

# FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

January 4, 2009

## Welcome!

We are glad you have come to worship with us at First Christian.

We desire to reach all people with the Good News of Jesus Christ and develop them into fully devoted followers of Him. Our Sunday ministries will provide opportunities for you and your family to worship and grow in your journey with God.

If you are a guest this morning please take a moment and fill out the Welcome Card attached to this worship bulletin. Just drop it in the offering plate or turn it in at the Welcome Center.

## Our Worship Today

### The Gathering

We gather today to worship God as His community, the church! Our songs, praises, and prayers are worship to Him. He delights in our thanksgiving through our giving, by sharing in community and hearing His Word.

### The Word

**Today's Message:** Essential Stones of the With God Life — *Balance*

### The Table

We follow Jesus' teaching to remember His sacrificial death on a cross for the sins of all people at the Lord's Table. We invite all believers to partake of the emblems of his body and blood as the trays are passed. (1 Corinthians 11)

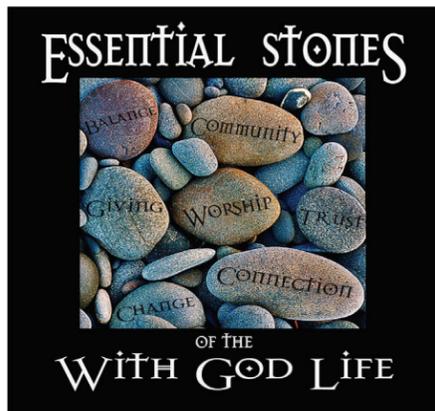
### The Sending

Each week we reflect on our experience with God. Many take this time to collect their thoughts on where they are with Him and where they want to be. Each of us are sent when we depart. Our life of worship continues when we leave the gathering of believers. (Romans 12)

Sometimes individuals desire prayer for a pressing need, pray for a renewed focus, or desire to receive Jesus' forgiveness and restoration through His free gift of salvation.

*Maybe He is calling you to Himself.*

If you desire to become a Christian, to rededicate your life to Christ, or desire to become a member of First Christian, then, we invite you to come forward at the end of the service to speak and pray with one of our Pastors.



## ESSENTIAL STONES OF THE WITH GOD LIFE

- Jan 4 Balance
- Jan 11 Trust
- Jan 18 Connection
- Jan 25 Change
- Feb 1 Community
- Feb 8 Giving
- Feb 15 Worship

## Today

◆ Decision Counselors: Peltier / Headley ◆ Shut-in-Communion: Gross

## Sunday Children's Ministries

- Nursery (Newborn to 24 months) 9:00—11:45 AM
- Sunday School (2 yrs old — 5th gr.) 9:00—10:00 AM
- BLAST Children's Worship (2yr—5th) 10:30—11:45 AM
- FUSION Lab (Jr/Sr High): 9:00—10:00 AM

## Sunday Adult Bible Studies Classes meet at 9:00 AM

- RM 100:** Hebrews (Art Cordova) **Library:** Women's Bible Study
- RM 101:** 10 Commandments (T. Harger) **RM 110:** James (Bud Cavin)
- RM 108:** The Book of Proverbs (T. Zeter) **RM 109:** The Book of Mark (Headley)
- LOWER LEVEL:** College (18-20+) Class (John Linn)

## Tonight

FUSION: Youth Ministry 6:00 PM

## 2009 Mexico Mission Trip Coming in August! Orientation Meeting Sunday, January 25th

It's not too early to start planning your summer! The Missions Ministry is planning a short-term mission trip to Cris Garcia's Bethshean Mission in Estancia de Animas, Mexico, during the first week of August 2009. We will be having an informational meeting on January 25th immediately following the 10:45 service. In the meantime, if you have any questions about Bethshean Mission or this trip, you can contact John Linn 828-2550 or Todd Zeter 237-1869.



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## FCC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Making Eternal Difference in the Lives of Children!

We are looking for people who love children and are willing to spend time with them in Children's Ministry. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! We will provide you with the resources and training you need to make an ETERNAL difference on your first day on the mission.

You can work with...preschool or elementary...9:00 AM or 10:45 AM...you can read a story...sing...ask some questions...help with a craft...be a guide...play a game...laugh...pray...talk...shout...be a mentor...whew!

Children's Ministry is easy, fun, about two hours a week (counting Sunday) and you will make an ETERNAL DIFFERENCE immediately.

Take the challenge! Give us an opportunity to answer your questions and tell you about what we do on Sunday mornings. You just may find out the eternal benefits God has in store for you!

Complete the Welcome Card below drop it off at the Welcome Center.

