

Monday, Dec 24, 11 PM

Christmas Eve Service

Bring your family and friends to join us for a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service as we celebrate the eve of our Savior's birth.

Office Closed

The church office will be closed for the holidays starting Christmas Day, December 25th – January 1st. If you need to contact church staff during this time, call Ryan Nelson at home or on his cell phone. Have a wonderful holiday season!

Christmas Card Mail Box

Do you have Christmas cards to send to your friends at church? Then check out the Mailbox in the church foyer. You can place your cards in the alphabetized box and then make a donation to the Youth Program with the money you would have spent on postage. Don't forget to check the box for cards to you!

Communion Preparers Needed for 2008

If you would like to be part of a monthly Communion Prep Team for 2008, we could use your help. There is a sign up sheet at the Welcome Center.

Luminarias

We need 20-30 volunteers to help set up Christmas luminarias at the church at 3:30 on Christmas eve for about 1 hour and a family, preferably someone with a truck, to dispose of them on Christmas day. If you are willing to help, please sign up on your Welcome Card.

First Fruits

Sunday, January 6th

Bring your canned meats, fruits and Ensure for Angels Acts of Kindness as they support families in need. Place your items in the barrels in front of church. Thank you for giving!

*Thank you for filling out the Welcome Card.
Please tear off and place in offering plate as it is passed.*

Welcome Card

Dec. 23, 2007

Service Attended: 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
 Member First Time Guest Second Other

Name _____

Address _____ Apt # _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home / Cell / Work Phone _____

Email _____

I would like more information on:

Becoming a Christian / Rededicating My Life to Christ

Becoming a First Christian Church Member

Bible Study / Small Groups: Adult Student Children

Other Ministry _____

Weekly Bible Studies

Monday Night Bible study at 7:00 PM, at the Cavin's home.

Ladies' Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 – 11:45

Will resume January 22 for a 14 week study of Philip Yancey's book, *The Jesus I Never Knew*. Contact Candice Summers to order a book and Study Guide or purchase them yourself (new or used) through Amazon.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 10:00 AM, in Room 110 at the church. If you have any questions, please call Bud Cavin at 821-1373. Resumes Jan. 9th.

Wednesday Night Bible Study.

Join us 7 - 8 pm again beginning Jan 9th in Room 100 for a study of I, II & III John. Anyone is welcome. There is no childcare available for this study. Resumes Jan. 9th.

Friday Night Bible Study. Call Art Cordova for information at 344-3110.

Book Club

Join us every 4th Thursday of the month at Barnes and Noble at Coronado Mall (unless otherwise listed) to discuss some great books. For more information, contact Lynn Headley at 293-4930.

Upcoming Book:

January 31 *The Tortilla Curtain*, by T.C. Boyle

Help Needed!

Steve and Angie Anderson, missionaries to China supported by FCC, will be in Albuquerque on furlough from December 18 through the end of March. They would like to borrow a car for local transportation during that time. If you have a car that they might be able to use, please contact Bryan or Vicki Burns at 281-2793.

Congregational Meeting Results

Bylaw changes were passed and the proposed budget approved. All the elders were approved as well. The following Elders will begin their new terms in January: Art Cordova, Greg Gross, Tom Headley, Lawrence Junker, Steve Peltier and Randy Summers. They join continuing Elders Bryan Burns, Lloyd Hoover and Todd Zeter.

Contact Esther Cross

Esther has taken a ministry position in Odessa, Texas as a Children's Minister. We are very proud of her. Please pray for her and her ministry there. If you would like to write her, she may be contacted at: **4310 E. 53rd St. #612, Odessa, TX 79762-4899.**

Offering Envelopes-2008

Offering Envelopes for 2008 are ready to be picked up in the church Lobby. If you do not see your name, call Nan Scott in the church office and she will be able to provide you with envelopes.



10101 Montgomery Blvd NE

505.294.0630

Worship services at 8 and 10:30 AM

Welcome to First Christian Church

Our Mission

is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with people and to lead them into a fully devoted relationship with Him. We hope that you find First Christian a welcoming community of believers who love God and people and desire to serve Him with gladness.

Guests

If this is your first, second, or even third time visiting...would you take a moment and fill out the **Welcome Card** attached to this worship bulletin? Just drop it in the offering plate as it is passed during worship.

