

The church uses the season of Lent to set an intentional course toward Easter. This observance doesn't hasten us to Easter and resurrection, but rather we look with open eyes, search with contrite hearts, and acknowledge the significance of our story. It is an intentional, collective movement through the final earthly days of Jesus. This trek is emotional. It is spiritual. It simultaneously introspective and outwardly focused. Beginning with Ash Wednesday we spend time reflecting on our deep need for God. Palm Sunday is a taste of the triumph of Jesus, but this taste is short-lived as his days in Jerusalem play out. Maundy Thursday inaugurates the last supper – the meal of communion so central to our practice of worship. Good Friday is stilling and chilling in the painful reality of the crucifixion of Jesus. Triumph emerges yet again on Easter as Jesus declares life in the face of death. Restored to life, and resurrecting us along with

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him, the Jesus of Easter is eternal. He conquers all that separates us from God, each other, and life abundant.

During this journey of Lent, make worship a priority. Join us for weekly worship services and special observances during Holy Week.

Peace to you all - Peter



Ashes To Go 8 am - 3 pm Worship Service 6:30 pm

### Katherine's Korner

Saturday, March 5th, we are packing up our rented van with youth and willing adults to travel 12 hours to Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries in Los Fresnos, Texas. This trip is the 30th anniversary of our first trip in 1992, since then there has been countless trips, volunteers, hours in the car, time at the beach, memories made, and overall, so many people impacted. My first trip was in 2007 and while I was in high school, we traveled across the border to build an addition to a casita.

We are absolutely blown away by the support every year, but especially this year by how many people gave on or around Mission Trip Sunday. Thank you to Madison Gullickson, Lindsey Maisberger, and Claire Parsons for speaking and sharing their experiences. Thank you to Rev. Peter Mitchell for motivating givers by agreeing to eat olives.

We are thrilled to be representing you and look forward to sharing the stories and experiences afterwards. It is absolutely a treasure no one has to pay to go on the trip and we are able to purchase extra hygiene products to

hygiene kits. We know we are in your prayers and can't be more appreciative.

Peace,

Katherine

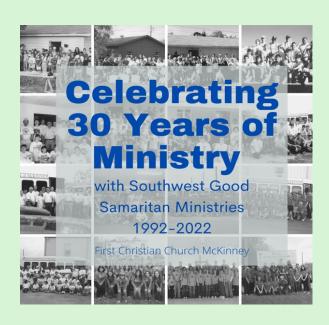
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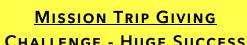
Maddie Gullickson, Lindsey Maisberger, and Claire Parsons sharing their Mission Trip experiences.



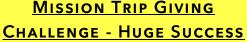








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Thanks to everyone who donated and thanks to Rev. Mitchell for being a good sport.







### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Lindsey Maisberger was elected to the Regional Youth Council in the Southwest Region for the 2022-2023 school vear.







### Month At A Glance

2nd Ash Wednesday

Ashes to Go

Ash Wednesday Worship Service

5th Feeding Friends & Families

5th Mission Trip departs

11th Mission Trip returns

13th Daylight Savings Time

14th Elders Meeting

17th St. Patrick's Day

Stewardship Meeting

19th Feeding Friends & Families

28th FCC Board Meeting

# DISCIPLES WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

APRIL 22, 23 & 24th
Disciples Crossing, Athens, TX

"Do Not Fear, God is Near"

- Joshua 1:9



## **Keynote Presenter -Rev. Dawn Weeks Bible Study -Deborah Traylor**

Retreat sponsored by: NTA Disciples Women's Ministries

For more information contact Sharon Gotcher: gotcher.sharon@gmail.com or (972) 658-0152







# Focus of Worship for March



March 6th Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Theme: Instructions for Living a Life Guest Preacher: Rev. Allison Lanza

March 13th Scripture: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Theme: Jesus isn't ours to keep, we are his

to transform.

March 20th Scripture: Psalm 63:1-8

Theme: Clinging and Singing

March 27th Scripture: Psalm 32

Theme: Shouting for joy or just yelling?

