

The Messenger

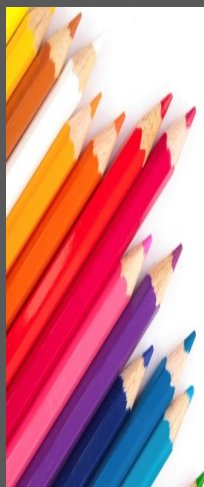


August 8, 2018

ALL IN *for* FALL KICKOFF



**SUNDAY,
AUGUST 12, 2018**
YOUTH MISSION SUNDAY



Backpack
Blessing

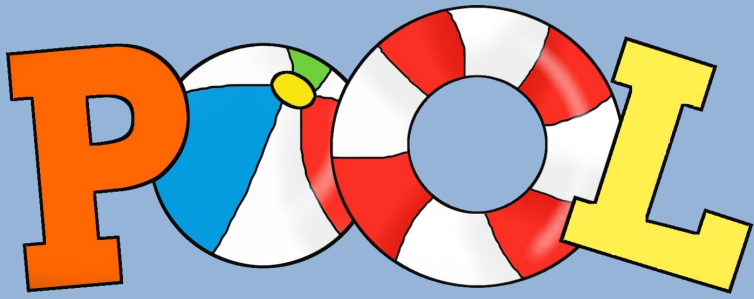
SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 2018
Children and Youth
Recognition Sunday
*Children and Youth to bring
Backpacks or Lunch Boxes to worship
to be blessed!*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2018

**CHILDREN & YOUTH
TEACHER AND SPONSOR RECOGNITION**



Children & Youth



Youth Group
Pool Parties

August 15th, 6-8pm

JYF (3-5th grade) at the Prestenberg Home
Chi-Rho and CYF (6th-12th grade) at the Dodd Home

Looking for something to do?



FALL

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

begin Sunday, Aug 26th,
5-7pm at the church

CHILDREN'S

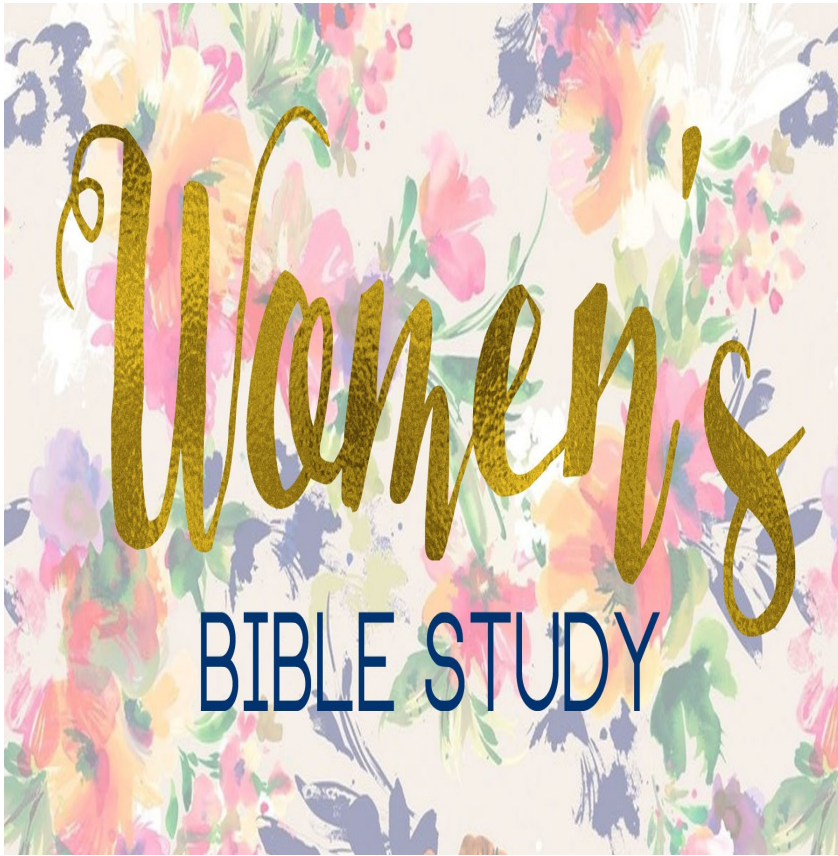
Activities

Kindergarten-5th grade

Starts Sunday,
September 9; 4pm

Contact Sheri Dacon

Families & Professionals News



Families & Professionals WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Meets each Wednesday, 6:30pm
at Rev. Casey's home —
3419 Tulip Lane, Rowlett 75089.
Sheri Dacon and Rev. Casey will lead
this summer Women's Bible Study.
Snacks and drinks provided. Feel free
to bring additional
food/dinner.

