



Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with people and leading them into a fully devoted relationship with Him.

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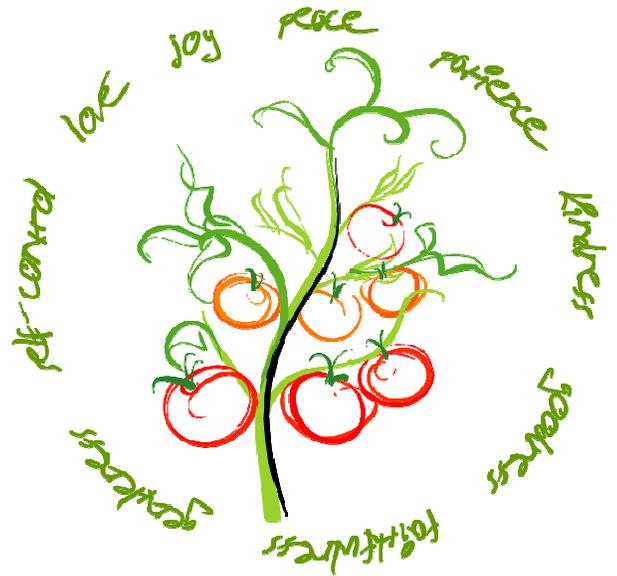
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**FRUIT BEARING  
RELATIONSHIPS**  
New Message Series

How are you doing in your relationships? How would you rate your level of patience? Or how about your ability to be self-controlled?

Allowing the Holy Spirit to develop within us the character attributes which help us to mature and enhance our relationships is the focus of our message series, *Fruit Bearing Relationships*.

Join us on Sundays through May as we look at how love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control will help us in all of our relationships.



*fruit bearing relationships*



**New Mexico Christian Convention—  
April 25, 26th**

Join other Christians for a weekend of spiritual growth at the Life-Way Glorieta Conference Center, in Glorieta, New Mexico. There is children's programming from infants to teens. The special speaker comes from Dallas Christian College, Dusty Rubeck. To access more information on the conference like cost and registration you can access the web site at: [www.newmexicocc.com](http://www.newmexicocc.com)

We would love to take a big crowd from FCC this year again. Call the church staff for any questions you may have about the conference.



## Sermons on CD!

Want a copy of Sunday's sermon? You can now pick up each Sunday's sermon through the church office. Just call the office to request one. Or, if you prefer, you may still listened to them online at the church website.

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Audio downloads of Sunday's sermons at [www.fccabq.org](http://www.fccabq.org)

## Women's Hike

**Saturday, April 19th, 9:00**

It's Spring time! Come join us on a hike along a desert spring and see the beauty of God's nature coming to life! We will be hiking the Embudo "box" which is just over 2 miles round trip. The trail follows a little stream and there are a few lovely small waterfalls. This hike is mild although at one point you must be able to climb over several large rocks. For those looking for an even easier hike, join us on a hike to the first (and largest) waterfall which is only about half a mile (one way) and is flat and easy! Then you can enjoy the water and turn around! Please sign up by contacting Rachel Dostal at [racheldostal@gmail.com](mailto:racheldostal@gmail.com) or write "Hiking" on the Welcome Card and drop it in the offering plate. Happy Spring! If you would be interested in organizing a women's hike or a family hike, please contact Rachel and she will help you set this up!

## Coffee Talk—First Ladies Women's Ministry

**Saturday, April 19th at 10:00 AM**

Ladies, you are invited to meet up with other women every **third Saturday** of the month at Cup O' Joe on Eubank between Comanche and Montgomery, next to the Farmers' Market at **10:00 a.m.** This is a come as you are and no RSVP is necessary.



## College Care Package Ministry

**Sunday, April 27th at 6:00 PM**

This ministry team will be meeting again to assemble more college care packages to be sent to the our FCC students who are away at college. This group meets 6 times a year. If you would like to be part of this team, contact Candice Summers at 453-8478 or just show up to help assemble.

