



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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The office will be closed
July 3rd and 4th
in observance of
the holiday!



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.

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.

JULY SCHEDULE

COMBINED SUNDAY SCHOOLS!

WE ENCOURAGE ALL SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO MEET IN THE DISCIPLE HOUSE FOR THE FOLLOWING SUNDAYS:

SUNDAY JULY 2 ~ NOT MEETING IN DISCIPLE HOUSE

REGULAR CLASS MEET IF THEY CHOOSE TO

SUNDAY JULY 9 ~ BARBARA BRUSH, TEACHER

"THE KINGDOM HAS COME UPON YOU"

SUNDAY JULY 16 ~ DAVID FARMER, TEACHER

"THE SEASONS OF THE CHURCH"

SUNDAY JULY 23 ~ GEORGE TERRELL, TEACHER

"THE HISTORY OF FCC LONGVIEW"

SUNDAY JULY 30 ~ PAUL FIKE, TEACHER

"THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, WHO WE ARE"

WE WANT TO GATHER AS ONE AND FELLOWSHIP IN JULY (EXCEPT JULY 2) AND GIVE OUR SS TEACHERS A BREAK! WE WILL LEARN AND PRAY TOGETHER DURING THE SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR BEGINNING AT 9:30. GET THERE A LITTLE EARLY, FIND A SEAT & JOIN IN!!



Worship @10:30 am (SAN)
Pickleball Mondays @ 2:00 pm
Thursdays @ 10 am
and 4:00 pm (DH)

Sara's Sisters/DWM
2nd Monday of the month
at 10:30 am (CH)

Monday School-Mondays @
Noon (Jason's Deli)

GIFTS Mondays @ 12:00 pm (AC)
Canceled July 3rd

Tuesday Fellowship Dinner
@5:30 pm (TBD)

Canceled July 4th

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

Postponed until August

Tai Chi-Thursday @ 9:00 am (CH)
Bingo 2nd Thursday of the month
@ 5:30 pm (CH)

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



To the family of
Sue Davis
upon her
death.

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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!
- **Bible Study is canceled for Monday, July 3rd in observance of the July 4th holiday.**
- Sara's Sisters met on June 5 and we planned our programs and service projects for next year. Officers are President-Vicky Green, VP & Membership-Jolene Auderer, Secretary-Jeannie King, Treasurer-Barbara Dickinson, Service-Ann Grimes, and Sunshine-Dixie Robertson, Jeannie will lead our study next month on Abigail, King David's wife. Ladies, please join us on Monday, July 11th at 10:30 am in Cornerstone Hall.



- **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 Thursday evenings in the Conference Room.



Chi-Rho (Grades 6th - 8th)

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

- ✚ **Chi-Rho/CYF Parents** keep your eyes open for texts from Mrs. Lyn, Mr. George, Mrs. Amanda or Mrs. Meagan.
- ✚ We encourage all our youth to regularly attend Sunday school, worship and all youth meetings.
- ✚ Wednesday, July 12th, Water Fun Day at the Blount's Lake House, 5pm-8pm. Bring a friend! (But please RSVP, so we can plan for food and transportation). Bus will leave the church parking lot @4:30 pm and Will return at 8:30 pm. If you need the Blount's Address, call the office.



Two weeks before camp:
Late Registration Deadline

DC Kids - (Grades 1-5) - DC Kids campers will engage faith and Bible stories through interactive learning stations and creative and energetic worship experiences. DC Kids 1st-2nd are Co-Camping with DC Kids 3rd-5th. These are different camps happening at the same time sharing the same spaces. Arts and crafts, games, swimming are also part of the experience. DC Kids 2: July 31-Aug 4

❖ **Attention Parents:** Please go online to register and pay in full to Disciple Crossing. Then notify the church office that your child/family is going. Scholarships are available if requested.

**FCC Kids are starting an awesome new program-
SECOND SUNDAYS!**

All youth who are interested in helping out with Children's Church (after the Children's Sermon) are encouraged to join the kids and Mrs. Lauren on the second Sunday of each month for a fun time of worship, singing, prayer, and games! The youth (grades 6-12) may receive volunteer hours for their time, since they will be assisting the kids in a "Junior Counselor at Day Camp" type role.

The only preparation the youth need is to make sure their Safe Sanctuary training and background check are up to date and sign up by texting Lauren at 903-720-5817 if they know ahead of time that they want to participate.

Come and have some fun!!!



**JYF (Junior Youth Fellowship 3rd -5th grade)
Children & P.R.E.P. School**

- ❖ Check out the Bulletin Board for the Calendar, upcoming events and more information on events.
- ❖ Sunday, July 2nd, our FCC Kids will be signing one of our favorites during the children's time.
- ❖ **Water Day is immediately after worship on July 2nd!** Join us for lunch, a sundae bar and water games on the lawn. All kids up to 5th grade are invited! parents: if your child is under the age of 4 please stay and enjoy the festivities and lunch.

