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A Letter From The Pastor

REV. PETER MITCHELL, SENIOR MINISTER PETER@FCCMCKINNEY.ORG

The church is not a building. The church is not a steeple. The church is not a resting place. The church is the people.

You know what else the church is not? An organization who renders goods and services in exchange for fee. We're also not a club to which our members pay dues. We aren't a social society or a civic organization. We are more than just a group who

happens to meet weekly in a big room and listen to a keynote speaker.



So, just what are we? FCC Family, we are the church! That's our exploration in the month of May. Together, we are a local expression of the body of Christ entrusted with a powerful message. The redemptive love of God made known in Jesus Christ is ours to celebrate, share and respond gratefully. It

takes all of us, our collective gifts and efforts, to be the church together.

Beginning on Sunday, May 8th, our sermons through the end of the month will focus on how we are the church together. I look forward to worshipping with you, and I hope you'll invite someone to join us on Sunday mornings.

Peace to you all,

Peter

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Katherine's Korner

REV. KATHERINE WRIGHT, FAMILY LIFE MINISTER KATHERINE.WRIGHT@FCCMCKINNEY.ORG

May is the month for milestones in Family Life Ministry! Last month, we baptized Zachary Knight into the Body of Christ. This month, we are celebrating the high school graduations of Hannah Dres, Savannah Dres, Adeline Gore, and Madison Gullickson. Of course, everyone else is celebrating their summer break and bragging about moving to the next grade level.

In the church life this summer, we are gathering every Wednesday night at 6:30 for church-wide fun for all ages. We are getting ready for summer camp at Disciples Crossing. So far we have nine youth registered and four adults going as counselors. We are counting down the days until VBS and so thankful for all the adults who have agreed to spend that week at church.

We send out our prayers to everyone who make this busy time of year possible. We pray for families in the midst of celebrations and milestones. We pray for strength and rest for teachers and school staff cramming everything into the last stretch of the school year. We thank all the church members who make this time extra special for children, youth, and families.



MONTH AT A GLANCE

1ST	YOUTH & GRADUATION SUNDAY
2ND	ELDERS' MEETING
3RD	NOMINATION COMMITTEE MEETING
7TH	FEEDING FRIENDS & FAMILIES
8TH	MOTHER'S DAY
10TH	LADIES' NIGHT OUT
18TH	STEWARDSHIP MEETING
21ST	FEEDING FRIENDS & FAMILIES
23RD	BOARD MEETING
30TH	MEMORIAL DAY



Would you like to support our VBS 'Food Truck Party' – On A Roll With God? Check out FCCM's <u>Amazon wish list</u> where you may purchase supplies needed for VBS that will be delivered straight to the church.



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SERMON SCHEDULE

MAY 1ST

Youth & Senior Sunday

MAY STH

Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-13 New Series Begins: The Church Together "I am the Church"

MAY 15TH

Scripture: Ephesians 1:15-23 "You are the Church"

MAY 22ND

Scripture: Romans 1:8-15 "We are the Church Together"

MAY 29TH

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

"All Who Follow Jesus, All Around the World"

JOIN THE WOMEN OF FCCM & BRING A FRIEND TO

FOOD FELLOWSHIP

MAY 10TH • 7 PM SICILY'S PIZZA & PASTA 1502 W UNIVERSITY DRIVE MCKINNEY, TEXAS 75069

PLEASE RSVP TO SHARON GOTCHER BY 11 AM ON MAY 10TH (972) 658-0152 GOTCHER.SHARON@GMAIL.COM

Need a ride? No problem! Let Sharon know when you RSVP and arrangements will be made!

AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH MCKINNEY

EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT THIS SUMMER AT 6:30, JOIN US FOR FUN ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES! YOU BRING DINNER, WE BRING THE FUN!

