



The Long View

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Sunday Worship – January

9:00 Traditional Worship in Sanctuary
10:15 Sunday School
11:16 Praise Worship in Disciple House

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday
9:00am – 4:30pm
Friday
9:00am – Noon

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First Christian Church will be recognized at the Ministers’ Week Brite Luncheon and will receive the “Being Brite” award for long and faithful support of Brite Divinity School. The banquet luncheon will be Tuesday, February 6 at noon at the Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center (TCU campus) in Ft. Worth.

We have 7 complimentary tickets available. If you wish to attend, call the church office to reserve your ticket.

Planning and visioning is scheduled for Elders, Diaconate, Board Officers and Committee Chairs on Friday, January 19, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm and Saturday, January 20, 9:00 am - noon.



Diaconate Training is scheduled for January 30 at 6:00 pm. Serving schedules will be handed out at this. All Diaconate are encouraged to attend.

DATES FOR 2018 MEETINGS

Mark your calendar now

General Board Meetings:

(Mondays at 6:00 pm)

February 26

May 21

September 17

November 4 (Congregational Meeting)

Elder Meetings

(Mondays at 6:00 pm)

February 19

April 16

June 18

August 20

October 15

December 17



Our Ash Wednesday Service will be February 14 at noon in the Sanctuary. Following a brief service and imposition of ashes, which prepares us for the Season of Lent, a bean and cornbread luncheon will be served in Cornerstone Hall. RSVP by calling the church or signing up in the office.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

LIHN – January 21 – 28
Heritage Bible Study – January 23, 10:00 am (P)
Diaconate Training – January 30, 6:00 pm
Prayer Group – January 23 @ 6:30 pm – Henry's
Morning Bells – Every Monday @ 10:30 am (MS)
Corner Workshop – Every Wednesday from 9:00 am – 11:00 am
Creative Cottage – Every Wednesday from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm (Man)
Growing God's Disciples – Every Wednesday @ 3:30 pm
Genesis Singers – Every Wednesday @ 4:00 pm (MS)
Chancel Bells – Every Wednesday @ 5:15 pm (MS)
Bible Study – Every Wednesday @ 5:00 pm (C)
Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Every Wednesday @ 6:30 pm (MS)
Slow Flow Yoga/Chair – Every Monday & Wednesday @ 2:00 pm (CH)
Slow Flow Yoga – Every Thursday @ 8:30 am (CH)
Praise Band Rehearsal – Every Thursday @ 6:30 (DH)



Tuesday Trippers was postponed due to inclement weather. Our Sulphur Springs trip is rescheduled for Tuesday, February 20. Hope you can join us and invite a friend.

We are hosting LIHN
January 21 - 28. Please
sign up online at
www.fcclongview.org.



Welcome!

Debra Parker
who joined our church
family on
Sunday, January 7.



Fellowship Dinner with Friends Tuesdays at 5:45 pm



January 23 – Catfish Village, Gilmer Rd.
January 30 – Catfish Village, Gilmer Rd.



Save Your
Items for Our
Garage Sale

Start cleaning out your closets in preparation for our annual garage sale. Watch for details to follow.

Our organizers this year are Chris Shelton and Ann Grimes. More information will be shared in the coming weeks.



PREP School will be enrolling for the 2018 - 2019 school year on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 9:00 am. PREP School serves children ages 6 months - Kindergarten. Our hours of operation are from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm, Monday - Thursday and from 9:00 am - noon on Friday.

If you are interested in learning more about the PREP School Program, please call Pam at 903-758-0320 or visit our website at www.prepschoolfcc.com. If interested, you can stop by the PREP School office to pick up a registration form.



We will be back on January 21 at 5:30 pm for a Bible study with Trinity Episcopal! We have a lot of great things planned for this year! Go to fcclongview.org/youthdates to see the schedule.

Mark your calendars now for the Southeast Texas Mission Trip! We are excited about having First Methodist and Trinity Episcopal to join us this year. Go to fcclongview.org/missiontrip to see more info.

I hope 2018 is off to a great start!

**CALLING ALL
ADULTS/YOUTH/CHILDREN!**



Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church will be joining First Christian Church for an afternoon of fun Sunday, January 28 from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the Disciple House. Bring a light snack and your favorite game.

Hand Bells and choirs are beginning rehearsals for the new year.



If you are interested in joining any of our music groups, contact Rev. Miranda.

