

September 5, 2017



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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FCC's Vision Statement

First Christian Church seeks to be a family of disciples, growing with God's grace and serving others in faith, hope and love.

We are getting word this week of yet more natural disasters around the US and throughout the world. The Northwest is on fire and Hurricane Irma is bearing down on Florida. Week of Compassion has already started handing out solidarity grants to churches in South Texas and will be assessing damages in these other areas as well and offering aid. So far, you have committed \$665 through Week of Compassion to help those in need. If you have not yet given, make plans to give this Sunday! We will send a check to Week of Compassion next week.

Our fall is shaping up to be exciting and full! We have several special events planned between now and Thanksgiving that will help us engage with the community and share the gospel with others. I am looking forward to the next several months at First Christian.

Mark your calendars for October 15th for our first Friends and Family Day! I encourage you to invite friends and family members (especially those without a church home) to join us for worship and our potluck lunch afterwards. We will have a great time in worship and will have the opportunity to show our hospitality! Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

Also, on October 15th, FCC will host the Blackwood Quartet. This Grammy award-winning group will be in concert in our sanctuary at 7pm. Start inviting friends now for this wonderful event!

See you Sunday!
Pastor Lory

Wednesday, Sept. 6

9am – Men's Coffee
1pm – Worship Team
6pm – Tech Rehearsal
6:30pm – Choir Practice

Sunday, September 10

9:30am- Prayer Team
9:50am – Sunday School
10:50am – Worship
4pm – Youth Group
5pm – Book Study Group

Monday, Sept 11

6:30pm – Emmaus Group

Coming Soon

Sept 13 – *Too Busy Not to Pray* study
10:30am

Sept 14 – Basics at Brunch Seminar

Little Lights Tutoring will start back up on Wednesday, September 13th. We need tutors to listen to kids read and drivers to help pick kids up at school! See Mary Lindsay or Pastor Lory to sign up!

PAW IT FORWARD!!

Help Ryan Odeneal and his "Paw It Forward" campaign for the Lamar County Humane Association.

Ryan is asking for blankets, newspapers, sheets, towels, cat litter, dog and cat food, toys, treats, cleaning supplies and 2 pocket folders.

Bring them with you on Sunday morning!

Book Studies coming soon!!

The Making of an Ordinary Saint
by Nathan Foster
Sundays at 6pm beginning Sept. 10

Too Busy Not to Pray
by Bill Hybels
Wednesdays at 10:30am
beginning Sept 13

Join us for these studies on prayer and other spiritual disciplines.



Dick Towers, Robyn Jackson, Patrick Whalen, Sue McAulay, Lois Bueker, Linn Scalf, Jean Campbell, Leanne Bueker, Gerald Hutchings, Nancy Bailey, Eulice Howell, Ted and Norma Porter, Natalie Hutchison, Connie Gates, Charin Clayton, Don Cook, Robbie Morrow, Tony Guymon, Karen Lodes

Servers for September 10, 2017

Elders: Jerry Lane, Don Wilson

Deacons: Amanda and Donald Krayniak
Nancy Logsdon, Raylene Nutt

Lay Reader: Tim Tay

Homebound Communion: The Sloan's

Communion Prep: Nancy Logsdon



Thursday, September 13 at 10:30am

This seminar is offered by Ross and Shoalmire for all senior adults. This month's topic is: "Medicare/Medicaid Myths and Estate Planning Tips."



Scripture Text: Exodus 19:1-8
God's Covenant with Moses

Prayer for our HOPE Transformation Journey:

Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with us as we take counsel through HOPE for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
(from *Book of Common Prayer*)