

The Messenger



October 12, 2016

Children's Sabbath



Children's Sabbath is an ecumenically-celebrated weekend committed to educating congregations nation-wide about the state of today's children and families in America. On this 25th anniversary of Children's Sabbath, we join other churches in remembering, praying and choosing to take small steps to do what is possible to help those whom Scripture says Jesus took time to notice (Mark 10:14).

IN HONOR OF CHILDREN'S SABBATH

We, at FCCG, are putting our words into action regarding Children's Sabbath, and "adopting" *Shorehaven Elementary School* in Garland for the remainder of the year. What does that mean to you? There are many opportunities available for you to serve. We will be collecting items for the children of the school in the coming weeks, and will have a list of the needed items available shortly. Shorehaven is in desperate need of **volunteers** to help at the school. You may go to the GISD website (www.garlandisd.net) and complete the Volunteer form.



First Christian Church Garland

Fall Festival & TRUNK-OR-TREAT



Candy Donations **NEEDED**
(donation box in Fellowship Hall)

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Volunteers **NEEDED**
for TRUNK-OR-TREAT

*Sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall or contact
Stephanie Gordon*

Saturday, October 29, 2016

5—7pm

DONATIONS NEEDED

GOD'S PROMISES SOCK MINISTRY

A couple of months ago our incredible youth began an outreach ministry that shares the love of God in a very simple and powerful way!

“God’s Promises” socks are socks that have been inscribed with “God’s Promises” on the sole. They are gifted as a gesture of prayerful love to remind the recipient (and the givers) that God is with us every step of the way and that we can always stand on the promises of God.

The youth are currently working to fulfill a large order of 580 socks for a U.S. Navy Battalion (**this is Kenny Kirker’s Battalion**) that just returned home. They need donations of the supplies to be able to continue this wonderful outreach ministry.

Please drop off your donations in the basket in the narthex. **NEEDED . . .**

White socks

Black sharpies

Safety pins

A basket of ready-to-go socks is currently kept in the narthex of the church. You are welcome to take a pair to pass along to others that may need an little extra reminder that they are loved.

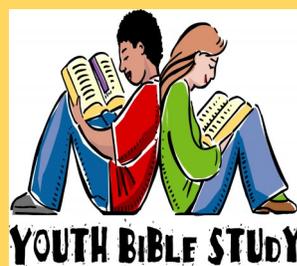
Contact Julian & Kathleen Olalde for more information.

FCCG YOUTH ACTIVITIES

NO YOUTH ACTIVITIES (incl. Children's & Youth Choir Rehearsals) ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16th



Sunday Evening Youth Activities 5-7pm at the Church



YOUTH BIBLE STUDY THIS EVENING for High School and Young Adults. Wednesday, October 12th at 6:30pm at the Godwin's home



CHILDREN'S CHOIR (4 yrs-3rd grade)

Rehearsals on Sunday evenings, 5:30pm-7:00pm.
Contact Tammy Holcomb for more information.

YOUTH CHOIR (3rd grade and up)

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



An Important Message About Childcare for FCCG Functions

Please note that childcare will routinely be scheduled for the following functions:

- Worship Service (Sunday morning)
- Sunday School (Sunday morning)
- Chancel and Handbell Choir Practice (Wednesday evenings)
- MOPS (second and fourth Sunday evenings)
- Board Meetings

However, if you would like childcare for any other events, please **notify Stephanie Gordon** a minimum of **24 hours** prior to the event. Thank you for your cooperation.

Contact Stephanie via email at sandagordon1@verizon.net or via phone at 214.673.9059.



Nursery

PRAYER REQUESTS

Circle of Fellowship

Wes Ferrell
Stan McGill

Cup of Life

Pat Spradley

God's Messengers

JoAnne Terry

Hands of Faith

David Worden

The Grapevine

Melody Biffle
Joyce Witt Boyd
Bettye Davenport
Tracey Williams



CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) in the
SOUTHWEST

Southwest Regional Assembly

Oct 29-30, 2016 at
Northway Christian Church, Dallas

“Faith WITH Works is ALIVE!”

Register online at — <http://ccsw.org/ra2016/>



CDs now available of the **Mary McDonald performance**. Cost is \$5 per CD; contact Stan McGill

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Limited number of CDs still available of **Joseph Martin performance**; cost is \$5 per CD; contact the church office.

Chancel Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7pm. Contact Stan McGill for more information.

Handbell Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 6pm. Contact Virginia McBee for more information.

Thank
you



To My Church Family:

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, emails, phone calls, visits and FOOD these past three weeks during my recovery. Laurie and I appreciate you and your wonderful kindness. I missed being with you, and happy I am now back and along with our Chancel Choir, looking forward to some wonderful music ahead.

-Stan McGill



Rev. Casey Tanguay will be away from the church Friday, October 21st through Sunday, October 23rd—attending a conference.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

There will be **no FCCG Men's Breakfast in October**. Instead, there will be a lunch meeting at Noon on Saturday, October 22nd at *Intrinsic Smokehouse and Brewery* in Garland. Matt Prestenberg will speak at the lunch meeting.

FCC Garland CMF will host the **Area Men's Breakfast** at 8:30am on Saturday, November 5th (in Fellowship Hall)



**DID YOU
KNOW...**

These positions are ELECTED OFFICES

These are VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

- Board Chair
- Board Vice-Chair
- Elder
- Deacon
- Junior Deacon
- Trustee
- Treasurer

- Education
- Evangelism
- Fellowship
- Membership
- Outreach
- Personnel
- Property
- Publicity
- Stewardship
- Worship
- Disciples Women
- Disciples Men

PICK YOUR PASSION AND SERVE!



**REGISTRATION ENDS SOON
For CYF and Chi Rho Retreats**

CYF Registration Ends October 23, 2016

Chi Rho Registration Ends October 30, 2016

FCCG FAMILIES & PROFESSIONALS

Fusion: a merging of spirituality into real everyday life, is transitioning into a small group ministry.

Jesus was in a small group.



life change happens in small groups

What is a Fusion small group? A group of about 6-14 people that meet regularly to share life, a yummy meal and prayer with one another. These gatherings will take place in host homes (or at a location to be determined by each group). They will be low stress and free-flowing. The focus is not on accomplishing a set agenda or extensive bible study, rather emphasis will be placed on building relationships and sharing holy moments. Several of these groups will be open for children to attend; however, these groups are open to any and all young adults/families (married, unmarried, parents, kid-less, single, hopeful, professional, unprofessional...). We currently have two small groups that will begin meeting later this month. If you are interested in learning more and/or becoming a part of a small group, talk to Rev. Casey

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