JUNE 1ST WATER SLIDE INTO SUMMER

JUNE 8TH COOKIE DECORATING CONTEST

JUNE 15TH KONA ICE, WATER BALLOONS, & GAMES

JUNE 22ND CHURCH SCAVENGER HUNT

JUNE 29TH CARD GAMES & POTLUCK SNACKS

JULY 13TH BINGO WITH PRIZES

JULY 20TH "WHO DONE IT?" MYSTERY NIGHT

JULY 27TH POPSICLES & PLAYGROUND

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MACKENZIE CHUNN 21

HANNAH KUNKLE 22 **LACY HANLON** 28

CHARLOTTE WHITTEN

TIFFANY & HANK DRES 14

CATHY & CHUCK BUCHFINK

MARY & MAURICE FOSTER 21

CINDY & STEVE DIXON

*We want to celebrate everyone's birthday and anniversary. If we missed yours, please contact the church so we can make this correction. Thank you. 3 A PTISM



We were thrilled to baptize Zachary Knight into the Body of Christ on Sunday, April 24th!



OPEN HOUSE

DISCIPLES CROSSING

SATURDAY, MAY 14TH FROM 10-3PM

We invite you and yours to join us at Disciples Crossing for a Day At Camp!

Open House is a day to get out of town to enjoy the Spirit of God. We'll have a day of camp fun for the whole family at DC.

TO RSVP CLICK HERE











BEVERLY GERMAN

NEW FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH MEMBER

Howdy, Beverly! A Texan to the core, Beverly has called many Texas cities home. She enjoys pottery and gardening. She is a self-proclaimed "PK" - preacher's kid - so she was at church much of her life! Ask her about her grandchildren AND great-granddaughter!



The measure of what we are is what we do with what we have" - Vince Lombardi



SHERRIE FISHER

NEW FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH MEMBER

Welcome, Sherrie! Sherrie served at her church in Washington state for 13 years as Church Secretary at FCC Olympia. She has a mischievous cat named Kai! She enjoys reading novels. When she can, she loves to spend holidays with family here in McKinney or in Bellbrook, Ohio.



Summer 2022 is coming and we are SO excited about summer camps at Disciples Crossing! Check out all of the information about camps on the <u>Disciples Crossing</u> Website.

We are hopeful that camps will feel more familiar and "normal" and less "COVID-y" this summer, but know that Disciples Crossing will be monitoring COVID and will implement any necessary precautions prior to each camp.

CAMP DATES & DEADLINES

CAMP DESCRIPTIONS

EXTRA INFO ABOUT IMAGO DEL

Note: If you have a 7th or 8th grader, we highly recommend that you send them to Imago Dei! They can also go to DC Youth, but if they have to pick one--this is their only year for this special, important camp!

HOW TO REGISTER

REGISTRATION FEE CHART

Use the code "POTTER10" for 10% off registration fee.

SCHOLARSHIP FORM

to cover 100% of fee

INTERESTED IN SERVING?

VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR

Our camps are volunteer-staffed with both clergy and lay-leaders. Spend a week with kids or youth and see what God will do! Directors are currently recruiting counselors, so show your interest today!

WORK AS A SUMMER INTERN

Know a young adult who is looking for a summer job? Spend the summer at camp as a Summer Intern!



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 GRADUATES



Daughter of Hank & Tiffany Dres Graduating from McKinney Boyd HS



Daughter of Hank & Tiffany Dres Graduating from McKinney Boyd HS



Daughter of Kenny & Sara Gullickson Graduating from McKinney Boyd HS



Daughter of Katherine McCraw Graduating from McKinney Boyd HS

APRIL 2022 MEMORIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF PEGGIE & GARLAND POLK:

Annie McCarley

IN MEMORY OF KATHRYN MCCARLEY:

Annie McCarley

IN MEMORY OF THE MCCARLEY & POLK FAMILY:

James & Jane McCarley

IN MEMORY OF BOBBIE DUGGER:

IN MEMORY OF NANCY SIMMONS:

Butch & Terry Irby

IN MEMORY OF HAROLD STEINBERG:

Maurice & Mary Foster

IN MEMORY OF RAYVEL BURRUS:

Jay & Betsy Crum

Annie McCarley, Butch & Terry Irby, Linda Dugger & Matthew