



THE LONG VIEW

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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

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Holy Week Events

April 10-Palm Sunday Service
@ 10:30 am
April 10-Taize Service
@ 6:00 pm
April 14-Maundy Thursday
@ 6:00 pm
April 15- Good Friday Service
@ 12:00 pm
April 17-Easter Sunday Service
@ 10:30 am

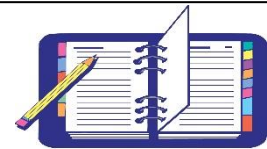
*Worship With Us
This Easter Season*



Did you know that the word Maundy is derived from the Latin word for “Command” and refers to Jesus’ commandment to the disciples to “Love one another as I have loved you.”

Opportunities to Serve

1. Picnic Duty-See Future Events for more information.
2. Bottom’s Up! Get Behind Our Diaper Drive.
3. Deliver Goodies for the Homebound.
4. The Children’s Department is in DESPERATE need for back-up child-care workers. It is a paid position. Please call/text/leave a Message for Jamie Hill @ (903)238-6717 or the church office to sign up.
5. Bring non-perishable food items for The Food Basket or LCM



PENCIL IT IN

Sunday School @ 9:30 am
(In-Person)
CHI-RHO/CYF Sundays @ 11:45 am (Ping-Pong Table)
Mat Yoga-Mondays & Wednesday @ 8:30 am (CH)
Monday School-Mondays @ Noon (Jason’s Deli)
Women’s Bible Study-Mondays @ 12:00 pm (Seekers class & Zoom)
Men’s Bible Study-Mondays @ 6:30 pm (CR)
Chair Yoga-Tuesdays & Fridays @ 8:30 am (CH)
Tuesday Fellowship Dinner @ 5:30 pm
Choir Practice-Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm (MS)
Tai Chi-Thursdays @ 9:00 am (DH)
Pickle Ball-Tuesdays 2-3:30 Thursdays 10:00-11:30 am Thursday Evening 5-7 pm (2nd and 4th Thursday of the Month) (DH)
Disciple Women’s Ministries/ Sara’s Sisters-2nd Monday of each month @ 10:30 am (CH)

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.
- **Sara's Sisters** met on March 14 and enjoyed fellowship, snacks and a study of two more of the women in Samson's life: the Philistine wife who wheedled out of him the answer to a riddle which eventually led to her death and also Delilah, who got the answer to the secret of his strength (along with a lot of money), which led to his death, as well as many Philistines' deaths. We learned again that God uses flawed people like us to accomplish His purposes. Next month Jolene will bring us a lesson on Micah's mother as we continue our examination of women of the Bible. Our service project will be a donation to Heartisans Marketplace, an organization that "helps women break the chain of dependency and achieve self-sufficiency." See you at 10:30 on April 11!
- Spiritual Life Retreat: April 22-24, 2022 @ Disciples Crossing

Chi-Rho/CYF GROUP NEWS

Chi-Rho (Grades 6th - 8th)
Christian Youth Fellowship (CYF) (Grades 9th-12th)

- ✚ **Chi-Rho/CYF** Meetings are in full swing! Parents keep your eyes open for Remind texts. We are encouraging all our youth to regularly attend and be involved in Sunday school, worship, choir practice and all youth meetings.
- ✚ **DC Youth Middle and High School** have been combined and moved to April 1-3. Registration is open for this combined retreat. Upon registering online pay in full to Disciples Crossing. <https://disciplescrossing.campbrainregistration.com> Please inform the church after you have registered your child/children. If you need assistance with paying, call the office.
- ✚ We need your assistance with the **Easter Egg Hunt** on Sunday, April 17th. Amanda Grimes will have more details as we get closer to the date.



- **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 at 6:30 on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm.
- **Tri-Area Mens Retreat**-CCSW.ORG/EVENTS
Date: May 13 - 15, 2022
Cost: \$40 - \$235 (prices vary depending on ticket, scholarship is available)
Location: Disciples Crossing Camp and Retreat, Athens TX
Join the men from the North Texas, Northeast and Trinity Brazos Areas of the Christian Church in the Southwest for a weekend of learning, worship, prayer, devotional time, and of course fellowship and games! This is a time to get away and gather with new and familiar faces at Disciples Crossing as our Keynote Speaker Greg Alexander leads us in exploring "Reflecting Jesus In Our Lives".



