

Good News!

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Dear Members of First Christian Church,

I wanted to continue discussing with you the important things that are happening at the Church Board Meetings.

On August 11, the Board met in the Parlor with only 17 people present, including Pastor Craig, the Board Secretary and myself.

Items Reviewed:

Income and Expenses: We find that our income in July was \$10,680. In June it was \$8,974. In April it was \$11,462. This is a disturbing trend. For the last decade our expenses run from \$13,000 to \$14,000 or more. This is something you need to prayerfully consider. I think the drop in income is partly a reflection of the times we live in. It is also a reflection of our losses in membership. We are losing several people a year to sickness, death and old age. Before the turn of the century our church focused energy on Evangelism (some of you probably served on that committee.) Bringing new members isn't the preacher's job, it's ours. Maybe if each of us invited one new person or family to church we could boost our numbers and our income. Please think about all of this.

Maintenance: The front doors of the Family Center are out of order and in the process of being replaced. Also, some inside doors in the hall, and the exits at the back of the gym on both floors will soon be reworked. JW Barrow is working with a roofing company to get an estimate for the cost of repairing the roof of the Family Center. The ice maker in the gym kitchen has been replaced but needs some new plumbing and electrical work to complete the installation.

Other: The Outreach Committee for next year is currently planning to include more local ministries in its program. Our Hispanic Church will be joining with the school district to hold ESL (English as a second language) Classes beginning September 9. Several members of our church will be promoting donations to Serenity Corner through North Texas Giving Day September 1-23 in hopes of raising "seed money" for a new building for Serenity. The Board voted to begin the process of selling the Scout Bus, which has been sitting mostly unused for three years.

Lastly, since Covid/Delta has gotten worse, the Board voted to highly recommend that church members wear masks inside the buildings.

Please put the September Board meeting on your calendar, September 8th at 7 pm in the Parlor. The Board will consider the 2022 Annual Budget and the new roster of Elders and Deacons at this meeting.

Yours in Christ,
Scott Gilmore, Board Chairman

We SERVE

Serving Schedule for September 2021

Lay Leader:
Colleen Metcalf

Sunday, September 5, 2021

Elders: Dana & Sherry Skelton
Greeting: Kristi Johnson, Barbara Gale
Acolyte: Youth of the Church
Sound System: Lisa Stevens
Camera Operator: Ryder Norris

Sunday, September 12, 2021

Elders: Helen Remes & Dale Hogue
Greeting: Linda Conder, Lynda Roberts, Ann Winton, Ann Barrow
Acolyte: Youth of the Church
Sound System: Mike LeVasseur
Camera Operator: Ryder Norris

Sunday, September 19, 2021

Elders: Mike Siemann & Scott Gilmore
Greeting: Ron & Jan Compton, David & Carol Dickens, Addison Cross
Acolyte: Youth of the Church
Sound System: Sherri Winton
Camera Operator: Ryder Norris

Sunday, September 26, 2021

Elders: Craig & Prissy Shaffer
Greeting: Jerry Vick, Erik Vick, Clay Norris, Reese Norris, Liz Palmer
Acolyte: Youth of the Church
Sound System: Lisa Stevens
Camera Operator: Ryder Norris

PRAYER

Those For Whom Prayer is Needed
(Know that we are praying for you)

As you go to God in quiet time this week, please remember these individuals in your prayers. Thank you!

Our Church Family: Terry Condran, Ronnie Glenn, Jay Cole, Guylene Ballard, Pat Sparks, Ruth LeVasseur, Pat Hopper, Joe & Cynthia Parnell* Liz Palmer

Our Extended Church Family: Barbara Beatty, Ariel Baska, Don Dozier, Evelyn O'Lexy, June Breazeale, Phyllis Ferguson* Capie Long, Robert LaRue, Melinda Lee, Diana Inge, Abby Andrews, The Family of Tim Pugh, The Family of Marcia Hudson, Nayadean Kozelski, Charlie Lyles, The Family of Merv Cross, John Cramer, The Family of Billie Turner, Barbara Beatty

In Loving Memory of

Robert Ballard

Linda List
Maintenance Fund

Bennie Stone

Linda List
Maintenance Fund

Ellie Erickson

Barbara Coffman
Maintenance Fund

Marcia Gordon Hudson

Kay Cole
Maintenance Fund

Thank you

"Thank you so much for all of the cards and notes we have received upon the passing of Lynn's sister. "
Jack & Lynn Beavers

MONTH OF JULY, 2021

INCOME AND EXPENSE

INCOME: \$10,680.00

EXPENSES: \$14,211.97

DIFFERENCE: <\$3,531.97>

*Thank
you*

"The office has received several phone calls from the church congregation thanking the "exercise ladies" for taking the time to call and check in and pray with them. THIS is what the church is supposed to be like!"