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.



**Remember
Your Pledge
This Summer**

UPCOMING EVENTS



Outreach Ministry



Travel
 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.

Are you interested in helping out with our wonderful outreach mission of Bethany Home which is Free housing for out-of-town folks while their family 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.



MY PEOPLE WILL LIVE IN PEACEFUL DWELLING PLACES.

ISAIAH 32:18 NIV

Mid-Year Giving Statements go out in July. If you have moved please notify the office, so we can update your address before mailing the statements.



BINGO
 Join us the second Thursday of each month. In July we will be meeting on the 13th at 5:30 pm in Cornerstone Hall. Bring a cool dish or dessert. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Join us at 5:30 pm for good food and great company. On July 11th we will be eating at On The Border, in the mall parking lot. Everyone is welcome to join! Call Lyn Blount @ (903) 237-8019 or Teresa Mitchell @ (432) 553-6305 for more details.



If you know of any moms with young children and they are interested in starting a play group. Please call the office for more info.



As of 6/27/23 we have collected approximately \$6,067.52 but all the change has not been counted. Check back next month for the grand total. This is enough to do two wells in Malawi! FCC is the most awesome congregation!



WHAT IS BETHANY HOME?
 Bethany Home is a ministry of First Christian Church of Longview. It is located at 700 North 7th Street across from the church. The home consists of a living area, kitchen, laundry room, and four bedrooms, each with a private bath. The purpose of Bethany Home is to provide a home-like facility where out-of-town family members may find physical and emotional rest while their loved one is confined to a local hospital. There is no charge for staying at Bethany Home, and guests may stay as long as necessary while their relative is in the hospital. Each bedroom has two single beds and can accommodate two adults for each hospital patient. Children under the age of 12 are not permitted. At least one guest must speak English. Church members volunteer to serve as hosts to help introduce guests to the home, maintain the home, and clean after a guest leaves. Volunteers do not stay at Bethany Home but regularly check the home to see that guidelines are being followed.
 To complete the complement of volunteers, the Bethany Home volunteers rely on hospital volunteers to be the initial contact for people wishing to use the facilities of Bethany Home. Posters describing Bethany Home have been provided to both Longview Regional Hospital and Christus Good Shepherd Hospital. The hospital volunteers vet the prospective guest(s) and contact the Bethany Home volunteer to pick up the guest (see Hospital Staff Guidelines for Bethany Home.)

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

It is almost time for our annual Pat Terrell Honorary Ware Elementary School Supply Drive. All donations can be dropped off in the mission bins in the office. You can make a cash or check donation as well. Below is a list of most requested items.

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	Kleenex
colored markers	crayons
dry erase markers	notebooks
gallon zip lock bags	pencils
quart zip lock bags	refillable water bottles
wet wipes	Clorox wipes

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

- ABC Class** – *The Righteous Reign of God*
4th floor, West End, Last Room
Teacher: Rotating
- ACTS Class** – *Bad Girls of the Bible*
Meets 4th 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 4th Floor, East End, Last Room on Right
- Sojourners Class** –
Meets on 4th Floor East Wing
Teacher: Rotating
- Visions Class**– 1 Corinthians
Meets 4th 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, Angelica Sisson and Family, Carly Dodd, Dixie Robertson, Freddie Wood

Friends: Marsh Family, Gilbert Family, Bettye Gilbert, Lomelo Family, Tony Sasser, Kenneth Reece, Billy Lewis, Mason Belville, Joel & Amy, Danny Courcier, Eric Brown, Stella Morris, Virginia, Yvonne, Kay Bryant, Dave Forszewski, Gideon Fisher, Family of Sue Davis, Lacey Cline, Betty, Terry Ellison Haden, Paul Kellner, Cindy Gann, Valerie Garrett, Jim Beville, Jamie Walzie

Lectionary Texts For:

Sunday, July 9	Sunday, July 16
Genesis 24:34-38. 42-49. 58-67	Genesis 25:19-34
Psalms 45:10-17 or	Psalms 119:105-112
Song of Solomon 2:8-13	Romans 8:1-11
Romans 7:15-25a	Matthew 13:1-9. 18-23
Matthew 11:16-19. 25-30	
Rev. David Farmer	Dr. Richard Emerson

The next publication of "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, July 13, 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.**



	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
6/18/23	99 in person 105 Facebook views	46
6/25/23	130 in person 139 Facebook views	75



venmo

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

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July 2023 Elder & Diaconate Schedule

ELDER Schedule for Table

July 2 10:30 am Teresa Mitchell David Farmer		July 9 10:30 am Jeannie Dykes Terry McKnight
July 16 10:30 am Rick Wilson Kennedy Hatcher	July 23 10:30 am Ray Hatcher George Terrell	July 30 10:30 am Mallory Shelton Jolene Auderer

DIACONATE/SERVER Service Schedule

July 2 10:30 am Team 2		July 9 10:30 am Team 3
July 16 10:30 am Team 4	July 23 10:30 am Team 1	July 30 10:30 am Team 2

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT IF YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO SERVE, YOU WILL ALSO BE GREETERS.

