

First News



The Newsletter of

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

San Marcos, Texas

VBS

August 1-5

5:30 PM--Dinner

6:00-8:00 PM--VBS



WELCOME

Rev. Jill
August 8th

Let's welcome Jill on her first official Sunday here!

Fellowship Lunch
Sunday School
Kickoff!!

August 22nd

Immediately following service



AngelFood Distribution
Saturday, Aug. 28th

It's FCC's turn!!

Set up at 7 AM

Your HELP is needed!

August 2010

Scripture Readings
& Liturgical Color

Sunday, August 1

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Green

Luke 12:13-21

Sunday, August 8

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Green

Isaiah 1:1; 10-20

Psalm 50: 1-8, 22-23

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Luke 12: 32-40

Sunday, August 15

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Green

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Luke 12:49-56

Sunday, August 22

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Green

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalm 71:1-6

Hebrews 12:18-29

Luke 13:10-17

Sunday, August 29

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Green

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Children's Corner



VBS To Set Sail This Summer!

At High Seas Expedition, kids explore the mighty love of God

on a journey that will change them forever! Mark your calendars, invite your friends! August 1-5, 5:30pm-dinner, 6-8pm-VBS. Children 3 years thru those who have completed 5th grade. Adult study led by Gregory Ross! Nursery available. Youth and Adult helpers needed. Register at church or online @ www.fcc-sm.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK OFF PROMOTION SUNDAY

Can you believe it's already Back to School time? That means Promotion Sunday! On Sunday, August 22 at 9am all Sunday School classes will meet in the Sanctuary to kick off the new school year and promote those students moving up to new classes.

Come join the fun! We have a Sunday School class for everyone at FCC. There will be a fellowship luncheon after church...if you have a Friend in Faith, please plan to have lunch with your Friend! What a great opportunity to get to know one another better.

Sunday School Classes Back in Swing...Changes for Children and Youth!

The Children and Youth of FCC will be back to school at the end of this month and back to Sunday School, as well. We are lucky to have several of our children and youth teachers returning for another year and two teachers are returning to the classroom after a year off. Our teachers are Rachel Greenwood, Bonnie Warren, Mary Braun, Louise Mullins and Denise Ralph...what dedicated teachers we have for the children and youth of FCC!

We are excited to announce that Maggie Mossler has agreed to lead a choir for our children and youth! She will meet with a different class each Sunday and they will perform for the congregation throughout the year. Thank you, Maggie! We can't wait to hear the voices of our favorite members!!

Adult Sunday School Classes Continue...

KidTIME and JYF will start back up in September. If you would like to help with this ministry, please contact Mattie. More information to follow in the September newsletter!

Education Committee Meeting

The Education Committee will meet August 16 at 5pm. We will be discussing Sunday School Kick Off and fall classes.

Attention Sunday School Teachers!

All children and youth teachers will meet for Sunday School training with Dr. Jimmy Cobb on Saturday, August 21 from 10am-noon. Please come and pick up your curriculum for the year, get your classroom ready and hear some wise words from our own Dr. Cobb.

Youth Mission Trip



This summer, a group of youth from First Christian Church headed to Galveston for an entire

week. Although they did take the opportunity to go to the beach and enjoy everything that Galveston has to offer, that was not their main reason for going.

The five youth and three adults went to Galveston to help others – specifically those who still needed help recovering from Hurricane Ike. Ike hit Galveston on September 9, 2008 and was the third-costliest hurricane to hit the United States. The hurricane left most of Galveston's residents homeless. The initial response was huge. Over twenty agencies responded to the disaster and immediately began helping residents rebuild. However, less than eighteen months later, only four agencies remained to help those who were still in trouble. That is where our group came in. We teamed up with One Mission: Galveston, an interdenominational agency who had committed to staying in Galveston until the job was done.

One Mission had just moved into a new facility when we arrived, so there were still some bugs being ironed out, but we made the best of it knowing that we were not there to be comfortable, but to help those in need. The site manager, Pete, assigned our group to work at a bar, tearing out walls and fixtures that had been

damaged in the flooding. It was a bit unusual to be working at a bar, but the main reason we were there was to connect with



people in the neighborhood. It was a lower income neighborhood that still had a lot of damage, but One Mission had not been able to get much of a foothold there. Our goal was to do what we could in terms of removing the material from the bar, but mostly to talk

to the people who lived there and let them know about One Mission, and find out how we could help them.

The work was hard, hot and dirty. Because of the danger of black mold, we had to wear haz-mat suits, respirators, hard hats, gloves and goggles. We were able to work inside only for fifteen minutes, then come out and rest and cool off for thirty. Each day, we took a five gallon jug of water with us, and between eight of us, we finished it off in four to five hours. In our break times, we looked for people to talk to, but didn't really find anyone until the end of the first day. After some of the youth approached some neighbors sitting on their porch, they were directed to

the residence of Maurice Green.

Mr. Green was still living in a FEMA trailer behind his house



which had been heavily damaged in the hurricane. During the disaster, he had become trapped inside and was found two days later by an acquaintance that happened to stop by to check on him. There was not much we could do about his house right away, but we were able to mow, weed-eat, and clean up his yard a bit. We also got him in touch with One Mission and got him on their list of people to help.