## 2009 Offering Envelopes

The 2009 Offering envelopes are available in the foyer. Please dispose of your GREEN 2008 envelopes in January.

## FACTS & FIGURES for December 28, 2008

Attendance: 274 General Fund: \$11,378.50 Weekly Budget Need: \$10,630

**DEADLINES:** News and Views deadline is the 15th of every month. Bulletin is Tuesday by Noon.

## Wednesday Night Dinners Begin on January 14th

Plan to join us this coming new year on Wednesday nights for dinner! Our first night will be January 14th at 6:00 P.M. Sign-ups for WND will begin January 4th.

Upcoming Menus:

- January 14 Baked chicken, seasoned potatoes, veggies, salad, dessert, drinks  
Cook: Melissa Keeling
- January 21 Lasagna, Broccoli Normandy, salad, breadsticks, dessert, drinks  
Cooks: Chuck & Rhoda Winters
- January 28 Swiss Chicken with rice, green beans, rolls, salad, dessert, drinks  
Cooks: Marvin & Maryann Pendergrass

If you are interested in planning and cooking a meal this season, please contact the church office. We would enjoy new cooks this season.

## Wednesday Night Dinner Kitchen Team Orientation Meeting, January 7th at 7:00 PM

Anyone who will be a part of the Kitchen Team (cooking, serving, cleaning, etc.) in 2009 are to be at the Orientation Meeting on January 7th at 7:00 PM in the Family Center.

Joey Wimmer, Regional Manager for Fuddruckers of Albuquerque, will be our guest trainer. Kitchen Team Coordinators Clara Mapstone and Jane Gregory will be providing general direction for this season.

If you are interested in cooking, serving, or cleaning, please plan to attend!

## Our Staff [staff@fccabq.org](mailto:staff@fccabq.org)

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**Church Office:** 294-0630

Mon-Thurs 9:00—5:00  
Fridays 9:00—1:00

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**Elders:** [elders@fccabq.org](mailto:elders@fccabq.org)

## PRAYER Hotline 857-PRAY

Have a prayer need? You can now call from anywhere and request prayer . . . 857-7729

Prayer Hotline calls are immediately sent to the Staff, Elders, and Prayer Team.

## Prayer & Pastoral Care Requests

Please share my requests with:

- Staff & Elders only.  Staff, Elders and Prayer Chain.  For Publication.

**Pastoral Care Requests:**

- I have an upcoming surgery at \_\_\_\_\_ hospital on (date) \_\_\_\_\_ (time) \_\_\_\_\_
- Please have my Shepherding Elder contact me.
- I would like to speak with a Minister.

## NEW SERVICE TIMES

Next Week January 11, 2009

9:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Our new service times will be **9:00 AM** and **10:45 AM** starting on January 11, 2009. Adult Bible Studies and Children's Ministries will be available at both hours. New adult class schedule listed below and we will be announcing new classes soon!

### Adult Bible Studies Beginning January 11th

9:00 AM

10:45 AM

|          |                           |         |          |                  |                                     |
|----------|---------------------------|---------|----------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Room 105 | Beyond Fusion             | Linn    | Room 100 | Truthseekers     | Cordova                             |
| Room 108 | New Life                  | Junker  | Room 101 | Evidence         | Harger                              |
| Room 109 | Joint Heirs               | Headley | Room 108 | New Life         | Zeter                               |
| Room 112 | 9 & 10 <sup>th</sup> Gr.  | Moore   | Room 110 | Bible Characters | Cavin<br>(Class begins at 10:15 AM) |
| Room 113 | Mid School                | Cross   | Library  | Ladies Class     | Peltier/Burns                       |
| Room 201 | 11 & 12 <sup>th</sup> Gr. | Headley |          |                  |                                     |

**NEW Classes** are coming this February and throughout the year for men, women, new and mature believers. Be watching for your opportunity to grow in His Word.

## NORMAL IS BROKE . . . BE WEIRD!

Financial Peace University

Preview Sundays, January 11 & 18

We will be having a preview of the Financial Peace University classes in the Chapel at 10:20 AM on Sunday, January 11th and 18th. What a great way to begin a new year by getting some "financial peace" by learning God's principles for personal finance. For more information, please contact Lindsay Parish at (505-228-0623).

