



The Long View

Volume 54 Number 2, January 23, 2020

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:15 am – Sunday School
10:30 am – Worship Service in
Sanctuary

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday
9:00am – 4:30pm
Friday
9:00am – Noon

CHURCH STAFF

DR. RICHARD C. EMERSON
Senior Minister

REV. EVAN DOLIVE
Associate Minister

REV. MIRANDA DOLIVE
Minister of Music

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Secretary

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720 NORTH SIXTH STREET
LONGVIEW, TEXAS 75601

Longview Community Ministries 14th Annual “Souper Bowl” Sunday Food Drive

Longview Community Ministries kicks off “Souper” Bowl Sunday activities during the week of January 26 – February 2. The mission of the annual event is to encourage our community to join the fight against hunger and poverty. Groups and individuals celebrating the “Souper” Bowl will collect canned goods and non-perishable foods for the Food Box of Longview Community Ministries.

Longview churches participating in “Souper” Bowl Sunday are encouraged to join in some friendly competition with other area churches. First Christian Church will celebrate our achievement on Sunday, February 2 following worship in Disciple House. Sunday school classes are asked to provide 3 – 4 pots of chili or soup.



CORRECTED DATES FOR 2020 MEETINGS

General Board Meetings:

February 24
May 18
September 14
November 1 (Congregational Luncheon)

Elder Meetings:

February 17
April 20
June 15
August 17
October 19
December 21

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Mondays - Women's Bible Study @ 11:45 am (Man)
Mondays - Monday School @ 12:00 pm (Jason's Deli)
Mondays - Men's Bible Study @ 6:30 pm (Man)
Mondays & Wednesdays - Mat Yoga @ 9:00 am (CH)
Tuesdays & Thursdays - Chair Yoga @ 9:00 am (CH)
Wednesdays - Jonah Bible Study @ 5:00 pm (C)
Tuesday, January 28 - Heritage Bible Study @ 10:00 am (P)
Tuesday, January 28 - Prayer Group (Johnson's)
Saturday, February 1 - Parent's Night Out @ 5:00 pm (DH)

2020 Diaconate Training Sunday, January 26 following Worship

All 2020 Diaconate are encouraged to attend this training session.

We will review the role of the Diaconate and serving schedules will be provided.



Women's Bible Study
Mondays beginning
January 27
11:45 am - 1:00 pm
Mansinger House

The study series begins with *Numbers* by Melissa Spoelstra. Jodi Bachtell will lead.

On March 16, Kim Emerson will lead with the study, *Soul Keeping* by John Ortberg.

OUTREACH MEETING

An Outreach meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 27 at 5:30 pm in the conference room.

We will be discussing allocations for our outreach ministries for the 2020 budget as well as ideas for expanding our FCC outreach mission. All are welcome at the meeting to share ideas.

Contact Janet Bussey with any questions.

Fellowship Dinner with Friends



January 28
Fuzzy's Taco
February 4
Luby's

Calling All Women!



Coffee, Conversation & Games
Tuesday, January 28 @ 10:30 am
Mansinger House

Come join us! You can play games and join in the laughter/fun!

Bring a sack lunch. Coffee & tea provided.



Instrumental Ensemble
February 2nd

Practice will be on January
26 @ 12:00 pm.
Lunch is included!

Anyone who plays a musical instrument is invited to come and be a part of this group!

Creative Cottage will now be
meeting the first
Wednesday of the month
beginning February 5 @
10:30 am in Mansinger House.



Make plans now to join the
Tuesday Trippers on
February 18 for a trip to
the Jefferson Historical
Museum.

Meet in the bus parking lot at 10:00 am.

Sign up in the church office.

Thanks to all for the cards,
telephone calls, visits and
holiday gifts throughout the
year. We appreciate each of you!



Billie & Roger Ogden




We are back meeting on Sunday nights at 5:00 pm. I hope to see you there! Be sure to sign up for Chi Rho and CYF Mid Winter Retreats at disciplescrossing.org.

Mid-Winter Dates
 Chi Rho (Grades 6-8) – Jan. 31-Feb. 2
 CYF Retreat (Grades 9-12) – Feb. 14 – 16

Upcoming events:
 January 26 – Bible Study
 February 2 – Bowling

SAVE THE DATE!
 Day Camp 2020
 June 15 – 19
 Day Camp Sunday
 June 21



Day Camp for Kids



To Karen Lowrey, Staff and All Clergy at First Christian Church,
 We want to say a Great Big "Thank you" for the gracious way you have

hosted our "Merry Band of Crafty Ladies" for all the months gone by.

We have loved our time at the Cottage and you always made us feel welcome and part of the bigger picture of helping those who have needs in our community. We have grown in size and Trinity Church has offered us one of their rooms to work in.

