

News



Views

July 6, 2011

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Wilmington, NC

Italics indicate non-FCC group

Sunday, July 10

8:45 am Turning Point
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4-5:30 pm K'Motion

Monday, July 11

12 pm Al Anon

Wednesday, July 13

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, July 14

1:30 pm Silver Bees
Youth Return from Gen. Assembly
6 pm Worship Band

Saturday, July 16

7 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Sunday, July 17

ASP Team Leaves
8:45 am Turning Point
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
12 pm General Board Mtg.

Recent Attendance

	8:45	11:00
7/3/11	81	85

2011 Summer Mission Trips



FCC Trip to General Assembly in Nashville, TN, July 8-14

Please pray for our FCC youth traveling with youth from Raleigh, as well as our voting delegates as they all go to Nashville for the General Assembly.

Youth

Erin Bullock Lauren Perry
Zach Dean Tena Perry
Andy Heath Lance Perry
Kenny Morris III

Voting Delegates

Matt Archibald
Beth May
Jeannie May
John May
Maggie May



Appalachia Service Project Trip to Washington County, TN, July 17-23

Alan Anderson	Chris Furr	Collin Whitehead
Garrett Anderson	Ralph George	Chris Wrede
Jill Campbell	Ailsa Guardiola González	

Appalachia Service Project's (ASP) goal is to make homes warmer, safer and drier for families in need. FCC teams have participated in meeting this goal for over fifteen years, each year sending volunteers to repair and rebuild homes. However, ASP is more than a home repair program. Our volunteers have learned over the years that the experience also provides the opportunity to build relationships with families served, volunteers from other parts of the country, and staff. These relationships bring down cultural, social and economic barriers and enable those involved to encounter God through the work and in relationships.

Notices and Reminders

Worship focus for Sunday is *Promise and Deliverance: Passover*, Exodus 13:3-10.



Lectionary Readings to use in your daily practice of prayer and scripture.

Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112
Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23.

Pray for Our Missionaries



Bruce Van Voorhis serving in Hong Kong.



Special Guests on July 24

On Sunday, July 24, the **Cape Fear Chordsmen** will bring special music in our Traditional worship service. Special thanks to Charlie Prickitt who sings with them and has made this possible. Plan to be here for this special time of worship and music!

July Sermon Series: Celebrating God

During the month of July our focus is growth in understanding the Bible. Our sermon series will explore the biblical concept of celebrating God, centering on the notion of Sabbath and the feasts of the ancient Hebrew people.

July 10

Promise and Deliverance: Passover

July 17

Remember Jesus Often: Lord's Supper

July 24

Celebrating Messiah: Feast of Booths

July 31

Celebrating God Forever: Feast of Weeks

A Word from Lance, cont'd

In a day when the idea of big conventions may carry baggage of irrelevance, our General Assemblies are just the opposite. There is something unifying about worshipping with thousands of Christians from all across the world, hearing different languages and even singing in different languages. It makes one think of that early story from the book of Acts where God's spirit moved among the gathered disciples. There is something just right about God's people doing local mission while gathering for worship and the work of the church. How can we go wrong when hundreds of young people get to come together for worship, mission, and fun under the common purpose of knowing God's love in Christ? You would be amazed at the many practical learning tracks that will be available for all who come.

This year the General Assembly worship services will be shown "live" on the Internet. Below are the links and the times in case you want to be a part via live streaming. Copies of the resolutions addressed in the business sessions are also available on the table outside the parlor for you. Please be in prayer for our church as we gather in Nashville to listen to one another and to God as we worship and learn.

Links: <http://bit.ly/ga11live>
[facebook.com/christianchurchdoc](https://www.facebook.com/christianchurchdoc)
www.livestream.com/christianchurchdoc

Please note: All events are in Central Time.

Opening Worship: Sat., July 9, 7:30 pm
Healing Service: Sun., July 10, 8:30 am
State of the Church: Sun., July 10, 2:30 pm
"Sing It" Concert: Sun., July 10, 7 pm
Emergent Worship: Mon., July 11, 7:30 pm
Commissioning Worship: Wed., July 13, 7:30 pm

Who, what, where, when?



Ann Luhmann joined FCC on Sunday, July 3, 2011, by transfer of membership. **Welcome to our church family, Ann!**

Awake To Your Purpose NC Disciples Women's Ministries/Christian Women's Fellowship Retreat

All women are invited to the DWM/CWF fall retreat, "Awake to Your Purpose," at Christmount on August 12-17, 2011. Imagine joining Disciples women from across the state in prayer, study and fellowship. Imagine being led by an intergenerational team of keynoters: Rev. JoAnne Verburg (Pastor of Covenant Christian Church, Cary, North Carolina), Allison Lundblad (college student from First Christian Church, Asheville, North Carolina), and Joann Williams (lay leader, Mr. Pleasant Chrstian Church, Greensboro, North Carolina). Imagine the beauty of the North Carolina mountains.

A Day Apart

Disciples women will continue to focus on the theme, "Awake to Your Purpose," at Camp Caroline on August 27, 2011, with keynoter Rev. Jolin McElroy, pastor of First Christian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina. Women have the option of sleeping over Friday night and being led in fellowship, fun and vespers by Rev. Dr. Penny Ziemer and Ethel Ragland.

**For more information on either event,
please contact Rev. González.**



Summer Children's Ministries

K'Motion

The children at FCC will continue meeting the second Sunday of the month for K'Motion this summer. K'Motion is for children Kindergarten through those who have completed fifth grade.

