



# The Chalice

A Newsletter for Members & Friends of First Christian Church, Conroe



July 12, 2010

## Youth Ministry



From the  
Pastor



**Dr. Wes Morgan**

You have probably already read elsewhere in this newsletter of the resignation of our Youth Pastors, Vicki and Robert Hill.

I have many different feeling about this news. First, I am saddened that the great gifts, skills and passion they brought to this ministry will no longer be used in that ministry. Second, I am grateful for the incredible work they did. When they began their ministry, there were very few youth in our congregation – now they number in the scores. And even more important than the numbers was the quality of the ministry – the love – the relationships – and the care-filled guidance. Finally I am filled with hope for the future of our continuing youth ministry. Vicki and Robert built a strong foundation upon which we can continue to build. Already a Youth Ministry Team has been formed to see that this happens. That team consist



**Alice. Sloan, and Julia talk about camp week**

### **Board Receives Resignation of Youth Pastors**

Jan Lewis reports that Vicki and Robert Hill have submitted their resignation as youth pastors effective July 31, 2010. We thank Vicki and Robert for their dedicated ministry for the past several years.

### **Plans for Youth Ministry**

Johnnie Walker reports that Natalie & Brent Cave, Brian & Nicci Fielder, Duncan & Carol McGinnis and Keri Fick will be working with the JAM kids on Wednesday nights. Real Provencher states that the elders will be addressing JAM at their August meeting.

### **VBS Crew and Station Leader Meeting**

There will be training for VBS crew and station leaders on Thursday, July 22, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. This is for all workers and is especially helpful for those who have not worked a Vacation Bible School. Please remember to go online and register your kids for Vacation Bible School if you haven't done so, yet. at [www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/fccconroe](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/fccconroe). VBS is still accepting donations for VBS.

of Natalie and Brent Cave; Nicci and Brian Fielder; Duncan and Carol McGinnis; Keri Fick and Johnnie Walker as the Encourager for the Spiritual Gifts of Teaching. This team has already met twice to make sure that this ministry continues. There are plans to add several youth to the Team in the near future. I ask to pray for each member of the Youth Ministry Team.

I also ask you to remember that our ministry with children and youth is everything that is done in and through the church which is for, by and with children and youth." The basis for this ministry is found in the Good News from Christ. Each person is important in the sight of God. Each person is loved by God just as they are. Each person is called to reach out to others in love. Because we have these thoughts, feelings and beliefs, we offer a ministry to, with and for children, youth and their families. The focus of this ministry is to enable them to choose a life-style that will reflect the fact that they (and all persons) are important, loved and called to share love. The purpose of this ministry is to help them learn and live a Christian life in this world. In order to do this, we talk, study, laugh, play worship, sing, work and eat together so that we might discover the ways in which the Gospel interacts with all

of life. We learn many skills that will enable us to reflect upon life and choose the actions that fit our faith. Finally, our ministry is focused in the present. We are not preparing leaders for the church of the future -- **WE ARE ENABLING THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF TODAY'S CHURCH!** Surely, they will be better leaders tomorrow; but only because they have been involved today! You see, it is always in the "here and now" that we are called to live -- to make faith decisions -- to be alive in God's Spirit. So, please continue pray for this very important ministry in our church and for all of the children, youth and adults involved in it.

Love & Blessings,  
Wes <+><



These are the lessons that your Pastor is reading in preparation for the Sunday services.

Scripture  
Amos 8.1-12  
Psalm 52  
Colossians 1.15-28  
Luke 10.38-42

**New Bible Study  
Gospel Christianity  
Begins Tuesday, July 13**

Do you want to know what Jesus really taught? Then this is the class for you! Pastor Wes will be leading this class on the Gospel views regarding Christianity. The class will meet every Tuesday from July 13 to August 31 beginning at 6:30 pm. Child care will be provided.



***The Mission Statement of  
The First Christian Church,  
Conroe, TX***

Our mission is to serve and praise God by sharing our love with all people as Christ taught.

