



# FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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## *Is Life Fair?*

In theological circles, there is a word used to describe how often righteous people fall on hard times while the unrighteous seem to catch all the breaks. The word is "Theodicy" and addresses the issue of the fairness of life. Why do good people suffer and bad people prosper? Theologians and philosophers have wrestled with this question for ages. I prefer to call it the "Job Question," and it is one of the major themes of the Bible. Remember in the Old Testament how much Job suffered by no fault of his own after living a godly life before his family and friends. In our text this week, the Psalmist emphatically declares life is not fair. Bad people get blessed while he seems to be cursed. Come join us this week as we explore the question, "Is Life Fair?"

*Ellis*

## *Bill & Jette Lindsay Scholarship*

The trustees will offer scholarship money to any student that will be enrolled in college this coming fall semester. Contact the church office for a form which needs to be returned to the office **by Sunday, June 30.**

## *Welcome New Members*

**Dennis LeStrange**

405-683-1601

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**Eric LeStrange**

719-351-7003

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**Michael Smith**

918-315-3699

Their address is 3910 Wellington Court, Van Buren, AR 72956.

## *Hope Campus News*

***The Evening Group will not work at Hope Campus in June.***

We are collecting large boxes of breakfast cereal to take to Hope Campus. Unused plasticware from take-out food is also appreciated.

## *In the Life of the Church*

- **Tuesday, June 25, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at El Mariachi, 2700 South Zero
- **Wednesday, June 26, 8:00 am** Ecumenical Men's Bible Study (Disciples Hall)
- **Wednesday, June 26, 12:00 pm** Pastor's Bible Class (Disciples Bells)
- **Wednesday, June 26, 6:00 pm** Pastor's Bible Class (Disciples Bells)
- **Thursday, June 27, 10:00 am** Crazy Crafters
- **Sunday, June 30, 11:00 am** Congregational Meeting

Dianna’s Notes

Special Music

June 23   Vocal Duet  
            Dianna Jackson and Walter Ahart

June 30   Vocal Solo: Mary Beth Oliver

If you would like to sign up for summer solos, duets, and ensembles, please let me know. We can rehearse with you after worship. We have started our summer schedule.

Thanks for your ministry.

Elder for June

Jack Jackson II—479-459-9984

Greeters for June

Jimmy Hudlow and Audrey Stewart  
Disciples Hall Entrance: Jesse Bailey

Prepare Communion for June

LaBeth Riggs

Prayer Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers.

- Jack & Joy Jackson
- Jim & Linda Creekmore
- Allen Hales, Sr.
- Carolyn Heyroth

Pastor’s Wednesday Bible Class

June 19 in Disciples Hall

12:00 –1:00 pm  
6:00—7:00 pm

Wedding Shower

Please join us **Sunday, June 30, at 1:00 pm** for a wedding shower in the FCC parlor honoring **Jordan Vaughn, son of Elizabeth Vaughn, and Kari Lackey**. The couple plan to be married Wednesday, July 3. They are registered at Dillard's and Walmart. Regrets to Kristi Williamson 479-459-3446. (Please note the earlier time for the shower.)

Thank You

Members of FCC (DOC),

Thank you so much for supporting my journey through dental hygiene school these past two years. You all have been so instrumental in my growing up, and I’m thankful that my family has you all to look to and lean on. We have been the recipients of your love over the years. I’m so grateful.

Abby Musset

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FOR THE RECORD June 16, 2024	
Operating Receipts To Date	\$ 4,370.00 16,014.00
Endowment To Date	25.00 390.00
Monthly Budgeted Needs	\$28,024.83

OFFICE HOURS  
9:00 am-3:00 pm - Monday-Thursday

SERVICE TIMES  
Sunday School at 9:00 am; Worship at 10:00 am

CHURCH STAFF  
Rev. Dr. Ellis Robinson, Senior Pastor, 479-651-0456  
Dianna Jackson, Director of Music Ministry  
Mary Beth Oliver, Organist  
Barbara Brown, Secretary  
Pam Shelby, Financial Secretary  
Randy Alexander, Custodian  
Lesley Fleming, Nursery Attendant  
Rev. Howard Marshall, Pastor Emeritus (1990-2022)  
Rev. Randy Jay, Pastor Emeritus