



FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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Getting Serious about Stewardship

The month of May is a busy time of the year for many. We celebrate Mother’s Day, there are graduations, and Memorial Day is the last Monday of the month. May is also a time here at First Christian Church when we focus on stewardship. This year our stewardship theme is “What Shall I Render to God?” This theme comes directly from the Bible and is found in Psalms 116:12. During this time, we will be asking for your financial pledge to our church to support the ongoing ministries in which we are currently involved. Our congregation is quietly involved in many ministries that help and assist families and individuals in need. This past year, we have assisted with rent and utilities. We have provided goods for everyday living from our Mission Possible ministry. We feed meals twice a month at Hope Campus helping the homeless. We now have a Women’s Shelter ministry which mentors women and children, not to mention the various local help groups of which many of our members are a part. Please consider how you will help continue what we are already doing. Every pledge makes a difference and is appreciated by those we serve.

Ellis

Membership Class

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, if you plan to attend the Membership Class on **Sunday, May 4, at 8:30 am.**

Graduation Sunday

We will be recognizing our graduates during the worship service on **Mother’s Day, May 11.** Please call the church office if you have a graduate to be recognized.

DWF General Meeting

DWF General meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 13, at 11:30 am.** Please bring a salad or finger food for the potluck lunch. Program will be presented by Laundry of Love. We will be collecting liquid laundry detergent, vinegar, dryer sheets and rolls of quarters to donate. All ladies of the church are invited!

In the Life of the Church

- **Tuesday, April 29, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at The Vault, 624 Main St., Van Buren
- **Tuesday, April 29, 5:15 pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- **Wednesday, April 30, 8:00 am** Ecumenical Men’s Bible Study
- **Wednesday, April 30** Pastor’s Bible Classes (12:00 pm & 6:00 pm)
- **Thursday, May 1, 10:00 am** Crazy Crafters
- **Thursday, May 1, 12:00 pm** National Day of Prayer, Sebastian County Courthouse
- **Thursday, May 1, 1:00 pm** Disciples of Music

Dianna's Notes

Special Music

April 27

May 4

May 11

May 18

May 25

Chancel Choir

Disciples Bells Quintet

Youth Bell Choir and Friends

Chancel Choir

Ladies Choir Ensemble

Chancel Choir

Piano and Organ Duet

Dianna Jackson and Mary Beth Oliver

Chancel Choir will meet

Sunday at 9:20 am to rehearse.

Elder for April

Deacons for April

Greeters for April

Prepare Communion for April

Jack Jackson

David Williamson (Foreman), Tim Fleming,
Terry Hales, Barbara Lynch, Margot Mundy,
Nick Oliver, Calvin Reed, Audrey Stewart

Margot Mundy, David Williamson
Disciples Hall Entrance: Audrey Stewart

Audrey Stewart

Thank You

We would like to say “Thank You” to Michelle Moran, John Mundy, Elizabeth Vaughn, our talented youth, and everyone else involved in the Easter Egg Hunt. A good time was had by all, most especially the adults watching the kids!! It takes a lot of time and effort to host a successful event, and you all did a wonderful job.

Allen & Terry Hales and family

Hope Campus News

We are collecting bags of pasta to take to Hope Campus.

Prayer Concerns

• Abby Musset

• Doris Clifton, Glenda Musset's sister

• Lisa Fillmore, the Hendrickson's daughter

• Becky Eggers

• Shelley Norris

• Landon Miller, the Oliver's grandson

Book Club News

Book club will meet **Thursday, May 15**, to discuss Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt.

Upcoming reads will be:

June

July

Braiding Sweetgrass by Robyn Wall Kimmerer

All Creatures Great and Small by James Herriot

We meet the third Thursday at 2:00 pm each month in the Administration Building. All are welcome. Call Julie Jay with any questions.

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FOR THE RECORD

April 20, 2025

Operating Receipts To date	Not available this week
Endowment To date	
Easter Offering	
Monthly Budgeted Needs	\$27,571.00

OFFICE HOURS

SERVICE TIMES

CHURCH STAFF

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

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

Rev. Dr. Ellis Robinson, Senior Pastor, 479-651-0456

Dianna Jackson, Director of Music Ministry

Mary Beth Oliver, Organist

Barbara Brown, Office Administrator

Pam Shelby, Financial Administrator

Lesley Fleming, Nursery Attendant

Rev. Howard Marshall, Pastor Emeritus (1990-2022)

Rev. Randy Jay, Pastor Emeritus