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April 14, 2021



Youth Community Event

This past weekend, our youth group worked to help feed our neighbors. Seven of our youth and six adults walked down to Good Samaritan to serve a lunch donated by <u>Sazon</u> with the Garland Foodies. They also helped with some chores in the pantry and cleaned trash around the property. We can take great pride in their generosity and willingness to help others.









The Messenger

Disciples Crossing

SUBMER 2021

Summer 2021 Registration is OPEN and space is LIMITED!

We are so excited to re-open our gates to summer campers this year. Summer 2021 will look different than what many of you are used to. Our new programming is designed intentionally to offer the most people the most camp time in the safest way possible! Campers will be grouped into Crews based on grade and gender and go through their daily schedules together. They will live, eat, sleep, and play together and will participate in activities with other Crews only while outdoors and/or maintaining social distance. This will help us to reduce the risk of COVID exposure, based on CDC and State recommendations.

Summer 2021 Camps

Traditional DOC Family Camp (All Ages) Session 1: May 28-30 | Session 2: June 4-6

Senior + (Class of 2020) June 11-13

DC Camp - Family Edition (All Ages) Sessions 1-3 June 12-17 | Sessions 4-6 July 11-16 *this is a one night camp option. Stay as many or as few nights as your schedule allows during each session!

DC Day Camp (1st-5th Grades) Session 1: June 21-25 | Session 2: July 19-23 *more info coming soon!

Traditional DOC Eighters (8th-9th Grades) June 27-July 3

DC Youth (6th-12th Grades) July 5-9

DC Kids (1st-5th Grades) August 2-6

You can read more about Summer 2021 on our website at <u>www.disciplescrossing.org/summer2021</u>

Outreach Update

It is time to bring your stuffed animals for Journey of Hope, our quarterly commitment to the children there. Please place them in the box marked "Stuffed Animals" in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for caring for the children of Journey of Hope.

Outreach/FCCGarland



DWM 2021-2022 INSTALLATION MAY 1, 2021 AT 10:00AM FELLOWSHIP HALL

"There's a Seat At the Table for You"

* Martha Williams will install officers

- * Scarlett Prestenberg Special Music
- * Bring Blessing Box Donations
- * Enjoy a preboxed "small cake"
 * Masks and COVID policy will be observed

* If unable to attend in person, join via Zoom. Information will be sent by email.

Youth News

April & May Youth Meetings

April 18—Chi Rho 4:00-5:30pm April 25—JYF & CYF 4:00-5:30pm

May 2—JYF 4:00-5:30pm May 9—No Youth May 16—Chi Rho 4:00-5:30pm May 23—CYF 4:00-5:30pm

Celebrations



We celebrate the birth of Jackson Phelps

born March 24th to Kayse & Jonathan Phelps.

Proud great-grandparents Bill & Jeanne Dunn.

Spiritual Development Offerings

Looking for a way to stay connected to your church? Log on to some of our spiritual development courses. Have questions? Confused about how to get the Zoom link to work? Contact the church office.

Study of Ephesians

Rev. Dr. Douglas Skinner, member of our congregation, invites you to a Bible Study. The class will meet weekly, Thursday at noon. Check your email each week for the link to the Zoom meeting.

Study of Ephesians

Meeting Thursdays at 12:00pm Via Zoom

THE LETTER OF PAUL

New Monday Night Study Group

Our Monday night Study Group will return on April 26 at 7:00pm. This class will continue for five (5) weeks through Monday, May 24th. We'll plan on conducting it on ZOOM, UNLESS conditions are such and participants are comfortable with meeting at the church. That decision will be up to the group.

By request, we will be delving into Disciple History and Thought – an introduction for some, a refresher for others. Our book will be the Fifth Edition of *A Handbook for Today's Disciples* by D. Duane Cummins. We have placed 12 on order and they should arrive soon.

Please let me know ASAP if you plan to participate and would like a book. If we have more than 12 who are interested, we'll order more books. It's an easy read and a good summary of the history and thought of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), of which our church is a part.

I look forward to sharing with you to the rich history and thought of the wider church with which we covenant.

Until then . . . Shalom Rev. Dave <u>dave@fccgarland.org</u>

Mid-Week Pause

Midweek Pause Each Wednesday at 3:00pm

Be sure to check out Dr. Dan and Rev. Dave every Wednesday at 3:00pm for their **Mid-Week Pause**. Watch on the <u>FCC Garland Facebook page</u> or on the <u>FCC Garland</u> YouTube channel.



Communion Elements

If you have exhausted your supply of pre-filled communion cups and wafers and would like some more as you take part in worship at home, please contact the church office 972-272-5423 or officeadmin@fccgarland.org.

There are kits assembled and we'll make an arrangement for you to come to the church to pick some up. Dear friends of First Christian Church,

Your prayers, cards, and phone calls have been such a blessing to me during the past couple of months as my mother's health continued to decline. The Holy Spirit seemed to send a comforting thought just when I needed it most, and I am most grateful to you, the Messengers of Comfort and Love.

Sincerely, Laurie Owens and family



In Sympathy

We give our sympathy to the family and friends of

Rachel Scruggs,

who passed away on March 30, 2021 A memorial service was held at FCC Garland on April 9th





INSYMPATHY

We give our condolences to the Ron Kirker and the family of

Jill Kirker,

who passed away on April 7, 2021. A memorial service was held April 11th.

