

The Messenger

January 9, 2019



MOMENT'S REFLECTION

"So, Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teacher." NIV, Ephesians 4:11

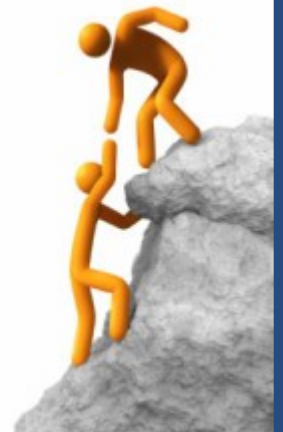
I want to commission our congregation's new leaders this Sunday, January 13, in worship. I also want to thank those who completed terms of service in 2018. See the names of those persons below.

Let this be an occasion not to replace old leaders, rather, a moment for new leaders to build on the work of the past. Let's don't begin again. Let's continue together.

My deepest thanks to each of you who finished terms of service last year, and to those who gladly serve in unofficial terms. Thank you. Your work matters greatly.

But this Sunday, I want to recognize a new group of leaders. I want to "commission" you because I don't like the idea of "installing" you. The word "install" utterly misses the meaning of the occasion. And yet, "commission" sounds like one of those funny church words that should mean something to us, but often doesn't. So, I want to propose that we accept Christ's vision to serve the Church. The passage from Ephesians describes that vision. Please open your Bibles and read the whole passage, Ephesians 4:11-16. Read it and then come Sunday to think together with me about what it might teach us about being a leader. - Dan

Effective Christian leaders are committed to advancing the mission in ways that also enable others to make their Kingdom contribution.



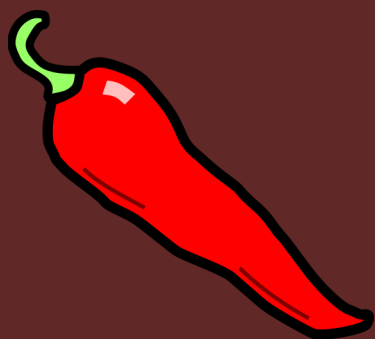
Outgoing (2018)

Kathleen Yant, Chris McMillan, Bill Dunn, Bob Simpson, Bobbie Barger, Morris Womack, Denise Armstrong, Elaine Roeger, Kate Walker, John Harrison, Lee MacDonald, Emily Henderson, Don & Cyndy Smith, Bill & Dolores Smith, Diana Callaway, Bobbie Barger, Joanna Jewett, Kim Schnitker, Eric Dacon, Bobbie Barger, Diana Callaway, Renee Godwin, Kim Whalin, Emily Henderson, Krystal Richardson, Virginia Stone

Incoming (2019)

Chris McMillan, Doug Harrison, Kathleen Olalde, Virginia Stone, Dwight Brand, Morris Womack, Pat Aston, Elaine Roeger, Melody Biffle, Stephanie Gordon, Sarah Gibson, Cyndy Smith, Denise Armstrong, Brenda Crosthwaite, Brenda Harper, J.T. Walker, Rick Roeger, Emily Henderson, Bobbie Barger, Shirley Miller, Laurie Owens, Rebecca Fetzer, Kristen Nowlin, Glenda Lee, Eva Schneeberg, Don Smith, Billie Bliss, Sondra Martin, Greg Camp

	Outgoing 2018	Incoming 2019
Chair	Kathleen Yant	Chris McMillan
Vice Chair	Chris McMillan	Doug Harrison
Secretary		Kathleen Olalde
Treasurer	Bill Dunn	Virginia Stone
Elder (3 rd Year)	Bob Simpson	Dwight Brand
Elder (2 nd Year)	Bobbie Barger	Morris Womack
Elder (1st Year)	Morris Womack	Pat Aston
Diaconate Chair	Denise Armstrong	Elaine Roeger
First Diaconate Vice Chair	Elaine Roeger	
Second Diaconate Vice Chair	Kate Walker	
Sr. Trustee	John Harrison	Melody Biffle
Elder Emeritas	Lee MacDonald	
Ministry Chairs		
Ministry Chair (Education)	Stephanie Gordon	
Ministry Chair (Evangelism)	Emily Henderson	Sarah Gibson
Ministry Chair (Fellowship)	Don& Cyndy Smith Bill & Dolores Smith Diana Callaway	Cyndy Smith
Ministry Chair (Membership)	Bobbie Barger	Denise Armstrong
Ministry Chair (Outreach)	Brenda Crosthwaite	
Ministry Chair (Personnel)	Brenda Harper	
Ministry Chair (Property)	J.T. Walker	
Ministry Chair (Stewardship)	Joanna Jewett	Rick Roeger
Ministry Chair (Worship)	Kim Schnitker	Emily Henderson
Elder Chair	Eric Dacon	Bobbie Barger
Elder Vice-Chairman	Bobbie Barger	
Disciples Women	Shirley Miller	
Sunday School Class Reps		
Children’s Sunday School Class	Diana Callaway	Laurie Owens
Youth Sponsor	Renee Godwin	Rebecca Fetzer
Apostles & Crossroads Class	Kim Whalin	Kristen Nowlin
Christianity 101 Class	Krystal Richardson	Glenda Lee
Cooper Class	Virginia Stone	Eva Schneeberg
Crusaders Class	Don Smith	
Followers Class	Billie Bliss	
Ruth Mix Class	Sondra Martin	



