



**First Christian Church**  
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Office Hours:  
8:30am-4:30pm  
Monday-Thursday

### Church Staff

**Dianna Jackson**  
Director of Music Ministry  
**Mary Beth Oliver**  
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Secretary  
**Pam Shelby**  
Financial Secretary  
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**Lesley Fleming**  
Nursery Attendant  
**Rev. Howard Marshall**  
Pastor Emeritus  
**Rev. Randy Jay**  
Pastor Emeritus

### Mission Statement

The mission of First Christian Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas is to lift up Jesus the Christ by:

- Enabling spiritual growth and deepened commitment, both individually and corporately;
- Developing a church family/community that is accepting and encouraging;
- Serving our community and the world through spiritual, physical, and emotional support; and,
- Reaching out in His name to the unchurched in our community.

## "Learning to Put Our Trust in God"

**Reverend Ellis Robinson** has accepted and is starting in his role as our interim minister beginning this Sunday. His message this week is guided by Proverbs 3:5-6 - "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." We are to learn to trust in God instead of surrendering to our fears.

The online worship services are available at the link below. We will try to have online services available each Sunday until we can meet again in person. The link below is a link to the worship service playlist. Therefore, you can view the service each week using this same link. The health and livelihood of our congregation is important to us all. Be safe. Check on each other. Hopefully we will be back together in person soon.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLg9HSmKC7yCsVx5D6B6yNvWX24RnO9Irl>

## School's Out and So Are We

The elders, personnel committee, and trustees met and decided to extend our temporary suspension of services through mid-April in order to lessen the chance of coronavirus transmission. They will meet again on **April 19** to decide if additional extensions, or other alternative measures, are needed.

The office will remain open and maintain its regular hours until further notice. We have communion supplies in the office which you may pick up (or request to be delivered to you) so that you may partake of communion as you watch the minister's weekly message. Your offerings may be given either through the mail or delivered to Barbara or Pam at the office. There is also an after-hours mail slot on the right side of the entrance door of the administration building if you would need to drop off your offering or deliver notes to the office at other times.

We want very much for us to be back together at church once again and are considering every responsible action we can take in order to make that happen. Seeing you sitting in the church pews, worshiping and taking communion together again is what we want, and what God wants.

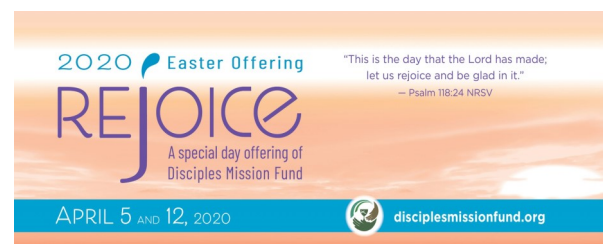
**Danny Lynch, Board Chair**

## EASTER OFFERING

Even in these stressful, uncertain times, we can rejoice in the ways Disciples are working together as one Church to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, and how we can live into our call to be in covenant together.

Across the United States, Canada, and beyond, Disciples still rejoice in all that the Lord has made. This Easter, we rejoice together as one Church, as the One Body of Christ. We rejoice in all that we accomplish together, and the work God accomplishes through us – even under the most difficult circumstances that call us to worship and connect in new ways.

The Easter offering is especially important right now, in this time when we are reminded that church can happen in many ways and in many places, not only in our physical buildings. General ministries, including those supported by the Easter offering, are able to respond and be present in this crisis because of the covenant that binds us together as Church.



### Judy Trent’s Sunday School Class

Bookmark and save this link below! I made this the same for each class! As I indicated before, Judy will do the teaching, I’m just setting this up!

Mickie and I realized that when you Accept the Invitation I sent before, the Invitation and the link go away. So unless you know to go to your Google Calendar to click on the appointment in there, if you have one, you will not have the link!

Those of you that have a Gmail account do have a Google Calendar and can just sign in with your Gmail User ID and Password to find the appointment on the specified day! It will have the link there, too! See below where to click to get to your Google Calendar!

If you can’t make the video work, call in on the phone line and participate without the video!

Meeting ID <https://meet.google.com/ypt-anjt-fka?hs=122>

Phone Number 1 (832) 699-8636 and when prompted to enter PIN: 189 525 030#

If you have questions, call or text me at the number below!

Hope to see you Sunday!

Blessings,

David W. Pulliam 479-650-4101

### Elder of the Month

**Carl Warrington – 479-478-8765**

### Concern of the Community

- **Betty Marley** is in Brookdale under hospice care.
- **Jere and Mona Jo Fisher**

### For the Record – April 12

Operating Receipts.....	\$ 3,080.00
To Date.....	9,178.54
Monthly Budgeted	
Needs.....	29,118.21

*The office will be open on Thursday, April 16, until noon.*