



The Long View

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am - Sunday School
10:00 am - Fellowship in Parlor
10:30 am - Worship Service in Sanctuary

OFFICE HOURS

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

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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

(2 year campaign ending 2020)

Began Sunday, April 15

Pledge cards will be received Sunday, May 6

Our goal is to pay off our \$249,000 property loan - \$200,000 for the air conditioning in the children's building and the remaining \$49,000 for facility upkeep. The loan term is 15 years with a monthly payment of \$1,900. We hope you will faithfully support our efforts to reduce our debt. A pledge card is included on the insert in this newsletter or at the church.



IT'S COOL IN
THE FURNACE



Genesis Singers Spring Musical

Sunday, May 6
Disciple House
Following worship

Hot dog lunch provided by donation
Signup sheet is in the church office or RSVP on
the action card on the bulletin.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH HANDBELL CONCERT

Wednesday, May 9 @ 6:00 pm
in the Sanctuary



71st ANNUAL TRI-AREA DISCIPLES MEN SPRING RETREAT MAY 18 – 20, 2018
DISCIPLES CROSSING, ATHENS, TX

Retreat hosted by Northeast Area, North Texas Area & Trinity Brazos Area of the
Southwest Region

Scripture & Theme: Rough Cut Men
Registration forms are available in the church office
Cost: \$59 non seniors (under 55); \$38 seniors



BOARD MEETING

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

May 21 @ 6:00 pm
Cornerstone Hall

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Prayer Group – May 8 @ 6:30 pm (@ Ruff-Murray's)
Care & Concern – May 9 @ 9:30 am (C)
Parent's Night Out – May 12 @ 6:00 pm (DH)
Ladies' Bible Study – Sundays @ 4:00 pm (Man)
Ladies' Bible Study – Mondays @ 12:00 pm (Man)
Men's Bible Study – Mondays @ 6:00 pm (Man)
Acts Bible Study – Wednesdays @ 5:00 pm (C)



Tuesday Trippers are heading to
Mineola, TX
May 15 @ 10:00 am
Sign up in the church office!

SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING

Sunday, April 29
12:00 pm
Disciple House

This training is for any person who will be working with children and youth.
Signup sheet is in the church office.

We are hosting LIHN June 3 – 10.

Please sign up online at

www.fcclongview.org.



Please welcome our
new Maintenance
Manager,
HERB WARREN!



Fellowship Dinner with Friends

Tuesdays at 5:45 pm
May 1 & May 8 –
Butcher Shop

CELEBRATE NEW
BEGINNINGS AND
MOTHER'S DAY
WITH THE CRAFT
COTTAGE



Sunday, May 6, 10:00 - 10:30 am
in the Parlor

We Challenge You Anytime!

The Creative Cottage appreciates the support of First Christian Church in our ministry. We began our journey less than a year ago and we have been blessed with fellowship and fun. We want to challenge any other group in our church to meet our pledges:

*\$1,000 to Property
\$500 to The Mission Trip*

We are grateful for this opportunity to Create, Contribute and Challenge.



Location: Silver Grizzly Coffee Shop
(Espresso), 100 W. Tyler St., Longview

When: Tuesday, May 8 and May 22 @
9:30 am

Contact: Ann Grimes (903) 806-6737 for more
information

Come join us, bring a friend or make a new one



Hooray! Hooray!

Sara's Sisters met on Monday, April 9 with the great news that Julia brought Barbara, Geraldine and Ramona Dickinson to the meeting. They have not been able to attend for a while. Welcome back Dickinsons! We were also happy that Wanda Green joined us. Welcome!

Vicky opened our meeting with our special prayer. Our care and concern were for Bunky Grimes, Betty Scott, and Jeannie King's mother. Vicky Green has a new great grand nephew. Our hostesses were Dixie Robertson and Bobbie Roberts. The study was led by Pat Terrell. Jeannie read the March minutes and Barbara gave the treasurer's report of \$260.22. Vicky appointed a nominating committee of Bobbie Roberts, Betty Scott and Dixie Robertson for officers for 2018 – 2019.

