



First Christian Church

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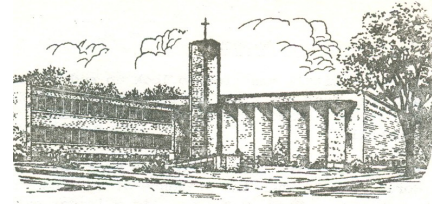
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Monday thru Thursday
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Closed Fridays



Monday, May 31, 2010
Church Office Closed

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COMING EVENTS!



Monday, May 31st
MEMORIAL DAY! ~ Church Office Closed

Wednesday, June 2nd
DWF Day Group Luncheon @ Presbyterian Manor



Monday, June 7th
Next Newsletter Deadline

LOOKING AHEAD! ~ October 6th-8th and 8th-10th
KDW Retreat at Camp Tawakoni ~ Register Now!



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"The mission of First Christian Church is to inspire each other to reach out to the un-churched and to serve and share with our community by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."





We are constantly reminded of the troubles and tribulations that exist in the world. The situations, names, places and problems we hear about daily. Any list I would attempt to make would be incomplete. In the face of such world crises we feel for the people involved. As Christians, it's our nature because we are caring and compassionate people.

We often feel helpless in the face of such monumental difficulties. Add to that the disconnect we feel with our leaders and it's no wonder that we feel helpless, isolated, alone and powerless. "Is there anyone who can help...anyone who will listen?" we cry out.

There is. God. Through prayer, worship and spending time in God's Word we can feel a closeness and bond to God. It's not easy, I know—not so much because of God's aloofness but because we just don't come to God. Psalm 27 relates a time in the life of David that might help us. David has sought the

company and counsel of the Lord and he learns that God will always be there for him. David discovered that when he sought the Lord, the Lord caused David's heart to know that God was always approachable and accessible. David discovered **"The LORD is my light and my salvation — whom shall I fear?"** (Psalm 27:1)

In Psalm 27 we see that David heard the voice of God inviting him to speak with the One who is always concerned about us. David learned that he could come close to God, anytime, anywhere and for any reason.

And look what happened. Psalms 27:4: **"One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple."**

David learned that not only did God delight in David's presence, but David delighted in God's presence!

We are busy, harried, active and concerned people. If ever there was a generation that needed to delight in the Lord

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KDW RETREAT

October 6-8 or October 8-10, 2010 are the dates for the KDW Retreat at Tawakoni. Be watching for more information on this year's retreat and check out the registration form on the Regional Website.



LIBRARY NEWS

Marjorie Rose has given the following books to our church library:

Home to Heather Creek Series:

An Abundance of Blessings by Carolyn Aarsen

Circle of Grace by Leslie Gould

Mysteries of Sparrow Island Series:

Whispers Through the Trees by Susan Plunkett & Krysten Seslen

Flight of the Raven by Ellen Harris

Bird of a Feather by Carolyn Greene



Jeanice Miller has given the following books:

Where The Heart Leads by Kim Vogel Sawyer

Plain Promise by Beth Wiseman as a memorial to Naomi Rose.

Please remember we are giving book certificates in July so be making your book lists and turn them in to us in June.

~ The Library Staff

MEMORIAL DAY



Monday, May 31, 2010

Remember the ones who gave all to make our FREEDOM of WORSHIP possible.



PRAYER REQUESTS

LOCALLY

Nicholas Bacon, Penny Boese, Marlene Bowman, Bob Coburn
(*prostate cancer, Bill's brother*), Bill

Denson, Cheryl Dunning, Jason Hart, Richard Kellison, Chris Kimberlin & Jen York (*son of Jill McGrath*), Daniel Kimberlin (nephew of Jill McGrath), Ted & Ilda Kline, Ramona Langley, Lois Schrock (mother of neighbor of Sandy Wells, cancer), Micky Spyles (*brother of Penny Boese*), Don White, Leon Wildberger (*friend of Penny Boese*)

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Please call the office at 342-1582 if a name needs to be removed from the prayer list. Thanks!
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NATIONALLY AND GLOBALLY...