Pastor's Class will begin Sunday, February 4 during the Sunday School hour. Those youth (usually grade 5 or older) or adults who would like to participate in this 8 week study are to contact Lyn Blount or Richard Emerson. Come learn about FCC and prepare an understanding of Baptism and your Christian journey.



I want to thank you, our congregation, for your support through our Outreach Ministry to Juliette Fowler Communities and, as a Board Member of JFC, I am honored to present to our congregation a certificate of recognition received in December with the following inscription:

*Juliette Fowler Communities Presents
The Erika McKenzie Award to First
Christian Church of Longview*

In Celebration of our 125th Anniversary, Juliette Fowler Communities acknowledges your unwavering love, support and service to the multitude of children and adults who have called, and continue to call, Fowler their home. Through your heartfelt prayers and caring attention, you have accomplished that for which Juliette Fowler Communities was conceived, "for the Glory of our Lord Jesus ministering to the helpless."

The Rev. Dr. Larry Ross, Area Minister & President of North Texas Area of Christian Churches (DOC) received this award on behalf of the Christian Churches, (DOC) at the 5th Annual Visionary Women's Luncheon on May 5, 2017.

Beth Ylitalo, Board Member, Juliette Fowler Communities.

Adult Sunday School

ABC Class – “A Living Faith in God”

Meets 4th floor, West End, Last Room

Teacher: *Rotating*

ACTS Class – Lectionary Reading

Meets 4th floor, East End, Last Room

Teacher: *Rotating*

Cornerstone Class – “A Living Faith in God”

Meets in Cornerstone Hall

Teacher: *Rick Shepherd*

GNG Class — “The Bible: An Introduction” by Dr. Jerry L. Sumney

Meets in Conference Room

Teacher: *Rotating*

Seekers Class – “Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White” by Adam Hamilton

Meets 4th floor, East End - Last Room on Right

Teacher: *Bill Holloman*

Sojourners – “The Bible: An Understanding” by Jerry Sumney

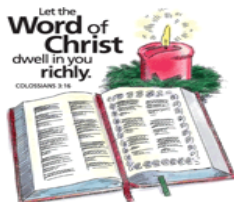
Meets in Mansinger House on 7th Street

Teacher: *Rev. Evan Dolive*

Visions Class – “Great Stories in the Bible”

Meets 4th floor, West End, Last Room on Right

Teacher: *David Farmer*



LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR:

Sunday, January 21

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

Dr. Richard Emerson

Sunday, January 28

Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28

Dr. Richard Emerson

Attendance

WORSHIP SERVICES

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| January 7 | | 164 |
| January 14 | | 194 |

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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| January 7 | | 124 |
| January 14 | | 109 |

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Members and Friends Prayer List

Members: Brenna Jennings, Terrell Families, Geraldine Dickinson, David Grimes, Bunky Grimes, Dewayne Bruce, Ramona Dickinson, Debi & Les Plaxco, Martha Cochran, Andy Malone, Lacey Cline, Colton Rieger

Friends: Frances Williams, Karen Brandt, Dustin Welch, Luis Ortega, Caroline, Kelly Barker, Shannon Lopic, Martha Talbot, Jim Jones, Riley Crocker, Lydia Schneider, Rosalee Floyd, Sandy & Jimmy Matthews, Kay Kinsey, Romero Family, Fern Kissell, Billie Hightower, Lydia McDonald, Sarah Cotter, Jerry Rhinehart, Theresa Neslony & Family, Dennis Kissell



Memorials Gifts can be made to the church in memory, honor or celebration to many different church funds such as the Building Fund, Property Fund, Bethany Home, General Memorial Fund, Library, Music Fund, Pipe Organ Fund, Youth, Info Tech, etc. There is a memorial book in the parlor that lists memorials given. Take a moment to review this book.



FCC Flower Ministry is a great way to acknowledge your loved ones in honor/memory/celebration, etc. FCC provides a rosebud for the birth of a child of an active church member. Purchasing a flower arrangement for the chancel is a great way to honor the birth of grandchildren and their parents. We have many dates available; please check with Alicia in the church office.

The next “The Long View” will be mailed on Tuesday, January, 30. If you have an article you wish to include in “The Long View”, please e-mail it to bkirkindoll@fcclongview.org or bring it to the church office no later than noon Thursday, January 25.

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