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

### Welcome Card

January 4, 2009

Service Attended:  8:00AM  10:30AM

First Time Guest  Second  Other  Member

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt # \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home / Cell / Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### I am interested in:

Becoming a Christian  Membership  Speaking with a Minister

Knowing more about the Children's Ministry Team

Knowing more about the Mission Trip to Mexico

## Prayer Requests

### NEW or UPDATED PRAYER REQUESTS\*

*"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication  
with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Philippians 4:6*

Betty Born. Eric Gfellers mother. Getting weaker.  
John Boucher. Calm & peace for remainder of Christmas break.  
Roger Franco-Bruin. Chris Colson's step-brother / critical care / aneurism. family, wife & 3 kids.  
Derek. Gfellers Grandson. Treatment for behavior issues.  
Thomas Loftus. Safe travel and adjustment in England  
Anna Piercy. Passed away December 30  
Andy Tawney. Elizabeth Gross' brother. Heart attack in PA. Wife & 3 kids and extended family.  
Fred & Babs Tawney. Elizabeth Gross' parents. Worried about son. Unable to travel.  
Julian Wong. Pathira Best's girlfriend's 2-yr-old son. Recovering / heart valve surgery at home.  
Scott Berry, Jr. Health  
William Hill, Pat Hill's son. Bladder cancer. Improving.  
Lana, Friend of Patti Mulcahy. Recovering from hip replacement surgery.  
Patti Mulcahy, Praise. Blessing of answered prayer for family health.  
Mary Cavin. Health.  
Caitlyn Hill. Pat Hill's granddaughter. Prayers have helped. No epileptic seizures for 6 mo.  
William Hill. Pat Hill's son. Bladder cancer. Improving.  
Ingham Family. Kristi Headley's family as they grieve the death of Conrad.

### ONGOING REQUESTS

*"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thessalonians 5:17*

#### HEALTH & HEALING

May Livesay. Prayer for her vision  
Alice Lippard. Mary Tagert's sister. Health  
Hemtong. Pathira Best's dad. Stroke recovery  
Carol Driscoll. Health & healing. Obedience & strength.  
Theresa Salazar. For the sick and for sister to find job.  
Jennifer Bass. Pamela Caffery's Cousin. Kidney donor list.  
Dick Dudley. Tom Harger's Cousin. Waiting for heart transplant.  
Jewel Roach. Pamela Caffery's Mother. Leg pain and diagnosis.  
William Mattingly. Steve Asher's Brother. Heath & spiritual issues

Dick / Dot Stansbury. Medical issues.  
Carolyn Neuber. Recovering/surgery  
Dorothy Mills. Compression in back

#### FAMILY MATTERS

Patti Mulcahy. Work situation.  
Huff Family. Friends of Kellie Brandon. Family problems  
K. Smith. Sale of home.  
Tamara & Gary Rea. Marriage  
Kent, Khira, Chloe & Max Williams. Divorcing.  
Jayne Gregory. Prayers for good tenant to rent apartment. Job Search

#### PREGNANCY

Kaylee Hamilton  
Jessica Victor  
Rachel Dostal  
Jennifer Dean

#### CANCER *Pray for treatment, healing and family*

James Ward. (Past Minister at FCC) Prostate.  
Tom Lehman. Friend of Doreen Kurtz.  
Kim Morgan. Steve Asher's friend. Breast.  
George Demarse. Monica Battaile's Uncle.  
Dave Mills. Marcella Smith's brother. Lung / COPD.  
Kay Dixon. Tami Jackson's sister. Lung.  
Jeanine McDevitt. Carolyn Neuber's friend. Pancreatic.  
Darlene. Buck Brandon's Aunt. Liver cancer.  
Debbie Bowers. Wayne Myers' sister. Skin cancer on nose.  
Candida Kingston. Addie Mohoney's sister-in-law's granddaughter. Leukemia.

May Livesay's Co-worker  
Stan Coleman. Pendergrass' Friend.  
Cyril Misenko. Liver. Chemo/PT.  
William Hill. Pat Hill's Son. Bladder.  
Danny Morgan. Asher's friend  
Beth Morris. Cancer

#### MILITARY *Pray for their safety and families:*

\*Jayson Tennyson. Sara Driver's friend. Iraq.  
\*Ben Yarbrough. Sharon Burcham's brother. Navy.  
\*Sean Leonard. PHL. Second tour, safety, family.  
\*Tomecia. Debra Asher's Daughter. Iraq.  
\*Michael Trower. Antje Sandoval's brother. Afghanistan.  
\*Ryan Eckstrom. Sandra Eichenberg's nephew. In Iraq with Marines.  
\*Cindee Hibbits. Poortvliet's niece. Deployed to Afghanistan.

\*Jeanine Frazier. Iraq.  
\*Ryan Davis. Stills' Nephew. Iraq.  
\*John Keeling. Navy.

*"...we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word."  
Acts 6:4*

\*Requests will be removed from the prayer list every four weeks.  
You can update or renew requests as needed.

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