

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

9:30 am – Sunday School 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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# THE LONG VIEW

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All are invited to the Summer Smash Meet & Greet for Cassidy & Braeden Butcher and to kick off summer vacation for the kiddos! Cassidy is our new Youth Director! There will be excitng games or just grab a chair and watch the festivities. A light lunch will be served and a fun, cool summer dessert. Come on down to the Disciple House immediately after worship on June 5<sup>th</sup> for fun, fellowship and a chance to meet the Butchers. It will be especially fun to see all our children & teens in one place celebrating Cassidy and the start of summer!

Summer Pie In the Face Vote is now taking place! To welcome our new Youth Director, Cassidy, we are having a contest to see who will get the most votes! Cassidy or her husband Braeden? (This was Braeden's idea, so we have to vote for him tool!!!) It is super easy to vote, just place a \$1.00 per vote in the appropriate container. If you place \$5.00 in Braeden's container it will count as 5 votes for Braeden (hint, hint). There will be containers in the foyer waiting for your votes! The votes(\$) will go mainly towards the Youth Budget and a smaller portion for the Water Well in Malawi. The votes (\$) will be counted, and the winner will receive a pie in the face at the Summer Smash on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.





Sunday School @ 9:30 am (In-Person) CHI-RHO/CYF Sundays @ 11:45 am (Ping-Pong Table) Mat Yoga Monday & Wednesday @ 8:30 am (CH)

Monday School Mondays @ Noon (Jason's Deli)

Women's Bible Study Mondays @ 12:00 (Seekers class & Zoom)

Men's Bible Study Mondays @ 6:30 pm (CR)

Chair Yoga Tuesday & Thursday @ 8:30 am (CH)

Pickle Ball Tuesdays 2-3:30 Thursdays 10:00-11:30 am

Thursdays 10:00-11:30 am Every Other Thurs. @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Tuesday Fellowship Dinner @ 5:30 pm

**Choir Practice** Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm (MS)

Tai Chi Thursdays @ 9:00 am (CH)
Grief Recovery Support Group
Fridays at 10:00 am (CR)

# Other information to be on the lookout for

- Rusk State Birthday Party is June 27<sup>th</sup>
- 2. Call Chris at (903) 353-4063 for Garage Sale Pick-ups
- Keep giving your monthly pledges and paying toward the property note this summer
- 4. Clear out personal items out of the Mansinger House

# **Inside Information**

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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



- Women's Bible study Mondays from noon to 1:00 PM in person and on Zoom. We are studying The Screwtape Letters by CS Lewis. A different letter is covered each week, and you will be able to participate and follow along even if you don't have the book or study guide. Please join us when you can.
- on June 13, 2022 to elect our officers for next year and plan our programs and service projects. This month we learned about Naomi, who spoke 411 words in the Bible. She was a stubborn yet faithful woman who showed great kindness and great strength and helped her widowed daughter-in-law Ruth, a Moabite, become the great grandmother of King David, adding the blood of outsiders to the pedigree of Jesus. Please join us June 13 at 10:30 to help plan for next year and enjoy fellowship with other women of FCC. Our service project will be personal items for the House of Hope ladies and bringing our Blessing Boxes.



- Hello ROMEO! (Retired Old Men Eating Out) Most are retired, but not all of them. Come join the fellowship of these experienced men. Mondays at noon at Jason's Deli.
- ➤ **Men's Bible Study** meet on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm.



Chi-Rho (Grades 6th - 8th)

Christian Youth Fellowship (CYF) (Grades 9th-12th)

- Chi-Rho/CYF-Summer has arrived! Meetings are in full swing! Parents keep your eyes open for the new app for communication. If you haven't heard anything from Cassidy by June 8th. Call the office so we can get you set up. If you did not receive an email on May 17th about the youth please call the office ASAP! We are encouraging all our youth to regularly attend and be involved in Sunday school, worship, choir practice and all youth meetings.
- **Jr. Counselors** are needed for Day Camp in June! Come by the office for an application.
- ↓ Day Camp is June 20-24.