## Elder Prayer Service

**Sunday, April 27th at 6:00 PM**

The purpose is to pray for the members and regular guests and to provide an opportunity for individuals, couples or families to come and be prayed for by the Elders. Our desire is for anyone who has a need to come and be prayed for by the Elders. Keeping all things confidential and in line with God's Word (James 5:7-19), we want everyone to grow in Jesus Christ.

## Baby Dedication

**May 11th at 10:30 am Worship**

If you would like to dedicate your little one to the Lord, please make a note under "Other" on the Welcome Card below and place in the offering plate or contact the church office.

## Recognition of Our Graduates

**May 25th at 10:30 Worship**

We would like to recognize all of our upcoming graduates. So whether you are graduating from High School or College, let us know by making a note on your Welcome Card or by contacting the church office.

## Olan Mills Directory

The long awaited arrival of our pictorial directory is just around the corner. It should arrive in a few weeks. Thanks for your patience.

## El Porvenir Camp Work Day

**Saturday, May 3**

Your help is needed to get the camp ready for campers. Plan to come up for the day and pitch in. (If you want to stay the night before or after, contact the camp.)

## You're Invited!

**Recitals in Keller Hall at UNM.** Admission is *free* and everyone is welcome! Matthew Stewart is performing his junior recital on piano **Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.**

Megan Wilcox is performing her senior recital on Bassoon **Friday, May 2, at 9 am.**

## Closet Of Blessings

**Saturday, May 31st**

It is time to do a little Spring cleaning. Clean out those closets and bring your gently used clothes and shoes to the display in the church foyer. Women's Ministry is organizing a new ministry.

We will take your clothing and shoe items, washed, folded and bagged. On Sat, May 31st, we will be placing all donated items on tables and hanging racks in the Family Center for people of the community as well as our church family, to take as needed.

This is a one day event and all items will be free. This is geared toward the idea of being good stewards of our things we can no longer use and reaching out to those in need as well as sharing with our brothers and sisters in Christ. We will donate all items left over to another shelter at the end of the day. Women's Ministry will be doing this event twice a year, Spring and Fall. So bring in your unused clothes and shoes and help us create a Closet of Blessings for others. For more information or questions contact Women's Ministry Service Leaders: Melissa Keeling, Kim Fleming.

## Women's Retreat

**July 17-20, 2008**

The Women's Retreat at El Porvenir Christian Camp this year is July 17-20. We will check in Thursday and check out Sunday. First Ladies Women's Ministry has been asked to plan the retreat this year. We would love to have as many of our ladies attend as possible. Plan to attend and look for more information

## Vacation Bible School

**June 16th-20th**

Mark your calendars now for FCC's VBS. This will be a daytime VBS this year with a new twist. Kids you won't want to miss this! Watch for more information to come. If you are interested in being a volunteer for this year's VBS, please email Tom Caffery (tcaffery@fccabq.org) or call 294-0630.



## April Birthdays

Carolyn	Neuber	4/1
Clayton	Bohl	4/2
Alexander	Parish	4/2
Andrew	Asher	4/3
Sandra	Eichenberg	4/5
Logan	McDowell	4/5
Savannah	Sandoval	4/5
Neil	Davie	4/6
Owen	Frisch	4/6
Joel	Whenry	4/6
Carol	Blackberg	4/8
Susan	Davie	4/8
Anne	Zeter	4/8
Chris	Loeffel	4/10
Bud	Cavin	4/11
Glenda	Harrison	4/11
Jim	Swart	4/11
Angeline	New	4/13
Sally	Dyer	4/15
Joel	Frazier	4/16
Barbara	Mowry	4/16
Jessica	Victor	4/17
Jacqui	Cross	4/19
Cheryl	Swart	4/19
Anne	Winters	4/20
Jim	Rawls	4/21
Michael	Asher	4/22
Marvin	Pendergrass	4/22
Vicki	Burns	4/23
Erica	Asher	4/26
Dan	Duran	4/26
Payton	Snider-Sullins	4/26
Pamela	Caffery	4/27
Jennifer	Dean	4/27
Sara	Nelson	4/28
DJ	McDowell	4/29
Manolo	Victor	4/29

