

# First News



The Newsletter of  
First Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
San Marcos, Texas

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## January 2010

### “Souper Bowl”

### Fellowship Chili Lunch

Sunday, Jan. 17



### Dessert Auction!!

Youth Fund Raiser

Sunday

January 17<sup>th</sup>

Following Lunch



### FCC Talent Show

Friday

January 29th



## January 2010

### Scripture Readings & Liturgical Color

#### Sunday, January 3

#### Second Sunday after Christmas

White

Matthew 2:1-16

#### Sunday, January 10

#### First Sunday after Epiphany

Green

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

#### Sunday, January 17

#### Second Sunday after Epiphany

Green

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm 36:5-10

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

#### Sunday, January 24

#### Third Sunday after Epiphany

Green

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

#### Sunday, January 31

#### Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Green

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalm 71:1-6

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

# Mattie's Corner

*KidTIME and JYF start the New Year with fun and games!*

KidTIME and JYF will meet after the fellowship lunch for their monthly gathering on Sunday, January 17th. We will play games and work on crafts. We always have a fun time...join us!



## *Got Talent?*

Everyone is invited to participate in the church wide talent show this month! We will have an informational meeting/pseudo audition on Wednesday, January 13th. Rehearsals will be held the following Wednesdays in January (the 20th and 27th) and the BIG SHOW will be on Friday, January 29th.

What a great excuse to dust off those tap shoes (or drum set, or juggling balls...you get the point). If you are interested or have questions, please see Mattie. She's got her directors hat on and she's ready to put on a show. If you are not able to participate, put the date on your calendar anyway and come out and cheer on your friends from FCC!

*Dear Friends at First Christian Church,  
Your generosity is completely overwhelming! Thank you for your generous donations to the Seasons for Caring campaign to help the Lucio/Medrano family. We were able to provide an amazing amount of necessities and even some fun Christmas gifts to the family. As we celebrated the season of Advent and the coming of the Christ child, you truly shared the love of Christ with your fellow neighbors. What a blessing you are to our community.*

*I so appreciate all of you!*

*Mattie Howard*





## *Alternative Worship...*

What's been going on  
with Alternative  
Worship...

- † We journeyed to the manger user a labyrinth.
- † There were stops along the way to give us things to examine ourselves, like “God chose Mary and Joseph to raise Jesus. What has God chosen for you to do? Are you willing?”
- † We sang Christmas carols.
- † Gayle and her group read the scripture and brought it to life with drama. You should see Jim Alexander as King Herod throwing a fit?
- † We helped Relay 4 Life with our offering and prayers.
- † Gayle helped us respond to God through a reading.
- † We helped the family with 6 children with our outreach offering.
- † We prayed for our friends.
- † We prayed for all of you.
- † Kelly closed us in prayer.
- † Then we had hot chocolate, hot tea, and desserts.

**The next service is:  
Saturday, January 16, 7pm.**

Planning meetings, 1st Wednesday of the  
month, 7pm.

ALL are welcome!

## Need a Badge?



For those members who are missing a name badge or need one, please notify Nicci in the office. An order will be placed soon!



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Kristen Moore Scott (daughter of Ray and Kathy Scott) received her Master's of Real Estate in Land Economics and Real Estate from Texas A&M University on Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>! Way to go Karen! What a great accomplishment!

## January Birthdays...

Jerry Weidman	January 1
David Hagy	January 2
Kelly Casparis	January 4
Andi Shimek	January 5
Kennedy Braun	January 6
Kristin Brown	January 7
Rikki Hardy	January 7
Alex Olenick	January 7
Brenda Brown	January 9
Larry Diegelman	January 9
Rex Stallings	January 11
Taylor Ralph	January 12
Debi Elliott	January 13
Mitch Tureaud	January 14
Connie Burke	January 16
Truman Johnson	January 16
Jennifer Roberts	January 16
Rocky Stone	January 17
Mary Braun	January 19
Amber Pacheco	January 19
Lura Brown	January 20
Forest Herndon	January 20
Effie Husbands	January 21
Claire French	January 22
Jonathan Walker	January 22
Jim Alexander	January 23
Matthew Stroman	January 23
Darcy Hardy	January 24
Rick Hardy	January 26
Deanna Davis	January 27
Tyler Ellison	January 27
Katy Rheinlander	January 30
Malcolm Scott	January 30
Susan Ballard	January 31
Maya Duran	January 31
Cole Stapp	January 31