Over the week, we met several other people, including Ms. Willie Scott, who lived behind the bar. Her house was scheduled to be rebuilt by another group, but she had to move out of the FEMA trailer in her front yard and across the street. We were able to help her move some of her heavier furniture and in turn, she made us lunch one afternoon and told us about her story and her life in Galveston. All in all, we got a lot of debris out of that bar, but the biggest impact we had was in reaching out to the neighbors. When we left on Friday, one of the interns at One Mission even said that he had never seen a group get so involved with the people they were working with. It was a fantastic trip, and we want to thank our church family for your support in making it happen.

August Birthdays...

Ronel Adkins	August 1
Aidan Cape	August 1
Wood Updegrove	August 1
Louis Olenick	August 4
Mamie Hughes	August 9
Patrick McGuire	August 9
Esther Blevins	August 11
Joshua Green	August 11
Lauren Veale	August 11
Mary Skidmore	August 12
Rita McGuire	August 13
Huberta Nichols	August 13
Brandon Mann	August 15
Sean-Michael McGuire	August 16
Kennedy Carson	August 18
Lillian Carson	August 18
Stephanie Green	August 18
Lenore Bolton	August 19
Dylan Bederman	August 21
Gareth Fowler	August 23
Beth Knox	August 24
Lola Bell	August 26
Mike Martin	August 26
Justin Veale	August 26
Sharon Kurtz	August 27
Theresa Casparis	August 28
Carl Adkins	August 30
Mattie Howard	August 30
Angie McCrea	August 30
Anna Rash	August 30
Christina Tureaud	August 30
Clint Brown	August 31
Jason Herman	August 31
Max Schlotter	August 31



August Anniversaries...

Wayman & Louise Mullins	August 2
Kelly & Cindy Casparis	August 3
John & Marla Johnson	August 4
Gary & Jeanne McCaffrey	August 7
Karin & John McArdle	August 17
Joe & Rae Bostwick	August 18
Robert & Coleen Pfeiffer	August 25
Don & Margie Harmon	August 31

Congratulations to ALL!

Please note that we continually update the church membership database. If you find an error in a birthday or anniversary date or if you are left off the list, we offer our sincerest apologies. Please email or call the office and let us know so the database can be corrected. Thanks!

A New Baby...

Congratulations to proud parents Mac and Mattie Howard who welcomed a baby boy, Major Drew Howard, to their family. He was born on Thursday, June 17th at 5 p.m. Major was 8 lbs 7 oz, 21.5 inches long.





The Food Bank is running low on food. We can help!

One of our goals at FCC this year is to supply the Area Food Bank with

2010 pounds of food.

That is an average of 168 pounds of food each month.

BUT, we are lagging way behind. We are averaging barely 100 pounds of food a month, so far. **WHAT HAPPENED????** We are almost 600 pounds behind in our goal!

Let's try to catch up in August.

[That means everyone needs to bring LOTS OF FOOD for the next few Sundays.](#)

PLEASE join us in helping the Food Bank, so they can help our community.

Thank you!

Lenore Bolton
Outreach Ministry Chairperson



Goings on at Alternative Worship in the last couple of months...

- † We sang and even had a guest guitarist in July!
- † We wrote our own prayers calling on the name of God.
- † We wrote notes to the military and the kids going to camp.
- † We remembered Christ through communion.
- † We sent cards to the homebound and shut-ins.
- † We collected outreach offering for the kids to go to camp.
- † We met some new people.
- † We prayed for our salvation.
- † We had dinner together both months.
- † The youth from Lockhart came and joined us on the Roman Road.
- † It was fun!

We will not have a planning meeting in August due to Vacation Bible School. We'll do it by email.

The next service is Saturday, August 21, 5pm.

We will be looking into doing service for wounded soldiers.

FUTURE STUFF: October, we will have a Healing Service by Perry Arledge. November, the Covenant Players are coming! They are an international Christian drama troupe organization.

For answers, contact Maggie Mossler 830-708-5536 funtosee@gytc.com

Youth Raffle Winners...

Mitchell Howard	Key Fob
Jack Knox	Key Fob
Mary Flores	Key Fob
Keith Ralph	Belt Buckle
Chas Scott	Belt Buckle
Bertha Collazo	Purse
Sue Cobb	Spurs

Thank you to all who participated and our winners!

Sunday School Kickoff...

Plan to stay for lunch after the 10:00 Worship service on Sunday, Aug. 22nd for our annual Sunday School Kickoff Lunch.



Everyone is asked to bring finger foods to share:

- Sandwiches
- Veggies & Dip
- Cheese & Crackers
- Pickles & Olives
- Cookies & Brownies
- Chips & Dip



*To our dear church family,
We want to thank all of you for your sweet cards, calls and prayers when we had our precious son, Major. You have always shown such love to our family!*

A special thank you to the Personnel Committee for the Target gift card and to Teri Stapp for the delicious meals.

In His love,

*Mac, Mattie, Mac Daniel,
Mitchell and Major Howard*

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Gary McCaffrey _____ Board Chair
Britney Richey _____ Bookkeeper
Mabel Hall _____ Pianist
Cecilia Peña _____ Organist / Accompanist
Anne Weaver _____ Music Leader
Rosie Smith _____ Nursery Supervisor
Rachel Greenwood _____ Nursery Caregiver
Kate Garvin _____ Nursery Caregiver
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Sunday School Kickoff
Sunday, August 22nd
11:30 AM
Bring Friends and Family!

AUGUST 2010 - MONTHLY PLANNER

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																																		
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