Anonymous Grateful Members



Calling All Women....

CWF begins its new year on
Monday, September 13, 2021
at 2:00 PM in the church parlor
(unless otherwise announced).

All ladies who come to
First Christian Church are welcome to attend.
Come for lessons, devotions and fellowship.

Hope to see you there!



Questions?
Call Ann Embrey at
214-793-9100



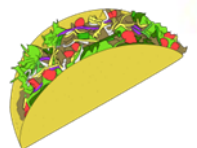
SEPTEMBER FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

OUR LUNCHEON FOR SEPTEMBER WILL HAVE A MEXICAN THEME,
WHICH WE ALL SEEM TO LOVE.

ITEMS FURNISHED:
MEXICAN CHICKEN, CONFETTI RICE, PINTO (RED) BEANS
CHIPS AND SALSA, COFFEE AND TEA

IF YOU WANT TO FURNISH SOMETHING FOR THE TABLE,
PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE MEXICAN DISH, OR A DESSERT.

COME AND ENJOY THE FUN, FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP.



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Samaritan's Purse - Newsletter Article 8/21/21
submitted by Alice Hogue

Operation Christmas Child – Shoebox Outreach

Our FCC Shoebox Project has begun! Shoeboxes and other materials are available at the back of the sanctuary. The cost of postage per shoebox is still \$9.00; checks should be made payable to First Christian Church. Do Not Include: Candy; toothpaste; gum; liquid glue, used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers, aerosol cans. Please consider doing a box for an older child; more older age children are in need of a gift in the program (age breakdown is 2-4, 5-9, 10-14, boy or girl). The brochure "How to Pack a Shoebox" contains all information needed on what to put in your shoebox.



Samaritan's Purse helps others in many ways.

Pray for the People of Afghanistan - Samaritan's Purse is doing what we can through partners working to help people get out of the country. It is a difficult and tragic situation. Will you please join me in praying for God to intervene in a mighty way?

Pray for Haiti—Field Hospital Going Up in Haiti - Samaritan's Purse has deployed an Emergency Field Hospital to Haiti to provide lifesaving care for many of the thousands who were injured Saturday, August 14, when a 7.2 magnitude earthquake killed over 2,100 people and destroyed tens of thousands of homes. In Jackson, Mississippi, our Emergency Field Hospital received its first COVID-19 patient.

First Patient Received in Mississippi -Our Emergency Field Hospital in Mississippi is now open. It's located on the University of Mississippi Medical Center campus and can serve up to 32 patients at a time. Five of the beds are set aside for an Intensive Care Unit (ICU); previously, there were no ICU beds available in the entire state. Our facility is staffed by dozens of Samaritan's Purse DART members responding as the state has reported over 15,000 new coronavirus cases during the past three weeks.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
Psalm 147:3

Franklin Graham
President, Samaritan's Purse

Elliot & Remington Cross
Moment for Missions
Sunday, August 22, 2021





September 1-23, 2021

SERENITY CORNER NORTH TEXAS GIVING DAY UPDATE

AS OF THIS PRINTING SERENITY HAS
PLEDGES OF \$12,200 IN MATCHING
FUNDS AND IS SEEKING MORE!! If YOU
ARE INTERESTED CONTACT
SCOTT GILMORE!

Donations made to North Texas Giving Day
for Serenity can be matched \$ for \$.

SERENITY CORNER NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS FROM SEPTEMBER 1 THROUGH 23. We need \$12,200 in donation in order to benefit from the matching funds pledged. Here is how you can help:

1. Mail a check to Serenity Corner, P.O. Box 266, Terrell, TX 75160 or bring your check to the office to be held for Scott or Charlotte. Note on your check that it is for NTXGD.
2. Go to: <https://northtexasgivingday.org>, click on "Find a non-profit" type in Serenity Corner and a donation button will appear.
3. Focus your camera on this QR Code. It will take you directly to the donate button on the North Texas Giving Day website for Serenity.



**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE
SUPPORTED SERENITY IN THE PAST
AND WILL DO SO IN THE FUTURE.**
We believe that homelessness is not a
part of God's will for his children and are
honored that he is using our church to
serve those who suffer from it.

Scott and Charlotte Gilmore