Quarterly Calendar

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October, November, December 2024
January 2025



First Christian Church

—— Disciples of Christ ——

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Sunday Worship Schedule

10:00 a.m. - Sunday School Classes 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service 4:00 p.m.- FCC Prayer Time 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Youth

Mondays & Wednesdays

8:30a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Children Come First

<u>Tuesdays</u>

6:30 a.m.-7 :15 a.m. FCC has a team serving breakfast at B.O.B.S. (<u>B</u>reakfast <u>On B</u>eech <u>S</u>t. Ministry)

3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. the ladies meet for CWF (Circle With Faith) meeting

<u>Wednesdavs</u>

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursdays

1st Thursday of each month at 6:15 a.m. the men meet at Denny's for breakfast. It's pay your own way 9:15 a.m. Coffee Time here at the church (except for the 1st Thursday)

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Groups that meet either Weekly or Monthly

FCC Disciples Men



meet for Breakfast at Denny's at 6:15AM on the <u>first Thursday</u> of every Month

It's Pay Your Own Way

FCC Disciples Women



Circle With Faith meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:00 PM here at the church and have a light meal & a program or sometimes at a restaurant



Youth Ministry

Youth 6th - 12th Grade

The YOUTH meet on Sunday Evenings @ 6:00pm - 7:30pm

here at the church for fun, Bible lesson, food and fellowship!

Coffee Time



every Thursday Morning at 9:15 am.

Except for the First Thursday of each
month. (when the men meet at 6:15am
to have breakfast at Denny's.) Join us

here at the church for a time of coffee and fellowship. All are invited!!



Full-time Part-time Drop-ins Monday & Wednesday 8:30-2:30

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN





"...honor those leaders who work so hard for you ..."

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 (The Message)

Pastor Appreciation Month!

During the month of October find your special way to say
THANK YOU to
Pastor Greg & Judy.



The first Sunday in October is also WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY.

It is an annual emphasis across Christendom, when churches mutually observe the Lord's Supper. We observe this meaningful expression of worship and devotion every Sunday. The three Disciples of Christ Churches in Abilene have decided to have an informal observance of communion together on October 6th at 3 pm at Red Bud Park. So, bring your lawn chairs

and find the group at the grassy area close to the prairie dog enclosure. We will be led in Music by our friends from Wylie Christian Church and led in worship by Brook Hollow Christian Church.

CANDY DONATIONS & TRUNKS NEEDED



FOR OUR COMMUNITY WIDE TRUNK OR TREAT In the church parking lot ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19th 4:00 - 6:00 PM (or until candy runs out)



Sign up sheet for Trunks and baskets for candy in the church foyer!



REGIONAL ASSEMBLY 2024

When: October 25-26, 2024

Where: First Christian Church Amarillo, TX
Theme: Faithful Steps Forward; 2 Cor 4:7-12

Worship Preachers: Rev. Terri Hord Owens & Rev. Stephen Cody

JOIN US FOR OUR COMMUNITY - WIDE



OCTOBER

SATURDAY

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4-6PM or until we run out of candy



JOIN US AT

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

in the church parking lot 5125 Antilley Road Abilene TX 79606



UPCOMING EVENTS IN





SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd

Daylight Saving Time Ends

SET CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR BEFORE BED SATURDAY NIGHT!



Disciples West (DoC)

Fall Youth Rally — November 1-3

Youth Grades 6th to 12th —sign up for the Fall Youth Rally at Lake Brownwood Christian Retreat

Cost is \$98 for 2 nights and 4 meals. Funds to be raised by Youth Group and Church to pay for rally

For more information Contact: Meghan Lackey - Youth Minister



COVERED DISH THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

following the 11:00am Worship Service
Join us as we gather and share a meal of Thanksgiving with our church family.

****We ask that you help by bringing one or more food dishes.

There will be a sign up sheet in the Church Foyer, Harvesters classroom and on the church bulletin board.

Thanks for helping make this a great fellowship!!!



Veterans Day Monday, November 11th

First Christian Church Offices will be Closed on Monday, November 11th BOARD
MEETING
MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 11th
5:30 PM

BUDGET 2024
Question and Answer
SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 24th
6:00 PM
Comments & Discussion
Desserts & Coffee

Bring your favorite dessert to share! This will be a time to ask questions about next year's Budget



The Thanksgiving Offering supports Disciples colleges, universities and theological institutions. Disciples have a long history of post-secondary and theological education. This offering provides a direct connection to 15 colleges and universities, 7 seminaries and theological programs. Gifts from this offering continue the Disciples tradition of developing leaders for our communities and the Church.

Thanksgiving Offering will be received on Sunday, November 17th & Sunday, November 24th, 2024.



In NOVEMBER

Sunday 24th — No Youth

Monday 25th & Wednesday 27th No Children Come First

Wednesday 27 & Thursday 28th Church Offices will be closed

UPCOMING EVENTS IN





SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024 First Sunday of Advent

10:00am - Christian Education Classes 11:00am - Hanging of the Greens Service

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, December 1, 2024



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1st

This meeting will be immediately following the 11:00am worship service. This meeting is to vote on the approval of the 2025 Budget and the congregants to fill new leadership roles. The individuals who have been nominated for leadership positions will be filling the important roles of Executive Board Members, Elders, Deacons and Trustee for 2025.



2nd Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 8th



3rd Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 15



4th Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 22



Christmas Eve Tuesday, December 24



Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve

6:00pm - Carols, Communion & Candlelight Service



The 2024 Christmas Special Offering supports regional ministries. In 31 regions across the United States and Canada, ministers are nurtured and congregations are provided opportunities for work and worship. Often recognized for the ministries of camps and conferences, regions also play a critical role in the preparation and authorization of ministerial ordination. Both are key to church leadership and development. Regions partner with congregations to support the work required to call a new minister.

Christmas Special Offering will be received on Sunday, December 15 & 22, 2024



Children's Christmas
Party and
Dress Rehearsal
Saturday, Dec. 14th

From the Staff at First Christian Church



January 19, 2025 — <u>All FCC Deacons & Elders</u> there will be a Deacons & Elders Committee Initial Meeting of the Year on <u>Sunday, January 19th at 5:00pm.</u>