# The Messenger



April 26, 2017



Presents the Music of Benjamin Harlan

Lord, When We Praise You with Glorious Music

Sunday, April 30, 2017 at 9:00am

FCCG is pleased to present the music of Benjamin Harlan this Sunday, April 30, during the 9am worship service. This program is part of a concert series funded by and in memory of long-time FCCG members *Harold and Marth Rusk*, to continue their love of art and music and bring special, sacred music to FCCG.

Be present for a morning of beautiful music glorifying the Lord. Invite others to come for this special program.

After the program, there will be a reception in Fellowship Hall and a meet and greet with Benjamin Harlan.





WEEK OF COMPASSION is the relief, refugee and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada. They seek to equip and empower disciples to alleviate the suffering of others through disaster response, humanitarian aid, sustainable development and the promotion of mission opportunities.

#### FCCG OUTREACH EMPHASIS will kick off during

WEEK OF COMPASSION on May 7th with special speakers during morning worship—Ryan Thomas, Community Education Coordinator, and Sheyla Camacho, Community Educator, both at *Hope's Door New Beginning Center*, one of Texas' largest domestic and family violence agencies. FCCGs Larry Ross will speak on May 14th, and Don Smith will speak on May 21st.

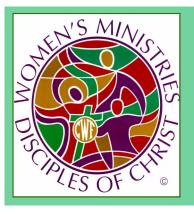
# FCCG YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES

# Regular Youth Group Meetings

Sunday, April 30th and Sunday, May 7th 5-7pm



If you have a **2017 graduating high school senior** in your family, please notify Stephanie Gordon at 214.673.9059.



FCCG DWM LUNCH AND INSTALLATION OF 2017-2018 OFFICERS

May 6, 2017 at 10am in Fellowship Hall

Please bring a salad to share!



Families and Professionals

MARRIAGE RETREAT
June 2-4, 2017
(new date)



Faithfully caring for generations

Juliette Fowler Communities is thrilled to announce that the congregations of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) have been selected to receive the 2017 Erika McKenzie Volunteer Award at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Visionary Women Luncheon on Friday, May 12, 2017 at the Omni Dallas Hotel. The Rev. Dr. Sharon E. Watkins, General Minister and President of the

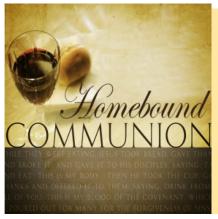
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of the United States and Canada will receive the award on behalf of the churches.

For 125 years, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has embraced Juliette Fowler Communities providing care, support and love for children and aged adults. Fowler's care ministries help children and older adults realize the maximum of their potential as human beings created in the image of God. The support of Disciples throughout the Southwest and Great River Regions has ensured that those we serve experience a fullness of life as God intends.

Thank you for sharing the deeply sympathetic nature of Juliette Fowler and for being as she was - a sharer of the joys and griefs of others.

For tickets to the Visionary Women Luncheon, please contact Coleman Rabourn at 214/515-1342 or visit <a href="https://www.fowlercommunities.org">www.fowlercommunities.org</a>.





#### HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

Served on the first Sunday of each month by an Elder.

If you would like to be served, please contact the church office.

## Buy A Brick

Contact Kathleen Yant; <a href="mailto:kyant1@aol.com">kyant1@aol.com</a>; 972.496.0534

or

Eva McKannan; patevamck@verizon.net; 972.414.1737



### ALL CHURCH FAMILY MISSION TRIP

July 26-29, 2017 (Wednesday—Saturday)



- o We will be going to Fort Worth, TX and staying at Ridglea Christian Church to work with Connect FW. We arrive Wednesday evening, work Thursday, Friday, Saturday and return home Saturday evening.
- o All ages are welcome to attend. All children/youth under 18 years must have an adult or adult sponsor attend with them.
- o Costs will be about \$150/person. Scholarships available. Don't let money be a reason for not participating!
- o Connect FW "empowers people to put faith into action in ways that are relational, sustainable and dignity-giving through justice and service". We will be working to connect with, serve and learn more about children experiencing poverty in Fort Worth. Time will be spent serving, learning from experts (both experts in the field and people who are deeply invested in the lives of these kids and the neighborhood), praying, and dreaming about how we can continue to live out faith in action after this trip.
- o Talk to Rev. Casey if you are interested in attending or helping out.



#### **CHRISTIAN SENIOR HELPERS**

Looking for volunteers for Saturday, May 6.

Rumble in the Jungle: an overgrown backyard needs our help. If you can operate a chain saw, weed-eater, move limbs or pass out water, we need you.

Please contact Don Smith 214-535-6004 for more details or to sign-up.



Mark your calendars for 2017 VBS

June 18th—June 22nd

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### **Circle of Fellowship**

Martha Ferrell
Tricia Harrison
Les & Sondra Perry

Fishers of Families

Jaletta Cooley
Gail Greene

#### **Hands of Faith**

Denny Lee

Don McKenzie

#### **Shepherds**

Pat Spradley

#### The Grapevine

Joyce Witt Boyd Bettye Davenport



# North Texas Area Assembly

Sunday, May 6th, 3pm at FCC Plano

Guest Preacher: Rev. Hector Velazquez

#### CHANCEL CHOIR

Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7pm. Contact Stan McGill for more information.



Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 6:30pm.

Contact Virginia McBee for more information.

# DISCIPLES MEN's 70th Tri-Area Men's Retreat

at Disciples Crossing in Athens, TX May 19-May 21, 2017

Registration forms in the church office.





#### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

(4 yrs-3rd grade)

Rehearsals on Sunday evenings, 5:30pm-6:30pm. Contact Tammy Holcomb.



#### YOUTH CHOIR

(3rd grade and up)

Rehearsals on Sunday evenings, 4:00-5:00pm. Contact Judy Grasham.

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