



First Christian Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas

Fort Smith Disciple

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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.

READ THE BIBLE THIS YEAR

- Dec 24 2 Chronicles 29; Revelation 15
- Dec 25 2 Chr 30; Rev 16
- Dec 26 2 Chr 31; Rev 17
- Dec 27 2 Chr 32; Rev 18
- Dec 28 2 Chr 33; Rev 19
- Dec 29 2 Chr 34; Rev 20
- Dec 30 2 Chr 35; Rev 21
- Dec 31 2 Chr 36; Rev 22

Sunday Schedule for 12-26-2010

- 9:30am: Sunday School Classes
- 10:45am: **Combined** Early and Late
Worship in the Sanctuary



✿ I am truly overwhelmed with gratitude by our congregation's generosity. Whether you gave as an individual, a family or a Sunday school class, your gifts to our nursery are greatly appreciated.

May you and your family have a blessed Christmas.

Connie Alexander, Nursery Coordinator



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And
it came
to pass in
those days,
that there went
out a decree from
Caesar Augustus that
all the world should be
taxed. And this taxing was
first made when Quirinius was
Governor of Syria. And all went to
be taxed, every one into his
own city. And Joseph also went
up from Galilee, out of the city of
Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of
David, which is called Bethlehem, because
he was of the house and lineage of David, to
be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great
with child. And so it was that while they were there,
the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
And she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in
swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger,
because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in
the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch
over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon
them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were
sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you
good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto
you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ, the
Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; you shall find the babe wrapped in
swaddling clothes, lying in a manger". And suddenly there was with the angel a
multitude of the heavenly host praising God, saying "Glory to God in the
highest, and on earth peace, good will among men." And it came that the angels
were gone from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another,
"Let us go unto Bethlehem,
and see this thing which is come
to pass, which the Lord has made
known unto us." And they went with
haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and
the babe lying in a manger. ---Luke 2:1-16

Christmas Eve Service

Friday, December 24, 2010

6 pm: Candlelight Communion Worship Service

Van Service Available for Christmas Eve Worship

The church van will be available for our Christmas Eve worship this Friday evening. Please call the church office if you would like a ride. Ben and Marilyn Maxey are drivers that evening.

Also, no nursery will be provided for the service this Friday so bring the kids to the sanctuary for our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion service.

Prayer Concerns

✠ **Jeanette Marshall** had emergency surgery last Saturday and was admitted to ICU at St. Edward. She is progressing well.

✠ **Dorothy Robertson** has left Ashton Place in Barling and moved into her new home across the street from the church.

✠ **Kristi Williamson** has surgery scheduled for Thursday of this week at St. Ed's.

✠ **Sid Donaldson** has moved to Ashton Place to continue his rehab.

✠ **Abby Musset** reinjured her knee playing basketball last week.

✠ **Linda Creekmore** continues to recuperate from recent surgery and is home.

✠ **David Peterson** was recently hospitalized with heart related issues and is now home.

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

✠ **In Memory of Wayne Harris – by Allen & Terry Hales, Jane Haley, Pete & Mary Kennemer, Mary Lou Marley**

--as of 12-15-2010

Naomi Hatley Donates Piano

Thanks so much to Naomi and her family who donated the family's Yamaha piano that is now making music in our children's building. The piano that was used in that building hallway is available for free to the first one who wants it. Our piano tuner indicated it would take less than \$100 to "fix" it up. Talk to Dianna or call the office if interested.

Pictorial Directories Available

Our newest directory is available, one per family, to those who had their photos made. Come by the office to pick one up. Thanks to David Pulliam and Church Growth Ministry for organizing this effort.

Gordon Jorden's 100th Birthday

This Sunday, Gordon celebrates her 100th birthday and her family will join her in worship. That afternoon you are invited to a reception from 2-4pm at Willow Brook Retirement Center, 5501 Duncan Road, Fort Smith.

Congratulations Gordon!

Wednesday Night Bible Devotional meets on Dec. 29 at 6pm. We will study Hebrews 2. 10-18. The topic is "In the Service of God." Join us in the Chapel for hymns, prayer, and Bible study.

Lance McReynolds will lead this week's service.

The Center

Youth Groups will meet again Jan. 9.

Sugar and Spice Food Drive - An additional 25lbs. of salt, 23lbs. of sugar, 24 canned items, 2 large spice tins, and 4 other spice tins were collected for the Community Rescue Mission. Thanks for your generosity.

Mission Express Café

The Café continues to serve Mocha, and French Vanilla coffee, cinnamon rolls, and fruit plates beginning at 9am each Sunday. All proceeds go to the youth mission fund. This March the youth will go to Westside Mission in New Orleans. We currently have the maximum of 25 participants signed up.

Remember: all youth attending the mission trip must work at the Café to fulfill service requirements to attend the mission trip. --Lance