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DISCIPLES DISPATCH

Official Newsletter of the First Christian Church

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New faces at FCC

Hello Friends! 2023 continues to bring a lot of movement to our congregation. We've witnessed some major life changes among our senior church members. Thanks be to God, we're also welcoming new people into our midst ALL THE TIME.

We're blessed with a number of visitors, people who are just passing through or seeking a new church home. We've added to our number, with 3 people (and a service dog!) joining our church in the past six months alone.

Today, I'm excited to introduce you to one of the newest additions to our church family, Ms. Miranda Angerman (at right, with her husband Steve). Miranda started as our church's new Administrative Assistant at the beginning of July.



Miranda brings so many gifts to our church office. She's the mother of 3 kids - Ella, Emma, and Elijah (at left) - all of whom attend Burkburnett ISD. She's a native Texas, originally from the North Richland Hills area. Please help her feel welcome in our church!

We've also had the good fortune to welcome Dr. Ronald Hough to our piano bench during Sunday worship while Shelley was away.

Dr. Hough taught music classes at MSU for many years. He served as the organist for 1st Presbyterian of Wichita

Falls for over 30 years before retiring. If you haven't had the pleasure, please listen to the church's YouTube videos from May 21st and July 2nd to witness his gifts.

God blesses our congregation by sending us talented souls with servant hearts. I am SO GRATEFUL for the way that we continue to honor the presence of God in each other and in our midst!

God bless YOU, Dear Reader!



Monday Night Bible Study
MONDAYS @ 7PM

No Choir Practice July & Aug.

Independence Day
TUES., JULY 4TH

Disciples Personal Care Pantry TUES. JULY 11TH, 10AM-1PM

Board Mtg
WED., JULY 12TH @ 6PM

Back Up 3 Party
FRI. JULY 14TH @ 6PM

Elders Mtg WED., JULY 19TH @ 6PM

Disciples Personal Care Pantry SAT. JULY 22ND 10AM-1PM

Prayer Circle
WED., JULY 26TH @ 6PM

General Assembly
JULY 29 - AUG. 1
IN LOUISVILLE, KY

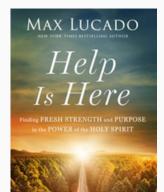
July Lay Schedule

Date	Lay Leader	Elder	Deacon	Church Checker
7/16	Margaret Arlington	Deda VanDonge	Ron Barb	The Bradys
7/23	Deda VanDonge	Jhan VanDonge	Susan Brady	The Arlingtons
7/30	Rhonda Gettig	Margaret Arlington	Louise Cochran	The VanDonges
8/6	Janet Fowler	Rhonda Gettig	Ron Barb	The Bradys



MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

New Book Study starting 7/17!



Join us Mondays @ 7pm for a book and Bible study focusing on the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives. We begin in Luke 24, as Jesus presented the gift of the Advocate.

Max Lucado's book Help is Here will be our guide. Bring your Bible and join us!



The ministry of First Christian Church would not be possible without YOU!

Thanks to Louise Cochran, Ron Barb, and Rhonda Gettig for serving on the Administration Committee. They interviewed several good candidates for the Administration Assistant position. They worked hard to find the right person for our church. Thank you for serving our church so well!

THANKS to Jhan VanDonge and Ron Barb for all their work around our church building... painting, seeing that the A/C is fixed, addressing plumbing issues... it's been a busy few weeks here at 214 N. Ave. D!

THANK YOU to Brent Haworth for offering the Message while Rev. Christina and daughter Lydia went to church camp!



DISCIPLES PERSONAL CARE **PANTRY** 2ND TUESDAY & 4TH SATURDAY 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M



Our church's Personal Care Pantry continues its mission of helping families in need. In June we helped a total of 85 families and so far in July, 41 families. As you can see above, at times we're blessed with extra help in the summer months!

THANKS to all those who work and support this important mission in our church!



Make a Joyful Noise

Help Christina plan the next Sermon Series!

Throughout August and into September, we'll be taking a closer look at our favorite Christian hymns. You can vote on our church's Facebook page or send an message indicating your favorite hymn from the list at the right. KINDOM

Disciples General Assembly July 29 - Aug. 1 Louisville, KY.

Our own Shelley Alongi will offer the message on Sunday, July 30th, talking about the Christian hymns that have been most influential to her life and music ministry. THANK YOU, SHELLEY, for filling in while Rev. Christina is out of town.

Looking forward to hearing your testimony.

