



First Christian Church
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Office Hours:
9:00am-3:00pm
Monday-Thursday

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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.

"An Appointment with God at His House" Psalm 42:1-6

The blessed privilege of being together again in the House of the Lord
Rev. Ellis Robinson

Let's Do Church

There are some steps we need to take when we do get together on **Sunday, June 7 at 10:00 am**. There will be two ushers at each entrance to seat you. We will keep one pew between us and, of course, keep at least 6 feet between us and anyone else seated on that pew (unless they are family members). We will have hand sanitizer available. We will supply you with a mask if you don't bring your own. We will supply you with prepackaged communion emblems (**Pick these up at one of the doors.**). Sunday School classes for all ages will **not** meet at this time, unless it is in an online gathering. There will be **no children's moment**. We will not prepare coffee downstairs, but you may bring your own coffee or other drink with you in the sanctuary. If you decide you will not feel comfortable being together, the service will be available online as it has been for the past few weeks. It will not be available until sometime Monday. Be safe. Hope to see you Sunday, June 7.

The church van will not run in June. We will reassess and make a decision about operating the van in July.

The link below is a link to the online worship service playlist. You can view the service each week using this link. The health and livelihood of our congregation is important to us all; continue to check on each other. We hope you continue to stay safe. Remember that we are connected by our love for each other and our Savior Jesus Christ.

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

Danny Lynch, Board Chair

The Pentecost Special Offering will be received in our service on June 7.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday
9:00 am—3:00 pm

Congregational Meeting

There will be a short Congregational Meeting at the end of the service on Sunday to vote on new Board members for 2020-2021.

FCC Family News and Highlights

Have you been a little curious about what your fellow Disciples have been doing during this “shelter in place” period? During the next few months, FCC families will share a peek into their lives so we can catch up with each other.

Steven & LaBeth Riggs – Realizing that they had to be quarantined somewhere, Steve and LaBeth reasoned that Florida would be a good place to do so, and so they went! They have actually returned to Fort Smith this week; they wore their masks when necessary and have washed their hands many, many times. LaBeth’s store, Always and Forever, has remained open but with shorter hours. In the fall of 2019, Steve built himself a “he-shed” in their backyard so he has been making good use of home time by staying busy there.

Jim & Linda Creekmore – Linda is in her third week of recovery after hand surgery. The stitches will be removed Tuesday, June 2, and she will then start physical therapy in preparation for the second of three surgeries. She has been doing well without too much pain. She and Jim have been out and about some. They have travelled to OKC and shopped at the PX and commissary there. They have read just about every book in the church library – well, maybe not every book but many, many, many books in our library. Their hall and a bedroom have been painted and they have been enjoying a new fire pit on their front patio. S’mores anyone?!?!

Irvin & Maurine Moyle – The Moyles have been making good use of grocery pickup as they both have health conditions that require them to absolutely stay in and away from crowds. Maurine has been knocking out her Christmas list by crocheting ornaments and afghans during her time at home. She is probably doing her handwork while watching a lot of *Gunsmoke*, which is Irv’s favorite television show. Their son, Rory’s, favorite show is NOT *Gunsmoke*, so he retreats to his room for video games while that is airing. Fourteen-year-old Rory faithfully did all his schoolwork first thing every morning and is glad that school is finally out for the summer. Good job, Rory. We are proud of you.

Boo Robinson – This dear lady has finally returned to Butterfield and is so happy to be home. She let it slip that she will be 90 years old in November and said she has never really felt her age until this past year. She is still struggling with hip, leg and back pain and restarted physical therapy last week. Her children and grandchildren, who are scattered all across the United States, call and check on her every day. She declares that she is ready to see visitors when it is safe to do so.

Sunday Morning Get-Together is at 8:30 am Now!

The new time is 8:30 am so that we can get to church afterwards! Join us for this morning get-together! Bookmark and save the link below! We catch up with each other and maybe talk a little Sunday School stuff! The link will work on computers with a camera or smartphones! If you can’t make the video work or don’t have a camera on your computer, call in on the phone line and participate without the video! The phone line works with any phone, that includes land lines, rotary phones, or flip phones!

Meeting ID <https://meet.google.com/ypt-anjt-fka?hs=122&authuser=0>
 Phone Number 1 (832) 699-8636 and when prompted to enter PIN: 189 525 030#

If you have questions or want to try it out before the Sunday morning meetings, call or text me at the number below, and we can try to make it work! Hope to see you Sunday!

Blessings,
David W. Pulliam 479-650-4101

MEMORIALS

We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts, given as a thoughtful expression of sympathy and of care...

- In Memory of **Jere Fisher** by Hardie & Ginger Jefferies; Mary McCollough; Zana Willey

For the Record – May 24 & 31

Operating Receipts	\$ 14,226.00
To Date	29,845.00
Endowment	915.00
To Date	1,065.00
Pentecost Offering.....	50.00
Monthly Budgeted Needs	29,118.21

Elder for June
Hardie Jefferies – 479-646-9749

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