Pat gave the study on a woman we do not know much about. This woman was Anna from Luke 2:22-38. Her name means "favor" or "grace".

Anna was a prophetess and was one of the first witnesses to see Jesus. She abandoned herself to God. She spent most of her 84 years praying and fasting in the temple with Simeon waiting on the Messiah. Her prayer was to be able to see the Messiah with her own eyes.

Anna was a woman with a great spiritual appetite, who abandoned her life to God and was rewarded by meeting Jesus and his parents just 40 days after his birth during the presentation in the temple.

Sara's Sisters will meet again on May 12 in Cornerstone Hall at 11:00 am. Our hostess is Betty Scott and she will also lead the study. Our service project is to bring sheets, diapers and small clothes for the Rainbow Room of Longview.

We invite you to come and visit with us at our May meeting for good fellowship and fun. You will be inspired!!

In Christian Love,
Sara's Sisters

Cornerstone Class invites First Christian Church to join us in our "May Means Peanut Butter & Jelly Birthday Collection" in honor of Rita Jo Campbell and Charlie Dog. Rita Jo, a member of the Cornerstone class and a volunteer at the Food Box saw this great need for our children in the summer months.

Rita Jo had a birthday party for Charlie Dog and everyone was asked to bring peanut butter and jelly for the Food Box.

We are accepting money and peanut butter and jelly. We have made arrangements with Kroger to purchase peanut butter at the sales price.

Thank you FCC for your support.



Summer is here! Our final meeting will be May 6 and we will go out to dinner together to celebrate the end of school. I will have a summer schedule very soon!

Be sure to sign up for the mission trip on June 25 – 29 ASAP! Go to bit.ly/missiontrip2018 today!!!

Disciple Crossing Camps:

Family Camp 1: May 25-27

Grand Camp: June 1-3

Adventure Camp: June 4-9

Discovery Camp: June 8-10

Chi Rho: June 11-15

CYF: June 18 – 23

Niners: June 18 – 23

Eighters & ADDaM: June 24 - 30

DAY CAMP 2018!

June 18th – 22nd

Day Camp Sunday - June 24th



Registration forms are available in the church office. Forms need to be returned by May 1 in order to get your tshirt!

**DISCOVERY DAYS
2018**

The PREP School
"An Adventure Every Day"



WEEK 1

Week 1 – July 10 & 11 ~ Space

Week 2 – July 17 & 18 ~ Ocean/Beach



WEEK 2



Week 3

Week 3 – July 24 & 25 ~ Camping

Week 4 – July 31 & August 1 ~ Farm



Week 4

CHANCEL FLOWERS

There are many open dates to reserve Chancel Flowers. If you would like to purchase flowers (\$55) for the Chancel in memory, honor or celebration of a loved one or event, contact Alicia Farr in the church office to make arrangements.

Adult Sunday School

ABC Class – "Give Praise to 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 – "Invitation to Psalms" by Michael Jenkins

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

Members and Friends Prayer List

Members: Haley Dolive, Jodie Johnson, Sharon Wilson, David Roberts, Jamie & Madi Hill, Billie Ogden, Ann Owings, June Green, Kathy Jackson, Carlos & Margaret Griffin, Geraldine Dickinson, David Grimes, Bunky Grimes, Ramona Dickinson, Debi & Les Plaxco, Martha Cochran, Andy Malone, Lacey Cline, Colton Rieger

Friends: Patty Reid-White, Carter King, Madeliene Smith, Yvonne Davis, Marilyn Bailey, Sage Thompson, Dorothy & Byron Horne, Mickey Gay, Drew Balch, Steve Gray, Mary Bell Tutt, Don & Andrea Rhoades, Doradel Wylie, Perry Calderone, Wayne Bateman, Levi Hays, Lisa Williams, Raymond Gurka, McKenzie Mosier, Carl Neal, Mike Hand, Marilyn Locke, Theresa Neslony & family, Sarah Cotter, Helen Reynolds, Shannon Lopic, Jerry & Mary Rhinehart



Memorial 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.

LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR:

Sunday, April 29

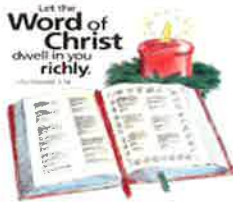
Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

Rev. Evan Dolive

Sunday, May 6

Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

Dr. Richard Emerson



The next "The Long View" will be mailed on Thursday, May 10. If you have an article you wish to include in "The Long View", please e-mail it to bkirkindoll@fclongview.org or bring it to the church office no later than noon Thursday, May 3.

Attendance

WORSHIP SERVICES

April 15	206
April 22	170

SUNDAY SCHOOL

April 15	137
April 22	121

APRIL CONTRIBUTIONS

Actual	66,147
Budgeted	56,924
Contributions YTD	239,515
Budgeted contributions YTD	227,695

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Garage Sale Info:

- All money raised from the sale of items donated will go towards debt reduction.
- So look high and low for items to donate for the sale.

-Wednesday, May 30th All Church Dinner and Auction

6:00 pm to 8:30 pm in Corner Stone Hall (presale to follow auction)

- You are invited to come and have dinner and bid on some unique items and baked goods made by several exceptional cooks.
- Money raised from the auction will benefit the youth and Operation Christmas Child.
- Money raised at the presale will go towards the debt reduction.

****We are still in need of items for the auction. Please see Richard or Ann Grimes if you have a item to donate.**

Volunteer Opportunities

We need everyone's help to make this a successful garage sale. There are many volunteer opportunities, examples are pricing, setting up tables, and working the sale days.

See Ann Grimes or sign up in the church office

The first volunteer opportunity will be:

*****Sunday, May 20th: set up after church at 12:00 pm in the gym.**

We need as many people as possible to help lay the plastic on the floor, move tables and set up. **Lunch will be provided



Garage Sale 2018 Timeline May 20th to June 2nd

Sunday 20th	Monday 21st	Tuesday 22nd	Wednesday 23rd	Thursday 24th	Friday 25th	Saturday 26th
Setup after church - Flooring - Tables - Racks Lunch will be provided	Drop Off 8am to 5pm Bring own lunch	Drop Off Pricing 8am to 5pm Bring own lunch	Drop Off Pricing 8am to 5pm Bring own lunch	Drop Off Pricing 8am to 5pm Bring own lunch	Drop Off Pricing 8am to 5pm Bring own lunch	OFF
Sunday 27th	Monday 28th	Tuesday 29th	Wednesday 30th	Thursday 31st	Friday 1st	Saturday 2nd
OFF	Memorial Day OFF	Drop Off Pricing 8am to 5pm Bring own lunch	Drop Off Pricing 8am to 12pm Bring own lunch 6:00 pm -Church Dinner -Auction/Presale	SALE 7am to 6pm Lunch Provided	SALE 7am to 6pm Lunch Provided	SALE 7am to ? Lunch Provided Afternoon Cleanup

Call For Item Pickups please call:

Chris Shelton 903-353-4063 or Jamie Dippold 903-720-2759

Questions: Ann Grimes 903-806-6737

**2018 Property Debt Reduction Capital Campaign
April 15 – May 6, 2018**

The Debt Reduction Capital Campaign begins April 15 with Pledge Card Sunday on May 6. The purpose of this campaign is to reduce our debt on the \$249,000 loan obtained in June 2017. The balance of the loan is \$239,076.33 as of April 2018. \$200,000 of the loan proceeds were used for the replacement/repair of the air conditioning in the children’s building with the remaining \$49,000 to be used for repair and maintenance of the facility. This loan covers the first round of repairs and improvements for our facility but there are additional items which still need to be done. This list below from the Property Committee represents the items which have been completed and those which are ongoing:

Property Review for April, 2018

- Completed outdoor safety lighting
- Completed door closer and safety improvements
- Completed Cornerstone window cleaning and painting
- Completed installation of bird defense mechanism on bell tower
- Completed survey of Associate Parsonage property and will it be on the market shortly