Amazing Grace

It is Well With My Soul

All Creatures of our God and King

How Great Thou Art

Be Thou My Vision

Blessed Assurance

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Doxology

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Jesus Paid It All

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

How Firm a Foundation

Crown Him With Many Crowns

CHURCH STAFF

Minister Rev. Christina Haworth // Admin. Assistant Miranda Angerman Shelley Alongi // Nursery Attendant Devon Hood // Custodian Stacey Nix

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Please pray for our church, those who are ill, the homebound, and our government officials.

Tod Salts
Barbara James
Junior & Cyrena Frye
Ted Kubanek (Peaches Gilbert father)
Janelle Cremeens
Linda Jendzeizyk (VanDonge extended family)
John Paulsen
Ashley & Louie Lewis
Laurie Shotts (Barb's daughter)
Robin Shaver (Jeff Lathrop's daughter)
Travel mercies for so many!



Francis Adouffei, James Angell, Army Guard Unit of Wichita Falls, Kerry Belcher, Dakota Bloodworth, Andy Bulbis, Aaron Cochran Kyle Denton, Cody Hendrickson, Mickey Langley, Andrew Lindgen, Brent Mann, Christopher Mann, Charinda Moreira, Nathan Morse, Kevin Sappington, Steve Schutte



Have you heard?



Sept. 7th

Spread the word!

Texoma Gives is right around the corner! We'll be making a major drive for donations during August so that the Fund may win additional cash prizes on 9/7. You can give to the Scholarship Fund ANYTIME!

Please send your donation to:

First Christian Church 214 N Ave D Burkburnett, TX 76354

Attn: John Crane Scholarship Fund



CURRENT LAY LEADERS

Elders for 2023 Term Ending Board Officers
Deda VanDonge 12/31/25 Secretary
Jhan VanDonge 12/31/25
Rhonda Gettig 12/31/24 Treasurer

Deacons for 2023 Term Ending
Susan Brady 12/31/25
Louise Cochran 12/31/24 Vice President
Janet Fowler 12/31/24
Hal Halpain 12/31/24
Ron Barb 12/31/25 President

Trustees for 2023 Ron Barb 12/31/24 Susan Brady

Louise Cochran

Life Term Elders, Deacons and Trustees John Paulsen Deacon for Life Hugh Halpain Deacon for Life

DOLLAR\$ AND ¢ENTS

Our Church Finances
Weekly Tithe Goal: \$2271



May 2023

Week of	Income	
7	\$1575	
14	\$1144	
21	\$661	
28	\$3301.20	
Total	\$8579.20	

June 2023

Week of	Income
4	
11	
18	
25	
Total	

THANK YOU for the many ways that you continue to financially and spiritually support our church.

HAVE A PRAYER CONCERN OR QUESTION?

Amen Choir Members on the Loose!





Wednesday June 27th was the last official Choir Practice of the summer. To celebrate, our Amen Choir met at Braums. The hot fudge hit all the right notes!

Mission to Mars VBS at First Christian Church Wichita Falls





Keelie & Kenley Denton and Lydia Haworth joined a record number of kids during VBS at FCC WF the week of July 16th. These ladies learned about Daniel in the lion's den, Queen Esther, and the Good Samaritan while doing out-of-this-world activities like making slime and space robots!

We are so grateful that our brothers and sisters at FCC WF welcome our church kids to join the fun!





Our Sanctuary has been blessed by visitors in recent weeks! Above is Cindy Fahlgren, visiting on Pentecost Sunday. Cindy's from Washington State, looking for a church home while she visits her sister here in Texas. Welcome Cindy!



Ashley and Louie Lewis welcomed Zhavia Azalea on July 11th. This healthy baby girl weighs 8 lbs 9 oz and is 19 1/2 inches long! Mom and baby are doing well, ready to rejoin the rest of the family soon.

SUMMER CAMP @ DISCIPLES CROSSING in ATHENS, TX

Rhonda Gettig took grand nephew TJ to a weekend of Grandcamp at Disciples Crossing at the beginning of June. They had a wonderful time! At right, you can see TJ & Rhonda making soda bread together.

Pastor Christina Haworth and daughter Lydia went to summer camp June 25-30. Christina served as a camp counselor for the first time ever, and Lydia enjoyed being a camper!

Each day of camp, different groups helped create the evening's worship through song, skits, and and dance. Together, we learned about the 5 C's of Faith: Creation, Covenant, Christ, Church, & Conclusion. The GOOD NEWS is that God's story isn't finished yet!





