



# THE LONG VIEW

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:30 am – Worship Service  
(Worship also available live  
streamed on Facebook)

## OFFICE HOURS

8:30 am – 4:30 pm  
Monday – Thursday  
8:30 am – 12:30 pm  
Friday

## CHURCH STAFF

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Senior Minister

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Associate Minister

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Minister of Music

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P.R.E.P. School Director

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New access door cards are now required to enter the church building!

There are still quite a few members of our Congregation who have not yet gotten their access cards. Please pick up your card in the church office.



Day Camp for Kids

Registration for 2021  
Day Camp is now open!

Our theme is "The Fruits  
of the Spirit!"

Camp dates are June 14-18, 2021.

Day Camp registrations are being accepted through the month of April! Go to [fcclongview.org/daycamp](http://fcclongview.org/daycamp) for details, sign up form and to pay camp fees! If you would like to sponsor a "Camper" who may need financial assistance, make your check payable to First Christian Church in the amount of \$40.00. Our adult leaders will be required to have a background check and complete a Safe Sanctuary test.

**Our Food Drive for Longview  
Community Ministries was a great  
success! We collected \$1,808.00  
and 930 food items. Thank you to  
all who participated.**



May 6 is the National Day of Prayer. The theme for 2021 is "Lord, pour out your Love, Life and Liberty". If you would like to attend and go as a group, sign up in the church office. The event will begin at noon at the Elevation building of Mobberly Baptist Church. We can gather at 11:30 am.

The mission of this congregation is the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through all areas of its life and work, witnessing in all situations to the grace of God in Jesus Christ, thereby seeking in all people a response in faith and commitment to him.

Matthew 28:18-20



**Sunday School** – Sundays @ 9:30 am  
**Worship** – Sundays @ 10:30 am live streamed and in person  
**Youth Group** - Sundays from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm  
**Mat Yoga** – Mondays & Wednesdays @ 8:00 am (Zoom)  
**Adult Handbells** – Mondays @ 10:30 am through April (MS)  
**Women’s Bible Study** – Mondays @ 12:00 pm (Zoom & in person in the Sojourner’s Classroom)  
**Men’s Bible Study** – Mondays @ 6:30 pm (Man)  
**Chair Yoga** – 8:00 am Tuesdays & Thursdays (Zoom)  
**Wednesday Bible Study** – 5:00 pm (C)  
**Growing God’s Disciples** – Wednesdays from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm through May 12  
**Chancel Choir** – Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm  
**Disciple Women’s Ministries/Sara’s Sisters** – Monday, May 10 @ 10:15 am (CH)  
**Board Meeting** – May 17 @ 6:00 pm (CH)

The General Board met on March 8, 2021. The Board approved the continuance of wearing masks on the Church campus for all ministries and events.

The issue will be revisited at the May 17 Board meeting. Thank you for supporting one another safely.

Dr. Emerson and Dr. Dolive will both be out of town on Sunday, May 9. Our own George Terrell will lead the service and preach the sermon. George is currently a seminary student at Philips Theological Seminary.



Our annual Garage Sale is scheduled for August 4 – 7! Start putting your items together! Details will follow soon.



Please welcome our new member, Randy Anderson.

### Disciple Women/ Sara’s Sisters



Disciple Women/Sara’s Sisters met on April 12. We learned about the Priest of Midian’s daughters and brought items for the Operation Christmas Child project. Next month, we will meet at 10:15 am on May 10 and hear about Zipporah, the wife of Moses from Debra Thompson and enjoy a snack prepared by Barbara Dickinson. Our service project will be items for the Rainbow Room (Family Protective Services) and \$5 donations that we will pool together and purchase a car seat or a pack and play. The organization keeps supplies on hand for children who are victims of child abuse or neglect. Items that are in need of are: backpacks, diapers, blow up mattresses, preemie onesies, older girl leggings and big t-shirts, older boy shorts, jogging pants/t-shirts (Under Armour), travel size ethnic hair products, travel size cocoa shea butter, snack pack items (juice, small toys, applesauce, gummies, Gogurt squeeze, small packages of crackers/cookies/chips/goldfish, etc), coloring books and books. . . there are many things we can choose from to help these children. We hope you will join us for study, service and fellowship.

**Adult Handbells meet Mondays at 10:30 am for the month of April.**



**Youth Bells will play in worship April 25 and Morning/Chancel Bells on May 2.**



Youth will continue to meet until May 16.

Details for future events to follow.

Day Camp 2021 will be a bit different than in years past! Here are important changes you need to know!



