

Welcome!

We are glad you came to worship this morning. If you are a guest this morning would you 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

Our worship focuses on gathering to worship God through lifting our voices in song, praise, and prayer. We bring forth our thanksgiving from the fruit of our lips, being attentive to the reading of His Word and through our regular giving. We celebrate who He is and what He has done and continues to do in our lives.

The Offering

Each week we worship God by bringing an offering to Him from the first fruits of our labor. *“Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”* 2 Corinthians 9:7

The Word

Today we will be hearing the Word through the creative ministry of our Children’s Choir. They will present the musical *“Who Is Like the Lord?”*

The Table

Each week we remember what Jesus has done for us by worshipping 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 11:23-26

The Sending

Each week we reflect on what God has said to each of us in the worship experience. Maybe He is calling you to Himself. If you are ready 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 Ministers or Decision Counselors.



NEW Service Times Begin January 11, 2009

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 will be announced soon!

If you already have a preferred worship time, let us know by checking a time in the lower right hand corner of the Welcome Card. Thanks for letting us know and assisting us in making a smooth transition.

Today

◆Decision Counselors: Hamilton / Summers ◆Shut-in-Communion: Mowry

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 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 Sunday Bible Study
- RM 101:** That the World May Know (T. Harger) **RM 110:** James (Bud Cavin)
- RM 108:** The Book of Proverbs (T. Zeter) **RM 109:** The Book of Mark (T. Headley)
- LOWER LEVEL:** College (18-20+)Class (John Linn)

Tonight

- [Hand Bells Rehearsal](#) 3:15 PM
- Adult Choir Practice 4:30 PM
- FUSION: Youth Ministry 6:00 PM

This Week

- MONDAY 17**
Bible Study at the Cavin’s (821-1373) 7:00 PM
- TUESDAY 18**
[Ladies Bible Study: Bridges Book](#) 10:30 AM
[Financial Peace University](#) 6:30 PM
- WEDNESDAY 19**
[Through the Bible Study on Campus \(Cavin\)](#) 10:00 AM
WND: Wednesday Night Dinner 6:00 PM
[Dorcas Group](#) 6:45 PM
Adult Bible Study on campus (led by Randy Summers) James 7:00 PM
[FUSION Youth Group](#) 7:00 PM
- FRIDAY 21**
[Bible Study at the Cordova’s](#) (344-3110) 6:00 PM

Singspiration Sunday November 30th

The fifth Sunday *Singspiration* will be at the church in Belen. Come for a time of singing favorite hymns and dessert. For more information contact Bud & Mary Cavin (821-1373)

Coming Soon at FCC

- NO FUSION Youth Group Wednesday, November 26
- THANKSGIVING DAY Thursday, November 27
- Fifth Sunday *Singspiration* in Belen Sunday, November 30
- College Care Package Ministry Sunday, November 30
- Elder Prayer Service Sunday, November 30
- Book Club at Barnes & Noble Thursday, December 4
- Soup, Shop & Wrap Saturday, December 6
- Ladies Time-Out Potluck Tuesday, December 9

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Church Office: 294-0630

Mon-Thurs 9:00—5:00
Fridays 9:00—1:00

Prayer Needs:
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Pastoral Care Needs:
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Elders: elders@fccabq.org

FACTS & FIGURES for November 9, 2008

Attendance: 286 General Fund: \$7497.39 Weekly Budget Need: \$10,630

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

Christmas 2008

Sunday Worship

December 7
8 & 10:30 AM

Simple Idea

* FCC Choir & Praise Teams

Sunday Worship

December 14
8 & 10:30 AM

Simple Gift

* FCC Choir & Praise Teams

Sunday Evening

December 14
Christmas Cantata
6:00 PM

Festival of Carols

* FCC Choir & Hand Bells accompanied by Matthew Stewart and the *Enchantment Hand Bells*. Reception following.

Friday Evening

December 19
7:00 PM

Enchantment Hand Bells Christmas Concert

* *Enchantment Hand Bells* will present a wonderful bell concert with Christmas music from around the world.

Sunday Worship

December 21
8 & 10:30 AM

Simple Message

* FCC Choir & Praise Teams

Wednesday Evening

December 24
6:00 & 11:00 PM

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services



Getting Ready for the Season

Join Our Christmas Decoration Team

Help us get the church ready for the season by being a part of the Christmas Decoration Team. We will begin our decorating soon, so let us know soon if you would like to help. Please contact Tom Caffery tcaffery@fccabq.org or 294-0630 to get more information or sign-up on your Welcome Card.

Christmas Memorial Poinsettias

Poinsettias used in our Christmas décor will be available for purchase to memorialize or honor a loved one. Flowers will be \$10 and are available for pick up on Sunday, Dec.21st or the Christmas Eve services. You may sign-up on your Welcome Card or by noting “Poinsettias” on your check and placing it in the offering.