Wonderful Wednesdays

They are also invited to join in our Wonderful Wednesdays activities. Wonderful Wednesdays are four mid-week opportunities to get together with our FCC friends for fun this summer. The tentative schedule is:

- July 13: Bowling
- July 27: Movie at Mayfaire
- August 17: Activity with Interfaith guests

Wonderful Wednesdays are also open to pre-school aged children who are accompanied by an adult. Thank you, Maggie May, for helping us coordinate our Wonderful Wednesdays!

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is August 1-5 for children three years old through those who have completed fifth grade. We are already taking registrations through our webpage, www.fccilm.org.

Dear Members,

Thank you so much for my sweat-shirt. I can't wait to wear it next year. I am ready to get started with school and the Marching Pirates and I look forward to coming back to visit. Thanks again for thinking of me.

Andrew Heath

More who, what, where, when?

Safe Church Annual Orientation **for All Volunteers**

First Christian Church's Safe Church Policy requires **every trained volunteer** to sign a disclosure form and attend an orientation session **each year** in order to continue serving in ministries involving minors. The orientation is a brief process aimed to remind volunteers of procedures and the requirements for dealing with minors. Volunteers will also be asked to sign the annual disclosure form during orientation. (Forms will be handed out during orientation or can be accessed on the church's webpage, www.fccwilmington.com.)

If you were trained any time between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2011 we need for you to participate in the annual orientation. Please mark your calendar so you may attend one of the scheduled sessions, which will be held in the Fellowship Hall:

Sunday, August 7 at 9:30am.

Sunday, August 14 at **9:45am**

Sunday, August 21 at 9:30am

Sunday, August 28 at **9:45am**

Safe Church Training

Mark your calendar for the next Safe Church training on August 28 from 3-5pm. Our church policy requires training for everyone volunteering in ministries in which children or youth 18 years of age and under are present. This includes volunteers for Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, Interfaith Hospitality, youth retreats, and mission trips with youth participants. Please call the church office by to sign up.



Bring **canned corn** in July for the Food Pantry.

Put it in the Little Red Wagon.

Please do not bring items that have expired or are close to their expiration date. Thank you.

Prayer Concerns

Long Term Health Care Concerns

Helen Dunn, Rosa Gaylord, Foye Marshburn,
Betty Nash, Betty Snook, Jeanette Wolfe

Our Sympathy To

- Teresa Bullock and family upon the death of her grandmother, Lois Brown
- Kathy New and her family upon the death of her mother, Aileen Harris
- Margaret Jarman and her family upon the death of her brother-in-law, Roy Miller

Church Family

- Lucille Allen, recovering at home after hospitalization
- LaNell Burn, facing outpatient vocal cord surgery on July 20
- Ellie Duckett, participating in a clinical trial
- Allan Huband, recovering from effects of radiation treatments
- Jim Lee, undergoing treatment and tests
- Midshipman Grant Morine, on naval exercises in the Far East until July
- Susan Watson, recovering at home from knee replacement surgery
- Diana Wierse, recovering from a second surgical procedure on her knee

Friends and Family

- Tami Estep, Jane & Ellie Duckett's granddaughter/niece, breast cancer
- Luis Guardiola, Rev. González' cousin, deployed to Afghanistan
- Linda Maynard, Tammy Connell's mother, recovering at home from complications with pancreatitis
- Jane Rogers and family upon the recent death of her husband, Terry Rogers
- Callie Watkins, Mable Cooke's sister, hospitalized in Raleigh due to a stroke
- Community of Puente Azul, El Salvador
- People of Haiti, Chile, Japan, tornado &

Serving July 10

11:00 Communion Table Prayers

Charles Vaughan, Mike Morris

Home-Bound Communion: Sue Morris,
Chris Furr, Mike Brown

Deacons

Matt Archibald, Julie Furr, Faye Hodges,
Charles Manning, Bryan & Courtney Young
Hickman

Communion Prep

Julie Furr, Sue & Thomas Hunley

Children Worship & Wonder

Jul 10 Jamie Wrede & Lauren Perry

Jul 17 Bridgette Johnson & Chris Wrede

Turning Point Kids

Jul 10 Millie Griffin & Chris Wrede

Jul 17 Bill & Linda Reinger

Minister On-Call Schedule

Jul 8-9 Rev. González 395-5594

Jul 15-16 Dr. Perry 200-9507

Greeters

8:45 Jul 10 Ralph George & Sam Rose

Jul 17 Lauren Perry & Kenny Morris III

11:00 Jul 10 Trudē Rennick

Jul 17 Nancy Manning

Lay Reader

Jul 10 Barry Jordan

Jul 17 Kathy Jordan

Sunday Door Lock-up

Jul 10 Alan & Barbara Anderson

Jul 17 Barry & Kathy Jordan

Budget Update

Budget through **6/30/11** \$397,592.00

Income 371,668.23

Income Short of Budget \$25,923.77

Budget through **7/3/11** \$6,851.79

Income 5,740.78

Income Short of Budget \$1,111.01

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A Word From Lance

This week 13 people from our church will be traveling to Nashville, Tennessee, for the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada. As of the year 2008, there were 679,563 members in 3,714 congregations in North America. Now about 210 years old, we Disciples of Christ have been getting together for worship, mission, and church organizational needs since 1849. We called it the annual General Convention from 1849-1915. In 1917, we continued to meet annually but met as International Conventions and they continued until 1967. Since 1969, we have been meeting every two years for General Assemblies. The Assembly theme this year is "Tell It." Over the weekend we will hear many stories told of God's work among us as Disciples of Christ.

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