



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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Jenny Johns by transfer of faith.
Benjamin Umphress
 & Gasmine Umphress
 by baptism, their parents are Kim & Chris Umphress.
Andy Johns by baptism, his parents are Jenny & Danny Johns.



Thank you, FCC members, the youth group and sponsors! We collected over 1500 eggs and 12 easter baskets for the prizes. The kids had a wonderful time gathering eggs in the Disciple House.

Opportunities to Serve

1. Bottom's Up! Get Behind Our Diaper Drive.
2. Deliver Goodies for the Homebound.
3. 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.
4. Bring non-perishable food items for The Food Basket or LCM
5. Meals with Love is in dire need of volunteers! You can choose your days to deliver. A typical volunteer day takes about one to two hours with a normal-sized route.
 Contact Longview Site Manager, Lu Ann Dix, at (903)738-0225 for more information. You can visit our website to access a digital volunteer application
www.mealsonwheelsetx.org/volunteer
6. The Cornerstone Class is having their annual Peanut Butter Drive for LCM. Please bring your jars of peanut butter or a check payable to Cornerstone Class to the church office. If you have any questions, contact Debra @ (903) 235-4908.



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 (Every other Thursday of the Month) (DH)
- Disciple Women's Ministries/ Sara's Sisters-2nd Monday of each month @ 10:30 am (CH)

Reverend David Farmer is considering restarting our Grief Recovery Support Group on Fridays at 10am to 11am. Let us know your thoughts. If you are interested, please call the church (903) 753-7611.

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.



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.
- ✚ **4/24/2022** Youth and sponsors will be Assisting with the set-up/clean-up of the Church Picnic.
- ✚ **Jr. Counselors** are needed for Day Camp in June! Come by the office for an application.



- **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.
- **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)

- ❖ **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. 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>





Church Picnic

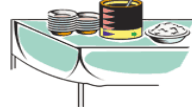
**This Sunday
April 24
immediately
after
Worship**

- *Drop off any food items you volunteered to bring on the tables inside PREP entrance before Sunday School or Worship.
- *Cornerstone members who volunteered to bring food items-if you put yours in the Cornerstone kitchen before Sunday School, our youth will get any food you brought to the picnic area.
- *Bring quilts or lawn/tailgate chairs (we hope to have some extras if you need one.)
- *We will have plenty of card tables and chairs. Amanda G. will put out table games. If you have one that you want to bring, please do so.
- *Picnic attire is encouraged. Wear an FCC T-shirt, if you want to. Chris S. will have some for sale at the picnic.
- *MENU- fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans, veggies, assorted desserts, ice cold water-Come hungry!!!
- *We will have corn hole, kids games, a youth activity/game, AND even a mingle game for adults, both young and old. All ages welcome.

Join us at 5:30ish
for good food and
great company.
On April 26 we will be eating at
T'Blanco's out by the airport.

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

Fellowship
Dinner



**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 unopened packages or boxes to the office. However, if you are unable and would like the Outreach Committee to purchase the items, make checks payable to Ann Grimes and mail it to the office.

Attention Volunteers! 2022 FCC Mini Camp & Day Camp will be June 20th-24th. 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. Go to the FCC website @ fclongview.org and click on the link.



June 20-24th

Go to www.fclongview.org for more information.
Click Church Life then scroll down to the
Mini Camp Day Camp 2022 page.

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.



This is a list of all the outside Ministries for which FCC collects donations for special drives. We, on occasion, will assist them with their campaigns by collecting the money for them and sending it directly to them. However, if you want to donate with a check, we would greatly appreciate it if you would make your check payable directly to the Outreach Committee member in charge of the drive and the name/names will be available at the time of the drive. Since it can become very chaotic, this process will allow the accounting process to run smoothly and insure that your donations are distributed to the appropriate Ministry.

Adopt-a-School	Bethany Home	Longview Christian Retirement Homes	Church Finance Council
Disciples Crossing	Grief Group	NEA of the Christian Churches of the SW	Habitat for Humanity
House of Hope	Rainbow Room	East Texas Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse	Week of Compassion
Refuge International	Newgate's Stewpot	East Texas Literacy Council	Jarvis Christian College
Juliette Fowler Home	Heartsway Hospice	Special Health Resources of East Texas	Longview Wellness Center
Forever Friends	SW Good Samaritan	Pension Fund for Retired Ministers	East Texas Child Advocates
Brite Divinity	Food Box	Rusk Hospital Birthday Party	Meals With Love
Samaritan's Purse	Water Well in Africa	Longview Community Ministries	Hwy 80 Rescue Mission
Page Place 2	OCC Shoeboxes	Longview Child Development Center	

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

- ABC Class** – *Justice, Law, History-The Present Word* –
Meets 4th 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 4th Floor Library
Teacher: Jodi Bachtell
- Visions Class**– *The Book of Romans*
Meets 4th floor, Middle of Hall, South Room
Teachers: Charlie & Dottie Bachtell

Members and Friends Prayer List

MEMBERS- Ray Stanley, Shirley Holloway, Aaron Turner, Cara Cline, Logan Damewood, Brigitte Damewood, James Wood, Colton Rieger, J.C. Fort, June Green, McFarland Family & Foster Children

FRIENDS- Marsh Family, Gilbert Family, Bettye Gilbert, Lomelo Family, David Smelley, Bobbie KahlaTodd, Carol Smith, Sarah Cotter, Bristain Lawerce, Margie & Tom Thompson, Emery Werth, Family of Randy Wheeler, Mark Miller Family, Jim Beville, Jamie Walzell, Storm Victims, Sani Bucks, Ukraine War, Lisa Mullikin Wright, Ray Lee & Family, Gina Dooley Family of Eddie Jiminez, Joyce, Diana Miller, Zander & Joyce.

The next publication of "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, May 5, 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.

Lectionary Texts For:

Sunday, April 24

Acts 5:27-32;
Psalm 118:14-29;
Psalms 150,
Revelation 1:4-8;
John 20:19-31
Dr. Richard Emerson



Sunday, May 1

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20);
Psalm 30;
Revelations 5:11-14;
John 21:1-19
Dr. Richard Emerson



	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
4/10	142 in person 71 Facebook views	84
4/17	220 in person 150 Facebook views	50

1st Quarter 2022

Income	\$155,523.58
Expenses	<u>\$170,794.99</u>
Net Income	-\$15,271.41)

Easter Special Offering \$1,183.00

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