Ladies’ Shop, Soup, and Wrap — Saturday, December 6th

Have you started thinking about Christmas presents yet? There are only 27 more days until FCC’s annual *Shop, Soup and Wrap* so start making those lists and hitting the stores! *Shop, Soup and Wrap* is Saturday, Dec. 6th this year. Kick start your Christmas wrapping and reduce your holiday stress! Be watching the bulletin for more information!

If you would like to be involved in planning this event (making soup, decorating, donation wrapping supplies, etc.), please call Sharon Burcham at 505-270-5541.

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) _____
- I plan to attend the Elder’s Prayer Service on November 30 at 6:00 PM

**Operation Christmas Child
"the Power of a Simple Gift"**

Join our campaign partnering with Samaritan's Purse by collecting shoe boxes filled with gifts for children around the world. You can begin the process by taking one of the OCC brochures, gathering up your old shoe boxes, and begin filling them with the recommended items for a boy or a girl...or maybe you will decide to do both!



Please have your boxes back by Sunday, Nov 16.

**Thanksgiving Offering Next Week
November 23rd & 30th**

Prayerfully consider what your family can give as a thanks offering to God for how He has blessed you. You can give your offering throughout the month of November...please mark on your check "Thanksgiving Offering."

The offering will go to our Benevolence Fund and our Mission's Special Projects Fund. We desire to reach those in need within our congregation and with our missionaries abroad. Thanks in advance for your generosity.



Trek 101 Membership Class

Are you interested in becoming a member of First Christian? Do you desire to know more about a relationship with Jesus? We invite you to TREK 101 Membership Class. Join Pastor Tom December 7th at 9:10 am in the chapel. Sign-up up for the class on the Welcome Card or call the church office, 294-0630. We look forward to seeing you.

Sign-up Today for the December 7 & 14 Classes!

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.

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

Welcome Card November 16, 2008

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

I would like to sign-up for TREK 101 meeting on December 7 & 14

I want to help by being on the Christmas Décor Team

I would like purchase a Memorial Poinsettia 9:00 10:45

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

Pathira Best's Dad, Hemtong. Stroke 1 wk ago. Lost 60% agility. In rehab. Cause unknown.
Betty Born. Eric Gfellers mother. Blood clots & comfort
Carol Driscoll. Health & healing. Obedience & strength.
Gfellers. Move news, Derek
Mitchell Family. Prayer upon death of Mike's brother, David
Dick Stansbury. Total knee replacement 11/28
Julian Wong. Pathira Best's girlfriend's son. Waiting for heart surgery.
Peter Thome's Youngest Daughter & Family. Leave for Sudan Nov 15 for 2 yrs of missionary work. Pray for success and safety.

ONGOING REQUESTS

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thessalonians 5:17

FAMILY MATTERS

Jayne Gregory. Prayers for good tenant to rent apartment.
William Mattingly. Steve Asher's Brother.
Tamara & Gary Rea. Marriage
Jared Miller. Clear thought, peace & understanding
Kent, Khira, Chloe & Max Williams. Divorcing.
Janice Donalson. (quest). Francios to become Christian;
Caleigh to have long and healthy, happy life;
Rosemary to recover with no pain from her surgery.

HEALTH & HEALING

Jennifer Bass. Pamela Caffery's Cousin. Kidney failure. On donor list for 2 new kidneys.
Dick Dudley. Tom Harger's Cousin. Waiting for heart transplant.
Robert McNutt. Health issues
Jewel Roach. Pamela Caffery's Mother. Leg pain and diagnosis.
K. Smith. Sale of home.
Joyce Yasm. Health
May Livesay. Prayer for her vision
Carolyn Neuber. Recovering from leg surgery.
Dorothy Mills. Compression in her back
Dot Stansbury. Medical issues.
Gladys Wood. Recovering from fall.
Josh Michelbach. Salvation. Depression.
Betty Born. Eric Gfeller's grandmother. Blood clots.
Caitlyn Hill. Pat Hill's granddaughter. Epilepsy.

CANCER Pray for treatment, healing and family

James Ward. (Past Minister at FCC) Prostate.
Tom Lehman. Friend of Doreen Kurtz.
Danny Morgan. Asher's friend
Kim Morgan. Friend of Steve Asher. Breast.
George Demarse. Monica Battaile's Uncle.
Dave Mills. Marcella Smith's brother. Lung / COPD.
Jeanine McDevitt. Friend of Carolyn Neuber. Pancreatic.
Kay Dixon. Tami Jackson's sister. Lung. Family issues.
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.
Beth Morris. Cancer
Cyril Misenko. Liver. Chemo/PT.
William Hill. Pat Hill's Son. Bladder.

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.

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

MISSIONARIES

Bill Hoff in Honduras. Broken ribs, Hoff's son-in-law Tom in Phoenix with acute leukemia
Jul & Luz Castellano in Philippines. Nov. 13-15 evangelistic mtg. in a Muslim area

"...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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