Pray for those defending our nation: missionaries; and victims of war, hunger, disease and natural disasters. Pray for those suffering and in need around the world! Also, pray for our city and county leaders.

PRAYER CHAIN

We care about you! If you or anyone you know would like to be added to our existing DWF prayer chain, please call Jeanice Miller at 343-9592 or Luella Hush at 342-2493.



DEVOTIONALS

The **NEW SUMMER 2010** Secret Place devotionals are here!! If you are interested in any old copies of the Secret Place Devotionals, I have some available in the church office **FREE** of charge. The new copies still sell for a \$1.00 donation each. ~ Christy



Attendance and Offering Report

ATTENDANCE RECORD

May 16, 2010 ~ SS - 23 / Worship - 93

May 23, 2010 ~ SS - 25 / Worship - 86

GIVING RECORD

May 16, 2010

Offering - \$2,976.50 / Capital - \$277.50 / Pentecost - \$75.00

May 23, 2010

Offering - \$1,860.50 / Capital - \$325.00



JUST A REMINDER

Please remember that if you are unable to fulfill your turn as a greeter, nursery volunteer, worship leader, children's message giver, server, etc., **please find your own replacement and let the church office know.** Thanks!

Monday thru Thursday

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. / Friday ~ Closed



PASTOR'S HOURS/CONTACT INFO

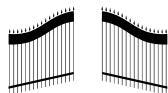
M-W-TH 9-11 a.m. & 2-4 p.m. / Fridays & Saturdays are by appointment. / 620-342-1582 (Church) / 620-757-6298 (Cell)
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and know that the Lord delights in us, it is our generation. Like David, we want to talk to the Lord about the uncertainties of life and seek the assurance of God's direction, control and sustaining presence. David gets all this and more— and so can we. Let's not pass up the invitation to enjoy the presence of the Lord.

Blessings, Pastor Bob



WELCOMED HOME

SYMPATHY

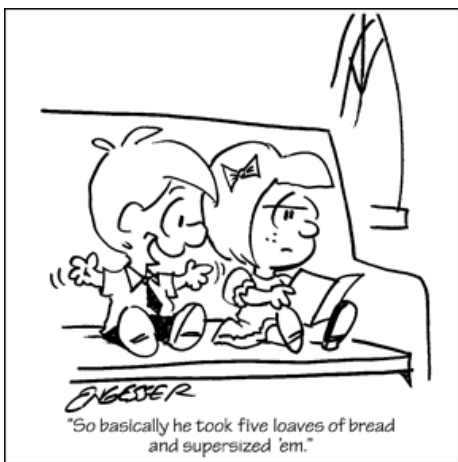
Our sympathy goes to the family and friends of Ava Irene Buck Grimmett (sister of Dorothy Matile), who went to be with the Lord on May 12, 2010. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINES!

We publish two newsletters per month. The following Mondays are the **deadlines** for news you want in the upcoming newsletter:

June 7th & 21st / July 12th & 26th / August 9th & 23rd



NEWSLETTER ON LINE

If you would like to read the newsletter online, our Web Page is at www.fcemporio.org. Click on "News" and select the edition you'd like to read.

