



First Christian Church

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ROOTED IN GRATITUDE
REACHING OUT IN FAITH
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Stewardship Emphasis (2026)

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Sunday, October 26, 2025
Commitment Sunday
Pledge Card Sunday

Pledge Cards will be available in the bulletins
on Sunday and in the back of the worship
center by the sound booth.

CANDY DONATIONS

We are still accepting candy donations for the



COMMUNITY WIDE TRUNK OR TREAT

THAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

4:00 – 6:00 PM (or until candy runs out)

Church Office will be open from 8:30-Noon or 1:00-4:30
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday to accept your
donations of candy!!



Please join us for our
Community-Wide

TRUNK OR TREAT!



First Christian Church * 5125 Antilley Rd

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

4:00PM 'TIL 6:00PM

or until run out of candy

Join us in the church
parking lot

CANDY! CANDY!
AND
CANDY!



ATTENTION: All those who are providing a trunk for TRUNK OR TREAT, we are asking that you please be here before 3:30pm to park and decorate your trunk. We need you ready to hand out candy by 4:00pm. Thanks!!

OCTOBER IS

Pastor

APPRECIATION
MONTH



During the month of October don't forget to find your special way to say **THANK YOU** to Pastor Greg & Judy.



On WEDNESDAYS

Handbell Practice

6:00 pm

Choir Practice

7:00pm

Prayer Concerns

Sarah Christopher & family

Dee Hamilton & family

Family of John Boysen, John passed away Oct. 16th

CMS/Retired Russ Higgins, friend of Allen

Daugherty, very ill

Suzanna Kennedy-Howard, recovery from surgery

Mike McDonald, health issues

Toni McDonald, health concerns, 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

Robert & Kay McCleskey – health issues, Uncle & Aunt of Mel Herweck

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



Dee Hamilton. Dee's son **Matthew Hamilton** passed away on Thursday, October 16, 2025.



Sarah Christopher. Sarah's mom **Kitty Petershagen** passed away on Monday, October 20, 2025.



COFFEE TIME

Every Thursday Morning
at 9:15 am.

Except for the First Thursday of each month. (That's when the men meet at 6:15am to have breakfast at Denny's.) Join us here at the church on Thursdays for a time of coffee and fellowship. All are invited!!

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.

NOON BIBLE STUDY

Mondays
Noon – 1:00pm
Led by Pastor Greg
Studying the Minor Prophets

Sunday, October 19, 2025
Pastor Appreciation & Staff Recognition Sunday



FCC Children's Department showing their appreciation by singing and giving Pastor Greg a picture that has all their names on it and Thank You for Lifting Us Up!



Children Come First Teachers – (left to right) Aileigh Wooten, Emily McFall, Sindi Whitworth, Hailey McFadden, Kristen Wooten
 (not pictured) Director of CCF -Sarah Christopher, Taylor Wofford & Maddie Christopher (CCF teachers)



Office Staff and Pastor Greg Morris, Lorry Spillman & Brenda Harris



Staff Members of FCC – (left to right) Kathy Arno -Pianist, Cindy Brown -Children's Director, Meghan Lackey -Youth Director, Ricky Barringer -Music Director, Angel Rodriguez -Outreach Ministry Assistant, Judy Morris -Sound Tech & Pastor's Wife, **Rev. Greg Morris, Pastor**

*Dear First Chistian Church,
 Thank You for your love, support and prayers each and every day! Thank You for the reception of goodies that were served after the service on Sunday, for each note of appreciation and gifts we received on Sunday. We love First Christian Church and what it stands for, as Our Mission says To Know Christ and To Make Christ Known. Love, The First Christian Church Staff*



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

CABINET MEETING

**MONDAY,
OCTOBER 27
at 5:30 PM**

Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting

**Sunday, November 2nd
@ 5:00pm**

Finance Committee Meeting

**Monday, November 3rd
@ 1:30pm**

COVERED DISH THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

following the 11:00am Worship Service.

Join us as we gather & share a meal of Thanksgiving with our church family.

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

There will be signup sheets in the Church Foyer, Sunday School classrooms for you to let us know what you can help bring for this meal. Thanks!!

First Christian Church –Abilene TX

General Fund

Monthly Budget Receipts

SEPTEMBER General Budget Receipts

\$ 29,361.25

SEPTEMBER Budget

\$ 26,064.68

Monthly Budget Surplus/Shortfall

\$ 3,296.57

YTD Budget Receipts

Total General Fund Receipts

\$ 236,560.34

Total Budgeted Receipts

\$ 234,582.13

YTD Budget Surplus/Shortfall

\$ 1,978.21

% of Budget Received

\$ 1.008%



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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

6:00 p.m. Handbells Practice

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

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REMINDER! If you receive 2026 calendars that you do not need, please know that FCC is collecting "extras!" As we did last year, we will take them to Houses for Healing, to be used by the residents or in the houses. Just bring your extras to the church office and put them in the box marked "Extra 2026 Calendars" Thank You!



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



**Children Come First
Mother's Day Out
@ First Christian Church
325-677-2186
Teaching the ABC's with Christ-Centered TLC**

Mondays & Wednesdays

8:30am - 2:30pm

For Ages - 3 months to 5 years old
or till they start kindergarten



Our Mission

To Know Christ and To Make Christ Known



Our Values

Serving • Growing • Caring • Connecting