Day Camp for Kids

If you need assistance with the online signup, please call the church office and set up a time for Lauren to help you! If you need financial assistance to pay camp fees, email Lauren at [lwarren@fcclongview.org](mailto:lwarren@fcclongview.org) or call/text at 903-720-5817. Remember, Mini Camp is for 4 and 5 year olds (4 years old by September 1, 2020) and Day Camp is for kids who finish 1st – 5th grade in the 2020/2021 school year. We also need junior counselors (those who finished 6th-12th grade in the 2020/2021 school year) and adult helpers! Everyone signs up online! Spread the word to friends and family!

The Day Camp Committee includes Lauren Warren, Meme Woodruff, Richard Emerson, Evan Dolive, Miranda Dolive, and Amanda Grimes. Our theme this year is Fruits of the Spirit, Galatians 5:22-23!

Camp will be Monday-Friday, June 14-18. Arrival time at the church each day is 8:15-8:30, and pickup is at the church at 12:30 for BOTH Mini Camp and Day Camp.

Please message Lauren at [lwarren@fcclongview.org](mailto:lwarren@fcclongview.org) if you want to help!! You will still have to sign up online in April!!

For all camp updates and details, please visit <https://www.fcclongview.org/daycamp>



GROWING GOD'S DISCIPLES

Wednesdays: April 28 and May 5, 12 and 19 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Growing God's Disciples' meetings for the rest of the school year will be held on the following



Congratulations!

Rachel Elizabeth Taylor

Rachel is graduating from

Union Grove High School and

will be attending Tyler Junior

College in the Fall, 2021. Please

join us in worship on May 16 for

graduation recognition.



Registration will be open for Summer Camps at Disciples Crossing beginning March 8! Go to:

[www.disciplescrossing.org/summer.camp.101](http://www.disciplescrossing.org/summer.camp.101) for details.

Family Camp (all ages):

Session 1, May 28-30 & Session 2, June 4-6

Eighers Camp (Grades 8 and 9):

June 27-July 3

Seniors Plus Camp – Class of 2020:

June 11-13

DC Youth: Grades 6 thru 12, July 5-9

DC Kids: Grades 1 thru 5, August 2-6

Discovery Days – Enrichment Program  
“An Adventure Every Day”

Discovery Days is an enrichment program designed for children ages 2 (as of July 1, 2021) through 1st grade. We meet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. All registration forms must be submitted online by June 28th using the “Cheddar Up” website.

Our themes this year will be:

Week 1 – Dinosaurs

Week 2 – Bugs

Week 3 – Space

Week 4 – Rainforest

If you have any questions, contact the PREP School at 903-758-0320.

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

**ABC Class** – *The Present Word – Love for One Another*  
Meets 4<sup>th</sup> floor, West End, Last Room  
Teacher: Rotating

**ACTS Class** – *Soul Keeping* by John Ortberg  
Meets 4<sup>th</sup> floor, East End, Last Room  
Teacher: Rotating

**Cornerstone Class** – *The Present Word – Love for One Another*  
Meets in Cornerstone Hall  
Teacher: Rick Shepherd

**GNG Class** – Lectionary  
Meets in the Conference Room  
Teacher: Rotating

**Seeker's Class** – *Jonah* by Sandra Richter  
Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, East End, Last Room on Right

**Sojourners** – *To be determined*  
Meets in 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Library  
Teacher: Jodi Bachtell

**Visions** – The Gospel of Luke  
Meets 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Middle of Hall, South Room  
Teachers: Charlie & Dottie Bachtell

### LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR:

**Sunday, April 25**  
Acts 4:5-12; Psalm 23;  
1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18  
Dr. Richard Emerson

**Sunday, May 2**  
Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31;  
1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8  
Dr. Richard Emerson



## ATTENDANCE

### Worship

### Sunday School

April 11	99 in person 102 Facebook views	68
April 18	125 in person 94 Facebook views	71

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### First Quarter of 2021

Income	\$167,586.80
Expenses	\$168,112.25
Net Income	(\$ 525.45)

## Members and Friends Prayer List

**Members:** Lauren Warren, Patsy Pliler, Sharon Lundgren, J. C. Fort, David Roberts, James Wood, Kathy Jackson, Sue Davis, Debi Plaxco, Sharon Wilson, Patti Racicot, Jean Jones, Pat Terrell, Fran Grimes, Kathy Hayes, Steven Brizius, Teresa Mitchell, Betty Scott, The Davenport family, David Farmer, Susan Farmer, Don Auderer

**Friends:** Melba Grant, Ginger & Jim Holley, Mt. Olive Church, Julia, Gloria Wismar, Mr. Lundgren, Joyce and David Ruggley, Virginia Smith, Ray Stanley, Chuck Lacy, Bettye Lacy, Bob Roberts, Sarah Cotter, Mike Floyd, Mallorie Anderson, Antonio, Ortega Pasquel Family, David Smelley

**As well as:** Our homebound and shut-in members; our nation, government, military, police and fire department personnel; and those who do not yet know Jesus' love and saving grace.