Ongoing:

- Elevator evaluation
- Sanctuary door canopy repair
- Repair to tiles on west walk way
- Restriping of parking areas
- Various other minor repair areas

Pledge Amount	# of Pledges	Total	Monthly Amount (24 mos.)
\$20,000	1	\$20,000	\$833/mo.
\$15,000	3	\$45,000	\$625/mo.
\$10,000	5	\$50,000	\$416/mo.
\$7,500	7	\$52,500	\$312/mo.
\$5,000	15	\$75,000	\$208/mo.
TOTALS	31 pledges	\$242,500	

A \$2,400 pledge would be \$100 per month for 24 months. We need as many pledges as possible.

2018 Property Loan Debt Reduction Campaign



I/we make this financial pledge to the 2018 Property Loan Debt Reduction Campaign in an effort to reduce our outstanding property loan debt. The duration of this campaign is two years, May 2018 through May 2020.




My/Our commitment is \$ _____ per week, or
 \$ _____ per month, or
 \$ _____ per quarter, or
 \$ _____ per year

(This pledge amount can be adjusted at any time by contacting the Financial Secretary, Alicia Farr.)

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ Phone _____

MAY 2018

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday			
29	9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Fellowship (P) 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanc) 12:00 PM Safe Sanctuaries Training (DH) 4:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study (Man) 4:00 PM Youth Choir 5:00 PM CYF/Chi Rho - Page Place BINGO	30	10:30 AM Morning Bells (MS) 12:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study (Man) 12:00 PM Monday School - Jason's Deli 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (C) 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study (Man)	1	5:45 PM Fellowship Dinner - Butcher Shop	2	9:00 AM Corner Workshop 11:00 AM Creative Cottage 3:30 PM Grow God's Disc. 4:00 PM Genesis Singers 5:00 PM Acts Bible Study (C) 5:15 PM Chancel Bells 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MS)	3	10:15 AM Meals on Wheels 6:15 PM Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanc)	4	10:00 AM Grief Recovery Group (C)	5	5:30 PM Genesis Singers' Rehearsal (DH)		
6	 Graduation Sunday 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Fellowship (P) 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanc) 11:30 AM Genesis Singers Spring Musical (DH) 4:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study (Man) 5:00 PM CYF/ChiRho	7	10:30 AM Morning Bells (MS) 12:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study (Man) 12:00 PM Monday School - Jason's Deli 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (C) 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study (Man)	8	9:30 AM Coffee & Conversation - Silver Grizzly 5:45 PM Fellowship Dinner - Butcher Shop 6:30 PM Prayer Group - Ruff-Murray's	9	9:00 AM Corner Workshop 9:30 AM Care and Concern 11:00 AM Creative Cottage 3:30 PM Grow God's Disc. 4:00 PM Genesis Singers 5:00 PM Acts Bible Study (C) 6:00 PM Handbell Concert (Sanc) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MS)	10	10:15 AM Meals on Wheels 6:15 PM Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanc)	11	10:00 AM Grief Recovery Group (C)	12	6:00 PM Parent's Night Out (DH)		
13	 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Fellowship (P) 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanc)	14	11:00 AM Sara's Sisters DWF (CH) 12:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study (Man) 12:00 PM Monday School - Jason's Deli 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (C) 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study (Man)	15	10:00 AM Tuesday Trippers - Mineola 5:45 PM Fellowship Dinner - TBD	16	9:00 AM Corner Workshop 11:00 AM Creative Cottage 3:30 PM Grow God's Disc. 4:30 PM Genesis Singers @ Arabella 5:00 PM Acts Bible Study (C) 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MS)	17	6:15 PM Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanc)	18	10:00 AM Grief Recovery Group (C) 11:00 AM PREP Graduation (Sanc)	19			
20	9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Fellowship (P) 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanc) 11:30 AM Garage Sale Setup 4:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study (Man)	21	Garage Sale Setup 12:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study (Man) 12:00 PM Monday School - Jason's Deli 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (C) 6:00 PM Board Meeting (CH) 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study (Man)	22	Garage Sale Setup 9:30 AM Coffee & Conversation - Silver Grizzly 10:00 AM Heritage Bible Study (P) 5:45 PM Fellowship Dinner - TBD 6:30 PM Prayer Group - Van Burkleo's	23	Garage Sale Pricing 9:00 AM Corner Workshop 11:00 AM Creative Cottage 5:00 PM Acts Bible Study (C) 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MS)	24	Garage Sale Pricing 6:15 PM Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanc)	25	Garage Sale Pricing 10:00 AM Grief Recovery Group (C)	26			
27	9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Fellowship (P) 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanc) 4:00 PM Ladies Bible Study (Man)	28	 OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 PM Monday School - Jason's Deli 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (C) 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study (Man)	29	Garage Sale Pricing 5:45 PM Fellowship Dinner - TBD	30	Garage Sale Pricing 9:00 AM Corner Workshop 11:00 AM Creative Cottage 5:00 PM Acts Bible Study (C) 6:00 PM Garage Sale - All church presale, auction & dinner 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MS)	31	7:00 AM Garage Sale 6:15 PM Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanc)	1	7:00 AM Garage Sale 10:00 AM Grief Recovery Group (C)	2	7:00 AM Garage Sale		