*Two Classes Remaining—Aug 8 and
Aug 15*

Fusion DINNER CHURCH

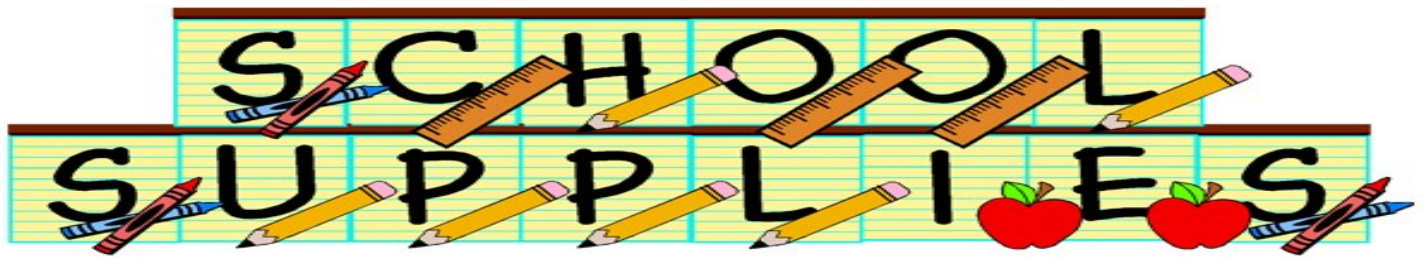
Saturday, August 18th, 6:30-10:00pm. We will gather at the church for lively discussion centered around a delicious meal. Following the example of the early church, we share our lives and faith around filled tables, celebrating Jesus' presence among us and growing in our faith with one another. RSVP to Rev. Casey Tanguay.
(childcare available)

*There is a place for you
at our table . . .*



Fusion: a merging of spirituality into
real everyday life

*Fusion is a ministry created for Families &
Professionals, but all ages are welcome
to join us.*



DONATIONS NEEDED

Our sponsor school, **Shorehaven Elementary**, is in need of specific **school supplies**—Back packs (generic) **serious need for dry erase markers** (black and various colors), **composition books, glue and plastic pencil boxes**. Wipes, Kleenex, gallon and quart size zip lock baggies.

And, there is a new opportunity for giving—**iKandy Foundation**: accepting all types of school supplies.

For more info, visit iKandy's website: www.ikandyfoundation.com

The iKandy Foundation's mission is to provide empowerment, resources and leadership opportunities to our next generation of leaders, from all walks of life to believe, to achieve and to succeed.

DONATION BOX IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED . . .

At our sponsor school, Shorehaven Elementary.

Volunteer work consists of assisting the administrators and teachers in the office and classrooms. Contact Sharon Campbell if you can volunteer.

At iKandy for Backpack and School Supply Giveaway Event. Saturday, August 18th, 11am-1pm at First Presbyterian Church Garland. Contact Rev. Casey if you are interested in volunteering.



KUDOS to our VBS kids for collecting a **\$604.12** offering during VBS for Shorehaven Elementary!

FCCG Home Group News

Bettye Davenport

Personal Story

I was the oldest of 3 children, born July 29, 1928 in Rockwall, Texas. I lived on my grandparents' farm for the first part of my life. Then we moved to Dallas. We were all born in our parents' home. We moved often, first living in Italy, Texas for my dad's work at Texas Fish Hatcheries. We moved to Jasper, San Angelo, then to Wichita Falls. I was 16 when I graduated from high school and moved out of my parents' home. I graduated from North Texas Agriculture College and worked at Southwestern Bell in downtown Dallas in the directory office. Soon afterwards I met my husband, William Davenport after a friend introduced us. We met in May, 1947 and married in November, 1947. We lived in Dallas until 1952 when we had our first and only child, Gary Wayne Davenport. We moved to Garland in 1952. My husband began working for Motor Rebuilders and I went back to work part-time. My son was in the 5th grade when I went to work for Liberty Mutual as a secretary in the Policy department. William went to work for Safeway in the warehouse, where he retired from. I still have fond memories of every July taking our family vacations to Colorado or Arkansas, where we spent our time relaxing in cabins on the lake.



