



# 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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## Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday,  
August 13  
During  
Worship



### Ice Cream Social & Pizza Luncheon

**This Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>!**  
Join us in the Disciple House for Pizza, desserts and a **Homemade Ice Cream Social** immediately after the worship service.

As of September 7, 2023, FCC will no longer mail the newsletter, except for a few homebound members. It will be online! The office will be contacting a few of you to acquire or confirm your email address. There will be several paper copies in the office if you prefer to have it printed.

First Christian Church (DOC) in Longview, Texas ([fcclongview.org](http://fcclongview.org)) is searching for our next Associate/Youth Minister. As a full-time staff member, emphasis will focus on Youth Ministry programming. In addition to other duties, such as visitation, worship planning and participation and outreach. Those applying should love and have a heart for Jesus, share that love with our youth and actively participate in the life and ministry of the church. Applicants will have good standing with Disciples of Christ and apply through our Regional Minister, Reverend Heather Reed. Please contact her at [hreed@ccsw.org](mailto:hreed@ccsw.org) or by phone at (806) 433-5568.



See page 2 for information about the Children's Director



**Worship** @10:30 am (SAN)  
**Pickleball** Mondays @ 2:00 pm  
Thursdays @ 10 am  
and 4:00 pm (DH)  
**Sara's Sisters/DWM**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month  
at 10:30 am (CH)  
**Monday School**-Mondays @  
Noon (Jason's Deli)  
**GIFTS** Mondays @ 12:00 pm (AC)  
**Tuesday Fellowship Dinner**  
@5:30 pm (TBD)  
**Choir Practice**-Wednesdays  
@ 6:30 pm (MS)  
**Tai Chi**-Thursday @ 9:00 am (CH)  
**Bingo** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month @  
5:30 pm (CH)  
**Bible Study** Thursdays @  
6:30 pm (CR)

### 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



- **GIFTS (Growing In Faith Together Studies)** would like to invite all ladies to join them Mondays at noon in the Acts Classroom, even if you don't have the book or study guide. Join us!
- Ladies, please join us for Sara's Sisters (Disciple Women) on Monday, August 14. Susan Goodson will bring a lesson about the witch of Endor. Our service project will be to bring school supplies for Ware Elementary School. Please join us for fellowship and study (& snacks!) in Cornerstone Hall at 10:30 am.
- **Bible Study** meet at 6:30 pm on Thursday in the Conference Room. All are welcome to join us.



- **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.
- **Bible Study** meets at 6:30 pm on Thursday in the Conference Room. All are welcome to join us.



Christian Youth Fellowship (CYF) (Grades 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)  
Chi-Rho (Grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>)

- ✚ **Chi-Rho/CYF** Parents keep your eyes open for texts From Mr. George, Mrs. Lyn, Mrs. Amanda or Mrs. Meghan
- ✚ We encourage all our youth to regularly attend Sunday school, worship and all youth meetings.



## Help needed!

Children's Sunday School and Children's Church has temporary teachers/directors: Lyn Blount, Melanie McKnight, Penny Leak and Woodie Terrell, that are rotating each week, but they need assistants, hopefully to only work once a month. You must be Safe Sanctuary trained, but no other experience is necessary. If interested, please call the office for more info.



### JYF (Junior Youth Fellowship 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grade) Children & P.R.E.P. School

- ❖ Check out the Bulletin Board for the Calendar, upcoming events and more information on events.

#### Do you like working with children?

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is looking for someone to be our Children's Director (4-year-old-5th grade). Responsibilities are:

- Teach/supervise Sunday school for 4-year-olds through 5th graders during the Sunday school hour (9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.). We are currently using the Sparkhouse Digital curriculum for lessons.
  - Supervise "children's church" during the worship service (10:30 a.m. – 12:00)
- and
- Plan for and lead a JYF (3rd – 5th graders) activity once a month after church.

Resume and references are required, as well as safe sanctuary training, which is provided online at the church's website. The salary is \$15/hour. Please submit your resume to application @fclongview.org. Or call the church office for more info.

Please continue to bring those nonperishable food items for LCM (Longview Community Ministries).



As always, the children will collect your food items when they walk down the aisle after the Children's Sermon. We believe the children are really enjoying the opportunity to collect and participate in this ministry.



Over the next couple of weeks check out the action card in the worship bulletin for a place to list your favorite hymns. Aaron will incorporate them into the Sunday service when he can.



SENIORS ADULTS



### On the Move

FCC Tyler will be taking a trip to Bentonville & Eureka Springs Arkansas and then on to Branson, Missouri on October 10-14, 2023. If anyone is interested in traveling with

this senior adult group by church bus, contact Larry Gilliam at (903) 561-8138 or call the office for more information.



### SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

The annual Pat Terrell Honorary Ware Elementary School Supply Drive is almost over. All donations can be dropped off in the mission bins in the office. You can make a cash or check donation as well. Don't forget you can also Venmo. Below is a list of most requested items.

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| headphones (not earbuds)          | composition books        |
| Elmer's glue                      | 2", 3 ring binders       |
| 10 count tabbed dividers          | glue sticks              |
| 12 count Crayola fine tip markers | red pens                 |
| 12 X 18 manilla paper             | Kleenexes                |
| colored markers                   | crayons                  |
| dry erase markers                 | notebooks                |
| gallon zip lock bags              | pencils                  |
| quart zip lock bags               | refillable water bottles |
| wet wipes                         | Clorox wipes             |



### IT IS TOO HOT TO BE OUTSIDE

So, join us Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the COOL Sanctuary! Bring your cleaning rags and pails, FCC will provide the cleaning solution, and help us clean the sanctuary! We need to clean the hymnal holders and pews, vacuum the cushions and wipe down the walls. So, come on all you volunteers who signed up to help. Even if you didn't, we will be so happy to see you. Let's make the Sanctuary shine!

**Our Care and Concern Committee needs your help. We don't know to check on you if you do not let Dr. Richard or the office know you've been ill or in the hospital. We want to intentionally check on you when needed. So many of us travel and miss quite a few Sundays, so it is important to let us know.**

Join us at 5:30 pm for good food and great company. On August 15<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be eating at Fuzzy Taco's on Hawkins Pkwy. Everyone is welcome to join! Call Lyn Blount @ (903) 237-8019 or Teresa Mitchell @ (432) 553-6305 for more details.



VENMO can now be used for many of our outreaches such as: The Pat Terrell Honorary Ware Elementary School Supply Drive and most occasions that come our way. You can even pay your Tithes via Venmo. Scan the QR Code to submit your donation. They are located in many places around the church. Be sure to enter your outreach so the office can make sure it goes to the correct account.

**Are you interested in helping out with our wonderful outreach mission of Bethany Home? This is free housing for out-of-town folks whose family member is in the hospital! Join 1 of our 8 teams to serve once every 8 weeks – sign yourself up by contacting Lyn Blount at (903) 237-8019 or the church office.**

### Facilities Usage/Rental Space

Let the church office know if you would like to reserve Cornerstone Hall or the Disciple House. There are clean up rules that apply but we should take advantage of the space.

We are always looking for volunteers to help in the office, read the Words of Adoration and Scripture during the worship service, help with membership, and much more. Call the office if you are interested in these or have your own idea.



# ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

**ABC Class – *The Righteous Reign of God***  
4<sup>th</sup> floor, West End, Last Room

Teacher: Rotating

**ACTS Class – *Bad Girls of the Bible***

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> floor, East End, Last Room

Teacher: Rotating

**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 – *What's so Amazing about Grace?***

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, East End, Last Room on Right

**Sojourners Class –**

Meets on 4<sup>th</sup> Floor East Wing

Teacher: Rotating

**Visions Class– 1 Corinthians**

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Middle of Hall, South Room

Teachers: Charlie & Dottie Bachtell

## Members and Friends Prayer List

**Members:** Dottie Bachtell, Charlie Bachtell, JoAnn Malone, Martha Ruff Murray, Colton Rieger, Pat Terrell, Barbara Dickinson, Ramona Dickinson, Dale Ellison, Susan Ellison, Margaret Griffin, Susan Goodson, June Green, Cara Cline, Jennifer Fields, Carolyn McAninch, Aaron Turner, Mindi Turner, Kathy Hays, Susan Farmer Carly Dodd, Jim Ruth, Steven Brizius, Family of Virginia Jones, Ruth Lewis

**Friends:** Marsh Family, Gilbert Family, Bettye Gilbert, Lomelo Family, Tony Sasser, Cindy Gann, John McClough, Billy Lewis, Lacey Cline, Baby Max, Betty, Mary, Mary Ann, Jamie Walziel, Mason Beville, Homeless, Wanda, Gracie Davis, Judy Lewis, Family of Hannah Glenn, Doanie Clark, Betty Fields, Ethan Pimantel, Kathy Stewart, Family of Charles Novy, Angela Davis, Gideon Fisher, Danny Courcier, Barbara Burges, Pamela & Don Crawford, Jesse Downs, Wanda Mitchell

### Lectionary Texts For:

**Sunday, August 20**

Genesis 45:1-15

Psalms 133

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-

**Dr. Richard Emerson**



**Sunday, August 27**

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Psalms 124

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:13-20

**Dr. Richard Emerson**

The next publication of "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, August 24, 2023. 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.**

# WORSHIP *with us*

	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
7/30/23	99 in person 209 Facebook views	60
8/6/23	113 in person 161 Facebook views	56

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