CH=Cornerstone Hall; DH=Disciple House; S=Seekers Classroom; C=Conference Room (Old Library); V=Visions Classroom; P=Parlor; A=Acts Classroom; SR=Scout Room; MS=Music Suite; Man=Mansinger House

May

ELDER Schedule for Table*

<p>May 6 10:30 am Melanie McKnight Beth Grant</p>	<p>May 13 10:30 am Rick Shepherd Bill Park</p>
<p>May 20 10:30 am Woodie Terrell Bill Holloman</p>	<p>May 27 10:30 am Winnie Taylor Julia Van Burkleo</p>

DIACONATE Serving Schedule*

<p>May 6 10:30 am Team 2</p>	<p>May 13 10:30 am Team 3</p>
<p>May 20 10:30 am Team 4</p>	<p>May 27 10:30 am Team 1</p>

ELDER/DIACONATE Schedule for Homebound

<p>May 13 Morning Elder: Beth Grant, Beth Ylitalo, Julia Van Burkleo Junior Elder: Maddie Johnson Diaconate: Jane Lewis, Andee Lucas, John Roberts</p> <p>Afternoon Elder: Winnie Taylor Diaconate: Brannon Robertson</p>

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

Communion Tray Preparation

<p>Kelly & Vicky Green</p>

***If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute from the appropriate lists below.**

<u>2018 SERVING ELDERS</u>	<u>2018 DIACONATE TEAMS</u>	
<p>Don Auderer Miles Darby Jeannie Dykes Beth Grant Ann Grimes Bill Holloman Melanie McKnight Bill Moorman Bill Park Rick Shepherd Winnie Taylor Woodie Terrell Julia Van Burkleo Beth Ylitalo</p> <p>Life Elders (LE): Wayne Dolive, Richard Lucas, Bill Moorman, Bob Terrel Minister Emeritus: Dr. Jim Elam</p>	<p>Team 1 Charles Bachtell Dottie Bachtell Jodi Bachtell Nathan Bachtell Tyler Bachtell Vicki Cole Brandon Hunter Donna McFarland</p> <p>Team 3 Faith Fort Jane Lewis Jerald Lewis Andee Lucas David Roberts Brannon Robertson Jim Ruth Fe Terrell</p>	<p>Team 2 Alex Avaltroni Meagan Avaltroni Kathleen Cochran Jamie Dippold Michael Fields Calvin Halley Donna Park Lauren Warren</p> <p>Team 4 Wanda Green Sandi Holyfield Jeannie King Bobbie Roberts John Roberts Rylan Roberts Chris Shelton Mallory Shelton</p>