JYF (Junior Youth Fellowship), GGD &
P.R.E.P. School
(Children-Infants-5th grade)

- ❖ **Easter Egg Hunt**-Please bring your children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, neighbors' children. All children are welcome to join us during Sunday School on the front lawn for an Easter Egg hunt on Easter Morning. Bring all those kiddos to the Sunday School room by 9:30 April 17th.
- ❖ **GGD** (Growing God's Disciples) Grades 1-5 meets on Wednesdays at 4:00 pm. These kiddos are in need of supplies again. The most requested item is small bottles of water, they love them and there is no waste. Juice boxes and individually bagged snacks would be great also. Drop off in the office anytime.
- ❖ **Family Camp** May 27-29, 2022 at Disciples Crossing more info to follow soon <https://disciplescrossing.campbrainregistration.com>
- ❖ **Day Camp** is set for June 20-24th. More Information to follow soon.



**Homebound Care
formerly known
as Minister's Aid**

Co-Chaired by
Priscilla Eaker &
Ann Matherne

This Membership sub-committee provides treats for our homebound members five times a year: Valentine's Day, Easter, Fourth of July, Halloween (Fall), and Christmas to make sure these members know that they are not forgotten. If you are interested in delivering on any or all of the above holidays, please contact us at least five days prior to the holiday. Priscilla (priscilla.eaker@gmail.com) or Ann (southpa10@aol.com)

Join us at 5:30/5:40
for good food and
great company.

On March 29th we will be eating
at Fisherman's Market.

Call Lyn Blount @ (903) 237-8019 or Teresa Mitchell
at (432) 553-6305 for more details.



**All Call for Picnic Helpers: Both Guys
and Gals are Needed!** Sunday, April
3rd, immediately after worship. Please
join us for a BRIEF meeting to sign up
for "Picnic Duty". All are encouraged to
come since "Many hands make light
work".



Sunday, April 24th
Immediately after Worship.

- ❖ Get out those picnic blankets and lawn chairs.
- ❖ Games for the kids & youth as well as table games & non-strenuous games (for us older folks).
- ❖ Sign-ups for food will be in the office and Sunday school classes.

More details to come!



**Bottom's Up!
Get Behind
Our Diaper Drive!**

The Outreach Committee, in conjunction with Sara's Sister/DWM is having a "Bottoms Up, Get Behind Our Diaper Drive". We will accept any brand or size diaper or baby wipe during the month of April. All donations will be given to the Rainbow Room, LCM and other various community organizations. Please bring new packages or boxes to the office. The Mission Bins are marked and ready for your donations.

A great time was had by all at the March 20th Springo Bingo! Our prize winners were Jasmine Umphress, Hunter Racicot, Betty Scott, Brittany Gill and Amanda Grimes. A huge Thank you to the Membership Committee and all your helpers! Pictures can be seen on the FCC website next week.

Property Update

The Board of First Christian Church in consultation with the property committee and finance committee is considering placing the Parsonage and Mansinger properties for sale. The properties are significantly under-utilized and are a drain on our financial resources. If you have questions or concerns call Kelly Green at 903)738-3368.



We are needing old king-sized pillowcases and potato sacks. They do not need to be new. Please bring to the office ASAP.



First Christian Church
Day Camp will be
June 20th - June 24th.
Keep your eyes on our website and
Facebook for more details in the
coming weeks.

Members and Friends Prayer List

MEMBERS- Aaron Turner, Bob Roberts, Logan Damewood, Pat Terrell, Brigitte Damewood, James Wood, Jeannie Dykes, Ray Stanley, Emerson Family, Shirley Holloway, Sue Davenport, Colton Rieger, McFarland Family and foster children.

FRIENDS- Bettye Gilbert, Gilbert Family, Marsh Family, Lomelo Family, Jamie Walzell, Diana Miller, John Avalroni
Our Military in Ukraine, Jim Beville People of Ukraine, Fern Family of Raymond Floyd, Refugees, Nelda Muckleroy, Jim, Ukraine, Marin Family, Olga, Natasha, Jesn Osborn, Tom Anderson, Shelby Wheeler & classmates, Tempe Joane Konecny, Betty Kirkindoll, Gloria Rojas,

The next publication of "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, April 7, 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.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

- ABC Class** – *Justice, Law, History-The Present Word* –
Meets 4th floor, West End, Last Room
Teacher: Rotating
- ACTS Class** – *He Chose the Nails* by Max Lucado
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 4th Floor Library
Teacher: Jodi Bachtell
- Visions Class**– *The Book of Acts*
Meets 4th floor, Middle of Hall, South Room
Teachers: Charlie & Dottie Bachtell

Lectionary Texts For:

Sunday, March 27

Joshua 5:9-12, Psalm 32;
2Corinthians 5:16-21;
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
Dr. Richard Emerson



Sunday, April 3

Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126;
Philippians 3:4b-14;
John 12:1-8
Dr. Richard Emerson



Worship

Sunday School

March 13	79 in person 92 Facebook views	60
March 20	128 in person 61 Facebook views	50

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