**ELDER/DIACONATE Schedule for Homebound
July 9, 2023**

Morning and Afternoon

Elders: George Terrell, Dottie Bachtell, Charlie Bachtell, Brannon Robertson, Rick Wilson, Jeb Blount
Diaconates: Bobbie Roberts, Rayna McFarland, Jerald Lewis, Jim Hurst, Nancy Holloman
Jr. Elder: Rylan Roberts

July Communion Tray Preparation

Week: 1, 2: Ann & David Grimes
 Week 3 & 4: Jim Hurst

***Please call the church office if you are able to prepare.**

If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute from the appropriate Elder or Diaconate list below:

2023 SERVING ELDERS

Jolene Auderer
 Charlie Bachtell
 Dottie Bachtell
 Jamie Dippold
 David Farmer
 Ray Hatcher
 Bill Holloman
 Donna McFarland
 Terry McKnight
 Cheryl McNulty
 Teresa Mitchell
 Brannon Robertson
 Mallory Shelton
 George Terrell
 Rick Wilson

Junior Elders

Ellie Cochran
 Kennedy Hatcher
 Rylan Roberts

Life Elders

Jeannie Dykes
 Richard Lucas
 Bill Park

2023 DIACONATE/ADDITIONAL SERVER TEAMS

Additional Servers are just that, they only serve communion.

They do not perform any duties of a Diaconate.

If you are willing to be an Additional Server, please notify the office.

D-Diaconate Members

A-Additional Servers

Team 1

Alex Avaltroni-D
 Meagan Avaltroni-D
 Danny Matherne-D
 Melanie McKnight-D
 John Roberts-D
 Kelly Green-A
 Kennedy Hatcher-A
 Ray Hatcher-A

Team 2

Vicki Cole-D
 Lysa Dykes-D
 David Grimes-D
 Brandon Hunter-D
 Jerald Lewis-D
 Rayna McFarland-D
 Lyn Blount-A
 Rick Johnston-A



Team 3

Nancy Holloman-D
 Bobbie Roberts-D
 Brent Thompson-D
 Debra Thompson-D
 Teresa Mitchell-A
 _____-A
 _____-A
 _____-A

Team 4

Mark Goodson-D
 Susan Goodson-D
 Jim Hurst-D
 Patti Racicot-D
 Justin Smith-D
 Sherri Tucker-D
 _____-A
 _____-A

If you would like to be an additional server or Diaconate, please call the church office.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 DC Imago Dei 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship (Sanc)	26 DC Imago Dei DC kids Camp Rusk State Birthday Party 12:00pm GIFTS (In Person) 12:00pm Monday School (Jason's Deli) 2:00pm Pickleball	27 DC Imago Dei DC kids Camp 2:00pm Heritage Bible Study (P) 5:30pm Fellowship Dinner	28 DC Imago Dei DC kids Camp	29 DC Imago Dei DC kids Camp Newsletter 9:00am Tai-Chi 10:00am Pickleball 4:00pm Pickleball 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	30 DC Imago Dei DC kids Camp	1 DC Imago Dei
2 Children Singing Patriotic Sunday 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship (Sanc) 12:00pm Children's Water Day!	3 Office Closed 12:00pm Monday School (Jason's Deli) 2:00pm Pickleball	4  Office Closed	5	6 9:00am Tai-Chi 10:00am Pickleball 4:00pm Pickleball 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	7 8:30am Longview Women's Forum	8  2:00pm Baby Shower for the Kings!
9 Homebound Communion 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship (Sanc)	10 10:30am Disciple's Women/Sara's Sisters (CH) 12:00pm GIFTS (In Person) 12:00pm Monday School (Jason's Deli) 2:00pm Pickleball	11 Discovery Days 5:30pm Fellowship Dinner	12 Discovery Days	13 Newsletter 9:00am Tai-Chi 10:00am Pickleball 4:00pm Pickleball 5:30pm Bingo (CH) 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	14	15
16 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship (Sanc)	17 12:00pm GIFTS (In Person) 12:00pm Monday School (Jason's Deli) 2:00pm Pickleball	18 Discovery Days 5:30pm Fellowship Dinner	19 Discovery Days 1:00pm Care & Concern	20 9:00am Tai-Chi 10:00am Pickleball 4:00pm Pickleball 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	21	22
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