**For the Record  
July 11, 2010  
Worship: 123  
Offering: 9746**



**“Praising God – Reaching out – Teaching love –  
Serving God and people!”**



Visitors for Sunday, July 11, 2010: Carol Collier; Wilma Lehman; Jennifer, Terry, Marie, Norah Herbert

**MEMBERS:** Donna Smith; Bill Swan; Claudia Bonds; Gene Serrato; Gene Curry; Adam Schneider

**CONTINUING PRAYER FOR RELATIVES & FRIENDS:** Edward **Schraeder** – brother of H. Schraeder; Bryce **Stevenson** – relative of B. Harris; Susan **Perkins** – relative of D. Yates; Robert **Stevenson** – brother of B. Harris; Jace **Sandoval** – friend of R. & B. Harris; Sydney **Curtis** – daughter of K. McQueeney; Charles **LaCarter**; Norma **Herron** - mother of A. Corley; Terry **Files** – friend of P & B Keyser; Michele **Hendrickson** – granddaughter of M. Lum; Jennifer **Clark** & family – daughter of M Alexander; Mary **Chesser** – sister of M Schraeder; Ellen **Reeves** – friend of P Keyser; Maddox **McNear** – grandson of G Serrato; **McTighe** family – Relatives of A Twidell; Sharon **Blackburn** – daughter-in-law of M Caldwell

**IN MILITARY:** Lt. Col. Richard **Nori** (Iraq) – friend of J & T Moore; Chris **Sullivan**; David **Garza** (Afghanistan) – S Taylor; Aaron **Clayton** - friend of S Wilson; Lt Timothy **O’Neil** – relative of G Serrato; Sgt Kenny **Hughes** (Iraq) – grandson of L Lewis

**NEW PRAYER REQUESTS:** **Josh** – nephew of L Conner; Gene & Jenny **Omundson** – sister of P Schneider; Joan **Forse** – friend of B Harris; Jan **Crews** – friend of B Harris; Richard **Burks** – brother of K

McQueeney; Sandra **Burks** – mother of K McQueeney; Fred **Hargarves** family – son of TL Hale; **Kathy B** – friend of Coyne; Shannon and Mike **Hartman** – son of J Harvill; **Darlene & Bradley** – friends of N Cave; Blair family, Karen **Johnson** & Anne **King** – request by A Twidell; Jennifer **McFall** – granddaughter of L Fennell; Leon **Watson** – father of B Clark; Bill **George** – father of J Lewis; **Kathy and Norma** – caregivers of Bill George; Richard **Hammond** – friend of R&D Yates; Tre **Vordenbaum** – relative of T McNearney; Joann **Williams** – friend of B Keyser; Rose **Dreyer** – mother of B Provencher; Jason **Fontenot** – friend of M Mahony; Jo **Vasconcellos** & Mr **Bush** – friends of P Schneider; Clark **Stevenson** – nephew of B Harris; Relatives of D Smith; Maddie **Glezman**- friend of H Fick; Dylan **Tassin** – neighbor of D Blackburn; Nancy **Mayas** – friend of B Smith; Samuel **Vale** – day school student; Bob **Haynes** – friend of T Giltner; Helen **Neville** – relative of J Prejean; Jean **Rogers** & Joe **Schwind** – mom & dad of T Meyers; **Josh** - nephew of L Conners; Faye **Sandelin** - friend of P Keyser

**HOMEBOUND:** Gerry Kincaid; T. C. Harvill

### Blogging

What would we do without computers? Sometimes we get frustrated and use an oft-quoted phrase “can’t live with them, can’t live without them.” Information is just at tip of our fingertips as we type in words and suddenly we are experts on any given subject. It took a lot of nerve, but I finally dived into the world of blogging. I wasn’t real sure what the purpose of blogs was, but there were some that I read fairly often just to see if they were talking about one of my pet peeves. I really got started after I read Lara DeHaven’s blog. For days I read up on blogs. I saw that I could create a blog without it costing a penny and that was important since I already pay for a website. Some people are very wordy, some blogs are too cluttered and distract from the message. You need lots of white space – oh, and it helps to have an interesting subject. Some people blog about their favorite restaurants, their families, and just anything they want to talk about. I have my own life and don’t have time for those. After several false starts in setting up an account, I finally did it. I knew what I wanted to say, and this a perfect, free, venue to say it. Finding a new way to say something three times a week is a challenge, but it can be done. Just ask me if you want to know what I blog about. (Shirley Taylor)



Kerri Edwards



Laura Conner



Campers Stormie and Julia





Hey! Wink, I can see the horizon and FCC is coming into view. Do you see them? The kids, I mean.

