



FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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Quenching Spiritual Thirst

“John 4:5-15, highlights the transformative power of Jesus’ offer of living water to the Samaritan woman. Jesus is not just providing physical refreshment, but also spiritual nourishment by offering this living water. The living water symbolizes the eternal life and salvation that Jesus offers through belief in Him. Jesus transcends cultural and social boundaries by interacting with a Samaritan woman, demonstrating that His message of salvation is meant for all people, regardless of their background or circumstances.

Reflecting on this verse, we are invited to ponder the depth of Jesus’ love and His desire to quench our spiritual thirst. We too can experience the life-giving transformation that comes from accepting Jesus as our Savior, just as the Samaritan woman received living water from Him. Jesus’ identity as the Messiah is revealed not only through his words but also through his actions and interactions with those around Him. Jesus offers boundless grace and mercy to all who come to Him in faith and humility as we contemplate this encounter. How does this encounter challenge our assumptions about who is deserving of God’s love and salvation? We can be vessels of living water, sharing the message of Jesus with those around us who are spiritually thirsty in what ways? Let us dwell on this verse and allow its profound message to inspire us to reach out to others in compassion and grace, just as Jesus did with the Samaritan woman.”

God's Blessing

Disciples Women Spring Event

Divine Renewal, Isaiah 43:19

Saturday, March 21

First Christian Church
103 South Boston Avenue
Russellville, AR

Keynote Speaker:

Rev. Zena Featherston Marshall

Registration: 9:30 am

Coffee and donuts

Program: 10:15 am

Lunch: 11:30 am

Craft: 12:00 pm



Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Mark your calendar for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held on **April 4 at 11:00 am**. If you would like to donate small wrapped candy (non-chocolate) to be put in the eggs that are going to be hidden, collection boxes are in the narthex and downstairs. We are accepting candy donations until **March 15**. Thank you.

In the Life of the Church

- **Sunday, March 8, 9:00 am** Intergenerational Sunday School Class
- **Sunday, March 8, 11:15 am** Disciples Bells Rehearsal
- **Monday, March 9, 9:30 am** Serve at Hope Campus
- **Tuesday, March 10, 10:00 am** DWF Group 4
- **Tuesday, March 10, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at Neumeier’s Rib Room, 424 Garrison
- **Tuesday, March 10, 5:15 pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- **Tuesday, March 10, 6:00 pm** DWF Group 3
- **Wednesday, March 11, 8:00 am** Ecumenical Men’s Bible Study
- **Wednesday, March 11** Pastor’s Bible Class (12:00 and 6:00 pm)
- **Thursday, March 12, 10:00 am** Crazy Crafters
- **Thursday, March 12, 1:00 pm** Disciples of Music

Dianna's Notes

Special Music

- March 8** Chancel Choir and Disciples Bells
- March 15** Chancel Choir and Disciples Bells
- March 22** Vocal Duet: Amber Kirkendoll and DeJon Jordan
- March 29** Chancel Choir

Disciples Bells meet at 8:30 am Sunday in the sanctuary to rehearse.

Chancel Choir meets at 9:20 am Sunday in the sanctuary to rehearse. Wear purple stoles.

Spring Break

No Disciples Bells rehearsal on March 22. No Chancel Choir rehearsal on March 24.

Bingo and Chili Dinner

Join us in Disciples Hall on **Sunday, March 8, at 5:30 pm** for a chili dinner and bingo! Get out your favorite chili recipe and bring a pot if you are able. Also, please bring a small item that can be used as a prize for the bingo winners. "Spring forward" and come join us for an evening of fun and chili.

Hope Campus News

We are collecting 12 oz. styrofoam or paper bowls and plastic spoons. Unused plasticware from takeout food is also appreciated.

Elder for March

David Trent

Deacons for March

Sabrina Robinson (Foreman), Walter Ahart, Max File, Tim Fleming, Paula Friday, Todd Friday, Ginger Jefferies, Barbara Lynch

Greeters for March

Walter Ahart and Paula Friday
Disciples Hall Entrance: Max File

Prepare Communion for March

Ginger Jefferies

DWF Group 3 Meeting

DWF Group 3 will meet in Disciples Hall on **Tuesday, March 10, at 6:00 pm**. Guest speaker will be Casey Wilson, the director of Hope Campus. Please bring a green dish for a potluck meal as we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day. You may also bring paper or plastic bowls and plastic spoons for a donation to Hope Campus.

Prayer Concerns

- **Norene Bellah**
- **Ruth Carson**
- **The Maxeys**
- **Paul Mosley**
- **Jeanne Stebner**
- **Ann Jordan's niece, Tyia Thornton**
- **The Warringtons**

**Lenten Sermon Series 2026
Journey to the Cross with Jesus**

- March 8** Third Sunday of Lent *Quenching Spiritual Thirst* John 4:5-42
- March 15** Fourth Sunday of Lent *20/20 Spiritual Vision* John 9:1-41
- March 22** Fifth Sunday of Lent *When Jesus Delays* John 11:1-45

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FOR THE RECORD March 1, 2026	
Operating Receipts	\$ 7,295.00
Endowment	245.00
Children's Building Offerings	46,057.00
Balance Due	47,943.00
Monthly Budgeted Needs	\$30,065.30

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**, Office Administrator
- Pam Shelby**, Financial Administrator
- Lesley Fleming**, Nursery Attendant
- Rev. Howard Marshall**, Pastor Emeritus (1990-2022)
- Rev. Randy Jay**, Pastor Emeritus