



# FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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## Leadership Worth Following

“Hebrews 13:7 emphasizes the importance of having faith leaders as role models in our lives. It encourages us to observe and learn from their actions, words, and most importantly, their faith. We can strengthen our own beliefs and walk in the path of righteousness by following their example.

Imagine having mentors who guide you not just in the practical aspects of life, but also in matters of faith and spirituality. How empowering would it be to witness someone living out their beliefs with authenticity and integrity? The verse challenges us to reflect on the kind of leaders we have in our lives and to strive towards imitating their faith. We not only grow personally but also contribute to our broader community as we follow the example of our faith leaders by embodying the values and teachings we have observed. We could have a significant impact on others if we commit to imitating the faith of our leaders and become beacons of light and hope in the world.”

*God's Blessing*

## Bill & Jette Lindsay Scholarship

The trustees will offer scholarship money to any student who will be enrolled in college this coming fall 2026 semester. Contact the church office for a form or go to [fccdoc.org](http://fccdoc.org), click on Resources and Schedules under Get Connected, and return it to the church office **by Thursday, July 23.**

## Church Directory

I am in the process of updating the church directory. If any of your information needs to be changed for the new book, please send that information to Barbara at [barbara@fccdoc.org](mailto:barbara@fccdoc.org).

## Office News

The office will close at noon on **Wednesday, July 1, and Thursday, July 2.**

## Board Meeting

There will be a Board Meeting on **Sunday, July 12, at 6:00 pm.** Immediately following, elders and deacons will meet to choose their chair.

There will be ministry sign-up sheets available in the narthex and on the table by the elevator for the next two weeks. All elders and deacons are expected to serve on a ministry, which is also available to any church member.

## In the Life of the Church

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| • <b>Sunday, July 5, 9:00 am</b>    | Intergenerational Sunday School Class     |
| • <b>Tuesday, July 7, 11:30 am</b>  | Lunch Bunch at Panda Express, 8400 Rogers |
| • <b>Wednesday, July 8, 8:00 am</b> | Ecumenical Men's Bible Study              |
| • <b>Wednesday, July 8</b>          | Pastor's Bible Study (12:00 and 6:00 pm)  |
| • <b>Thursday, July 9, 10:00 am</b> | Crazy Crafters                            |
| • <b>Thursday, July 9, 1:00 pm</b>  | Disciples of Music                        |

**Dianna's Notes**

**Special Music**

- July 5** Vocal Duet: Linda Creekmore and Amber Kirkendoll
- July 12** Solo: Dianna Jackson
- July 19** Bell Duet: Amber Kirkendoll and Brad Kidder
- July 26** Solo: Mary Beth Oliver

**Elder for July**

Connie Alexander

**Deacons for July**

Paula Friday (Foreman), Walter Ahart, Max File, Terry Hales, Barbara Lynch, Calvin Reed, Jennifer Sanchez, David Williamson

**Greeters for July**

Walter Ahart, Calvin Reed  
Disciples Hall Entrance: Max File

**Prepare Communion for July**

Jennifer Sanchez

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

- **Barbara Jacob** by Allen & Terry Hales, David & Judy Trent

**Prayer Concerns**

- **Walter Ahart**
- **Ruth Carson**
- **Betty Cashin**
- **Linda Creekmore**
- **Joy Jackson**
- **Nick Oliver**

**Hope Campus News**

We are collecting large boxes of breakfast cereal. Unused plasticware from takeout food is also appreciated.

**Thank You**

Thank you so much FCC! Your gift and contribution will help my future endeavors and help me reach my academic goals. This is so thoughtful of you all. Thank you once again and God bless.

*Jaelyn Alexander*

**DWF Yearbook**

Disciples Women are updating their yearbook. If any of your information needs to be changed for the new book, please send that information to Lula Hanson at 479-646-5852 or [lulajane@cox.net](mailto:lulajane@cox.net).

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**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

FOR THE RECORD June 28, 2026	
Operating Receipts To date	\$ 15,353.00 30,962.00
Endowment To date	1,220.00 1,690.00
Children's Building Offerings Balance Due	49,882.00 44,118.00
Monthly Budgeted Needs	\$30,065.30