Aye, Captain! It won't be long, 'till we'll be there.



Yeah! We'll be there July 26-30<sup>th</sup>, 9:15-12:30p

Captain, I have it marked here on the map. I also hear that we have over 40 children and counting joining us on USS VBS.



Awaiting your order captain, when to drop anchor. Did ya here that the Children's Change Barrel has collected \$217.00, so far. Isn't that great?



Squawk! Squawk"  
Keep 'em coming!



Register online.  
[www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/fccconroe](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/fccconroe)

# Weekly Calendar of Events

## Sunday, July 18, 2010

10:15 am Chancel Choir Practice  
 9:25 am Children's Sunday School  
 9:30 am Adult Sunday School  
 10:45 am Worship

## Monday, July 19, 2010

4:30 pm Girl Scouts Bi-Weekly

## Tuesday, July 20, 2010

9:00 am Hug-a-Bears 1&3 Tuesdays  
 9:30 am Soup Kitchen  
 6:30 pm Bible Study  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

## Wednesday, July 21, 2010

9:00-12:00 Food Pantry  
 6:30 pm JAM / Chi Rho  
 2:00 pm Alzheimer's (3rd Wed)  
 7:00 pm - Choir  
 7:00 pm Debtors Anonymous

## Thursday, July 22, 2010

6:30 - 8:00 pm Training for VBS

## Friday, July 23, 2010

## Saturday, July 24, 2010

## Sunday, July 25, 2010

9:25 am Children's Sunday School  
 9:30 am Adult Sunday School  
 10:15 am - Chancel Choir Practice  
 10:45 am - Worship Service

## Sunday, July 18, 2010

Sunday School: 9:30 am

**Morning Worship: 10:45 am**

**Sermon: Dr. Wes Morgan**

**Worship Leader: Paul Mathews**

**Elders:** Bob Smith

Donna Smith

**Sound Manager:** Bill Schneider

**Video Artist:** Candy Wolfe

Jan Lewis

**Greeters:** Cindy Ortiz

Barbara Provencher

**Head Deacon:** Cindy Ortiz

**Diaconate:** Bryan Fielder; Nicci

Fielder; Gary Alexander; Marty

Alexander; Connie Serrato; Charlene

Speight; Cindy Ortiz; Johnnie or

Jarrod Walker

**Preparing:** Cindy Ortiz

Johnnie or Jarrod Walker

**Acolytes:** Braden Elsmore

Raphael Wolfe

### Parlor Hosts

July 4

July 11

July 18

July 25

### FCC STAFF

Pastor: Dr. Wes Morgan  
 Secretary/Newsletter: Shirley Taylor  
 Dir. Children's Ministries: Jean Harvill  
 Student Ministry: Robert & Vicki Hill  
 Choir Director: Kerri Edwards  
 Accompanist: Kay Kammerdiener  
 Chalice Bells: Sherry Hunter  
 Day School Director: Jean Harvill

### Office Hours

Mon - Thurs 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

### Deadline for Newsletter

Monday

### Lock Up Schedule

6/27 - 7/3 - Larry Corley  
 7/4 - 7/10 - Robert Sanders  
 7/11 - 7/17 - Tom Wiley  
 7/18 - 7/25 - Harvey Schraeder  
 8/1 - 8/7 - Gary Crofford

### Flowers July 2010

July 4 - Corley

July 11 - Croffords

July 18 - Open

July 25 - Open

### Worship Leaders

July - Paul Mathews, Hannah Fick, Craig Elsmore  
 August - Peggy Schneider

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I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ARE 'ARRAYED IN A ROBE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS', BUT YOU STILL NEED TO DRESS FOR CHURCH

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Invite a Friend to Church Sunday