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

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First Christian Church
Albuquerque, New Mexico

August 2007

Arsis Handbell Choir

Friday Evening August 10 7:30 p.m.

Hear the *Arsis Handbell Choir* on Friday, August 10th, at 7 PM. This group has toured nearly all over the world and released four CDs. The concert is open to the community, so invite your friends and neighbors. A free will offering will be taken.

FCC Praise Band Concert

Sunday Evening August 12 6:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy an evening of praise and worship with our very own FCC Praise Band. Invite family and friends to this fun worshipful event.

FCC Prayer Team

We are excited to announce that we beginning a Prayer Team Ministry. This team, led by Jane Duran, will be on the frontlines of prayer for our Church, Community, and the World. You will be invited to be a part of this Team and will be blessed by the upcoming prayer events planned to impact our families and community.



Children's Choir Forming

Sunday, August 19th, 5:45—7:15

Children ages 3yrs to 5th grade can be a part of a new Children's Choir at FCC. We will begin working on the children's musical "Race to Win." Practice begins on August 19th and we would like to see you there. For more information, or if you are interested in helping with musical, please contact Lisa Helm at 856-6162.

NEW! Ladies Sunday Bible Class
Beginning October 7th

Our FCC Ladies Sunday morning group is beginning a new series called "Extraordinary Women". This is a video driven study and each lesson is based on a different topic. We will publish the specific titles and topics later so you can choose the topics that fit your life or you can join us for all of them! Please call Vicki Burns for more information at 281-2793.



Wednesday Night Dinners
Starting September 5th

Mark Wednesdays on your calendar and join us for a dinner and fellowship! Dinners will begin at 6 p.m.

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Audio downloads of Sunday's sermons at www.fccabq.org

**Senior Saints Durango Trip
September 12-13**

The seniors of Valley Christian and First Christian Churches have set a date for a trip to Durango, Colorado, Sept. 12-13. We will be riding the Durango Silverton Rail train, catching some entertainment at the Bar D Chuckwagon and doing some shopping in the Durango stores. A block of rooms has already been set aside until Aug. 22nd. Anyone interested should call Dick Stansbury at 292-2550 for information.

College Care Ministry Forming for 2007-08

A group of individuals with a heart for caring for FCC college kids get together 6 times per year (3 times per semester) and bring goodies to pack in boxes for them. If you are interested in helping with this ministry this year, please contact Candice Summers, 453-8478. There is also time to turn in any new names of college students you would like to add to our ministry list.

**First Ladies Women's Ministry
Lock-In November 2**

First Ladies Women's Ministry is gearing up for fall. We have planned two events and want you to mark your calendars now! Nov. 2nd-Friday at 6:30 PM we are planning a Ladies Lock-In at the church. We will have pot luck dinner, movies, games and lots of laughs! Also, mark Dec. 8th-Sat. at 11:00 AM for our annual Shop, Soup and Wrap. You can Christmas shop, stop by the church for a hot soup lunch and wrap all your presents before you go home. Look for more details on these events later. Hope to see you there!

**Ladies' Tuesday Morning Bible Study
Beginning September 4th**

Tuesday morning Ladies' Bible Study will be starting up again on **Sept. 5th—10:30-11:45**. Philip Yancey's book, *What's So Amazing About Grace*, will be the topic of study. The group will meet at the church in room 101. If you would like to attend, please call Candice at the church office to reserve a book..

**Wedding Shower
Sunday, August 12 2 p.m.**

You are invited to a wedding shower held in the Family Center for James and Ivy Winters. Their wedding was held August 4th in Deming, New Mexico. The couple is registered at Target & WalMart.

**Pictorial Directory
Family Portraits**

If you have not signed up for pictures or missed the appointment, please call Olan Mills to schedule an appointment for Monday, August 20th. You can reach them at 800-866-2263.

Thanks Paul for 21 Years of Service!

Paul Eggleton, after 21 years of faithful employment, is stepping aside from his custodian position. His tenure has shown tremendous dedication to First Christian Church. He worked most of his time in the early morning hours so he then could take care of his family. Paul is an example of one who quietly and diligently went about his duties. We are truly grateful for his service and the support given to him by his wife Debbie and sons, Silas and Seth. We pray God's continual blessings on Paul as he continues his work in education. Thanks Paul!

BACK TO BASICS

God has blessed us with a good summer ministry season. The worship center facelift project was finished on schedule. *The Torch Is Passed* patriotic performance was first-rate. What a team effort by the choir, drama, instrumentalists and support crew! Many were blessed to experience the spirit and the energy of the *African Children's Choir*. Some were even privileged to host the children in our homes.

Vacation Bible School was another summer highlight. The children experienced a fun week of singing, learning activities and made a big impact in their missions giving towards a new hospital in Mexico.

The *Random Acts of Summer* message series has been enlightening hasn't it? Thanks to Bryan Burns, Ben Headley, Roy Barringer, Ben Cross and Adam Harger for helping us explore God's Word.

Our summer season closes with two musical events which are tremendous pathways for you to invite your friends and neighbors to come to church. We welcome *Arsis* a traveling hand bell group from Estonia on Friday evening, August 10th at 7 PM and an upbeat praise concert led by our own *FCC Worship Band* on Sunday, evening August 12th at 6:00 p.m.

So, summer is almost finished. The weather will be enjoyed for a while longer but for many in our church family it will be returning to the routine of getting up early, hitting the books, packing lunches and the like. Routine is good. Returning to basics is even better.

This upcoming fall season we desire to get back to the basics. We are going to emphasize some of the basics of discipleship, understand the heritage of our faith, and before Christmas break; all ages are going to get back into the routine of "God School."

I look forward to seeing all of us again together in worship!

Tom Caffery

AUGUST

BIRTHDAYS

2 - Karolin Little
 4 - Howard Shaver
 4 - Ashley Keeling
 6 - Lesley Miller
 6 - Ben Zeter
 6 - Christopher Wu
 8 - Chester Van Cleave
 8 - Cheryl Goettsche
 10 - Holly Colson
 12 - Jan Poortvliet
 15 - Shanna Snider-Sullins
 15 - Angel Dotson
 16 - Donna Hawkins
 16 - David Cooper
 17 - Jim Romero
 17 - Melissa Grant
 18 - Pat Loftus
 18 - Tony Kill
 18 - Matthew Stewart
 18 - Megan Wilcox
 19 - Joyce Yasm
 19 - Sally Driver
 20 - Joan Beddo
 20 - Erin O'Neil
 22 - Jayson Helm
 22 - Nancy Borkert
 22 - Don Best
 24 - Karen Snider
 25 - Eva Shaver
 26 - Mary Loeffel
 28 - Jarel Miller
 29 - Corbett Battaile
 30 - Vic Trujillo

ANNIVERSARIES

8 - Pat & Mitzi Loftus
 9 - Jim & Cherly Swart
 10 - Howard & Mary Lou Shaver
 10 - Jayson & Lisa Helm
 10 - Dave & Jan Poortvliet
 19 - Michael & Denise Stills
 19 - Roy & Wenonah Barringer

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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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