So, in the Spirit of 2020, "Onwards and Upwards", we will say our farewell. Thank you again for letting us work alongside of you in the field of Longview for the Lord's sake.

Pamela A. Benson on behalf of all the Crafters and Planners. With Love.

PREP School will be enrolling for the fall 2020-2021 school year on Tuesday, February 18 at 9:00 am. PREP School serves children ages 6 month - Kindergarten.



Our hours of operation are from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm on Monday through Thursday and from 9:00 am - noon on Friday. If you are interested in learning more about the PREP School program, please call Amanda at 903-758-0320 or visit our website at www.prepschoolfcc.com. You can stop by the PREP School office to pick up a registration form, if interested.

Thank you,
 Amanda Grimes, PREP School Director

News from the Property Department
January 2020

In the near future, a new security measure will be installed. At the present time one may access the church through three doors using one standard code. New door code panels will be installed on the three current doors and a new panel on the bell tower door. Each family or individual will be able to choose their own code. Our one code system is not particularly effective because so many individuals have the code. The installation of personal codes will improve the safety of our church members significantly. The new system will be zoned so that, as an example, the parents of PREP schoolers will only be able to access the porta cache door. This ensures the safety of the congregation during services and other events as well as the safety of PREP children and staff.

Please contact Kelly Green, Chair of Property, if you have any questions.

Adult Sunday School

- ABC Class** – *Honoring God, NIV Standard Lesson Commentary*
Meets 4th floor, West End, Last Room
Teacher: Rotating
- ACTS Class** – *Epic of Eden: Jonah* by Sandra Richter
Meets 4th floor, East End, Last Room
- Cornerstone Class** – *The Present Word – Living in Covenant* by Donald K. McKim
Meets in Cornerstone Hall
Teacher: Rick Shepherd
- GNG Class** — *Lectio*
Meets in Conference Room
Teacher: Rotating
- Seekers Class** – *Epic of Eden: Isaiah* by Sandra Richter
Meets 4th floor, East End - Last Room on Right
Teacher: Bill Holloman
- Sojourners** – *Parables* by John White
Meets in 4th Floor Library
Teacher: Jodi Bachtell
- New Class** – *The Book of Luke* by J. Ellsworth Kalas
Meets 4th Floor "old" Vision's Classroom
Teacher: Charles Bachtell

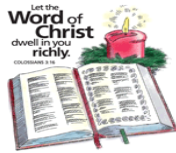
LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR:

Sunday, January 26

Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9;
1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23
Dr. Richard Emerson

Sunday, February 2

Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12
Dr. Richard Emerson



Attendance

WORSHIP SERVICES

January 12.....160
January 19.....150

SUNDAY SCHOOL

January 12.....103
January 19.....107

DECEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Actual Contributions	67,061
Monthly Budgeted	62,407
Income less expenses	7,303
Contributions YTD	685,842
YTD income less expenses	-49,241

Members and Friends Prayer List

Members: Brigitte & Logan Damewood, Sharon Lundgren, Kathy Hayes, Pat & Bob Terrell, David Dolive, Colton Rieger, Davenport, Fran Grimes, Don Auderer, Jodie Johnson, J. C. Fort, Randy Cook & family, Shirley Holloway, Betty Scott, Marilyn Egner, George Terrell, Isabel Terrell Family, Sue Davis, Lacey Cline, June Green, Debi Plaxco, Bill Moorman, Howard Buchanan, Barbara Dickinson, Nita Lindsay, Martha Cochran, Glenda Bruce, Mary Platt, Billie Ogden, Ramona Dickinson, Andy Malone, Margaret & Carlos Griffin,

Friends: Tiffany, Drew, Kisner Family, Jaylyne Cogan, Nelda Muckleroy, Kipp Family, Sarah Cotter, Colton Rieger, Eva Davis, children with cancer, First Responders, Caregivers, David Smelley, House of Hope, Shell's Temple, Estelle, Hannah Yoder, Joe White, Alison Barnwell, Milton Hatcher, People of Puerto Rico, Margaret & Wayne Musselwhite, Raymond Floyd, Australia, Kay Stone, Krukiel Family, Brenda Pritchett & family, Marian Marcum, Larry Coleman Family, Di Taylor, Jack Maberry, Shirley Sandlin, Dede Bumgarner, The Gilbert Family, The Lomelo Family, Dr. Cristen Wall, Jamie, The Marsh Family, Lori Hughes, Kenneth Reece, Mary & Jerry Rhinehart

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.

We extend Christian sympathy to Barbara and Ramona Dickinson and family upon the death of their sister, Geraldine Dickinson.



The next publication of "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, February 6. If you have an article you wish to include in "The Long View", please e-mail it to bkirkindoll@fcclongview.org or bring it to the church office no later than noon Thursday, January 30.

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