



# First Christian Church

## Disciples of Christ

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2025 Reconciliation Ministry - Special Offering



*Beyond Brokenness - Building Beloved Community*

Sunday, September 28th - Sunday, October 5th



"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the is here!

All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he committed to us the message of reconciliation.

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.

We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God." 2 Corinthians 5:17-20

[www.reconciliationministry.org](http://www.reconciliationministry.org)

**BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPT. 29  
at 5:30 PM**

OCTOBER IS

Pastor

APPRECIATION  
MONTH



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

*Join us for  
**Staff Appreciation Sunday**  
October 19, 2025*

We will be recognizing our church  
staff/workers and their Awesome  
contribution! Pastor Greg



**FCC Disciples  
Men's Breakfast**  
**Thursday, October 2nd**  
**6:15 am**

The men will meet for breakfast  
& fellowship at  
**Denny's, 3314 South Clack St.**  
It's pay your own way!

**First Christian Church \* 5125 Antilley Rd.  
\*Abilene, TX**

**BLESSING OF  
THE ANIMALS**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4th  
@ 9:00 AM**

Bring your humans for an  
outdoor worship service  
thanking God for creation,  
creatures, and companionship.



World  
Communion  
Sunday



Join us on  
**Sunday, October 5, 2025**  
**World Communion Sunday**

World Communion Sunday is a day for breaking  
bread and building bridges across denominations.  
This special day encourages Christians worldwide  
to come together in unity and celebrate the shared  
ritual of communion. Regardless of where you are  
or how you worship, it's a reminder that there's  
more that unites us than divides us.

## Prayer Concerns

**Mike McDonald**, recovering surgery & pneumonia

**Steve Trest**, recovering from surgery

**Toni McDonald**, broke both feet, friend of Jackie Parker

**Gale Marden's brother, John** was in a motorcycle accident

**Gale Marden's family friend, Bobby** health issues

**Shannon Prew**, motorcycle accident

**Bowen Hamilton**, 22yrs old waiting for heart transplant, friend of the Campbells

**Maddie Christopher**, surgery recovery

**Darla Redger** – health concerns, cousin of Judy Morris

**Robert & Kay McCleskey** – health concerns, Kay has a fractured knee, Uncle & Aunt of Mel Herweck

**Ann Cornell** - health concerns

**John Boysen** - health concerns, prayer request from Jackie Parker

**Jane Milstead** - health concerns

**Dot Laurence** - health concerns

**Cruz Milstead** - medical problems, Great-Grandson of Jane Milstead

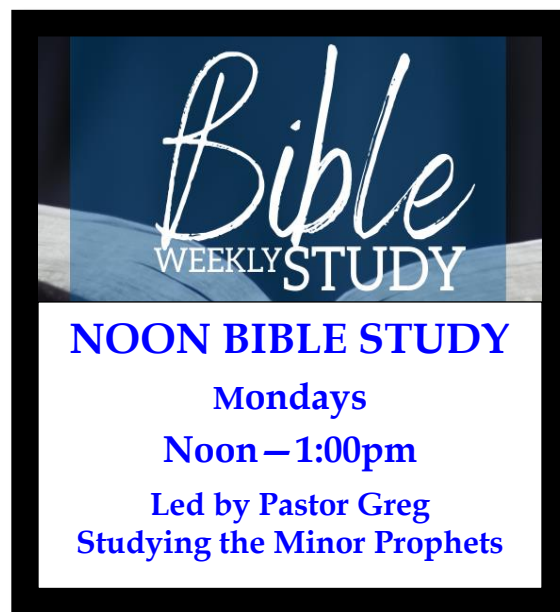
**Bob Milstead, Jr.** - health concerns, son of Jane Milstead

**Home-Centered Members & Friends**

**Our Military Families & Friends**

## First Christian Church Prayer Team

meets on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 p.m.  
here at the church. You are invited to come  
for a time of prayer for our church,  
church family & friends.



# TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 25, 2025, 4:00 – 6:00pm

## Community -Wide Trunk or Treat

Join us at  
**First Christian Church**  
5125 Antilley Rd \* Abilene, TX 79606

**Join us in the church parking lot for a  
family safe, friendly night of  
Trick or Treating!!!!**





## Community-Wide Trunk or Treat

**WE NEED help with  
CANDY & TRUNKS**

\*Containers for candy donations for the Trunk or Treat will be in the church foyer.

\*\*Sign up sheets will be in classrooms and in the foyer for those who can help with a trunk.

Thank you in advance for helping make this a fun Trunk or Treat for our Church Kids & Community Kids!!!

### First Christian Church – Abilene, TX

#### AUGUST 2025 – General Fund

(Budget vs. Actual Comparison)

<b>AUGUST 2025</b> General Budget Receipts	\$ 18,007.13
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<b>AUGUST 2025</b> Budget	\$ 23,110.51
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Budget Surplus/ <b>Shortfall</b>	\$ -5,103.38
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(Actual Receipts less Expenses)

Total <b>AUGUST 2025</b> Receipts	\$ 18,350.08
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(Includes CCF)

Total <b>AUGUST 2025</b> Disbursements	\$ 24,653.77
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(Includes CCF)

Net Gain/ <b>Loss</b>	\$ -6,303.69
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Year to Date Net Gain/ <b>Loss</b>	\$ -8,903.72
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**On WEDNESDAYS**

**Handbell Practice**

**6:00 pm**

**Choir Practice**

**7:00pm**



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## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday

8:30 am - Noon

1:00pm - 4:30 pm



## Sunday Worship Schedule

10:00 a.m. - Christian Education

Classes

11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

4:00 p.m. - FCC Prayer Time

6:00 p.m. - Youth

## Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### Our Mission

To Know Christ and To Make Christ Known



### Our Values

Serving • Growing • Caring • Connecting

## First Christian Church Staff

Rev. Greg Morris

Senior Pastor

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Youth Director

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**First Christian Church**  
**Youth 6th - 12th Grade**  
**Meet on Sunday Evenings**  
**6:00pm - 7:30pm**



## Children Come First

### Mother's Day Out Program

@ First Christian Church

5125 Antilley Rd.

**Mondays & Wednesdays**

**8:30am - 2:30pm**

For Ages - 3 months to 5 years old  
or till they start kindergarten  
(down the driveway from the church)