*In Christian Sympathy* We extend our Christian sympathy to Karen Lowrey and family upon the death of her brother, Michael Preston.

The next publication of "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, May 6. If you have an article you wish to include in "The Long View", please email it to [bkirkindoll@fcelongview.org](mailto:bkirkindoll@fcelongview.org) or bring it to the church office no later than noon Thursday, April 29.

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## ***FCC Mission Project for May 2021***

Disciples of Christ ministry, located in Los Fresnos, Texas

Founded in 1985, this ministry has assisted many refugees and asylum seekers primarily from Central America. They work closely with the Department of Homeland Security and Church World Service to provide housing, food, clothing, legal aid, transportation, family reunification and counseling to immigration.

During the month of May our Church Outreach Team is collecting needed items and several members of the team will deliver them to the mission in late May.

**Our Goal is to send over 2021 pairs of Children's underwear or more and enough hygiene items to make 221 of kits.**

**The items we are collecting\* are:**

- New girls and boys underwear- all sizes
- Hygiene items for kits- (Travel size items) toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, soap, shampoo, etc

Donations of any gently loved items listed:

- Tennis Shoes and work boots
- T-shirts for all ages
- Jeans for all ages

**Also accepted:** cash donations to the outreach team so we can purchase the items and/or checks made out directly to "Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries."

**\*There will be a collection box in the church office**

*The implication of the passage from Matthew 25 is as relevant for us as it was in Matthew's day:*

*God wants our lives to overflow with mercy, love, and compassion — the marks of His kingdom. As followers of Jesus, we have a choice: respond to unsettling realities in fear and withdraw, or follow Him in responding to the greatest needs of our day with love and hope. We know salvation doesn't depend on works, but we also know that caring for those in need is evidence of a faith that changes lives.*

***Thanks for supporting our mission work at FCC.***

**MAY 2021**

**Sunday**

25  
9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship (Sanc)  
10:30 AM Youth Bells play in Worship  
11:30 AM Youth Group

**Monday**

26  
8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
10:30 AM Adult Hand Bells (MS)  
12:00 PM Women's Bible Study  
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

**Tuesday**

27  
8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
10:30 AM Adult Hand Bells (MS)  
12:00 PM Women's Bible Study  
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

**Wednesday**

28  
8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
4:00 PM Growing God's Disciples/Genesis Singers (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

**Thursday**

29  
8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
4:00 PM Growing God's Disciples/Genesis Singers (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

**Friday**

30

**Saturday**

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2

9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship (Sanc)  
11:30 AM Youth Group - Blournts

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8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
10:30 AM Adult Hand Bells (MS)  
12:00 PM Women's Bible Study  
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

5

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
4:00 PM Growing God's Disciples/Genesis Singers (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

7

8

9



9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship (Sanc)  
11:30 AM Youth Group

10

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
10:15 AM Disciple's Women/Sara's Sisters (CH)  
10:30 AM Adult Hand Bells (MS)  
12:00 PM Women's Bible Study  
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

12

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
4:00 PM Growing God's Disciples/Genesis Singers (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

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15

16

9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship (Sanc) - Graduation Recognition Sunday  
11:30 AM Youth Group

17

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
10:30 AM Adult Hand Bells (MS)  
12:00 PM Women's Bible Study  
6:00 PM Board Meeting  
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

18

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
10:30 AM Adult Hand Bells (MS)  
12:00 PM Women's Bible Study

19

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

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23



9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship (Sanc)  
11:30 AM Youth Group

24

Southwest Good Samaritan Mission Trip  
8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
10:30 AM Adult Hand Bells (MS)  
12:00 PM Women's Bible Study  
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

25

Southwest Good Samaritan Mission Trip  
8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

27

Southwest Good Samaritan Mission Trip  
8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

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29

30

9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship (Sanc)  
11:30 AM Youth Group

31

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)

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5

8:00 AM Mat Yoga (Zoom)  
5:00 PM Bible Study (C)  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice



A=Acts Classroom; C=Conference Room (Old Library); CB=Children's Building; CH=Cornerstone Hall, DH=Disciple House; MS=Music Suite; Man=Mansinger; P=Parlor; S=Seeker's Classroom; SR=Scout Room; V=Visions Classroom