  Visit <a href="www.fcclongview.org">www.fcclongview.org</a> Click Church Life then scroll down to the Mini Camp Day Camp 2022 page.
- The youth are looking for a place with a pool or swimming area & snacks for June 15<sup>th</sup> & 29th



JYF (Junior Youth Fellowship), GGD & P.R.E.P. School

(Children-Infants-5th grade)

- **Day Camp** is set for June 20-24th. See next page for more information.
- ❖ Discovery Days will be held on Tuesdays & Wednesdays, July 5 & 6, 12 & 13, 19 & 20,26 & 27. Registration is now open.

https://my.cheddarup.com/c/discovery-days-enrichment-program-an-adventure-e-88589



When you register for any camp, you pay Disciples Crossing directly! There is a scholarship fund you can apply for at Disciples Crossing or call the office for more information. However, all registration and fees are to be taken care of on their website. If you need more information about any of the camps call the office and Debra will be glad to send you more information.

https://disciplescrossing.campbrainregistration.com

- ❖ Family Camp May 27-29 (All ages accompanied by an adult family member) This camp is for families of all ages as long as one child attending is under the age of 18 and one adult is over the age of 21. The goal of Family Camp is Sabbath! Families come to rest, play and worship together. What a great way to kick off the summer!
- \* DC Youth June 20-June 24 (Grades 6th-12th) DC Youth campers will connect with their faith in Summer 2022 while focusing on Matthew 22:36-40 and the idea of Beautiful Chaos. Campers will explore relationships with the world, self, others and God. They will share with old and new friends alike during this one of a kind week that they will never forget.
- \*Imago Dei June 26- July 2 (Grades 7th & 8th) -Previously known as Eighters Camp, Imago Dei is designed to teach campers about spirituality and sexuality through a Christian curriculum. Please stay tuned for more information regarding transitions. For more information about Imago Dei check out our website!
- ❖ DC Kids June 27-July 1 (Grades 1-5) DC Kids campers will engage faith and Bible stories through interactive learning stations and creative and energetic worship experiences. Arts and crafts, games, swimming are also part of the experience.



Day camp will be here before we know it and we'll have hundreds of hungry campers to feed. It would be really helpful if you could please bring the snacks by Sunday, June 19 or Monday, June 20 so we know what we have and what we'll need to purchase. Several of these items can be purchased at Sam's but if you don't have a membership there you can just drop some cash by the church office with a note that it's for day camp snacks and we'll make the purchase for you.

Easy peel oranges
Individual assorted bags of chips
String cheese
Individual packaged Chex Mix
Grapes
Cheeseballs
Individual packaged Goldfish
Watermelon (3 large or 5 small needed)
Cookies, cookies and more cookies!

Thank you so much for helping!

Snack Queen & her Princesses (Jeannie King - call me if you have questions: 903-720-5653)

Attention Volunteers, Counselors and Junior Counselors! The 2022 FCC Mini Camp & Day Camp, Disciples Crossing and Discovery Days dates have been set. You must be certified by Safe Sanctuary to volunteer in any activity with a minor child. Please take care of this as soon as possible. If you are not sure of your status, please call the office and we can let you know. Go to the FCC website @ fcclongview.org and click on the link on the homepage. You must watch the video, take the quick quiz and do the background check by June 1st. There is no cost.



The starting date is Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the Conference Room. If you wish to be a part of this group and have not already done so, please let the church office or David Farmer know.

Join us at 5:30ish for good food and great company. On May 24th we will be eating at Bodacious on the Loop.



Call Lyn Blount @ (903) 237-8019 or

Teresa Mitchell at (432) 553-6305 for more details.

May is National Foster Care Month, and we will be thanking and honoring FCC members, Rayna and Emily McFarland, for their commitment to children in the foster program. They have provided a safe, loving, and nurturing home for ten foster children, currently fostering two-year-old "Little J" and nine-month-old "A Man," while also rearing five-year-old Alyza, their precious daughter through adoption. Contributions toward the purchase of a stroller wagon and other items to assist Rayna and Emily in this ministry can be left with Debra in the church office or given to Beth Grant in person or via her Venmo username, @Angela-Grant-57 or make checks payable to Beth Grant. You may also reach Beth at 903.238.1750 with any questions.