We have two Sunday services. Our more traditional service is at 8 a.m. and our contemporary service is at 10:30 a.m. Our Children's Ministry is not available during the 8:00 a.m. service.

Children's Ministries

available for all ages, including a full service nursery. Our Sunday School begins at 9:00 a.m. and our **BLAST** Children's Ministry begins at 10:30 a.m. You may drop your children off for BLAST as early as 10 a.m. where they will enjoy their own Fellowship Time. Both are located in the lower level. Preschoolers, age 2 to 5th grade, can enjoy an interactive ministry experience in a friendly, safe and fun environment. Our Nursery Ministry is located on the west side of the Worship Center and is available anytime during Sunday School (9:00 am) or the 10:30 Worship Service.

Parents, if your assistance is needed with your child you will be contacted by your nursery pager or the number on your BLAST claim check, which will be displayed on the lower corner of the screen in the Worship Center.

Adult Bible Learning

is available at First Christian on Sunday mornings and through our Small Groups' ministry. We have classes at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings studying various topics. So, stop by and join in on the learning! Small Groups also meet during the week in homes and on campus. If you would like more information please contact the church office, 294-0630.

Sunday Fellowship between services

Come join us Sundays at 10:00 for a half-hour of free breakfast treats, coffee, juice and fellowship in the Family Center.

Communion

Each week we have communion to remember what Jesus has done for us. We invite all fully devoted followers to partake of the symbols of his body and blood as the trays are passed. 1 Corinthians 11:26-29

Prayer & Decision Time

If you are considering a decision to become a Christian, rededicating your life to Christ, in need of prayer or desire to join the First Christian Church family through membership, then we invite you to come forward at the end of the service and our Decision Counselors and Ministers are available to assist you.

Today's Message: *Home for the Holidays* by Pastor Tom Caffery

Today's Servants

Decision Counselor: Tom & Lynn Headley, Lanie Peltier
 Shut-in-Communion: Art Cordova
 Friendship Calls to Visitors: Bud & Mary Cavin
 Communion Preparation: Mike & Debbie Mitchell
 Communion Prayer: Art Cordova
 Offering Prayer: Lloyd Hoover

Staff Communication Cards

Sometimes the staff receives so many requests and good ideas on Sunday mornings; it is difficult to remember them all. To better our communication with you we have created a communication card. You will find them at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings. Please feel free to write any message you may need to convey to the staff and turn it back in to the offering tray, the Welcome Center or the mail box outside the staff offices.



High School and Middle School Ministry

Students meet in "The Lab" youth area located in the back of the Family Center for Bible study, group activities and Fellowship! Join us on Sunday Nights at 6 P.M. and Wednesday Nights at 7 P.M.

Our Staff

Contact our Staff as a group at staff@fccabq.org

Tom Caffery, <i>Senior Minister</i>	tcaffery@fccabq.org
Ben Headley, <i>Youth Minister</i>	bheadley@fccabq.org
Ryan Nelson, <i>Worship Minister</i>	rnelson@fccabq.org
Candice Summers, <i>Administrator</i>	csummers@fccabq.org
Nan Scott, <i>Bookkeeper/Receptionist/Publications</i>	nscott@fccabq.org
Pamela Caffery, <i>Secretary of Publications</i>	pcaffery@fccabq.org
Lisa Peltier, <i>Receptionist</i>	lpeltier@fccabq.org
Paul Chavira, <i>Custodian</i>	custodian@fccabq.org

For custodial issues or requests:

Our Elders

Contact our Elders confidentially at elders@fccabq.org

Bryan Burns	281.2793	Lawrence Junker	264-4657
Art Cordova	344-3110	Randy Summers, Chm.	299.5891
Greg Gross	797-3620	Steve Peltier	881-2921
Tom Headley	293.4930	Todd Zeter	237.1869
Lloyd Hoover	286.0600		

Contact Elders, Ministerial Staff & Candice Summers: eaders@fccabq.org
 For pastoral needs or requests: pastoralcare@fccabq.org

Communion is available for shut-ins and upon request. Contact the office.

FACTS & FIGURES for Dec. 16, 2007

Attendance: 285 General Fund: \$9,742.35. Weekly Budget Need: \$10,630.

