

The Messenger

October 31, 2018



MOMENT'S REFLECTION

"To all the saints who are in {Garland} and are faithful in Christ Jesus." -Ephesians 1:1



Casey, David and I want to thank you for the flowers you gave in our honor this past Sunday (October 28). The relationship between a church and its pastors is like no other. In walking the journey of faith together, we share sickness and health, times of richness and poverty, myriad occasions that are both better and worse. As in any covenantal relationship the passage of time tends to make the extraordinary, ordinary. We take for granted the relationships, the community, that mean the most of to us. Sometimes, its good to say what we generally assume: that we have regard, appreciate and love one another.

Paul once admonished his parishioners at the Christian Church in Rome. "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." In the church, we tend to excel at

being with each other in times of sorrow, sadness and loss. We sometimes overlook the opportunities to rejoice in and with one another.

We confess. We nearly overlooked your kindness. In our concern to preside over Sunday worship, we almost missed it. Only later that afternoon, did we see it. The words in the bulletin:

"Sanctuary Flowers. In loving honor and with grateful appreciation to our pastors—Dr. Dan Jones, Rev. Casey Tanguay, and David Ware—from the congregation of First Christian Church Garland."

From your ministerial staff, thank you. We want you to know that we honor and appreciate you, too.

In his book, *This People, This Parish*, long-time pastor Robert Hudnut writes:

"I went into the pulpit one Sunday and there it was. Someone had rolled up a piece of cardboard and on it had written, 'We love you.' I will never know who it was. No one has claimed authorship The pastor could just as well put a sign on the front of the pulpit saying, 'I love you.' In sense, that is all the pastor does—loves the people."

Hudnut continues: "It is generally the most loving churches which have the most members giving their money to jails, nursing homes, slums, schools and mission outposts. And it is generally the most loving churches which reach out to their own members at times of distress, such as death and divorce and job-loss and emotional crisis."

You excel in all these things. By every measure, you are a loving congregation. The flowers you gave Sunday were a gracious reminder. They were a symbol of the love that binds our hearts.

--Your Pastors, Dan, Casey & David, All Saints 2018

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Disciples Men's Breakfast

Saturday, November 3rd 8:30am

We'll be meeting at Dos Banderas on Main Street in Garland.

SELECT YOUR DELEGATES!

CCSW Regional Assembly

Friday-Saturday, November 2-3, 2018

Central Christian Church, Austin, Texas

Our congregation is entitled to two voting representatives. Judy Ross has agreed to serve as one. We have a place for one more.

If you are interested in being a voting delegate from our church, contact Dan in the church office.

BETTER TOGETHER REGIONAL ASSEMBLY 2018



NOVEMBER 2 & 3 | AUSTIN, TX

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH



REGISTER AT CCSW.ORG/RA2018



DWM Morning Circle Monday, Nov 5th
9:30am Fellowship Hall

DWM Evening Circle Tuesday, Nov 6th
6:45pm Main Street Café

Contact Shirley Miller for more info



Good Samaritans of Garland

Feeding · Helping · Serving

Thanksgiving Food Bags

Thanksgiving food bags for Good Samaritan will be available for pick up in the Fellowship Hall. The Thanksgiving food bags will be available from Tricia Harrison. The bags are black this year and all have a label of contents needed for completing the bag. All food bags are due back by this Sunday, November 4th. A sincere "Thank you" to each of you for providing a family in need within our community a nice Thanksgiving lunch.



