



# FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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## To Have the Peace of Jesus

Jesus is called the Prince of Peace. When the angels first appeared to the shepherds who were watching their flocks by night, they proclaimed, "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men." In the beatitudes Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God." God is a God of peace and order who wants His children to have peace and be at peace. Peace is not something that comes without effort but is a state of contentment that can only be ours by modeling our lives after Jesus. Nowhere in the gospels do we read about Jesus ever being worried or fretting. He only got angry once, and that was when the house of God was being desecrated by merchants. Having the peace of Jesus should be one of the goals of every Christian. If we pray, then don't worry. If we worry, then don't pray! Have the peace of Jesus. *Ellis*

## Love Cards for the Jackson Family

Dear Church Family,

Per the wishes of Jack Jackson, Sr. and his family, there will not be a service for him. We would like to share our memories and photos and show our respect to joy and the family with cards of love.

Jack was a longtime patron of First Christian Church and a loving friend. He always had a kind smile and a story about his work, his beautiful yard, his love for FCC, and especially his love for his family.

We would love if you would share a story or memory about how Jack has touched your life.

We are providing cards in the office or Narthex for your use. There will be a Love Basket for completed cards in the Narthex on **September 1 and September 8** to be given to the family.

### Children's Building Open House, Sunday, September 8, 11:00 am

After the Worship Service on **September 8**, please stop by the Children's Building to check out the new renovations and enjoy some light refreshments with the youth. The kids are looking forward to showing you their new space.

### Pastor's Bible Class

Pastor's Bible Class will resume **September 4**.

### Mission Room Need

Community Outreach is collecting toilet paper for the mission room.

## In the Life of the Church

- **Sunday, September 8, 11:00 am** Disciples Bells Rehearsal
- **Sunday, September 8, 6:00 pm** Cabinet Meeting
- **Sunday, September 8, 6:45 pm** Ministry Meetings
- **Monday, September 9, 9:30 am** Serve at Hope Campus
- **Tuesday, September 10, 10:00 am** DWF Group 4 (Parlor)
- **Tuesday, September 10, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at Calico County, 2401 South 56<sup>th</sup> Street
- **Tuesday, September 10, 4:15 pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- **Tuesday, September 10, 6:00 pm** DWF Group 3 (Parlor)
- **Wednesday, September 11, 8:00 am** Ecumenical Men's Bible Study (Disciples Hall)
- **Wednesday, September 11, 12:00 pm** Pastor's Bible Class (Disciples Hall)
- **Wednesday, September 11, 6:00 pm** Pastor's Bible Class (Disciples Hall)
- **Thursday, September 12, 10:00 am** Crazy Crafters (Parlor)
- **Thursday, September 12, 1:00 pm** Disciples of Music (Disciples Hall)

**Dianna's Notes**  
**Special Music**  
**September 22** Disciples Bells

**Elder for September**  
 Kristi Williamson  
**Greeters for September**  
 Max File and Connie Slater  
 Disciples Hall Entrance: Audrey Stewart  
**Prepare Communion for September**  
 Margot Mundy

**Prayer Concerns**

- **The family of Jack Jackson, Sr.**
- **Abby Musset**
- **Don Oglesby**
- **Jeanne Stebner's daughter, Tracy Hilbert**

**Hope Campus News**

We will prepare and serve lunch at Hope Campus Homeless Shelter on **Monday, September 9**, from 9:30-12:30. To sign up, contact Ginger Jefferies at 414-2466 or the church office.

We are collecting dipping sauces and table salt to take to Hope Campus.

**MEMORIALS:** We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts:

- In Memory of **Lucille Pulliam** by Mae Harris, Mickie Matthews, Sam & Rebecca Miller, Nick & Mary Beth Oliver, David & Judy Trent
- In Memory of **Jack Jackson, Sr.** by Mae Harris, Mickie Matthews, Nick & Mary Beth Oliver, David & Judy Trent, David & Kristi Williamson
- In Memory of **Dorothy Robertson** by Mickie Matthews

**Ice Cream Social Sundae**  
**Sunday, September 15, at 5:00 pm**

Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or you may text LaBeth Riggs (479-285-3041) if you would love to bring homemade ice cream (store bought is great also) or cookies/sweets. This is a great time to visit with each other and celebrate the end of summer!

*Membership Ministry*

**Pancake Supper**

We need pancake mix (water only) and syrup.

**DWF Group 3**

DWF Group 3 will meet **Tuesday, September 10**, at 6:00 pm in the Parlor for a potluck salad dinner.

<b>First Christian Church</b>	
3501 Rogers Avenue Fort Smith, Arkansas 72903 Phone: 479.783.1139	
<b>FOR THE RECORD</b> September 1, 2024	
<b>Operating Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 8,724.00</b>
<b>Endowment</b>	<b>545.00</b>
<b>Monthly Budgeted Needs</b>	<b>\$27,571.00</b>
<b>OFFICE HOURS</b> 9:00 am-3:00 pm - Monday-Thursday	
<b>SERVICE TIMES</b> Sunday School at 9:00 am; Worship at 10:00 am	
<b>CHURCH STAFF</b>	
<b>Rev. Dr. Ellis Robinson</b> , Senior Pastor, 479-651-0456	
<b>Dianna Jackson</b> , Director of Music Ministry	
<b>Mary Beth Oliver</b> , Organist	
<b>Barbara Brown</b> , Office Administrator	
<b>Pam Shelby</b> , Financial Administrator	
<b>Lesley Fleming</b> , Nursery Attendant	
<b>Rev. Howard Marshall</b> , Pastor Emeritus (1990-2022)	
<b>Rev. Randy Jay</b> , Pastor Emeritus	