DEADLINES: February News and Views deadline: **Friday, Jan. 25, at 9 AM.**

Audio downloads of Sunday sermons available at: www.fccabq.org

Prayer Requests

Please use the attached card below to record any prayer requests. If you have pastoral care needs please note that on the card or contact one of our Elders or Staff. We are praying for you and your requests.

NEW or UPDATED PRAYER REQUESTS

Bob Howard, Mitchell's brother-in-law. Lovelace ICU. Collapsed lung.
Brandons, Finances
Casas por Cristo Mexico Mission Trip, Dec 27-30, Safe travel/work. Prayers for family receiving home.
Jenny Shepard, Starting radiation Dec 17.
Margie Beach, Barb Mowry's mother. Advanced Alzheimer's. Placing feeding tube this week.
Mary & Tom Tagert, Closing on house.
May Livesay, Eyes doing better. Thanks for prayers.
Orchant Family, Friends of Burchams. Husband passed away. 16-yr-old son Jason is friend of Matt Yarbrough.
Patti Burris, Health
Roxanne Bowers, Barb & Denny Mowry's niece. Age 16. Hodgkin's lymphoma.
Scott Berry, Jr., Released from hospital. Back to work. Praise!
 Save travel for everyone during the holidays.

ONGOING REQUESTS

Cancer
Alex Heymiers, (baby)
Candida Kingston, Addie Mohny's sister-in-law's granddaughter. Leukemia.
Cyril Misenko, Duran's Neighbor. Liver Cancer.
Danny Morgan, Asher's life-long friend. Cancer treatment.
Peggy McPherson, Friend of Antje Sandoval
George Schmitt, Jenny Shepard's friend.
Hemera Josephs, Pathira Best's Sister.
Jeff Krueger, Life-long friend of Damon & Zoe Ann Alvarez.
Julie, Lanie Peltier's sister.
Marilyn Berger, Eric Gfeller's mom. Cancer. Conditioning worsening.
Marilyn McClenahan, Healing. Completed chemo.
Nancy, Hendren's Niece. Breast Cancer.
Nelson Lane, Friend of Bill Hendren.
Roy Barringer, Radiation treatments
Tom Lehman, Friend of Doreen Kurtz.
Trish Arnold, Niece of Jim and Jane Rawls.

Family Matters

Ermil Lewis, Steve Asher's Mother
 Hendren Family.
Nikki Gollihar, Work & Family
Patty Mulcahy – Parents' Health & Decisions regarding their care
William Mattingly, Steve Asher's Brother. Heath & spiritual issues

Health

Aaron Dye, Focal seizures.
Caitlyn Hill, Pat Hill's granddaughter. Epilepsy.
Dot Stansbury, Medical problems.
Megan Schitoskey – general health after several hospitalizations
Paul Chavira: Health issues
Sylvia Moore, David Moore's Mom. Long recovery at home.

Jobs

Donald Gregory

Garnet Mills.

Military

Jayson Malewiski, Deployment to Ethiopia.
John Messinger, Army. Rhonda Trujillo's nephew. Stationed in Hawaii.
Randy Case, Friend of Damon & Zoe Alvarez. Deployed to Iraq.

Prayer Requests/Comments

Check here ___ for Staff & Elders prayers only.
 Check here ___ for Staff & Elders prayers and Prayer Chain,
 Check here ___ for Staff & Elders prayers, Prayer Chain and Publication.

Holiday Poinsettias

Donor

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In Memory of Carl Lippitt

Pat & Mitzi Loftus

In Memory of Tom & Ann Loftus & Novella Green

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The Colson Family
In Memory of Dawn Ward
Dan & Jane Duran
In Memory of Frank & Corina Duran, George & Emma Brown
(our parents)
Pat & Kim Fleming
In Memory of Jennifer Fleming Russell
Eric Gfeller
In Memory of My Family
Jayne Gregory
In Memory of Mary Wildman—Matlock
In Honor of My wonderful mother
Samantha Gunn
Russ & Glenda Harrison
In Honor of Senior Saints
Dorothy E. Hiers
In Memory of Henry C. Hiers (my husband)
Lloyd & Bev Hoover
In Memory of Our Parents
Jill Ley
In Memory of Dale W. Clart (father)
In Honor of The Lord Jesus Christ
Linn, McArthur, Krause, Blackberg
In Memory of Hubert Love, James & Zella Butler & Mary Linn
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