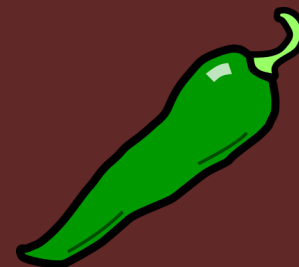
All-Church Chili Cook-Off

Sunday January 27th

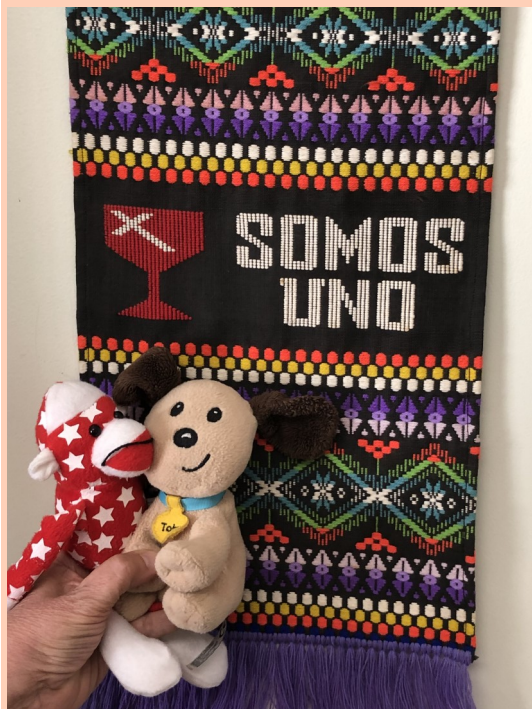
11:30am

The FCCG Men's group is hosting an all-church chili-cookoff. All are invited to participate and come enjoy some yummy chili. There will be prizes for judges' choice and people's choice chili!

Sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall for those that want to enter.



Casey's Mission Trip Report



On Sunday, January 27th in the sanctuary during Sunday School (10:15-11:15am), Rev. Casey will share a presentation about her recent mission trip to the Lower Rio Grande Valley.



All are invited to come hear about her experience with Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries.

BOARD & CABINET EVENTS 2019

Leadership Commissioning

January 13, during worship

First Board Meeting

January 13 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 201

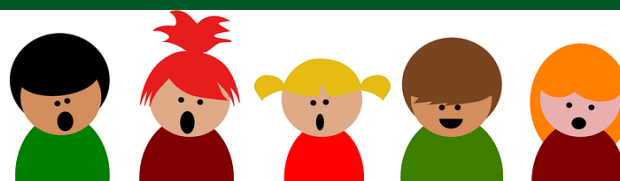
NTA Leader and Learner Event

January 26, 2019 at Northway Christian Church
from 8:30-3:00

Please Note!

The Youth Sponsor meeting that was supposed to be Jan.

6th has been rescheduled to Sunday, the 20th at 2:30pm in Room 201.



Children's Choir

Children's Choir rehearsals resume January 20th at 4:00pm in Room 210.

Week of Compassion

Our Week of Compassion Special Offering will be happening in February. Rev. Caroline Hamilton-Arnold, Associate Director of Week of Compassion, will be our guest preacher on **Sunday, February 17th**. She will also lead a presentation about Week of Compassion during the Sunday School hour in the sanctuary.



Disciples Women's Ministry Monthly Meetings

Morning Circle – Monday Feb. 4th at 9:30am
In the Fellowship Hall
Evening Circle – Tuesday Feb. 5th at 6:45pm
At Main Street Café

Contact Shirley Miller

Save the Date

Feb 17th - DWM Taco Luncheon & Bingo



Thank You to All the 2018 Cabinet and Board Members for the hard work and dedication in making FCCG a wonderful place to worship.

- Kathleen Yant



2019 NTA Leader and Learner Event

**Speaker:****Timothy James**

Associate General Minister and
Administrative Secretary of the
National Convocation

Saturday**January 26, 2019****8:30 a.m - 3:00 p.m.****Northway Christian Church****7202 W. Northwest Hwy.****Dallas, TX 75225**

Workshops include: Welcoming Little Ones to Worship; Camp Matters; Active Shooter in the Church: "Run, Hide, Fight"; Kabbalah; The Multi-Cultural Church; Getting Unstuck: Becoming a Missional Church, It's a Serious Heart Condition: How Will You ACT?; Empowering Youth to Create Meaningful Worship; The NTA: A Once and Future Area; The Significance of the Disciples of Christ; A P.L.A.N. to Grow!; Men's Ministry; DWM Information & Sharing; Opening Your Church to the Community: Co-Working; and more

Disciples Women's Ministry upcoming events

Area DWM Meeting

FCC McKinney

Saturday, January 19, 10:30am

\$7.00 for the meal

Breakfast at J J's Café

Saturday, January 26, 9:00 a.m.

10233 NW Hwy; Dallas

Breakfast buffet is available for around \$10.00



PRAYER CONCERNS

God's Messengers
Nina Wood

Circle of Fellowship
Wes Ferrell
Erlinda Martinez
Les Perry

Hands of Faith
Michael Armstrong

The Grapevine
Bettye Davenport
Lynda Simpson

Fishers of Families
David Brand
Quentin & Rachel
Scruggs

Shepherds
Helen Smith

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