Church Activities

We joined FCCG in 1952. I had previously belonged to a Methodist Church in Oak Cliff and my husband was a Church of Christ member. A friend asked us to visit FCCG. After a year of attending services, we joined as a family. Our family was baptized together by Pastor Ed Mace. William, known as Willy, was a Deacon and did many visitations. He sat overnight many times at Williams Funeral Home with deceased church members. I was active in Disciples Women's, which I enjoyed very much. Every year we had a Mother/Daughter banquet that I enjoyed being asked to sing for. I also sang Soprano in the choir and played violin at many services. My husband and I worked in the youth program with the middle-aged school group every Sunday night.

Present

I have a beautiful granddaughter named Christina, who has been a great joy in my life. She came into my life just 6 months after my husband died. Christina will be leaving in 2 weeks for the University of Missouri. My hope for the future is to have better health and be able to interact more with Life. Somedays can be a struggle, because I miss my church friends. I have not been able to drive for the past year and I miss the freedom of being able to come and go to church. I very much enjoy any contact I have with the church members, and I especially miss my Ruth Mix class.



August 18

Wes Ferrell

DWM News

DWM Kick-Off Luncheon

11am, Saturday, August 18th at
Siciliano's – A Taste of Italy (Garland)



Photos from the Ice Cream Social and Line Dancing Event

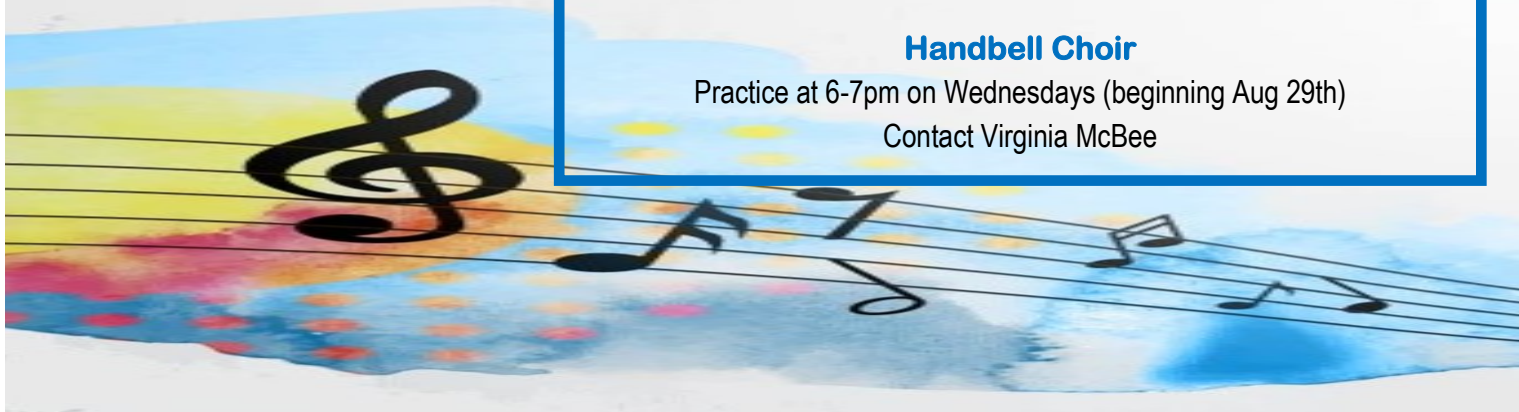


Saturday, Sep 1st, 8:30-10:30am

Faith, Food, Fellowship

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Music at FCCG



Chancel Choir

Practice at 7-8pm on Wednesdays (beginning Sep 5th)
Contact Stan McGill

Handbell Choir

Practice at 6-7pm on Wednesdays (beginning Aug 29th)
Contact Virginia McBee

Dear Church Member,

This year, First Christian Church Garland will be celebrating its 143rd anniversary. As it is with many things that endure the test of time, there is great beauty to protect and preserve, along with a host of things to replace, repair or refurbish. Over the past several months, great strides have been made to beautify the church, both inside and out, due in large part to the time, talent and generosity of church members. However, there are still areas needing critical attention. To this end, we are apprising you of those needs in the form of a **Wish List Campaign**. If you would like to contribute to the following projects, any and all donations will be appreciated.