## April Anniversaries

Marion & Dee Mayall	4/1
Roger & Linda Stansbury	4/5
Xavier & Lesley Miller	4/6
Gene & Becky Castlebury	4/6
Dick & Rene Shaw	4/10
Roger & Eva Shaver	4/13
Todd & Anne Zeter	4/18
Tim & Sandra Eichenberg	4/19
Ben & Kristi Headley	4/19
Chris & Holly Colson	4/20
Marvin & Mary Pendergeass	4/22
Dennis & Monique Mowry	4/22
Victor & Rhonda Trujillo	4/23
Lloyd & Dione Judy	4/24



## Coming Soon: A Member's Business Directory

Have you ever found yourself needing a plumber, electrician or that lipstick that only Avon sells? Then you wonder, "Doesn't someone at church do that?". And wouldn't it be nice to be able to conduct your business with other members of First Christian Community? Well, now you can! James & Lindsay Parish are putting together just that kind of directory for you. If you have a business and want to advertise in the upcoming business directory, stop by their table in the foyer for more information. They even have a sample directory for viewing. You may also contact them at [daparishs@msn.com](mailto:daparishs@msn.com).

## Senior Saints Upcoming Schedule

April 17— 9:00 West Side Cracker Barrel

May 1— 11:00 Cooperage on Lomas

May 15— 9:00 Le Peep on Louisiana

June 5— 11:00 Quarters on Wyoming

June 19— 9:00 The Range in Bernalillo

July 3— Picnic @ Doc Long's (details later)

July 17— 9:00 IHOP on Menaul & Pennsylvania

Aug. 7— 11:00 Olive Garden on Juan Tabo

Aug. 21— 9:00 Vic's on Osuna

There is a Picnic planned for October 2nd to the Jemez Mountains to see Fall colors. Watch for more details on this and other extra events being planned!



## Beware of the Flock

If you see any pink flamingos hanging around in your yard, you have just been flocked! But don't worry, they will leave, eventually. Our youth group is once again using this for a fund-raiser for CIY. If you would like to have these lovely pink birds placed in someone's front yard, contact Ben Headley or see the youth at the Lobby display.



## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Sunday

Worship Service—8 AM  
Bible School—9 AM  
Fellowship—10 AM  
Worship Service—10:30 AM  
Youth Meeting—6 PM

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Mark Wednesdays on your calendar and join us for dinner and fellowship. Dinners begin at 6 p.m. Bring a friend and take a night off from cooking.

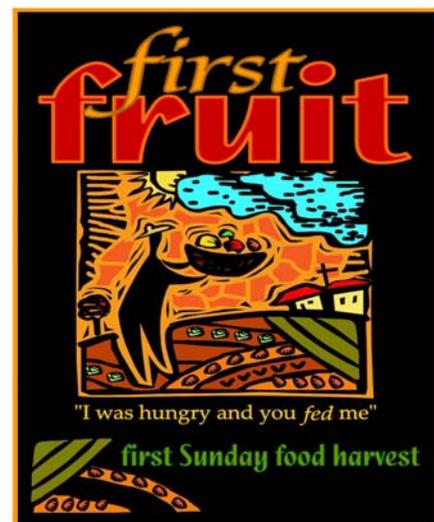
**April 9** Orange Chicken with Rice, Steamed Vegetables, Spring Rolls, Dessert, Tea & Punch.  
Cooks will be John and Sue Taylor.

**April 16** Penne Pasta, Salad, Bread Sticks, Dessert, Tea & Punch.  
Cooks will be Dan & Jane Duran.

**April 23** Chicken Casserole, Green Peas with Rosemary and Pine Nut Salad, Rolls, Dessert, Tea & Punch.  
Cooks will be Emily Moore & helpers.

**April 30** Teriyaki Chicken, Fried & White Rice, Wontons, Salad, Almond Cookies and Fortune Cookies, Tea & Punch.  
Cooks will be Pathira & Don Best, Katie Wu.

We will take a summer break on Peak after April!



### **First Fruit— First Sunday of the Month**

Bring your canned meats, fruits and Ensure on Sunday, as we support *Angels Acts of Kindness* in their ministry efforts to support families in need. Join us the first Sunday of each month in 2008 for this essential ministry to those in need. Thank you for giving.