Well, Well - That's a deep subject! It's time to start thinking about another well in Malawi. Let's start gathering our CHANGE to make an incredible CHANGE for so many people. Our goal is \$1,900.00. Collection jars are in the Welcome Center or start your own jar at home, work or Sunday School class.



Thank you everyone for the notes, cards, and love I have received.

Love,

Martha Ruff Murray

Dear FC Church Families,
Logan and I would like to extend
our deepest gratitude and a heartfelt
THANK YOU to all that provided
lood, flowers, phone calls, visits,
cards and prayers the past few
months. Your outpouring of love &
generosity keeps us going. We are
very blessed to be part of such a
loving & caring congregation. We
love and miss all of you.
Brigitte & Logan Damewood

Thank you so much FCC for all your contributions of diapers, wipes, and dollars. We gathered 3,402 diapers for a total of \$1,701.00 and 3,144 wipes for a total of \$94.32. That's almost one wipe per diaper. On average we gathered enough to cover 100 babies for a month! Our donations have been distributed to the Rainbow Room and LCM.

Thank you again, FCC Outreach Committee and Sara's Sisters/Disciple Women's Ministry

# ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

ABC Class – Justice, Law, History-The Present Word –
Meets 4<sup>th</sup> floor, West End, Last Room

Teacher: Rotating

ACTS Class – The Travelers Summit by Andy Andrews
Meets 4th floor, East End, Last Room

Teacher: David Farmer

Cornerstone Class - Justice, Law, History-The Present Word -

Meets in Cornerstone Hall Teacher: Rick Shepherd

**GNG Class** – Lectionary

Meets in the Conference Room

Teacher: Rotating **Seeker's Class** – *Proverbs* 

Meets 4th Floor, East End, Last Room on Right

Sojourners Class – Anxious For Nothing, Max Lucado

Meets in 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Library Teacher: Jodi Bachtell **Visions Class**– The Book of Romans

> Meets 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Middle of Hall, South Room Teachers: Charlie & Dottie Bachtell

#### **Lectionary Texts For:**

### Sunday, May 22

Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67 Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9 Dr. Richard Emerson



#### Sunday, May 29 Memorial Day Weekend

Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97 Revelations 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17:20-26 Dr. Richard Emerson

# Take a nostalgic step back in time....

Copies of the Longview Cookbook and Business Directory can be purchased in the church office for \$15.00 each. All proceeds will benefit the Music Department of First Christian Church.

The original cookbook was printed before 1926.



|               | <u>Worship</u>     | <u>Sunday</u> |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| <u>School</u> |                    |               |
| 5/8           | 114 in person      | 65            |
|               | 71 Facebook views  |               |
| 5/15          | 120 in person      | 63            |
|               | 136 Facebook views |               |

#### April 2022

Income \$65,159.98 Expenses \$49,045.96 Net Income \$16,114.02

#### **Members and Friends Prayer List**

<u>MEMBERS-</u> Ray Stanley, Shirley Holloway, Aaron Turner, Family of James Wood, The Brown Family, Freddie Wood, Logan Damewood, Brigitte Damewood, Pat Terrell, JoAnn Malone, McFarland Family & Foster Kids,

FRIENDS- Marsh Family, Gilbert Family, Bettye Gilbert, Lomelo Family, David Smelley, The Burns Family, The Atherton Family, Carolyn Stringer, Family of Diana Miller, Mark Miller Family, Gracie Lautaret & Family, Lorenz Family, Darrell McKnight, Joel & Amy, Kay Bryant, People of Ukraine, Sani Bucks, Dominic McNew, Landon & Elliot Family

The next publication of "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, May 19, 2022. If you have an article you wish to include in "The Long View", please call, email it or bring it to the church office no later than noon Wednesday.

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