MAY 30, 2010

Candlelighter ~ Janelle Norton

Children's Message ~ Barb Gimple

Diaconate ~ Tim & Janelle Norton, George Ford, Joan Shumate

Elder ~ Judy Moore

Greeters ~ (N) Tim & Janelle Norton

(S) Wanda Davis & Betty Wright

Nursery ~ Rita Headrick / Organist ~ Sandy Heller

Worship Leader ~ Barb Gimple



JUNE 6, 2010

Candlelighter ~ Brianna Becker

Children's Message ~ Marlene Hanson

Diaconate ~ Richard Becker, Joe & Bonnie Denson, Marie Harding

Elder ~ John Lexow

Greeters ~ (N) Glenn & Dorothy Boyce

(S) LeRoy & Karen Garnett

Nursery ~ Tim Norton / Organist ~ Sandy Heller

Worship Leader ~ Cameron Moore

JUNE 13, 2010

Candlelighter ~ Judy Moore

Children's Message ~ Judy Moore

Diaconate ~ Carl & Rita Headrick, Nikki Simmons, Debbie Peck

Elder ~ Jaylene Arnett

Greeters ~ (N) Robert & Janet Wells / (S) Joyce Cress & Lola Farr

Nursery ~ John Lexow / Organist ~ Sandy Heller

Worship Leader ~ Donna Breshears

JUNE 20, 2010

Candlelighter ~ Parker Simmons / Children's Msg. ~ LeRoy Garnett

Diaconate ~ Nancy LeClear, Guy & Janece Bacon, Jake Dalton

Elder ~ Judy Moore

Greeters ~ (N) Larry & Glenna Gamblian

(S) Marlene Hanson & Mary Morriss

Nursery ~ Betty Richardson / Organist ~ Donna Breshears

Worship Leader ~ LeRoy Garnett

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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- 13 Jim Tilton
 14 Sarah Richardson
 17 Brent Wagner
 18 Norman Brady
 18 Mary Schaefer
 19 Michael Lexow
 19 Leta Moore
 20 Teresa Knight
 20 Mary Ann Law
 22 Carol Rohling
 23 Becky Lauxman
 23 Forrest Steeves
 23 Nada Woodworth
 24 Bill Imhoff
 24 Cody Kuhn
 24 Andrea Williams
 26 Morgan Lauxman
 28 Larry Breshears
 28 Jake Dalton
 29 June Rochat
 30 Mary Alice Magathan

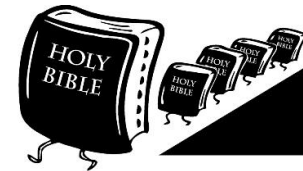
**DWF NEWS**

Two meetings left for the DWF Day Group, so make plans now to come!

June 2nd at Noon we'll have a covered dish salad luncheon at Presbyterian Manor. Marie Wood & Janet Wells will host. (Robert will undoubtedly help!) Bring a salad & table service!

July 14th ~ Our final meeting will be Brunch at the clubhouse at 10 a.m. at Holiday Resort. The library staff will present the yearly reading awards.

All our women are welcome, please plan to attend this wonderful time of fellowship!

*Bible Readings!*

Our new Bible reading schedule takes us through the Bible in a year and breaks down our daily readings into categories:

- Sun. ~ Epistles
 Mon. ~ The Law
 Tue. ~ History
 Wed. ~ Psalms
 Thu. ~ Poetry
 Fri. ~ Prophecy
 Sat. ~ Gospels

Enjoy reading His Word daily!

May 30

- Sun ~ Gal. 1-3
 Mon ~ Ex. 33-36
 Tue ~ I Kings 1-4
 Wed ~ Ps. 63-65
 Thu ~ Prov. 1
 Fri ~ Jer. 47-52
 Sat ~ Luke 7-8

June 6

- Sun ~ Gal. 4-6
 Mon ~ Ex. 37-40
 Tue ~ I Kings 5-9
 Wed ~ Ps. 66-68
 Thu ~ Prov. 2-3
 Fri ~ Jer. 37-41
 Sat ~ Luke 3-4

JUNE**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 01 J.R. (Bill) &
 Jeanie Fosdick
 03 Harold &
 Dorothy Woods
 07 Todd & Lisa Osborn
 11 Gale & Marie Kelley
 14 Rick & Joy Frevert
 15 David & Kathy Harris
 15 Glendon & Bonnie Iverson
 16 Robert & Janet Wells
 17 Joe & Bonnie Denson
 17 Kenny & Jeanice Miller
 20 Loren & Novella Merry
 20 Jim & Joyce Cress
 21 Carl & Lana Richardson
 29 John & Marie Harding
 30 Joe & Dana Witten

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

- 01 Shelly Knight
 02 Roy Schaefer
 03 Kurt Steinkuhler
 04 Gary Lukert
 04 Harold Stevenson
 07 Brendy Allison
 07 Bob Colerick
 08 Neil Kelley
 10 Jeffrey Cole
 10 Bonnie Denson
 11 Helen Coffman
 11 Tony Milner
 12 Mary Morriss
 13 Tyson Frevert



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SEE WEBSITE FOR
CALENDAR EVENTS!