### **EASTER LILIES**



The Women's Ministry will continue their annual tradition of arranging for Easter Lilies to be placed in the worship areas on Easter Sunday. Easter lilies will be available to order mid-March in honor or in memory of a loved one. Watch for

order information in Sunday bulletins and on the bulletin boards in both buildings.

### An Easy Way to Give to FCCM

If you order through Amazon or Amazon Prime, just follow the steps below and a percentage will be donated to FCCM every time you place an order. YES, it is that easy!

### Here's how



- 1. Visit smile.amazon.com.
- 2. Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials.
- 3. Under choose a charitable organization type in <u>First Christian Church McKinney</u> to receive donations.



### February Memorial Gifts

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| In Memory of    | Given by                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rayvel Burrus   | Hannah Kunkle            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Albert Cain     | Hannah Kunkle            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kenneth Edwards | Hannah Kunkle            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Treva Lewis     | A.K. & Shirley Armstrong |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 | Maurice & Mary Foster    |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 | Tim & Donna Griffen      |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 | Hannah Kunkle            |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 | Steve & Laurie Wilson    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tip McCarley    | Annie McCarley           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sonny Olsen     | Butch & Terry Irby       |  |  |  |  |  |



## Easter Extravaganza!

April 9, 2022 2-4 pm

Petting Zoo, Ice Cream, and Easter Egg Hunt First Christian Church McKinney

1800 W Hunt St











### **Easter Egg Hunt Donations**

We need your help! Our goal is to have 2,000 filled plastic Easter eggs for our Easter Extravaganza! You may pick up empty eggs outside of worship areas on March 20th & 27th. Fill eggs with minisized individually wrapped candies -No unwrapped candy in the eggs please. Filled eggs must be returned no later than April 3rd.

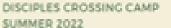




# Daylight Saving Time March 13th

Remember to set your clocks ahead an hour before you go to bed Saturday night!







# Disciples Crossing Summer Camps

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 DISCIPLES CROSSING WEBSITE.

(Click the blue links for more details)

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 DEI** 

If you have a 7th or 8th grader, we highly recommend that you send them to this camp! 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? Here's a few ways to do that...

### **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!



## **Birthdays**

| Abbie     | Andrews    | 2-Mar  | Nora 💌  | Fisher      | 11-Mar |
|-----------|------------|--------|---------|-------------|--------|
| Sandy     | Baxter     | 2-Mar  | Lindsey | Savelsbergh | 11-Mar |
| Mary      | Foster     | 2-Mar  | Chloe   | Knight      | 12-Mar |
| TC        | Hensel     | 2-Mar  | John    | Chunn       | 13-Mar |
| Blake     | Britton    | 3-Mar  | Heidt   | Matthews    | 13-Mar |
| Hannah    | Dres       | 3-Mar  | Draven  | Maisberger  | 14-Mar |
| Savannah  | Dres       | 3-Mar  | Cliff   | Parsons     | 15-Mar |
| Frances   | Parrent    | 6-Mar  | Madison | Cessac      | 18-Mar |
| Lindsey   | Maisberger | 8-Mar  | Ross    | Wells       | 18-Mar |
| Lance     | Maisberger | 8-Mar  | Debra   | Horn        | 19-Mar |
| Margaret  | Collins    | 9-Mar  | Martha  | Davis       | 21-Mar |
| Annabelle | Guerra     | 10-Mar | Bennie  | Dugger      | 22-Mar |
| Amy       | Harper     | 10-Mar | Edith   | White       | 23-Mar |
| John      | Miller     | 10-Mar | Anna    | Wurst       | 26-Mar |
| Ruth D.   | Thompson   | 10-Mar | Alex    | Dalley      | 30-Mar |
|           |            |        |         |             |        |

### **Anniversaries**

Nancy & Erny Mathews 3-Mar

Ann & Ross Wells 10-Mar

<sup>\*</sup>We want to celebrate everyone's birthday and anniversary. If we missed yours, please contact the church office so we can make this correction. Thank you.