## January Anniversaries...

Catherine & Mike Shellman	January 4
Max & Janet Schlotter	January 5
Maggie & Eddie Mossler	January 6
Caddo & Ruby Sanders	January 21
Roemer & Mary Hudler	January 23
Charles & Maxine Jarvis	January 26

*Have a wonderful celebration!!*

*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 us or call the office and let us know so the database can be corrected.*

*Thanks!  
Church Staff*

### **LET'S STUFF THE BIN!**

Bring your newspaper, junk mail, catalogs, magazines and office/school paper and put them in the yellow and green receptacle outside. Did you know... we cannot recycle phone books due to the high glue content in the paper? It gets stuck in the screens while making new paper. We earn money from all the paper we collect!!



## Fellowship News

### Jan 17<sup>th</sup>—Superbowl Sunday

Menu: Soup and bread/condiments. Please bring salads. Also, bring items to re-stock the food bank!

### January 17<sup>th</sup>—Dessert Auction

Bring your goodies to help support the youth!

### Feb 5<sup>th</sup>—Movie Night!

Our feature presentation will be "Romancing the Stone".

### Feb 21<sup>st</sup>—Sweetheart Café

Menu: Spaghetti, Lasagna, and bread. Please bring salads and desserts.

### March 21<sup>st</sup>—Community Recognition

Menu: Ham. Please bring side, salads, and desserts.

### April 4<sup>th</sup>—Easter Breakfast

Menu: Casseroles, fruit juice and pastries. Just bring yourselves!

### April 9<sup>th</sup>—Movie Night!

Our feature presentation will be "Ladies in Lavender".

### April 18<sup>th</sup>—Earth Day

Menu: Salads and bread. Please bring salads and desserts. We will plant a tree.

## Dessert Auction

Please mark your calendars for the "Annual Dessert Auction" to be held in conjunction with the Fellowship Luncheon on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will benefit FCC Youth. For more information or if you would like to donate a dessert, please contact Mary Braun.



## Butterfly Group

Butterfly Group is a women's group gathering together monthly to discuss selected Christian books and/or Bible Scripture. We meet at various locations at 7:00pm on the first Tuesday of each month.

In January, we continue our study of the Book of Philippians. We are in Chapter 2 of that Scripture and are using Max Lucado's Life Lessons study guide.

We hope you can join us!



## THE MEN'S GROUP @ FCC

The men of FCC will be helping our neighbors, St. Mark's Episcopal move to their new location on Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Both churches are looking forward to Stations of the Cross and working together on this project!

# Making a Difference!

*For the past 6 years, First Christian Church has participated in the Alternative Christmas Gift Market. This annual outreach fund-raising event took place on November 15, 2009, at the First Lutheran Church in San Marcos. In only 4 hours, a total of \$6,278. 50 (\$2,103.00 for international agencies and \$4,175.50 for local agencies) was raised. Because of caring and generous people like you, this outreach ministry remains so successful.*

*My sincere thanks go out to all of you who came by and donated to the agencies of your choice. We could not make this happen without special volunteers like Ronel Adkins, Jackie Cable, Sue Diegelman, Frances Mitchell, Gayle Morris, Linda Veters and Britney Richey....May God bless each of you for helping to give these gifts of Hope.*

Dear First Christian Church,  
THANK YOU for your recent donation to Southside Community Center. You are such a blessing! We use contributions from people like you all over the community to help those in need in Hays County. Thank you for making a recent donation for Thanksgiving.

Thank you,

Yvonne Paris  
Activities Director, Southside  
Community Center

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**Youth Fundraiser  
Bake Auction  
Following Fellowship Lunch Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>**