT



September 21-23, 2018

Disciples Crossing in Athens

COST PER PERSON:

2 Nights and 4 Meals - \$70

Saturday Only - 3 Meals - \$45

We need a head count as soon as possible.

***Please contact someone on the
Retreat Committee.***

Forms and money due Sept. 16th.

Retreat Committee: Mary Bryan,
Kaye Gregory, Dee Fields & Dorothy Nash

DISCIPLES MEN BREAKFAST AND MEETING

Thursday, September 13
8:30 a.m.

THE PORCH
140 S. Wilson, Burleson