The most **URGENT** needs are:

Air Conditioning: We need to replace older units with new units rather than continuing to make costly repairs.

Roof: We are investigating the possibility of installing a pitched roof over the existing flat roof to prevent leaks caused by standing water.

Fire Detection & Safety: It is imperative the church has the appropriate fire detection and safety equipment and can pass fire code.

Less urgent needs are:

Flooring: The carpet along the 2nd floor and the 1st floor (north side of the Sanctuary) hallways as well as in Room 201 and the Robe Rooms needs to be replaced.

New Pew Cushions: Many of the 71 pew cushions are worn and have become stained over the years.

Update to the Youth Wing: The furniture and décor in the Youth Wing is in need of a serious facelift to attract young members.

The Wish List Campaign sprang from the generosity of church members expressing an interest in providing financial assistance to support our church's greatest building needs. Because we believe that many others may also wish to support these needs, the Wish List Campaign was created. If you feel you are blessed with a beautiful building in which to worship or where you have worshipped and would like to see it maintained for the enjoyment of future generations, please consider making a donation to the Wish List Campaign. You may mail a contribution directly to Clopton & Company, LLC, ATTN: Stacey Garretson, 610 Main Street, Garland, TX 75040. If you would like to make a gift with shares of stock, there has been an account established for this type of transaction. Please contact Senior Trustee, John Harrison at 972-533-0069 or via email werfamuly99@aol.com for information regarding a stock sale.

While your support to the Campaign will be greatly appreciated, please remember that your gift should be in addition to your usual giving to the church's General Fund.

In the 8th chapter of 1 Kings, David's son, Solomon, presides over the dedication of Israel's first Temple. In his prayer of dedication, King Solomon is grateful to God for all the sacred occasions of life that will be celebrated in the Temple—worship and blessings, comings and goings. When he is finished praying, God responds: *"I have heard your prayer . . . I have consecrated this house that you have built and put my name there forever."* (1 Kings 9:3) Like Solomon, we too pray with gratitude to God for all the sacred occasions that have been and ever will be celebrated in our "House of God." As such, we give with gladness to keep this place in good repair because we know that God has also "put his name here," now and for all generations to come.



Thank you for your generosity,
The Wish List Campaign Committee



Circle of Fellowship

Wes Ferrell
Bill Fowler

Fishers of Families

Olis Lewis

God's Messengers

Pat Spradley

Hands of Faith

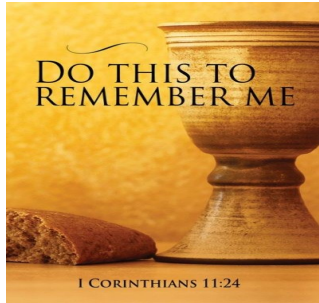
David Worden

Shepherds

Debbie Fetzer
John Harrison

The Grapevine

Carroll Barnes
Joyce Witt Boyd



HOME GROUP 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;
kyant1@aol.com;
972.496.0534 or Eva McKannan;
patevamck@verizon.net; 972.414.1737



THANK YOU to my dear FCC family for your cards, calls, visits, meals, and prayers during my recent hip replacement surgery and ongoing recovery. Your thoughtfulness and encouragement mean the world to me. I look forward to seeing you on a regular basis soon. God bless each of you.

Love, *Debbie Fetzer*

Dear FCC Garland,

I just want to say THANK YOU for choosing me as a recipient of our music scholarship this year. It means so much to me. It'll cover some college expenses! I also want to thank you for welcoming me and my Mom with open arms. It was an honor to perform for y'all. I just wanted to write y'all this to show my gratitude. God Bless Y'all.

Sincerely, **Bob Rowe**



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