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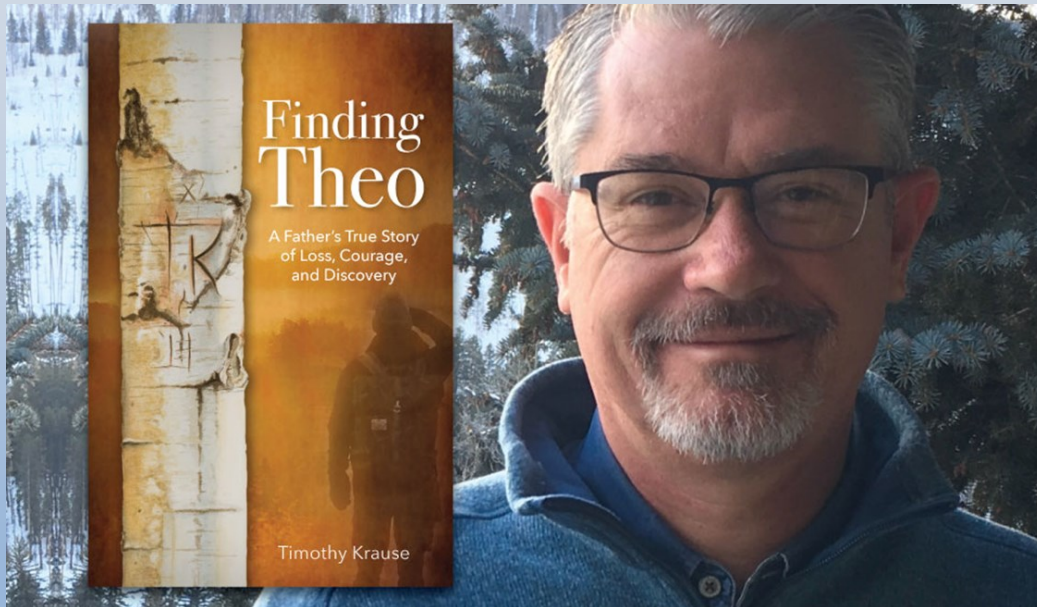
I want to thank everyone who contributed travel size toiletries to the "homeless hygiene kits." There were enough supplies to make 10 kits of soap, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, tooth brush & toothpaste, a small comb, mouthwash, hand lotion, hand sanitizer, a small pack of tissues and 1 pair of tube socks. The staff of Good Samaritans were very appreciative.

Patty Crow

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to decorate, give out candy, supervise games, and prepare food for our Trunk or Treat event. These large community events only come together with your help, and we're so grateful for it.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH GARLAND WELCOMES TIMOTHY KRAUSE, AUTHOR OF *FINDING THEO* December 9, 2018

A miracle toe and an Irish jig inspire hope as a family fights tragic loss. Please come meet Timothy Krause and learn the story of his son's remarkable recovery from a severe spinal injury, and of the people who stepped in to help in amazing ways. Finding Theo restores faith in the goodness of people and something bigger than all of us. You can find the book at



<https://www.amazon.com/Finding-Theo-Fathers-Courage-Discovery/dp/1945507926>

Veteran's Day Service

Sunday Nov. 11th

We will recognize current and former veterans during the service.

Fusion Dinner Church

We find our community, faith, fun, and of course, yummy food around the table. There's a place saved just for you! Join us for our next Fusion Dinner Church **Saturday, November 10th at 6:30pm**. Feel free to pass along the invite to others! All are welcome to join us.

Childcare is available. More information to come about the Youth Gathering during Fusion.





**THANKSGIVING
EVENTS**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

DWM BAKE SALE
Starting at 8:00am

THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON
Starting at 11:30am,
after Sunday School



Garland ISD Children's Chorus

The GISD Children's Chorus will have a performance here at First Christian Church Garland on **Sunday Nov. 18th at 6:00pm**. A small reception will follow. Come join us for this delightful community event.

Daylight Savings Time
is this **Saturday night**



**Don't forget to set your
clocks back an hour.**

PRAYER CONCERNS

God's Messengers

Sam Blake

Pat Spradley

Circle of Fellowship

Martha Ferrell

Wes Ferrell

Erlinda Martinez

Hands of Faith

Michael Armstrong

Fishers of Families

David Brand

The Grapevine

Jennifer Cass

Bettye Davenport

PASTORAL CONCERNS LINE



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A dedicated phone number for your use in contacting a FCCG minister with your pastoral concerns.



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